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## YEAR 5 & 6 DEBATING

Our Year 5 and Year 6 Junior School Debating teams went head-to-head against Trinity Grammar this afternoon here at Thomas Hassall. The topic for both debates was "That teachers are better than school books." On the Affirmative side of the topic, our Year 5 team provided the audience with some great examples in support of teachers. That teachers are able to provide guidance and emotional support where books are not able to do this. Or that teachers are able to take prior knowledge into consideration and you don't get that from a text book. Our Year 6 team were on the Negative side of the topic for their debate. They also had some great examples of how books help students learn. That e-textbooks are updated online with the latest developments. Or that you can always look something up that you need to know when maybe your teacher isn't available. Both our teams did a fantastic job and were excellent representatives of our College. Our Year 5 team won their debate against a very strong Trinity Grammar Year 6 team. Our Year 6 team had a very close debate but unfortunately didn't get a win today. I'm sure you will join with me in wishing both teams all the best for their next debate.

## **Mr David Stroud**

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