

# Newsletter

## Year Five and Six

Mr Scanlon, Mrs Pugh, Mrs Gobetti

### ABOUT YOUR TEACHERS...

#### Tadhg Scanlon

And just like that, I am into my 3rd year at Bateman. The staff and students here have shown a lot of support to myself and my family for which I am extremely grateful. I have loved the resilience and determination shown by this community and look forward to contributing to its growth in 2023.

#### Gillian Pugh

Hi, hard to believe that this is my 11th year. I started here when Marc Lockett did!!! That shows you what a great place it is to work in. I am excited to plan the year ahead with our fantastic team, Tadhg and Trudi and our amazing Special Needs Assistants, Sue, Caroline and Sandra. We have already planned for the Year 6s to go to Adventure World on Friday 24 February 2023.

#### Trudi Gobetti

This is my 5<sup>th</sup> year at Bateman Primary School and my first year working with Year 5 and 6 students. I am particularly excited this year as I have already taught some of these students when they were in Year 1 and 2. I feel privileged to have their final years with them again as primary students and look forward to another amazing year at Bateman.

### TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February** – Parent Information Evening

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February** – P&C Welcome Sundowner

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February** – Year 6 Adventure World

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – Room 11 Assembly

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – Labour Day Public Holiday

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March – 22<sup>nd</sup> March** -NAPLAN

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – 6<sup>th</sup> April – Swimming Lessons

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April** – Good Friday (School Holidays commence)

### COMMUNICATION

Email is the best way to communicate with us. If you have an urgent message for your child, please call through the office.

When students enter in the morning our complete focus is on them and ensuring they are settled and ready for the day. If you would like to meet with the teacher to discuss your child, please arrange a meeting so that we can give you our undivided attention.

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**Room 11** – Mrs Pugh (Gillian Pugh)  
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EA – Sue Edwards

**Room 12** – Mrs Gobetti (Trudi Gobetti)  
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### SPECIALIST TEACHERS

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#### Kitchen Garden

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### C U R R I C U L U M

#### **Writing**

Bateman delivers a whole school approach to writing using Talk for Writing. Term 1 will see us complete 2 x 2.5 week mini units to revise Narrative and Persuasive texts before Naplan.

#### **Reading**

Our reading comprehension will be integrated with our Talk for Writing program as well as our class novels. Students will learn explicit reading comprehension strategies and then apply these to a wider range of texts, both written and still image. Each class will use their own set novel to apply these skills further.

#### **Spelling**

We will be continuing on with Bateman Primary's own spelling program for 2023. We will be using an evidence-based approach combining Heggerty Phonological Awareness program, along with a focus on sounds that will be run over a fortnight.

#### **Maths**

This year we will be running groups in our own classes. For Term 1, in Number and Algebra we will be focusing on place value, factors and multiples, special numbers and patterns and operations including fractions and decimals. In Measurement and Geometry we will be focusing on perimeter, area and length.

#### **Health**

Term 1 will see us focus on our whole school URStrong program. A social and emotional program, teaching students the skills of friendship. We will also be covering Zones of Regulation.

#### **HASS**

In Term 1 we focus on History. HASS will be delivered in two classes, Year 5 with Mr Scanlon and Year 6 with Mrs Pugh. HASS will be delivered through a combination of explicit teaching and project based learning.

#### **Digital Technologies**

Digital Technologies will be completed in class groups. The beginning of the term will see us focus on digital citizenship and cyber safety. Later, moving onto digital systems and binary codes.

#### **Visual Art**

Visual Art will be delivered to students as a whole 5/6 group and then completed in classrooms. All Year 5/6 students will complete the same project.

#### **Kitchen Garden**

Students will complete 3 x 120min Kitchen Garden sessions per term with Jane O'Dwyer.

### MORNING EXPECTATIONS

- If students arrive BEFORE 8:30am, they are to sit on the stage until the bell sounds
- Mobile phones are to be handed in to the office upon arrival on school grounds
- Students with smart watches must put them into aeroplane mode or turn the mobile aspect off. They are not allowed to call home during the school day
- Students can enter the classroom from 8:30am
- The siren will sound at 8:50am and the students are expected to be ready to start the day
- The roll is submitted each day by 9:30am
- If your child arrives after 9:00am, they must go to the office and sign in before coming to class
- Students are to enter, read the morning message, organise themselves for the day and complete the morning tasks

### BYOD

The roll-out for new iPads will begin in the coming weeks. Parents will be notified when their child is able to bring in their iPad. Parents will be updated regularly with BYOD requirements. It is the responsibility of the family to ensure the device is consistently at school and has full charge! We encourage you to read the BYOD policies and procedures available on the school website.

<https://batemanps.wa.edu.au/byod-documentation>

### HOMEWORK

Homework issued to Year 5/6 students is intermittent, relevant and project-based work. Students are expected to be reading most nights. They are asked to log into Mathletics once a week to complete assigned tasks relevant to the topics covered in class. When large projects are assigned, parents will be notified via email and sometimes asked to sign task sheets. Individual homework plans will be set up for students as required e.g. handwriting, spelling and/or reading.

### LEADERSHIP

Our Year 5/6 students are presented a number of leadership opportunities throughout the year.

5 x Student Leaders  
8 x Faction Captains

Tech Heads  
Wellness Warriors  
Sound Technicians  
Classroom managers (recycling, bike shed, flag & lunches)  
Recycling Rangers (kitchen & garden)

Leadership meetings with the Student Leaders and Faction Captains will be conducted fortnightly at 8.15am on Wednesday. Additional groups will be asked to attend as the need arises.

### GOOD STANDING POLICY

Please familiarise yourself with the Bateman Primary School Positive Behaviour Support Plan and the Good Standing Policy. Students have received an explicit lesson already during Health to ensure they understand the policy and procedures what this means for them.

<https://batemanps.wa.edu.au/our-policies>

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are continuing to develop a parent committee to produce the Graduation Book for our Year 6 students. We see the committee meeting to discuss design, attending school events to collect material, visiting the classroom to work with students on blurbs and communicating with the Year 6 group to collect material via email. Expressions of interest to Mrs Pugh.

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