

2021



Parent Information Booklet

Year 6

Mr Hazebroek works in Year 6 on Mondays
Mrs Fuller works in Year 6 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

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Welcome to Year Six! Throughout this year it is our aim to facilitate the growth and development of your child as we work towards preparing them for high school. It is our intention to develop their personal independence, time management, inter-personal skills but most importantly guide them into becoming independent learners. Respect and the ability to make wise choices will also be a focus throughout the year, as well as to understand the importance of service and their growing faith.

Teacher Expectations

- ✓ Students should follow class and school rules at all times.
- ✓ Students should always try their best and not be afraid to have-a-go.
- ✓ Students will come to school prepared to participate and learn each day.
- ✓ Students will to show respect for the school, teachers, peers and property at all times.
- ✓ Students to present all work neatly, at an appropriate Year 6 standard at all times.
- ✓ Parents to be supportive of their child in all aspects of their education and development.
- ✓ Parents will encourage and support a nightly homework routine.
- ✓ Most importantly, all children will have fun and enjoy their final year at St Joseph’s School.

Leadership Responsibilities

Year 6 students will be involved in Leadership roles and responsibilities this year. More information about leadership will be shared later in the term.

Year 6 School Camp

The Year 6 School camp this year is in Term 2, Week 8. The camp will run from Wednesday June 2nd – Friday June 4th. We will be going to Woodman Point Recreation Camp, located 10km south of Fremantle. More information will be given at a brief Camp meeting closer to the date.

Behaviour Management – Whole School

The school has introduced a whole school approach to behaviour management. The Levels of Behaviour Framework explicitly teaches children acceptable agreed behaviour. The Year 6 class has formed a Statement of Intent, which explains the reasons they come to school. The whole school Classroom Behaviour Consequences system is displayed to the right.

Rewards System

In addition to the whole school Behaviour Consequences System, within the Year 6 class we have an individual rewards system. This rewards system allows Teachers and other students to acknowledge positive behaviours through our “Year 6 Banquer” rewards. As a class, we negotiated what we thought would be acceptable prizes and also decided on a monetary value for each prize. We also have a communal class fund that money will go into (whole class) towards a class-wide prize (eg cooking, class party at the end of term). This system encourages students to make good choices and spread the Gospel values throughout our school as leaders. We have introduced “Banquer” this year to track students’ class cash, as well as being charged to rent their locker and iPad (this integrates well with our Economics and Maths units).



Classroom Behaviour Consequences System

Fun with classmates and friends
 A smile, encouragement, ‘thank you’ & praise
 Class reward system (cash on ‘Banquer’)
 Raffle tickets for end of term
 Certificate at assembly
 See Mr O’Dwyer with special work

1st reminder Adult check in - the ‘Look’ or “the click”
 Green behaviour request/reminder
 Reminder signal from an adult
2nd reminder with a fine
 Name noted by teacher

After 3rd Reminder:
 Adult check in – move to ‘Thinking Space’ or individual work space
 Move to ‘Partner Class’ to complete Reflection Sheet (parents to sign)
 Teacher to contact Admin
 Consequence according to the behaviour

Admin Referral – Principal/AP check-in with teacher:
 1. See Admin to talk about disruption.
 2. Withdrawal from class to work in Admin for a period of time.
3. Parent Contact.

Confirmation

24th June - Confirmation Parent & Student workshop @ 5pm in the library

7th August – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass @ 5pm

Homework

In Year Six, it is important to ensure we are preparing the children for high school. Parents can assist their child by providing a quiet place for them to complete their homework and encouraging them to develop good study habits. Children will be allocated homework every Monday, which will be due on the Friday afternoon of the same week that it is allocated. Daily homework in Year six consists of:

- Reading (minimum 15 minutes) – this can be online using the Scholastic Literacy Pro Programme or Epic!
- Spelling – Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check
- Weekly basic number facts tasks

We are making enquiries into whether students can use an online program to complete their homework – many students have indicated their preference to complete it online.

Please ensure that you sign your child's homework book in the spot indicated, so we are aware that you have seen their homework and are aware of what we are doing in the classroom.

In addition, students may occasionally have uncompleted class work, projects or assignments. Homework is given as a supplement to class work, to reinforce a particular learning area or objective. If homework is not completed and handed in on the due day, it is expected that an explanation signed by a parent/guardian be written in the student's homework book. If no explanation is provided for homework due, the homework will be recorded as incomplete.

Absences

Parents are required to contact the office via phone (08) 9782 6500 before 9am if your child is unable to attend school. If you know in advance that your child is going to be away, a written note is to be given to the teacher or alternatively an email explaining the absence can be sent to admin@stjoeswaroona.wa.edu.au.

Important Days in Year 6

Mr Hazebroek teaches on Mondays

Mrs Fuller teaches on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Specialist areas:

Tuesdays – Italian with Signora Landwehr,

Thursdays - Sport with Miss Johnson (please wear Faction shirt on this day)

Fridays – Digital Technology with Mr Hazebroek

Crunch and Sip

Students are welcome to bring in a healthy snack for Crunch and Sip. Crunch and Sip is a set break to eat fruit or vegetables and drink water in the classroom. Students re-fuel with fruit or vegetables during the morning or afternoon, assisting physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom.

Assessment Folders/Books

Throughout the year any tests that the students complete will be stored in their assessment folder. This folder will be sent home once a month throughout the Term for parents to view and sign. It is very important that this folder is returned to school so that we can add to it.

Leavers Shirts

The school have taken over responsibility to design and obtain our class leavers shirts. The Year 6 class chose a design and we have decided to go through EmbroidMe in Mandurah to get them made (as used in previous years). Our aim is to have the shirts ready before the end of Term 1. Year 6s will be able to wear their leavers shirts as part of their school uniform. There will be some samples for sizing available for parents to try with their children if they wish, as there has been some size discrepancies in the past, and the shirts are only made once, to keep costs down. An order form, along

with information about the shirts, will be sent home in the coming days. Please see Mrs Fuller if there are any issues with Leavers shirts and we will do our best to accommodate.

Important Dates will be shared via the seesaw family app and through the school newsletter, term planner and website.

If you have any queries or questions please feel free to contact us at any point throughout the year. Our emails are detailed on the front of this package, and alternatively you are welcome to use the Seesaw app as a method of communication.

Kind Regards,

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Year 6 Teachers
