

# Year 5 News

Term 3 Week 5 2019

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## Weekly Update

We had lots excitement in the classroom last week. Our science activities all worked perfectly and students had lots of fun making plastic milk, exploding plastic bags, creating helium balloons and wobbly eggs. Our visit to the Hostel on Thursday was enjoyed by all students. They assisted residents to create weaving wool ornaments in amongst many conversations.

This week is Book Week and to celebrate we will be finishing the week with a Book Week Chapel and parade. Please encourage your child to come dressed as their favourite book character or to this year's theme, *Reading is my Super Power*. I look forward to seeing lots of creativity!

## Snapshot of our week

### Monday

- PE Uniform
- PE with Mrs Cluse

### Tuesday

- PE Uniform
- German with Mr Peters
- Visual Arts with Mrs Peters

### Wednesday

- Formal Uniform
- SRC Meeting
- Library Borrowing

### Thursday

- Formal Uniform
- For & Against Session 9am

### Friday

- Book Week Dress Up Day
- Book Week Chapel 9:15am
- Assembly 2:40pm

## This week's learning

**Phonics** - Schwa 'el'

**Grammar** - Synonyms

**Writing** - Planning, writing, editing and publishing a narrative

**Maths** - Naming angles and measuring them with a protractor

**Christian Studies** - Environmental beliefs

**Unit of Inquiry** - Animals and plants are able to exist in extreme climates, but human presence has potential to alter ecosystems

**Lines of Inquiry**

- The diversity of life in extreme climates
- Adaptations of plants and animals
- How human presence can alter ecosystems

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## *Congratulations*

We congratulate Isabel on receiving our class award last week. She received this for being reflective towards her learning particularly in Maths. She asks questions to clarify her understanding and was considerate to her group members during our Science Week activities. Well done Isabel!



## *Classroom Bits and Pieces*

Last Wednesday, students completed an SRI test. Students are to be congratulated on the excellent improvements they have made in their comprehension. It is important that students are reading every night at home for at least 20 minutes to continue making progress in their fluency, vocabulary, decoding and comprehension skills.

I hope your child has been spending time practising their goals at home. It has been wonderful to see some students coming to school showing me what they have completed at home. Please get in contact with me if you need guidance or support with this for your child.

A reminder to encourage your child to participate in the Times Tables Challenge with Mr Peters. Those students who have been courageous in giving this a go have made excellent progress in their times tables. Times tables are so important in many areas of Maths and a valuable skill into the future.

## *Upcoming Dates*

August 19 - August 23 - Book Week

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August - For or Against session by Life Matters

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August - Book Week Dress Up and Chapel

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August - KFC in the Hall from 3:15pm

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August - Great Explorations 9:30am - 10:30am

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - No buses

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Pupil Free Day