

# Year Six/Seven

## NEWSBOOK

Term 1

Week 5

2017

This year has continued to go well for the students in our Year Six/Seven class and we have been very impressed with their commitment to tasks set.

### **Information Night**

Thank you to all the families who attended the Information Night in Week Three. It was great for us to see parents take an interest in their child's education. All families should have received the Year Six/Seven Class Information Booklet. Please take the time to read this and become familiar with what takes place in our class. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

### **Changes to Routines**

Thank you to those of you who have notified us of changes to routines and absences from school in advance. This has been helpful to us as teachers for forward planning. When students are away from school it is expected that they inquire as to what work they have missed and then endeavour to 'catch up' on vital information which will assist in their class work.

### **SEESAW Learning Journal**

Another reminder for parents who have not already done so to sign up to Seesaw. If you have misplaced your sign in sheet please let us know and we can organise another one for you.

### **Camp**

Camp is taking place this week and we are all looking forward to it. A reminder that students will need to have a backpack to take on the bus. This should hold their recess, lunch, drink bottle, hat and Aquatics clothes. All donated food items can be brought to school on Wednesday morning. The students are always very appreciative of the biscuits, cake etc. as swimming and aquatic activities makes for very hungry children.

### **Assembly**

The Year Six/Seven class assembly will be held on Friday 10 March (Week Six). This assembly will be run completely by our class and our students will be the only class showing work. It would be great to see as many parents and grandparents there as possible.

### **Mrs Hambour on Long Service Leave**

Mrs Hambour is taking Long Service Leave commencing on Friday 17 March to the end of the term. In her absence Mrs Bev Dutschke will be taking on her Friday teaching duties in the classroom.

## **INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF YEAR SEVEN STUDENTS ONLY**

### **Young Leaders Day**

Each year, we offer Year Seven students the opportunity to attend the National Young Leaders Day for primary students. We would like all students to attend so that we can use the information gained at the Leadership Day to further develop leadership qualities in all students in Year Seven. Leadership at St John's will contribute significantly to a student's preparation for life as he/she is empowered to assume a positive place in the global community. Opportunity and skill development is a key to building leadership. As an I.B. school this will connect strongly to the I.B. mission of aiming to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world. Young Leaders Day will be held on **Monday 20 March** at the Adelaide Convention Centre commencing at 9:15am and concluding at 2:30pm. Students will be travelling by car with Mrs Skinner who will be accompanying the students for the day. The times will require the students to leave before school starts and return after school finishes. More detailed information will be sent home at a later date.

The objectives of the day are to:

- Promote the value of inspirational and positive role models as examples to others
- Educate students about the need to grow in knowledge and practical skills in the areas of excellence and leadership.
- Inspire students to make a positive contribution to their school.
- Empower students with practical skills of balancing school, study and commitments.
- Connect with other students from schools and develop long-term support networks.

A high profile team of speakers is invited to speak to this next generation of young leaders. An endeavour is made to ensure the program has a mix of both male and female, and younger and older leaders. This is a marvellous opportunity for the students, at such an important time in their lives, to be exposed to these speakers and challenged to be their best. There are opportunities during the day for students to ask questions, which is really exciting.

For more information about the speakers this year, visit [www.halogenfoundation.org](http://www.halogenfoundation.org) We strongly encourage all students to attend this stimulating day as it is an event of great benefit to students especially as they practise leadership through Peer Support. The cost of the day is \$49 each. It is imperative that consent and payment is received by **Tuesday, 14 March**. We feel it is very important for all Year Seven students to attend the National Young Leaders Day. Please contact Mrs Skinner if you have any questions or concerns about payment.

### **Dates to Remember**

Please ensure that the following dates are put on your calendar. Some events will be happening soon, whereas some are for forward planning:

- **Shrove Tuesday Pancakes** – Tuesday 28 February
- **Year Six/Seven Camp** – Wednesday 1 March – Friday 3 March
- **Upper Primary Assembly** – Friday 10 March
- **Public Holiday (Adelaide Cup)** – Monday 13 March
- **Young Leaders Day (Year Sevens)** – Monday 20 March
- **Parent Teacher Interviews** – Monday 10 April and Tuesday 11 April
- **Term One Ends** – Thursday 13 April
- **Good Friday** – Friday 14 April
- **Term Two Begins** – Monday 1 May
- **Sports Day** – Friday 5 May

We pray that this year is a great one for you and your child. May we all focus on the things that will help the Year Six/Seven children in their learning throughout the year.

Yours in Christ

Emma Kleinig and Coralee Hambour  
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**I consent / do not consent** to \_\_\_\_\_ attending the Young Leaders Day to be held at the Adelaide Convention Centre on Monday 20 March, 2016 and enclose \$49.00

Signed \_\_\_\_\_