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Dear Parents and Caregivers of Year 6 2019

We would like to welcome you and your child to the Year 6 Agile Learning Lab 2019! We look forward to working collaboratively with you next year. Year 6 will be an exciting and rewarding experience as the student continue their journey and development into becoming independent, creative and self-directed learners.

During 2019, Year 6 will be participating in a variety of exciting activities including swimming lessons, School Sunday, school camp, sporting events and school excursions, while being involved in a variety of differentiated classroom activities to advance the learning of all students. Further details will be supplied in our Term 1 newsletter, which will be sent out in Week 1, Term 1, 2019.

In Year 6 we will continue to develop the student's literacy, comprehension and reading skills through the Daily Five Literacy Framework. We will focus on developing the key skills and strategies of problem solving, reasoning and understanding through the Daily Three Maths Framework which focusses on the students working in small groups with direct instruction from the teacher, independently and in small groups.

Here is a brief introduction to the teaching team.

**Miss Hayley Baker** is from Tauranga in the North Island of NZ and has been living in Queensland for 11 years. She has a 23-year-old son, Nikora and a 15-year-old daughter Tiria, currently in Year 9 at Grace Lutheran College at Caboolture. The majority of her teaching has been in NZ over a period of 23 years ranging between the ages 5 – 12. During that time, she has been a Senior Teacher and a Deputy Principal.

Miss Baker will be working in her role as Head of Teaching and Learning 7 days a fortnight and 3 days a fortnight in the Year 6 classroom. She will be team teaching with Mr Riley who will be in the classroom 7 days a fortnight.

**Mr Dom Riley** is from Scotland in the UK. After living in Queensland for 8 years, he now calls Brisbane home with his partner Holly. Having graduated from the University of Edinburgh in 2007, he began his teaching career in Scotland before working and travelling around New Zealand in 2010 before starting at St Paul's in 2011. He has enjoyed working with children of all ages, with the majority of his experience in teaching children between the ages of 7 and 11.

**Mr Ray Bellert** has been working as a Lutheran teacher for over 10 years. Prior to becoming a teacher, he worked as a Bank Manager for Bank of Queensland. After 18 years in the bank he left to complete his teaching degree. Before moving to St Paul's he taught at Living Faith Lutheran Primary School at Murrumba Downs. Together with his wife Sue, Mr Bellert has two children, Ashleigh and Jackson, who are 23 and 18. He loves all types of sport and apart from watching and participating in sport when he can, Mr Bellert loves travelling, beach holidays, spending time with his family and going to the movies.

We would like to invite you to attend the Family Administration Day on Thursday 24 January 2019 between 8:00am and 3:00pm, to bring in books and materials to the classroom, as well as having the opportunity to meet with us.

Once again, we are very much looking forward to sharing many exciting learning experiences with your children in 2019 as we work together so that your child can achieve to the best of their potential. We hope you and your family have a happy, safe and festive holiday season, and we look forward to meeting you on Thursday 24 January!

Blessings.

Miss Hayley Baker, Mr Ray Bellert and Mr Dom Riley  
**Year 6 Agile Learning Lab Teachers 2019**



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