

10 October 2019



Dear Parents and Caregivers of Year 6 Students

Welcome to Term 4. We hope everyone had a happy and restful break and that the students are keen to begin their final term as Year 6 students at St Paul's.

We certainly have many opportunities packed into this 9-week term that will allow the Year 6 cohort to demonstrate and celebrate their abilities! Further information on the following dates will be given in separate letters closer to the events. Important dates this term include:

- Monday 21 October Pupil Free Day
- Friday 1 November Snr Sport Gala Day 1
- Friday 8 November P&F Community Event – Ninja Run
- Friday 15 November Snr Sport Gala Day 2
- Friday 22 November Pupil Free Day (Semester 2 Reports Proofing and Editing)
- Tuesday 26 November End Of Year Excursion
- Friday 29 November Carols at Caboolture Night
- Monday 2 December Year 6 Graduation Dinner (Caboolture RSL Club – 6:00pm to 10:00pm)
- Tuesday 3 December Prep to Year 6 Closing Chapel, Graduation & Awards Service (Tullawong State School Hall – 6:00pm)

In Christian Studies, the students will continue to investigate and illustrate the full nature of God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Through a series of focused questions students will investigate the nature of the trinity and explore how God reveals himself to us.

In English, the students will be continuing with the *Words Their Way* program and the *Daily 5* program, which will cover writing, spelling and reading. There will be formal and informal opportunities for the students to develop their public speaking, presentation, grammar and editing skills. There will be a strong emphasis on presentation of work in class, as well as tasks to be completed at home.

In Science and HASS this term, the students will look at earthquakes and how they happen, as well as how they cause dramatic changes in the Earth's surface. They will also gain a greater understanding of how scientists measure and record the severity of earthquakes, and the effect they have on millions of lives. Furthermore, the students will have the opportunity to inquire into other natural disasters. From this inquiry, they will individually present what they have discovered to their peers using a presentation method of their choice.

Students are reminded that they are required to check and pack their schoolbags daily so that they are organised with the necessary items to begin each day. They will need to bring a **freshly filled water bottle** and **hat** each day, especially on Tuesday which is our P.E. day. They should bring a suitable bag for borrowing library books on a Thursday.

Students are also encouraged to participate in 'Crunch and Sip' around 9:30am, especially now as the students do not eat morning tea until 11.20am, and also to remember our school's 'Peanut and Tree Nut Free Zone' Policy.

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Students are reminded to wear correct formal uniform on Mondays and Thursdays, with sport uniform to be worn on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Parents are also reminded that the school's expectation/procedure for any student departing early is that the student needs to be collected from their classroom with an early departure slip received from the front office. This departure slip needs to be given to one of the teachers [or the specialist teacher] as per our duty of care.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. As we have a strong open door policy, we encourage any parents who may have queries or concerns about their child to make an appointment to discuss the matter as soon as it arises with their teacher. Email is the best way to communicate with us. Our e-mail addresses are rbellert@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au and driley@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au.

We are looking forward to making this a memorable last term for all our Year 6 students!

Kind regards

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