



# ARTARMON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Year 6 – Term 3 Newsletter 2025

Welcome back to Term 3! Our students are eager to learn, and we have many exciting activities planned. This newsletter contains information about our teaching and learning goals, as well as important dates, including the traditional Year 6 performance at the end of the term. Please see below for more details.

If you have any questions or wish to share information with your child's teacher, please make an appointment by phoning the office, contacting us via SchoolBytes, or sending an email to artarmon-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Be sure to include your child's name and class in the subject line.

### Our Team:

6MR – Ms Jo Miller/ Mrs Anna Richards	6PS- Ms Jasmin Lai	6LT – Mr Leo Turner
6CM – Mrs Amy Croft/ Mrs Harley McMurtry	6JB- Mr Josh Beard	RFF- Mr Nic Rees, Mrs Holly Kendall, Mrs McMurty, Ms Fiona Ciliberto
Year 6 Supervisor – Ms Jo Miller		

### Weekly Grade Events:

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Stage 3 Assembly 12pm</i> Odd Weeks Only	<i>Library</i> Wednesday or Thursday (Please check with your child)	<i>Sport</i> Please wear sports uniform

### Important dates – Term 3

#### Week 2

- Maths Olympiad #3

#### Week 3

- Mon 4th Aug Imagine Paralympics Assembly
- Thurs 7th Aug Education Open Day
- Fri 8th Aug PSSA Winter Gala Day #4

#### Week 4

- Life Education Incursion
- Thu 14 Aug Take a break pyjama day

#### Week 6

- Mon 25th Aug Cyber Safety Incursion

#### Week 6-9

- Check in assessments

#### Week 7- 9

- Interrelate Session 1, 2 & 3

#### Week 8

- Maths Olympiad #4

#### Week 10

- Tues 23rd Sept Year 6 Performance (evening)
- Fri 26th Sept Last Day Term 3

### Policies and Procedures

We would like to highlight the following important points:

- **Punctuality and Absences:** Thank you to all the parents/ carers and students who arrive on time and are ready to learn by 8:55 am. Arriving on time ensures that your child does not miss important learning time. If students arrive late or leave early, they must be accompanied by a parent/carer and signed in or out at the main office. Absences require a note from a parent/carer, which can be completed online through the SchoolBytes Parent Portal.
- **SchoolBytes:** Please ensure you have set up a SchoolBytes account, as this is where we send permission notes, electronic invoices, and student academic reports. It's important to keep your account details up to date.

- **Crunch and Sip:** The school has a daily fruit break. We encourage students to bring a small serve of fruit or vegetables to eat and some water to sip on.
- **Medication:** If your child needs to take medication at school, parents/carers must bring it to the office and complete the appropriate documentation.
- **No Food Sharing:** To minimise the risk of anaphylaxis in children with food allergies, sharing of food is not permitted. Therefore, we request that you do not send birthday cakes or edible treats for distribution in the classroom.
- **SchoolZine:** Please download the SchoolZine app on your smartphone, as it is an important source of information. It is regularly updated and includes the weekly 'Newsflash.'
- **Label ALL Belongings:** All of your child's belongings should be clearly labelled, especially school bags, hats, jackets, and lunchboxes, wi
- **Communicating with Teachers:** If you need to speak with your child's teacher, please make an appointment in advance to ensure a proper discussion and to respect privacy. Due to staff meetings and professional development, teachers may be unavailable on some mornings and most Wednesday afternoons. You can contact the school through the main office or via email.

## Year 6 Performance

On Tuesday evening, 23rd September, we will hold our traditional Year 6 Performance in the school hall. This is an event that both students and teachers look forward to, and we invite parents of Year 6 students to attend. The performance is a creative arts showcase that includes music, dance, and drama.

Students in our Senior Band will play an integral role by providing music as their peers perform in groups. Our Year 6 teachers will conduct creative arts lessons and rehearsals on Thursday afternoons to prepare for this event. Please inform your child's class teacher if your child cannot attend the performance. Further information regarding timing, ticketing, and costumes will be sent home closer to the date.

## Curriculum Overviews

### ENGLISH

**Writing:** This term, students will focus on informative writing and effective note-taking. This unit will integrate content from our science and geography units.

**Reading:** Children will engage in class novel studies and targeted activities that explore themes of perspective and context. We will also extend our vocabulary and explore aspects of grammar such as apostrophes and relative clauses.

**Speaking and Listening:** All Year 6 students will participate in public speaking, culminating in a Public Speaking Competition in Weeks 7 & 8, with finals in Term 4. Details and topics will be communicated through our homework procedures, distributed in Week 2 and available on Google Classrooms.

### MATHEMATICS

Term 3 Mathematics will focus on five key ideas:

- Angles as the primary structural component of shapes, including exploration of fractions, angles, and time.
- The number system extends infinitely, covering large and small numbers, decimals, percentages, and multiplicative relations.
- Understanding relationships between 2D shapes, including translations, reflections, rotations, and calculating area.
- Multiplicative thinking, focusing on strategies for multiplication and division, place value, and creating equivalent fractions.
- Measurement units, focusing on place value and conversions between different masses and lengths.

Students will solve real-world mathematical inquiry questions and apply problem-solving strategies to demonstrate and extend their fluency in mathematical reasoning.

## **HUMAN SOCIETY AND ITS ENVIRONMENT: Geography**

### *The World's Cultural Diversity & Diversity Across Asia*

Students will explore the world's cultural diversity, using geographical tools like graphs and maps. They will create their own maps and investigate various cultures, including indigenous groups. Students will also conduct independent research on an Asian country, examining the location, history, and customs of its people.

## **SCIENCE**

### *Living World- Sustainable Farming of Food and Fibre*

In this unit, students will learn about sustainable farming of food and fibre, understanding managed systems and sound nutrition principles through food preparation skills.

## **CREATIVE ARTS**

Students will experiment with different mediums and art forms, drawing inspiration from their class theme for the Year 6 Performance, while engaging in drama and music rehearsals.

## **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT / HEALTH / PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PD/H/PE)**

We will explore physical, emotional, and social changes during puberty and their impact on relationships through the 'Moving into Teen Years' program. Our Life Education incursion, titled 'Relate Respect Connect,' will help students understand the importance of respectful friendships and recognising unwanted contact. Additionally, a cyber safety incursion will reinforce online safety.

PSSA and school sports continue on Fridays. In the Physical Education unit 'How Can I Change the Game,' students will explore solutions to movement challenges and create inclusive learning environments.

## **HOMEWORK**

Each class has weekly homework, including daily reading, spelling, and maths revision tasks from the Maths Mentals book. Details of these activities are available on the class Google Classroom.

The Term 3 homework project is linked to our public speaking competition. Students will present a prepared speech for peer feedback and compete in a class competition with a 4-minute speech on a provided topic. They will also present one impromptu speech. Details will be discussed in class and sent home on a project sheet.

### **Equipment List – please check with your child what needs to be replaced**

4 x lead pencils		1 x 30 cm ruler with cm and mm
1x white eraser	1x fine permanent black texta (0.4)	1x pair of scissors
1x pencil sharpener (enclosed lid)	1x thick permanent black texta	Staedtler Noris Club Maths Set
3x blue pens, 3x black pens, 3x red pens	4 x different coloured whiteboard pens	1 x box of tissues
		1 x paper towels
		1 x packet antibacterial wipes

**Thank you for your continuing support,**

**The Year 6 Team**