

**JAMES COOK PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**YEAR 5/6 NEWSLETTER**  
**TERM 2 2018**



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We welcome all students back to a busy and exciting term in Learning Module 4.

**INQUIRY LEARNING**

This term's Inquiry Learning unit is called 'Factors Shape Places'. They will learn how people and environments influence each other and the impact of the factors over time.

It will include a research project and presentation to be completed by the children.

**YEAR 5 NAPLAN**

Testing in Literacy and Numeracy will be conducted on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. If you have any concerns regarding Naplan, please don't hesitate to speak to your child's teacher. Parents and students can also visit [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au) to access sample NAPLAN tests.

**INTERSCHOOL SPORT**

Interschool Sport begins on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April and notes were sent home last term regarding our fixture. Students will compete against local schools in Volleystars, Netball, Soccer, Handball and Teeball. Emphasis will be placed on participation, teamwork and enjoyment.

**YEAR 7 "TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL" APPLICATION FORMS**

All Year 6 students will receive a Transition Pack which includes an Application Form for Secondary School in 2019. This form **must** be returned to us by **Friday 11th May**. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions. We regularly receive information from local Secondary Schools which we pass on to interested students. Parents are advised to visit prospective schools on Open Days, attend Information Sessions and make personal visits to get up-to-date, accurate information about these schools. It is also extremely useful to look at any **school websites** you might be considering for your child as they will have important information and dates to help with your planning and decision making.

**PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE**

The Premier's Reading Challenge has begun and will continue into Term 3. Year 5 and 6 students are required to read 15 books of which at least 10 must be from those recorded on the Reading Challenge list. Reading includes shared reading experiences both at home and school. If your child has not returned their permission form could they please do so as soon as possible.

**REPORTS AND PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Student's individual reports will be sent home on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of June, with Parent / Teacher Interviews held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Appointments can be made online and information regarding the booking process will be sent home later in the term.

*Year 5/6 Teachers:*

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