

# The Grade 5/6 Team Weekly Newsletter

*This week's newsletter is proudly brought to you by Billie & Tayla-Jade!*

## What's been happening in the 5/6 Team this week?

**Writing:** This week in writing we wrote the school newsletter. We worked with a partner or in a group of three and each had a topic to write about such as Genius Hour, JSC or sport. We had to interview staff and students to gather information. On Thursday morning we each got a page of the newsletter to proof read with a partner. At recess time two people presented the newsletter to Mrs Laffan and Melissa for approval.

**Maths:** Mrs Placek's maths group has been working on using formal algorithms for addition. Miss Crowther's group has been focusing on doing formal algorithms with decimals. Mr J's group has been concentrating on word problems and formal algorithms involving decimals.

**Reading:** In reading, we have been effectively working on short summaries. We have been trying to write them on a single sticky-note. So far, it's working! Mostly, everyone can fit them on a sticky-note successfully. We used 'SUM' to help us write the summary. S = shorter than the text, U = use your own words and M = main points only. We also had a column with 'Main Ideas' and 'Interesting Details' that helped us.

**Art:** We have been working on a caterpillar lantern made from cane, tape, baking paper and a mix of PVA glue and water to stick it together. We have recently been decorating them with coloured tissue paper and kinder squares. We liked decorating them together as a group.

**Science:** In science we have been focusing on changing states of foods and materials such as sugar, foil, plastic and more! Some things changed their state and others didn't change.

**PE:** In sport this week, we have been learning gymnastics and doing all types off rolls such as forward roll, side rolls, running rolls and more. We are going to start practising on athletics soon as well. Some of us are off to Athletics on 4<sup>th</sup> September.

**Class Meetings:** In this week's class meeting we talked about our class bank account and our next events. We voted on a budget for the prizes for Pyjama Day and allocated jobs. We also heard back from students who have talked to Mrs Laffan about the food stall at Alice in Wonderland. We think it is only fair that we pay the school some money per night to help pay for the venue.

**Genius Hour:** Genius Hour was a great success last semester and we liked it so we are doing it again. We didn't have Genius Hour this week because we had a whole school rehearsal for Alice in Wonderland.

**Earn and Learn:** In Earn and Learn, most of the businesses are up and running. We have loved it so far and we having so much fun!! Some students have been transferring money out from the Bank. We also have electricity and water bills which have to be paid. We can pay in cash or we can ask the bank to pay directly from our bank account into the Government account.

**Wallan Market stall:** On Saturday 9th August, 5/6 team had a stall at the Wallan Market. The morning was cold, but gradually warmed up. There were only a few students at the stall in the morning, as the day progressed and heated up, more students arrived at the stall to do a shift or two. We sold \$127 worth of second hand and craft items which was a great sale.

## ***Have you subscribed to our class blog?***

The address is <http://upps56team.global2.vic.edu.au>. Look for the 'Subscribe' option on the right hand side and type in your email address.



## ***Grade 5/6 Class Bank Account***

Target: \$1000  
Current Total: \$650.20  
Still to Earn: \$349.80



Term Three Events: Alice in Wonderland Stall and Pyjama Day

# 5/6 Team Notice Board

Alice in Wonderland production is on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 6:30pm @ Whittlesea S.C!

Main speaking rolls to be there at 5:30pm and other students at 6:00pm.

**Congratulations** to Natasha, Brian, Jarrad and Kayla for this getting this week's awards.

*Well Done!*

**NO CHEWING GUM**

**@ SCHOOL!**

**Happy Birthday to Laikyn and Alicia!**



**Notes sent home this week...** Alice in Wonderland Tickets (in A4 envelope) with Dress Rehearsal permission note, Book Club, Whittlesea Secondary Transition permission note (selected students, school newsletter).

## Vox Pop

Each week we will be asking people from our class a question and sharing their answers with you. This week we asked...

***What's your favourite line from your speaking part? Why?***



**Alice**

**"What a funny watch!"**

...because it sounds like the real Alice when I say it.

**Hatter "Your hair wants cutting."**

...because Alice gets offended.

**Mock turtle "I mean what I say!"**

...because I put attitude into that line.

**King**

**"Who stole the tarts?"** ...because it's a catchy line.

**Queen**

**"Off with her head, off with her head and off with his head!"** ...because it's fun to say.