Year 5 News

Mrs Fudali and Mrs Hall  Term 1 Week 3

Dear Parents,

We’ve enjoyed the past few weeks getting to know our students. We are beginning to get into a rhythm for the week and getting used to routines. Here are a few items to note:

**Uniform:** Just a few reminders about uniform. Sports uniform should only be worn on Wednesdays. And girls should only wear bike shorts under their dress. Other sports shorts should not be worn.

**Learning Journals:** We hope you read and signed your child's journal this weekend!

**Parent Information Night:** We appreciated the great turnout for Parent Information Night. If you weren’t able to make it that night, a copy of our presentation was sent home with your child. Please contact us if you need a copy.

**Parent Homework:** Reading your homework has been insightful. Thank you for taking the time to fill it out. It provides excellent information regarding your child.

**Diaries:** These are expected to be used each day. Students should write homework completed each night and parents should sign it before Friday. Diaries should be returned to school each morning and placed in the tray. We can also use this for communication between home and school.

**Class Carers:** Mrs. Linda MacDowell has offered to help as class carer along with Mrs. Tania Jeffries. We are grateful and blessed to have them.

*Please note: There is a coffee morning on Wednesday, 23 February at 9 am for the Year 5 and 5 /6 parents in the Church cafe. Darlene and Corin will try to pop in for a chat too. It would be great if you could make it to meet new parents and catch up with both groups.*

**Language:** We are reading expositions regarding our U.O.I. topic of advertising and highlighting important information. We are also looking for examples of persuasive language in advertising and trying to write our own. This week we’ll be working on correct paragraph format and interesting sentence starters.

In reading we have been reading and discussing different exposition essays, letters to the editor and advertisements in order to determine their purpose, effects and use of language. Our class novel is “Stinky Shorts” by Margaret Clark. With this story we are identifying adjectives to describe the main characters and writing a paragraph about why we would or wouldn’t want to be their friends.

In formalities we have been focusing on: using capitals for proper nouns and sentence starters; using the dictionary to find meanings, prefixes, suffixes and base words; defining adjectives and adverbs; writing a formal paragraph with introductory topic sentence, developing sentences and concluding sentences.

**UOI:** Students have been examining slogans and logos. They’ll be creating some on Publisher this week. We have also been reading and viewing advertisement to look at: audience, special effects, visual techniques, jingles, use of camera angles, body language, light and colour.
Maths: In maths, students continue to examine patterns in numbers and shapes. They’ve looked at patterns in multiples, in maths operations such as multiplying by base 10 numbers (10, 100, 1000) and in using the four operations with odd and even numbers. They are identifying the term (the part that repeats) and different ways to record patterns. This week we will be making and identifying patterns in number lines, square numbers and prime numbers.

Christian Studies: This week, students will work in small groups to analyse the Lord’s Prayer.

Bible Verse: In all the work you are doing, work the best you can. Work like you are working for the Lord, not for people. Colossians 3:23

Buddies
This year our Buddies are Mr Pfeiffer’s Year 2 class. In the first week, we had a chat and play to get to know them and compared our likes and dislikes. We then put these comparisons onto a Venn diagram. These are on display in the foyer corridor if you would like to check out our findings.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to write us in your child’s diary or via email cfudali@stmichaels.sa.edu.au or dhall@stmichaels.sa.edu.au. We hope you have a blessed week.

Yours in Christ,

Corin Fudali and Darlene Hall