2019 Year 6
Class Handbook

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1) Year 6 Teaching Team

Angie and Jared have been long term servants of Immanuel with a collective total of over 27 years in this community. We have worked together as a teaching team for the last two years and enjoy teaching in collaboration with each other. Year 6 can often provide fresh and new challenges as students prepare for Secondary School. While it can have its stresses, it is a fun and exciting time in a student's life. We are looking forward to assisting this year's graduates and their families through this transition.

2) Weekly Overview

- Worship and Praise on Fridays – students may be involved from time to time
- Year 6 will host an Assembly in week 4 of Term 1
- Specialist lessons
  Semester 1: Music Tuesday, Garden Tuesday, Stephanie Alexander Wednesday and PE Friday
- Fitness – Sport Uniform will be worn Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- Library - Wednesday

3) Camps/Sleepover/Big Day Out

The Year 6 camp this year will be to Canberra at the commencement of Term 2. This is the 27th of April to the 3rd May.

Canberra camps have become popular among this age group as they provide great learning opportunities in Civics and Citizenship as well as offering experiences that are not available in our own state. It is also a fantastic way to promote and develop independent and social skills in and amongst the students.

4) Learning at home

The IB cites the following as the key elements of a good learning program: Knowledge, Skills, Concepts, Attitudes and Action and so the Homework/'Learning at Home' routine for our Year 6 level will also focus on the following Skills/Attitudes and Actions…

- Reading – we would like our students to regularly read to help develop fluency, vocabulary and comprehension.

- Mathletics – we would like students to reach 1000 Mathletics Points

- Spelling – we will also send home the spelling books for which we would like students to complete spelling tasks introduced on Mondays

- UOI – students are encouraged to engage in authentic and purposeful 'actions' that link in or enhance their inquiring at school

4) Who else is involved in your child's learning?

- LOTE: Mrs Charmaine Strickland
- Music: Mr Dwayne Hueppauff
- Maths: Mr Daryl Trigg
- LSO (Lutheran Schools Officer): insert
- IT & Sport: Mr Richie Cochrane
- SAKG: Mrs Kayla Kreymborg
- Gardening: Mr Simon Wundersitz

5) Contact details

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6) Special Events

Exhibition – This is an Inquiry Unit that is driven by the students and is a culmination of their Primary Years Program. The unit will begin in Term 3 and conclude with a presentation evening during Week 5 of Term 4.

7) Other bits and bobs

Leadership Model for Senior Students: In 2019 we continue to encourage our senior students to make positive contributions to our school community. We would like to tap into an even wider range of God-given gifts and talents within our senior student body and share the responsibility of student contribution to school life more fairly. This will happen during sittings of a school Parliament and students having different roles.

Notes Going Home: From time to time, there will be circulars, permission slips for various events and newsletters sent home. Where a signature is required, it would be greatly appreciated if they can be returned promptly.

Instead of Monday updates, the Senior Unit uses a blog that has information about terms dates and assignments. It also gives an insight into what is going on generally in the classrooms. The address for the blog is - http://theseniorunit2019.blogspot.com.au/

Stationery: Writing materials distributed in student book packs have been selected specifically for classroom use. Gel pens are not to be brought to school due to their distractive properties. Handwriting is to be completed with blue pen or HB pencil only, red pen for margins, titles & dates only.

***Breakfast Club**:* In the Senior Unit we offer a time after school for students to come in and work on homework or to get ahead on assignments. This also gives them a moment outside of classroom time to access technology that they may not have at home. This year, Breakfast Club will be on a Thursday afternoon from 3:30 until 4:00.

All the best for 2019,

Angie & Jared