



#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

##### **2019 Welcome Back to EVERYONE!**

What a wonderful start to the school year. The school grounds and buildings were full of excitement and activity this morning as everyone arrived full of smiles and laughter - a real buzz with which to start the year.

Our students and classes have made a fantastic start especially after our 'whole school transition' programme at the end of last year that has supported ALL of our students prepare for this year.

Our staff have been incredibly busy of the past few days ensuring the learning spaces, the curriculum for our START UP programme and the activities are all in place.

Thank you to all of our families, old and new, for bringing the children in well rested, looking fabulous in their uniforms and with all they need to get started. It has been wonderful to visit the classrooms and hear all about the exciting holidays our families have experienced. Already it feels like it's going to be a great year at H.P.S.

##### **What is NEW?**

Last year we said farewell to a number of staff who are moving on to other schools and we welcome to the staff Mrs Cate Rogasch who works within our Admin team and Mrs Christine Parkin who has joined our Education Support team.

We are looking forward to our 26 new Foundation students starting their learning journey here at Hastings PS, and also welcome 4 new students across the year levels from other schools.

Our school grounds are looking fantastic and I'm sure you have noticed the new tables in front of the office building that will be a quiet spot for students to sit and enjoy each other's company during recess times.

We are excited to let everyone know that we will be offering a **MUSIC programme** this year which has been generously supported by the Mornington Peninsula Foundation and Foundation 59.

The programme will focus initially on music literacy using the voice and body movement with percussion instruments.

##### **Keep in TOUCH – electronically**

Remember to download the Flexibuzz APP on to your SMART phone so that you can stay connected with the events at Hastings PS.

We are endeavouring to become more sustainable and we will be MOVING AWAY from a paper newsletter.

##### **Assembly this week**

Our first assembly for 2019 will be held this Friday at the normal time of 2.20pm. Our 2019 Student Leaders will be inducted NEXT week.

*Tu Toa, Kia Kaha – Stand Strong, Have Strength*

Regards,

Simone McDonald






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## Term 1 Important Dates



<b>Monday 4th February</b>	Foundation Students Commence
<b>Monday 4th– Wednesday 6th March</b>	5/6 Grantville Camp
<b>Wednesday 6th February, 13th February, 20th February, 27th February &amp; 6th March</b>	No Foundation Students
<b>Wednesday 13th February</b>	Yr 3-6 Swimming Carnival
<b>Thursday 28th February</b>	District Swimming
<b>Monday 11th March</b>	Labour Day Public Holiday
<b>Tuesday 12th March</b>	Foundation Students Commence Full Time
<b>Thursday 28th March</b>	Yr 1/2 Briars Science Excursion
<b>Thursday 4th April</b>	HPS Cross Country



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