Dear Parents,

We’re already into Week 4 and there has been a lot going on in the 6AB classroom. It was great to see so many of you at our parent information night and to have an opportunity to catch up with many of you here at school during the week. I’ve also really appreciated all the offers of assistance from parents. Thanks particularly to Robyn Wuttke who helped us out with maths last week and to Melissa Riches and Donna Rayner, who will be assisting us on Shrove Tuesday.

I’ve been really impressed by the way the 6AB class has settled in and by the enthusiasm they have shown. It was particularly encouraging to see the excellent efforts students were making with our work on maths patterning. We had some very difficult problems which students managed to solve – they showed great persistence and some fantastic thinking skills. We’ve also had a terrific start with spelling and there is some wonderful art work on display which has been completed over our first few weeks.

Today’s assembly is an important one for the Year 6 students and their buddies. Today the Year 6 students are presenting the Reception class with their Bibles.

We have had some other exciting news reach our class. Within the next few weeks we will be hosting a South Korean student who is visiting Australia. Her name is Jioia Hwang and we’re looking forward to her arrival.

Curriculum
We have been working on the following topics:
Unit of Inquiry – We have been continuing our unit on choices, looking at what factors we consider when making choices and what the possible consequences of our choices might be. We had a lot of fun using hyperlinking in Powerpoint to show how choices lead to consequences.
Maths – We have been spending a lot of time working with patterns and looking at how to identify and predict them. We have come up with rules to explain our patterns and we have been learning how to express these in algebraic form.

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Language – We have spent some time implementing the new spelling format in our classroom and I have been very impressed with the way the students have worked with the program and taken responsibility for their own learning. We have also been working at writing narratives. We will move on to working with recounts and persuasive texts.

Christian Studies – We have started work with our unit on human relationships by focusing on the idea of community and looking at the relationships we have with other people in the community.

Verse to Remember:
I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not harm...

Jeremiah 29:11

Notes

A note was sent home on Friday about the Alick Collins Cup, a lawn bowls competition held at the Hahndorf Bowling Club. Please be aware that students will need to wear sports uniform on Tuesday of this week (21 February) as well as the usual Thursday.

Students also received a notice about acting as road crossing monitors for this year. Please give consideration to this, as we need as many volunteers as possible to carry out this task.

Have a great week.

Andrew Boesch