## HASTINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL



## NEWSLETTER

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#### 2017 IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES - TERM 3

LITERACY WEEK Monday 4th—Friday 8th September 9am Friday 8th September—BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

H.P.S. RESILIENCE CONCERT Thu

**BOOK CHARACTER PARADE** 

SCHOOL COUNCIL

AFL FOOTY DAY END TERM 3 2017

START OF TERM 4

CURRICULUM DAY

TERM 4 SWIMMING PROGRAMME

Thursday 7th September 1:30-3:15pm in school hall. Tickets available. Friday 8th September in school hall @ 9am

Tuesday 19th September @ 6:30pm in the staffroom Students to come dressed in footy colours. Parade @ 9am

Friday 22nd September 2:30PM DISMISSAL

Monday 9th October

Thursday 12th October—NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

Foundation to Year 2 13/011/17—17/11/17 (5 sessions) \$70 in total

Year 3—Year 6 20/11/17—24/11/17 (5 sessions plus swim carnival on 28/11/17) \$80 in total) \$20 DEPOSIT due on Wednesday 20th September. FINAL PAYMENT by Wednesday 8th November. Payment plan is

available. Please read the details on the Permission Notification Report (mauve & green notice out TODAY)

H.P.S. BANK DETAILS FOR DIRECT PAYMENT FOR ALL SCHOOL CHARGES incl. excursions and camps

Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000 Account No.145804084

#### IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION CURRICULUM DAY Thursday 12th October

All staff will participate in the final Curriculum Day for 2017. No students will attend school on this day.

We apologise for this date being during the first week back in Term 4, but there was no other date available for the program our staff will participate in—IMPLEMENTATION of EXEMPLAR LITERACY STRATEGIES.

#### BUSY WEEKS @ H.P.S.

As you can see from this week's newsletter, the last weeks of Term 3 are very busy as we celebrate Literacy Week, prepare for our Kidsmatter Resilience concert, participate in important excursions and celebrate the special people in our lives.

- 1. Photo collage 1: Fathers Day celebration was held with a delicious breakfast and games on Friday morning. A huge thank you to our School Councillors and staff who started cooking bacon and egg rolls at 7:15am, ready for everyone to enjoy during the early morning start. Fathers, grandfathers and good blokes of all kinds came along to enjoy this special time with our children. Over 160 egg and bacon rolls were consumed with 60 families being represented. A top effort everyone.
- 2. <u>Photo collage 2:</u> Monday morning started for everyone in The Angling building with the annual BIG READ. Everyone grabs a



favourite book and experiences sustained reading together 'en masse'. It's great way to start Literacy Week and a great reminder about finding the time to enjoy reading at every opportunity, alone or with family and friends.

More Literacy news over the page .....



### GOOD NEWS FOR THE BIRCH FAMILY

As you would know from last week's newsletter, Tahlia Birch (5J) is in Monash Children's Hospital recovering from brain surgery. Tahlia is expected to be in hospital

for many weeks or months but she is doing well at this stage. Nikki Jones (Tahlia's teacher) and Lynne Davis visited Tahlia and Sharon at the hospital on Monday and were able to deliver all of our best wishes and gifts.

Today I am sending a huge thank you to those families who have donated money and items to help the family with day to day expenses and needs while they are spending so much time at the hospital.

A reminder also, that the gold coin donations for the Kidsmatter Resilience Concert tomorrow will all go to the Birch family. We are still taking donations and get well messages at the office.

#### **TERM 4 SWIMMING PROGRAMME**

Mauve Green notices were distributed yesterday with costs, dates, payment plans and permission form. Please return the permission for with the deposit of \$20 or full payment by 20th September. IT IS VITAL WE KNOW THE NUMBER OF PARTICPANTS BEFORE THE END OF TERM.

#### Continuing Literacy Week news ......

The many important elements of Literacy is well explained in the diagram on the right. Therefore in Literacy Week, and all Literacy learning, we include not only reading but lots of opportunities to develop and grow skills in writing, viewing, oral language (talking, listening and understanding), being creative and using technology.

Every year we focus on writing, creativity and publishing through a whole school 'writing task' where winners in writing and illustrating are announced.

In 2017 the writing focus has been on **POETRY**, with us exploring the many, many types of poetry. You can see lots of examples of beautiful written and published poetry on display in the school library. On page 1 you can see Cody and Lorna (1/2J) enjoying one of the displays.

Please visit the library before, during or at the end of the day with your children to view their contributions.

Winners of the writing and illustrating awards will be announced on Friday morning at the Book Character parade in the school hall at 9am.

#### FLINDERS LIONS CLUB JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

On Monday morning we had the pleasure of welcoming Mark Holland (President of Flinders Lions Club) and 4 of his fellow members who came along to judge Hastings Primary School's finalists in the Junior Public Speaking program.

We had 7 finalists from Year 4—Year 6 who presented their talks about one of the two subjects they could choose.

Pictured are the finalists with the judges in Angling. Left to right are:

Marcus Harwood 4D The Place in the World I Would Most Like To Visit (Japan)

Carlos Pallesco 5/6M The Thing I Would Most Like to Change in the World (Climate Change)

Kasper Zylstra 4D The Place in the World I Would Most Like To Visit (Disneyland)

Emily McKeown 5/6M The Thing I Would Most Like to Change in the World (World Pollution)

Rory Kingdon 4D The Place in the World I Would Most Like To Visit (Star Wars Universe)
Cadence Soltan 5/6M The Thing I Would Most Like to Change in the World (Street safety for kids)

Anneke Zylstra 5/6C The Thing I Would Most Like to Change in the World (Over fishing the oceans)

Everyone was congratulated on their confident presentations and the level of research, knowledge and passion they put into the final efforts. Congratulations to Marcus Harwood and Carlos Pallesco for winning the Hastings P.S. round of finals. Marcus and Carlos



have the opportunity to compete at a regional level in Cranbourne soon. They were both given vouchers from the Flinders Lions Club to support their future learning.

Thank you to our Senior staff who so willingly opt into these programs to provide our students with new and exciting opportunities to learn and grow.

The Flinders Lions Club have also generously sponsored 3 students to attend the Licola Lions Camp during the September

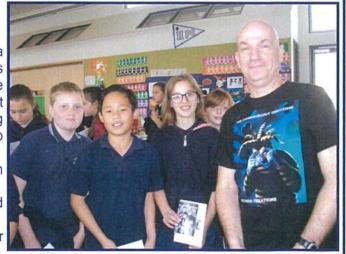
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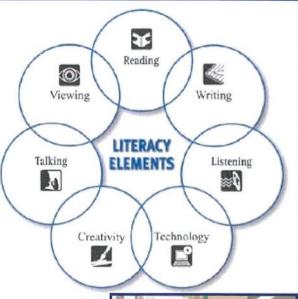
#### YEAR 5 and 6 WELCOME AUTHOR SCOTT NORTON

For Literacy Week we invited Scott Norton, a Mornington Peninsula resident and author, to speak with our Year 5 and Year 6 students about his journey as an author and what works for him to be the successful, published author he is. In his teens and twenties Scott was into performing in heavy metal bands, both playing and writing lyrics. When this was over he decided to use his creative energy to become an author of 'Horror Fantasy' genre for young adult readers. Scott's published books are Flames From the North, Southern Vexations and White Eyed Children of the East.

Scott shard many of his 'writers' secrets' with our very engaged students.

We thank Scott for his motivational presentation and generosity for his time and expertise with no charge.

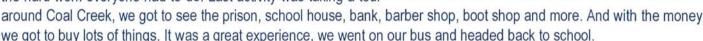






**Coal Creek Brianna** 5J On Monday the 28th of August we went on an exciting excursion. We were going to Coal Creek to learn about History, we got to take 10 dollars' maximum to buy souvenirs to take home., 5J, 5/6 M AND 5/6C came too. As we arrived we walked to an old train, they saw trains as the best transport back then! In the train there were sections, it looked and was designed differently than any other train I knew. We got to eat for about 5 minutes then got put into groups. Our first activity was watching how they cut down trees. In the olden days they use lots of tools including a wooden mallet, two giant saws because the trees were big back then.

Next was cooking, we got to make damper and we talked about the hard work everyone had to do. Last activity was taking a tour



**The Old School** 5/6C I wonder what it would have be like to go to school in the pioneer days. I think it would be interesting. The classroom felt big and cold. When you talked the sound echoed against the walls. You got hard work to do and you have no computers to use. There were black boards and you had to use ink to write on. You had to do cursive script. You would get to school on a horse or pony.

There were a lot of ways to punish the kids for being naughty. You weren't allowed to talk or you would get the cane or ruler. When you were naughty you would have to stand with your back to the class with a cone on your head with a big D on it. By Chloe Bannan 5/6C

<u>Cooking Georgia Victor 5/6 C</u> As I walked in a warm blast was a big relief from the cold outside. The lady who welcomed us was called Lyn. We sat down at a big wooden table, made by hand. Lyn told us about the olden days and how they cooked their food.

As we listened I inhaled the smoky smell. I could see the flames shoot up in the air and hear the crackle of the fire. I could taste the pleasant damper we made and I could fell the stickiness of the golden syrup. It was fun because I felt like I was cooking in the olden days.

#### Having lunch on the Coal Creek train! Logan Prescott 5/6C

Grumble! Grumble! My stomach rumbled because I was hungry. We got to Coal Creek and it did not look very old inside at first but when I got inside there was a really old big train! I really wanted to go inside of the train, and we did! There were nine compartments in the old carriage. There was a male side and a female side. I was on the boy's side of course. Finally the teachers said that we could eat our lunch. I was so relieved that we can finally eat lunch. In my lunch I had an apple, sandwich, chocolate doughnut, M&Ms and Tim Tams. A bit different to the damper of the old days. I ate it all in a second!

Coal Creek Tram Ride By Tyson Tranter Honk! Honk! The tram started, but wait why are we going backwards, oh? We were just getting to where we needed to be to start our ride. We stopped at a place called Middle Station. The driver got out and pulled a lever to change the tracks. Once he got back in he changed the gear to forward and of we went again. The train slowly rattled around the dam then after a couple of minutes we passed a massive water wheel and then stopped at Middle Station again. The driver got out again to change the tacks and we slowly got back to where we started.

The loveliest food you'll ever have!!!! Sean Hacking 5/6 C The fire was the only thing protecting us from the cold as the wind was like liquid nitrogen. We rolled and patted a piece of



damper bread each. The worker there was named Lyn and she cooked the damper scones to perfection. We ate the damper scones with golden syrup and they were the best thing I've ever tasted!

A GREAT DAY OUT!





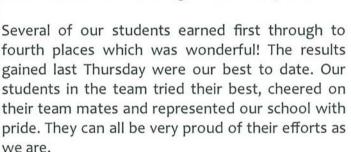


# SPORT NEWS.



On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, thirty-two of our students went to represent Hastings Primary School, in the Crib District Athletics Carnival held at Ballam Park. The sun shone for the first time in three years for us and the weather was close to perfect for our athletes.

The children performed exceptionally well, and we had several placegetters in their heats. Representatives for the next level of competition are determined by the best two times from two heats. In the track events, we have three students who have made it through to the Southern Peninsula Division Athletics event to be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October. Bella Northern will represent Hastings Primary School in the 1500m distance race, Chloe Bitters will represent our school in the 800m track run and high jump, and Ethan Smith will be running in the 100m sprint.











CLASS	WEEK ENDING	Friday 1st September 2017				
PA	Malika Kelly	Welcome to Hastings Primary School. You are making lots of friends quickly! We lot forward to getting to know you more and more.				
PA	Alayna Colman	Alayna you are becoming very independent when managing your belongings throughout the day. Go Alayna!				
PT	Oliver Murray	Go Ollie! All year you have been trying your hardest with maths and it is paying off! Keep up the great work!				
PT	Krystal Clark	What a week you have had Krystal! You did a fantastic job at finding the important information in our stories!				
1/2H	Brodie Andrews	For demonstrating perfect behaviour on our excursion to Science works. You have represented your school with pride.				
1/2S	Ava Brand	Poetry in motion has found Ava whisking us away with her shape poems. From her well designed illustrations to great use of adjectives, they are something to behold. Way to go Ava!				
3K	Precious Villamil	Congratulations Precious on your continued effort and persistence in reading. You have been rewarded for all your hard work. Level 30, Well done!!!				
3/4H	Tairone Grooby	Wow, eight Diamante poems in a week you just might be Australia's next 'Poet Laureate'.				
5J	Jay Lynch	A fabulous first week at HPS, Jay You've made a brilliant impression on and have shown resilience beyond the imagination! Awesome effort.				
5/6C	Ryan Vining	You have improved your resilience and your attendance Ryan. Keep up the good work!				
5/6M	David Low	Thank you for being our tour guide around Coal Creek. Great job!				



#### DON'T FORGET...

OUR RESILIENCE CONCERT TOMORROW IN THE HALL 1.30PM TO 3.15PM. GOLD
COIN DONATION AT THE DOOR

TICKETS CAN BE COLLECTED FROM THE OFFICE.
ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL HELP GO TOWARDS SUPPORTING THE BIRCH FAMILY!

CLASS	TITLE OF PERFORMANCE  Circa De Hastings  The Five Finger Family		
4HD			
1/2H			
3К	We are the Planets		
P-4 Ms Jones	Macarena Dance		
5/6C	Cyberbullying role plays		
3/4H	Satellite blues AC/DC		
1/2J	Stacking Cups Show		
5/6M	Mindfulness		
1/25	Dance Show "That Power"		
5J	Oliver Twist "Consider yourself"		
PA & PT	The Farmer of Australia		



## OUR CHICKENS HAVE BEEN NAMED!

STUDENT	COLOUR	CHICKEN
Emily Preshell	Red	Luna
Len Northern	Purple	Dottie
Josh Watson	Yellow	Chicolatte
Lachlan Reeve	White	Chikky babe
Kellie Absolom	Green	Ginger

## GO FUND ME Tahlia's Wellness Fund! Another way to help a family in need







One of our amazing parents' has set up a 'Go Fund Me' page for Tahlia. Please help in an way you can.

Every parents worst nightmare. 10 year old Tahlia Birch was playing, going to school one day like any other child, to the next day in hospital fighting for her life.

Tahlia was diagnosed with a very aggressive brain tumour 2 weeks ago. Tahlia has since been operated on and unfortunately not all of the tumour was able to be recovered. Tahlia is re-cooperating in children's hospital. Tahlia still is unable to speak however is becoming stronger each day.

Thalia's mother Sharon has not left her side and has been living beside Tahlia while Andrew, Tahlia's father has been travelling back and forth each day looking after Thalia's 2 brothers Kyle and Lucas. This has put immense strain on the family as Andrew has been unable to work, as his first and utmost priority is to ensure his daughter, boys and fiancé' are taken of. Tahlia still has to undergo radiation when she is well enough which goes for 5 weeks, then there is chemotherapy a few weeks after.

We would love for Andrew and Sharon not to have to worry about any day to day expenses especially rent and petrol for travelling.

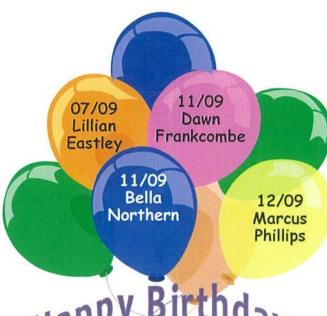
Andrew will then be able to relax a little, take time off work and do what he does best and look after his family.

Sharon and Andrew will be thankful for any amount that you will be able to donate.



Tahlia's Wellness Fund

Help spread the word!







Happy Birthday to this months September babies!

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THE SCHOOL OFFICE!



### WHAT'S ON AT HPS



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN					
4th  * Literacy Week!!  * THE BIG READ  * Bounce back program 10-11am	5th * 1/2 & 3/4 Golf Clinic	6th	7th * Resilience Concert 1.30—3.15. Tickets available at the office	8th * Book Character Parade *Book Club Order Due in	9th	10th					
11th * Bounce back Program 10-11am	12th	13th	14th * Dream Catchers (Yr 5/6 girls) 2.15—3.15	15th	16th	17th					
18th *Dental Check Ups	19th * Dental Check Ups * School Council Meeting 6.30pm	20th * P-2 & 3-6 Swimming Deposit \$20 Due in!	21st  * Dream Catchers (Yr 5/6 girls) 2.15—3.15  * meal Deal Dun in by 3.30pm today	22nd  * Meal Deal Day  * AFL Footy Day (Parade)  *Last Day Term 2.30pm Finish	23rd	24th					
25th <b>S C F</b>	26th O O L	27th <b>H O L I D</b>	<b>A Y S</b>	29th	30th	1st					
2nd	3rd	S C H O	O L H O	L I D A Y	7th	8th					
9th October *1st Day Term 4	10th	11th * P-2 & 3-6 Swimming 2nd Deposit \$20 Due in!	12th	13th	14th	15th					
16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st Bun- nings BBQ	22nd					



Here at Hastings Primary School we use Flexibuzz App (formerly Tiqbiz) as one of our communication tools. The Flexibuzz app helps our school keep parents fully informed and up to date with newsletters, news, events and notice/ payment reminders. It's easy to use and also has the benefit of helping reduce our paper consumption by printing less. The first step is to download Flexibuzz to your phone, tablet, computer..... or all of them.

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Important: Click 'allow notifications. This will allow us to send you important alert notices.

Once installed, follow the steps on the reverse side of the page to tick on our school FlexiBuzz

#### FIND AND TICK OUR SCHOOL

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Find our school

Click the 'Find' icon and type our school name into the search bar. You will now see our school hoxes

E.G. Minnows (Preps), Sea Eagles (Yr 1 & 2), King Fishers (Yr 3 & 4), Anglers (Yr 5 & 6), and Bugs and Beetles Playgroup.

Tick on Click on the tick beside our school box and any other boxes that apply to you.

When the tick turns green, you're connected



Click on 'enter here' box. This is where you will receive our newsletters, reminders and event information



#### St Mary's Child Care Service Before & After School Care

Did you know? St Mary's Primary School has no playground supervision until 8.25am.

Did you know? We can drop off and pick up your child from Hastings Primary School?

Did you know? That most families are eligible for at least 50% rebate (CCR) of all out of pocket expenses

for attending St Mary's Child Care Service programs, and many families are also entitled to a further discount based on their family income (CCB).

For more details on Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate call the Department of Human Services on 13 61 50 https://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/online-estimators to estimate your CCB & CCR entitlement.

We provide a healthy breakfast and afternoon tea everyday. With a selection including items such as: Fresh Fruit, Vegetables, Cereals, Toast, Crackers 'n' Dip, Pizza's on a roll, Sandwiches and much more We also cater for varying dietary requirements as required.

Before School Care Fees \$ 12.50

Casual Before School Care \$ 13.50

After School Care Fees \$ 20.50

Casual After School Care \$ 22.50

Before School Care: 7:00am to 8:45am

After School Care: 3:15pm to 6:30pm

For more information, or for bookings, please call Rose (the co-ordinator) on 5979 1149