

Thursday 18 March 2021

Mathematical Olympiads 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Duffy Primary is taking part in the Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads for 2021. This is an annual contest which has been operating since 1987. Every year, schools from all over Australia, New Zealand and other neighbouring countries take part. Approximately 64,000 students participated in 2020.

Through the analysis of student performance and assessment data in Mathematics, your child has been chosen to participate in the Maths Olympiad competition.

The Olympiads consist of five separate contests held approximately one month apart between March and September. The overall aim is to encourage students to develop important mathematical problem-solving skills in an enjoyable environment.

Although students are competing against other members of their class and teams from other schools, they are primarily competing against themselves. As each of the contests is a month apart, there is plenty of time for practise and improvement.

Practise and Preparation

We suggest that students regularly practise mathematical problem solving questions in order to gain the most benefit from the Olympiads program. The year 6 teachers will be organising regular practise sessions during which students will be taught the skills and techniques required to develop maths problem-solving skills.

We believe that through participation in the Olympiads, your child will gain greater understanding and enjoyment of mathematical problem solving.

Competition Dates

March 24th	May 5th	June 16th	July 28th	September 8th
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Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns regarding the competition. If you do not want your child to participate in the competition, please let your child's teacher know via email by Monday 22 March 2021.

Regards Year 6 Teachers,

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