WHAT'S ON IN GRADE 5/6 ?

August 2018

Just like that, it's week 8 and the school holidays are just around the corner. It's been a fun filled term so far, with plenty more still to come.

Literacy:

In Writing, we have been focusing on letter writing and have recently been developing a response to our Pen Pals in Liverpool, England. Our current task is to write a persuasive letter to the council, addressing the dangers with walking down the highway and how we can make it safer for students and drivers. Along with this, we're focussing on our language and how we can effectively persuade the audience without showing any anger.

In Reading, we have continued on with our Literacy Circles, we're loving the fact that we get a to make deeper connections with the text through completing a different role every week.
We're unpacking letters that we have received from England and learnt so much about our new Pen Pals. We've also looked at The Day the Crayons Came Home and looked at the authors and characters voice to infer all the different emotions.

Numeracy:

Second half of the year means were back to revisiting all topics that we covered in the first half of the year, but delving deeper.

This time around, we can see so much more progress. Watch this space for what's to come next term as we look into financial plans and start creating some for our own businesses.

Teachers have been working closely with high schools to make transition for our grade 6 students easier. We look forward to how we can better prepare students for their next learning journey.

ICT:

We are continuing our unit on coding, in which the students are exploring the different methods and stages of coding through an interactive platform. This platform allows students to investigate and build different code patterns and will have the opportunity to design their own interactive activity soon.

Inquiry:

What a blast this Term has been in Inquiry. We've been making discoveries left right and centre. One of the highlights for everyone was the incursion, but aside from that we have discovered how a circuit works to light up a globe, explored the different phases of matter, created thermoscopes and had a good look at wind force.

As we embark on the last three weeks of term, we're getting stuck into designing, developing and testing a solar oven. Students have full responsibility to produce their oven and we cannot wait to see what they develop.

Reminders:

+ Footy day—19th September. Bring a gold coin to support the fight cancer foundation

+ Last day of Term 3—21st September, early departures.

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.

Interschool sports Has now finished for the year. We have had so much fun competing in our sports and learnt so much from our coaches on the way.

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. You can also notify us of your childs absence. Please download this if you haven't already.

Donuts: Cinnamon donuts are sold every Friday to fundraise for grade 6 graduation. If you haven't paid for one yet, its not too late, just make sure you bring in $1 every Wednesday.