

WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 5/6 ?

August 2018

Welcome back for term three, 2018! All students have settled into the Term well and are working extremely hard achieving their goals.

Literacy:

In Reading, our current mentor text *Stone Fox* by John Reynold Gardiner has allowed students to analyse and master reading skills through a set of different reading strategies. Students have enjoyed the responsibility of being given small tasks to be completed before the beginning of the next days reading session.

Literature Circles has continued to be effective in allowing students to take charge of their learning. Students are responsible for completing their assigned group task, which relates to the reading strategies, then present it to their group. Each week five reading strategies are completed amongst the reading group and discussed within the circle.

In Writing, we have been learning about multi genre. Students have been developing characters through their action, dialogue and thought. The scene and setting has also been a focus and we have been using our descriptive powers to paint a picture in our readers mind.

Numeracy:

In Number and Algebra, we have continued learning about fractions, decimals and percentages this term. We have been comparing the sizes of fractions and following counting patterns with decimal numbers. Students are enjoying working on open ended activities where they are challenging themselves and taking risks. In Statistics and Probability, students are becoming more confident in describing probabilities using fractions, decimals and percentages.

Inquiry:

As part of our Inquiry unit for Term Three, students will be investigating: The Scale of the Solar System, Light Refraction, States of Matter and Coding.

We are very excited and looking forward to our Science Incursion. Students will be given the opportunity to investigate physical forces that we encounter every day. They will explore a range of energy types including electricity, magnetism, gravity, elastic, friction, pushes, pulls and wind energy.



Growth Mindset-Joel Garner:

Last week the Grade 5/6 Students were fortunate enough to listen to a guest speaker Joel Garner. Joel Garner spoke about his journey in football from a very young boy. He spoke about his determination and how his growth mindset helped him achieve his dream. Thank you Joel Garner, you are an inspiration to many of our young students at Wandin North Primary School.



Reminders:

Science Incursion: Thursday 9th August, 2018

Interschool Sports Dates:

Friday 17th August: Coldstream Primary—Away

Friday 24th August: Seville Primary—Home

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. All students should have started the homework project "Make Something Move" by now, it's due at the end of week 7— Friday 31st August.