7th June 2019

Dear parents and caregivers,

This term Stage 2 will be working on persuasive speeches to align with our English concepts of Perspective and Point of View.

Speeches will be written in class by the students on the topic ‘What would you change in the world?’. The speeches will be presented in classes in Week 10, Term 2.

Teachers will be assessing the in class speeches on the following areas:
- Eye Contact
- Voice Projection
- Gesture and Grammar
- Purpose and Audience
- Content- facts/statistics
- Persuasive language features
- Vocabulary

These speeches will be compulsory and used as the basis for an in class assessment.

There is also the Regional South Operational Directorate Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition held in Term 3. If students wish to participate in this competition they will need to prepare a 3 minute speech on one of the following topics:

1. Keeping animals in a zoo is cruel
2. Our environment is important
3. Students choice

Please note: The Regional South Operational Directorate Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition is not compulsory. However, it is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop their public speaking skills. Please also note this speech will not be prepared at school. Students will need to complete this speech at home. Two students from each class will participate in a stage final in Week 7, Term 3 which will involve them presenting their speech and an impromptu speech to an audience of teachers and students.

One student from Stage 2 will then be selected to represent our school at this elite competition.

Please do not hesitate to speak to your child’s teacher if you have any questions about the speeches.

Regards,

Annette O’Neil
Principal