

# Welcome to Term 1, 2017

## Year 5/6 HB Class News

### **Dear Parents and Caregivers of 5/6HB students,**

We trust you have had some lovely quality time with your children over the holidays and are looking forward to this school year as much as we are!

Presently, we are getting to know each other and our new classroom, establishing routines and expected work requirements and working together to create our classroom expectations and rules.

**Communication:** This is the first class newsletter for the year. We will use class newsletters, class Dojo, email and student diaries for communication this year. You can also ring the school and leave a message for urgent matters. Attached is a sheet on how to set up and access class dojo. We intend to keep you informed of classroom happenings via this method. Please contact us if you have any issues with set up. Its important to have open communication in regard to your child/ren and we ask that you keep us informed of any relevant information.

We know you are often busy and have work/other commitments but please feel free to come into the classroom if you wish. You are very welcome.

**Absences:** If your child is absent from school, please let the school or class teacher know. It is a requirement that the school records absences and the reason. A note in the diary is sufficient as is a phone call or email or dojo message.

**Student Diaries:** Please check your child's diary frequently and support them in bringing them to school each day. The diary will be used for things such as writing in hometasks, test results, reminders or

events coming up etc. It is our expectation that diaries are signed once a week by a parent/caregiver. These will be checked each Friday.

**Homework:** 2017 will see a change in hometasks. There will be a reading component of 15 minutes per night, at least one night reading aloud, to be recorded in the diary.

A Maths component of either times-tables or mixed math questions will be required for the week and marked at school on Fridays.

Work not completed during class time may also be sent home for completion from time to time or other inquiry tasks depending on class topics during the term.

**Flexible Learning:** Students in 5/6HB will not have allocated seating in the classroom. Flexible seating gives students the opportunity to choose a seat best for them, different each day! This evokes trust and independence and enables the ability to make choices and accept the consequences of their choice.

**Behaviour Management:** Will be as per the school policy.....

### **Parent Information Night:**

We hope to see you all at the parent information night. We will elaborate on this newsletter and cover further topics for the year.

Yours in Christ,

Mrs Hondow and Mrs Bradtke