

SENIOR WELCOME TO TERM 4

Welcome back to Term 4! The final term in what has been a fantastic year so far. We are all very excited to be back after the holidays, ready for another exciting term.

We have many terrific events to look forward to this term including the 50th anniversary, graduation, student transitions, round robin day, swimming carnival, athletics events, cricket and many other sporting events.

With many events happening this term we ask that you please ensure that all permission notes are being returned to the classroom teacher to assist us with the organisation of these events. Notes for the graduation photo book are to be returned to the class teacher as soon as possible. If your child needs another note please see Miss Ryan.

The warm weather has finally returned and with it higher UV levels. Students should all be wearing their sunsmart hats when outside and applying

sunscreen to protect them from the harmful rays. Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate uniform as the weather warms up.

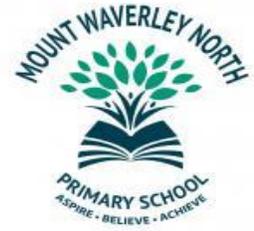
We'd like to take this time to say a massive thank you to all of the parents for a fantastic year. With a new team in Senior this year, we have all appreciated the support and assistance you have provided over the year. Whether volunteering to help with interschool sports, camp, assist the students with initiatives, manning a stall at Autumn Fair, assisting the teachers to plan graduation or any other event, your support has been much appreciated. We hope we have made your child's year a memorable one. I certainly know we've enjoyed it!

As a final note, if you are interested in assisting with graduation and haven't already done so, please get in contact with Courtney Ryan, the graduation coordinator. Her email is

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Warm Regards,

Senior Team



Important dates:

12/10/17

District Athletics

19/10/17

Regional Athletics

20/10/17

Rubbish Free Lunch Day

23/10/17

Division Volleyball

27/10/17

**50th Anniversary
Celebration Event**

03/11/17

District Kanga Cricket

07/11/17

**Melbourne Cup Public
Holiday**

10/11/17

Year 6 Round Robin Day

05/12/17

**School Swimming
Carnival**

18/12/17

Graduation Ceremony

22/12/17

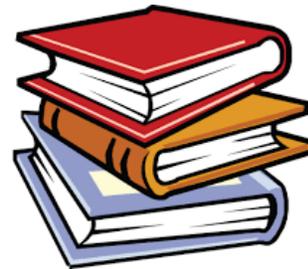
Last Day of Term

Graduation

The Year 6 graduation is this term. Students have begun to learn a song and dance that will be a part of the graduation ceremony. The ceremony is being held on the 18th of December at Mount Waverley Secondary College.

Literacy

This term students will be covering several text types in Literacy. Students are currently writing a variety of procedural texts and we have definitely had some fun hands on activities. In Week 3, students will begin learning about scientific reports. We will be conducting a number of exciting experiments in Inquiry to go with this unit. The portfolio task will be a scientific report that students complete about their plant experiment. After Week 5, students will revise narratives and we are hoping to have another author visit. During reading lessons students will continue to participate in the CAFE reading model to improve their overall reading comprehension, fluency, vocabulary and accuracy.



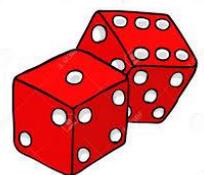
Mathematics

This term in Mathematics students will cover a variety of concepts within their Maths groups. These concepts include:

- Cartesian plane
- Order of Operations (BEDMAS)
- Number operations
- Worded problems
- Chance
- Probability
- Statistics
- Translations, Reflections & Rotations
- Converting time
- Converting metric units
- Money and Percentages
- Fractions, Decimals and Percentage



The students will complete two portfolio tasks over the term. The first portfolio task will be on the order of operations (BEDMAS) and the second portfolio task will be on Probability and Statistics.



Inquiry

Term 4 will focus on Science. The specific focus will be on plant and animal adaptations and scientific experiments. Students will conduct a plant experiment and observe the effect that altering light, water or soil has on the growth of their plant. During the unit students will also complete a portfolio task where they will write a scientific report about their plant experiment. Students will also participate in some interesting experiments during the unit like making goo and a volcano!

German

This term in German, our focus will be on animals – the students will be learning how to name, describe and compare animals using German vocabulary, and their ability to do so will be demonstrated through the creation of a short report. Towards the end of the term, we will also spend some time discussing holiday traditions in Germany. Students will be encouraged to use the comparative language that they will have learned previously to discuss the similarities or differences between these German traditions and their own/ their peers.

PE

This term in Senior we will be focusing on skills such as dribbling, overhand throw, forearm strike and two-handed strike and gross motor coordination. These skills will be used as part of sport games such as Volleyball, Tennis, Basketball, Rounders and relay races. During Week 6 and moving forwards, we thank Vida Tennis for running a Tennis Program at the school during Physical Education. Alongside developing these game based skills we will be developing our sense of team, communication and how to participate in Phys Ed. We hope that these abilities will further the children's development in every aspect in their lives.

The Arts

This term Senior students will take part in two mini units, focusing on Dance and Music. In Dance the students will work with Citrus Dance Company to explore a range of dance styles, including Bollywood, Tap and Hip-hop. They will exercise safe dance practices, including warming up and a focus on supporting their body through a range of controlled movements. During the unit, the students will learn a performance Hip-Hop piece which will be shared with the school during our end of year celebrations. In Music, students will learn to sing a performance choral piece, combining voice and a range of instruments. They will rehearse and perform this piece together, focusing on technical skills and the use of expressive elements in music.



Sport Term 4

Term 4 is an exciting time for our Senior students, in particular our Year Sixes as it is an opportunity to represent the school for the last time. The term started with nine of our students representing the school in Division on the 12th of October at Knox Athletics Track. We had five Senior students represent the school on the day. A lot of preparation went into the day with training over the Term 3 holidays and it has shown with some fantastic results. We had Linda who represented the school in the 800m finishing 5th overall for her event. Katherine made it in Discus and High Jump, finishing 4th and 3rd respectively, just missing out on Regionals. We also had three boys from Senior compete on the day with James representing the school in Long Jump where he just missed on placing, finishing 4th. An extra congratulations to Nick who came 2nd in his 800m race and Windsor who also came 2nd in the 80m Hurdle final which means qualifying to Regionals on Thursday the 19th of October at Bill Sewart Athletics Track. On behalf of Mount Waverley North Primary School we would like to give a huge congratulations to all of the athletes who competed on the day against the best of the best from 30 schools in our Division and good luck to our boys competing at Regionals!

We also had our Boys and Girls Volleyball teams compete at Division on the 23rd of October at the State Volleyball Centre. The teams trained hard every lunchtime with Mr Malelis and really looked forward to the big day. Both teams played really well with the girls' team finishing second and the boys first in their division. Congratulations and good luck at Regionals!

Term 4 also brings back Kanga Cricket and with that our last District competition of the year where our students can progress to the next level. Senior students will be given the option to participate in the competition which will involve lunchtime training sessions and a competition day on the 3rd of November at Mulgrave Reserve. At the moment we are looking at a boys' team, girls' team and a mixed team representing the school.

Round Robin Day is a Gala day for our grade six students, as an end of year celebration, with all the schools from our District. The day involves students choosing from five sports to play in for the day and training in the weeks prior to the event with their team. On the day it is a Round Robin event where students will play 5-6 games of their chosen sport.

This Term in Senior Sport, students will be partaking in a Volleyball program run by professional coaches and ex-players. The program will run over three weeks, where students will learn the basics of Volleyball through mini games and drills. After the program Senior students will be involved in practicing summer sports leading up to Round Robin day. After Round Robin day students will participate in a SEPEP program where all students will be placed in a team and a Round Robin set-up will take place. Students have full control of the program and will have to organise the basic set-up for a team. They as a group will have to organise a team name, team manager, training sessions, umpiring, coaches, captains and media. They will then run the weekly competition with teams playing against each other and the bye team umpiring the round.

House Swimming Carnival is our last sporting event for the year. This will be the last opportunity for our Year Six students to compete in their houses and our Year Fives will get another opportunity to represent the school at the District Swimming Carnival early next year.

