

Dear Grade 5/6 Parents of 2020,



Welcome back! It's hard to believe that it's that time of the year again - the beginning of a new school year. We hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable break and are ready for an exciting year in Grade 5/6. We are looking forward to working with your child over the coming year.

We believe good communication is the answer to running a successful classroom, particularly in a shared grade. All staff in our area will plan together for the week and will be kept well informed of any issues, parent communication, changes to the program and student progress on a daily basis. All teachers in the area will be involved in assessing and reporting on student progress.

We ask you to call or email us if you have any questions or concerns. We always encourage you to come and talk to us but please make an appointment first:

- ~ The Patch School - 9756 7463
- ~ Kellie McDonald's email: mcdonald.kellie.k@edumail.vic.gov.au
- ~ Kent Agis' email: agis.kent.k@edumail.vic.gov.au
- ~ Vivien Hughes' email: hughes.vivien.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
- ~ Judy Peterson's: peterston.judy.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
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We will do our best to get back to you as soon as we can.

*A copy of this information will be stuck in the front of your child's diary for use throughout the year.

The first couple of weeks will be devoted to settling in, establishing routines, our orderly environments and expected classroom behaviour. Students will begin their leadership journey this term commencing with a Leadership Day at school on Friday 31st January.

We endeavour to provide a smooth transition into Grade 5/6. There will be a 'Get to know your child' interview held early in Term 1 to provide us with more specific information about your child and answer any questions you might have.

We will send our 'Year Level Newsletter' each term via FLEXIBUZZ and Email. This can also be accessed via The Patch School website: www.thepatchps.vic.edu.au. Please let us know if you require a hard copy.

We are very excited about the upcoming school year and look forward to getting to know you and your child.

The Grade 5/6 Team