## Year 6 Term 3 2017

## Night of the Notables

## AUSTRALIANS WHO HAVE HELPED SHAPE OUR NATION

The program aims to engender identification with a chosen notable. The dynamic is that increased knowledge will lead to empathy with that chosen person. A second intended result is to increase self-knowledge within the student and so focus his or her energies to set goals for achievement in the real world. A third is the attainment of life long research and communication skills. Students attain these goals according to their needs, capacities and commitment.

This program identifies the individual student's passion and aims to develop personal interest areas, to nurture independence and competence in research, to feed enthusiasm for learning, what real life obstacles high achievers encounter and overcame, and to offer career role modelling.

In practice, the students are guided to select a notable person in an area of interest and to seek information from near and far to compose a complete profile of their Notable. On the night, they set up a Learning Centre with props, posters and models to present their Notable. Dressed as the Notable, they ask invited guests to discuss their Notable's achievements with specially designed open ended questions they themselves devise. As well, they offer memorabilia or serve the guests some food typical of their Notable's life and times.

Some past photos of a very successful program are shown below.











