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Years 5 and 6 Maths Olympiad

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our students in Years 5 and 6 are invited to participate in the APSMO Maths Olympiad this year. The annual Maths Olympiad consists of a series of four separate contests, held approximately six weeks apart between May and September. The overall aim of the Olympiads is to encourage students to develop important mathematical problem-solving skills in an enjoyable environment. The Olympiads are designed to be challenging; however, even though students are competing against other members of their class and teams from other schools, they are primarily competing against themselves and trying to improve their skills over the course of the year. All students will participate in the Junior: Division J competition. More information is available at www.apsmo.edu.au

The main aims of the program are to:

- Introduce students to important mathematical concepts.
- Teach major strategies and develop flexibility for problem solving.
- Foster creativity and ingenuity and strengthen intuition.
- Stimulate enthusiasm and enjoyment of mathematics.
- Provide for the satisfaction, joy and thrill of meeting challenges.

Contest Dates:

Wednesday 8th May 2024
Wednesday 12th June 2024
Wednesday 31st July 2024
Wednesday 4th September 2024


Time: The competition will take place during regular Math times/sessions on the date listed above (unless otherwise indicated).

Where: Hurstville Public School

Who: Year 5 and Year 6 mainstream- *Optional*
OC Years 5 and 6 – there is an *expectation* that all students will participate.

Cost: \$5 per student

If you are interested in allowing your child to participate in the competition, please complete the form below and return this to your classroom teacher.


Mr M. Steed
Principal


Ms M. Pearce
Assistant Principal
Curriculum and Instruction

Please return the signed note to your child's teacher by **Friday 28th March 2024**.

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My child, _____ of class _____, will be participating in the 2024 APSMO Maths Olympiad to be held at Hurstville Public School on the above dates.

Parent/carer signature: _____

Date: _____