

# WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 5/6 ?

## November 2018

Welcome back for term four, 2018! We have lots planned for this term and are getting stuck right into it.

### Literacy:

In Reading, we have completed reading Turia Pitt's memoir "Unmasked" as a class. In our mini lessons, we have been focusing on analysing and breaking down the structure of a memoir. Students have been discussing themes and making deep connections with the text and with our growth mindset focus.

We are continuing our Literature Circles this term, and the students are thoroughly enjoying analysing and discussing a range of fiction and non-fiction books whilst working on their own individual role.

In Writing, students have begun writing their own memoir on an important event that has occurred in their life. Students have been able to reflect on these events and explore how it has changed their perspective on their life. This has resulted in some very powerful writing pieces and the students have taken much pride in sharing with their peers.

### Numeracy:

In Numeracy we have been focusing on number patterns and algebraic equations. Students have been exploring finding the relationship between patterns and solving equations finding unknown quantities represented as letters.

We have also been looking at how data is represented in different ways. This has involved students creating, analyzing and interpreting data from a range of graphs and displays.

Students have also been regularly participating in open ended, problem solving activities that allow students to share and discuss their own ideas and strategies.

Shortly, we'll be looking at converting between units of measurement and choosing the appropriate units to measure different items.

### Orienteering

On Friday, the students participated in Orienteering at Maroondah Dam. Congratulations to all students who participated and achieved some fantastic results.

### Inquiry:

This term's inquiry unit is focused on Data and Decisions. We have been exploring the different uses of data and are working towards designing and implementing their own business plan. This business plan will involve the creation of a product within a team of peers whilst using their knowledge of budgeting .

### Footy Day

Towards the end of Term 3, the school held a footy colours day to raise money for cancer research. This involved all lessons for the day to be orientated around football. A football clinic was run by AFL Victoria and each class had the opportunity to be involved and learn AFL skills.



### Reminders:

**Homework:** Please remember that homework is to be submitted every Friday. Don't forget that our weekly homework includes reading practice, spelling practice and times table practice. Our project this term is focused on the Australian Made campaign and is due on Friday the 23rd of November.

**FlexiBuzz** is an app that can be used to stay in touch with everything that is going on at school and be reminded of upcoming events. Please download this if you haven't already.

**Grade 6 Graduation Thursday the 20th of December**  
**York on Lilydale - 6pm Start**