



Year 5/6 Information Bulletin Semester 2 2016

DIARIES

The use of diaries is a valuable form of two way communication and students will be responsible for ensuring diaries are seen by us daily. Please sign any diary entries so that we know you have seen them. As an aspect of confidentiality, diaries are checked by teachers only. If you have a problem or concern, please don't hesitate to make an appointment so we can attempt to resolve any issues.

I-PADS

It is important that your child brings their iPad to school each & every day. If there is a reason a student has lost iPad privileges at home, please let teacher's know via the diary & it will be kept on the teacher's desk.

We ask that all students have school based apps such as Mathletics downloaded & in working order. Clear rules for use are outlined and students received a copy of this at the start of the year (Also available on our website).

LUNCH ORDERS

These can be ordered on Wednesday and Friday from the school canteen. We also have special lunches on Monday. These orders must be in by 9am Friday.

SUNSMART POLICY

Our school requires all students to wear a hat between September and April. If students don't bring a hat they are required to stay/play in the canteen area during all recess times. Hats are to be school uniform issue - BROAD BRIMMED or BUCKET Hats. Please help us to promote this important policy by making sure your child has a named hat at school each day in these times.

MATHEMATICS:

The grade 6/5 teachers plan together to produce a consistent and comprehensive mathematical program based on the Victorian Curriculum.

ENGLISH:

English includes - speaking and listening skills, writing and reading and, where possible, class work is related to Inquiry Learning topics. Children use their Writer's Notebook for homework & are expected to have it at school every day.

INQUIRY LEARNING TOPICS

Each Term the students will work through an Inquiry Learning Unit.

Term 3 - Money Matters

Term 4 - Why is it so? (Chemical & Physical Science)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION/ SPORT

Students need to wear suitable footwear for Phys. Ed, sport and Lightning Premiership sessions.

BIKE ED

Bike Ed for Grade 5 students will be in Term 4. More information will be sent home closer to the time but students require their own bikes.

ELECTIVES

Students will participate in 2 elective classes for 5 weeks each in Term 3 every Tuesday unless they are in the School band or the North Geelong SC Science Program which will run for the whole semester. Electives consist of Science, Grace McKellar, Outdoor Education & Craft. Electives will not run during Term 4 to focus on Bike Ed / Graduation.

CONCERT

Students will undertake regular practise during Term 3 in preparation for the upcoming school concert on Tuesday 6th September at 7pm. Tickets can be bought online through the HBPS website.

HOMWORK

The ongoing expectation for Grade 6/5 is a minimum of 20 minutes of reading each night. Minimum of 10 minutes of mathematic each night and at least one writers' notebook entry per week. At times students will also have additional homework to assist in Inquiry Topic investigations.

GRADUATION

Graduation will be in December at Truffleduck, Fyansford. Students will prepare for this special event towards the end of term 4. More information will be sent closer towards end of term 3.

Specialist Timetable: 6/5 sport for all grades 12:30-1:30 Friday

Specialist Subjects	65G	6/5H	6/5D	6/5 S	6/5 U
Visual Arts (Miss Saric)	Wednesday 10am	Tuesday 11:30am	Wednesday 9am	Thursday 2:15pm	Thursday 11:30am
Physical Education (Ms Carr)	Tuesday 11:30am	Thursday 2:15pm	Tuesday 9am	Wednesday 10am	Wednesday 9am
Performing Arts (Mrs O'Halloran)	Thursday 2:15pm	Wednesday 10am	Thursday 11:30am	Tuesday 11:30am	Tuesday 9am
Library (Mrs McKinnis)	Monday 12pm	Monday 11:30am	Wednesday 12pm	Monday 12:30pm	Wednesday 2:45pm

NEWSLETTER - SPECIAL EVENTS

It is **essential** that senior school students and parents read the weekly newsletter carefully. Updates, photos, reminders & information is also regularly updated on the HBPS Facebook page.

Enza Gillespie, Will Urquhart, Emily Daws, Di Hickleton, Tania Sharp.