



# Newsletter

## Edition 17– 30th October 2019

### Message from the Principal

#### World Teacher's Day #brightfuture

Hastings Primary School recently celebrated World Teacher's Day on Friday 25th October.

This was a chance for our students and the community to thank our wonderful teachers for everything they do to help our students be their personal best.

Our teachers are enthusiastic, hard working and committed to doing their best. It is an absolute pleasure to work with such a dedicated team of staff.

Thank you to everyone who also took the time to acknowledge our staff.



I feel incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated team of professionals who genuinely love their jobs and the community within which they work.

'Today we celebrate the bright future that our teachers give to their students, but also the bright future of the profession itself,' said AITSL CEO Mark Grant. Teaching is a challenging but rewarding profession. Taking part in World Teachers' Day is a great way to show appreciation for teachers while acknowledging the thriving teaching profession and its bright future.

#### Books in Home

Books in Homes along with Blue Scope Steel have come together with Hastings Primary School to once again supply our Foundation to Year 6 students with two books of their choice.

We are thrilled to be able to work with our

community partners to provide such wonderful resources for our students. The books will be sent home later this term

#### Planning for 2019

Believe it or not this is already happening! Part of our planning is to ensure a smooth transition for students into the next year level.

Our staff give careful consideration to grade structures and this information will be released to students and families during our internal transition in December.

Please do not ask teachers to make special changes. Special circumstances will only be considered after an appointment with the Principal.

We also need to know if there are any more enrolments for 2020. If you haven't already, please let us know if you have a Foundation student starting school in 2020.

#### School Start Times and Yard Supervision

Now that the weather is warming up we are getting many students arriving at school incredibly early. Our school yard is supervised from 8.30 am. Students should arrive at school AFTER 8.30 am.

Please ensure that if your children are making their own way to school [on their bikes, scooter or walking] that they leave with enough time to arrive .

If you are requiring Before School or After School Care please call St Marys Childcare on 0359 791 149 to discuss options.

## Uniform Reminders

Hastings Primary School Council, in consultation with the School Community, has developed a Student Dress Code for all of our students.

This uniform is compulsory and pupils are expected to wear the approved school uniform whilst at school, on school excursions and when engaged in out of hours school activities.

School Council has implemented the Dress Code for the following reasons:

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- ◆ foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance.
- ◆ support Hastings Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- ◆ reduce student competition on the basis of clothing.
- ◆ enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.



The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

During the last couple of months we noticed some items being worn that are not a part of our school uniform policy and feel the need to address this.

The School Council has been revising the Student Dress Code and this will be published in our newsletter and on our website.

We appreciate your support in maintaining a smart look that creates a real sense of pride in our school.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### 2020 Transition Visits

Our final transition visits is coming up for our new Foundation students

***Enrolment packages are still available at the office.***

### Important Transition dates and time

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November

9:30 am – 10:30 am

### State Wide Transition Day

Tuesday 10th December

9:00am -10:30am

## CURRICULUM DAY this Term

We will have our final curriculum early next month. The teaching staff will continue to focus on developing our writing curriculum.

***Students will not need to attend on Monday 4th November***

## NAPLAN Results

The NAPLAN Individual Student Report [ISR] have been delivered to school. These are confidential documents and are available for collection from the front office by a parent/guardian.

Any ISR not collected before the final week of Term 4 will be sent out with Semester Two reports.

## Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day will be observed on Monday 11 November 2019.

Remembrance Day marks anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). Remembrance Day poppies can be purchased from the school office.



## Final Day arrangements

As parents will be aware the dismissal time for the end of Term 1, 2 and 3 was 2.30pm.

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The School Staff and School Council also wish to inform all families that on the final day of the school year, Friday the 20th December formal lessons will not be held and all students attending will be assisting with cleaning and organisational tasks.

As such school will operate on the last day as follows:

*9.00-11.00am - Class time*

*11.00-11.30am - Recess*

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As we will not be having a lunch break it is suggested that students be provided with a large snack to consume at recess.

## Final Assembly

We will be conducting our final assembly for 2020 on the second last day of term Thursday 19th December at 9am.

## Staffing News

Rebecca Klimeck has been in the Acting Assistant Principal position at Hastings Primary School during the year. We would like to welcome her back from her long service leave and congratulate her on her official appointment to the Assistant Principal.



***Tu Toa, Kia Kaha – Stand Strong, Have Strength***  
Regards,  
***Simone McDonald Principal***



# Principal Awards

## *Congratulations Jasmine Bannon*

You have demonstrated 'integrity' and 'courage' whilst under pressure. It can sometimes be difficult to stand up for what you believe in when around you there are challenges. Well done! You were true to yourself. Keep being You!





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# Student of the Week

Class	Week Ending	Friday 18th October 2019
PA	Stella Doll	Well done Stella on your fabulous contribution to the first-aid lesson this week. You also stepped up in our Wicked-Wednesday writing. Your story was entertaining to read and demonstrated the growth you have made this year. Keep it up!
PT	Asher Anfried	Well done Asher on the effort you have shown in all areas of your learning this week! Even in the First-aid course you demonstrated your understanding of what to do in an emergency. Keep it up!
1/2B	Primrose Canham	Primrose, you have returned to HPS like an Olympic athlete. You have approached your schoolwork at a sprinter's pace and when it comes to being helpful, you are using a multitude of skills like a decathlete. Way to go Prim!!
3K	Mikey Kaitara	Mikey, your maths results this week were outstanding as well as your descriptive writing. Best of luck at your new school and keep up the wonderful work!
3/4H	Bernie Pirini	An excellent job with your creative writing when we made our own memes using newspaper photo's, you have a great sense of humour.
5/6C	Phu Phan	It was great to see you enjoying dancing Phu. You were a little confused about the chicken dance but you gave everything a go with a big smile. Great moves Phu!



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PA	Lachlan Manson	Well done Lachlan on some amazing reading this week! You have showed some great progress in your reading skills and your love of reading is shining through. Keep up the good work and be proud of your efforts Lachlan.
PT	Isabelle Damman	What a week you have had Isabelle! The effort and determination you have demonstrated has been exceptional. It is terrific to watch your confidence grow with your reading. Keep it up!
1/2B	Chayse Smith-Rowles	Chayse, your attitude to writing is amazing to see. You approach with such determination that is to be admired. Way to go Chayse!
1/2C	Ivy Clifford	This week you have worked well as a team member. You have listened to others and helped combine their ideas with your own. Well Done!
1/2D	Willow Alexander	What a great week you have had! An enthusiastic student who has tried to improve in every aspect of her learning.
3K	Jacob Jordan-Hauschild	Jacob, your persistence in numeracy this week demonstrated a commitment to your learning which I am looking forward to seeing more of!
3/4H	Jacqueline Latina	Welcome to Hastings Primary School. You are setting in really well.
4/5J	Charlotte Fenton	You have maintained your positive and helpful approach this week Charlotte. Great job!
5/6C	Paris Dang	Paris you are a good friend and treat everyone with respect. You have been taking on more responsibility and can be relied on to make good choices. Keep up the great work!
5/6M	Rory Kingdon	Great job with your vocabulary work and up levelling your writing this week. Keep up the good work!



# Office Reminders

For any further information please contact the office and speak to Barb or Cate

## 2020 School Fees

Thank you to everyone who has paid their deposit or school fees in full.

Books will be ready for collection on 11th December 2019. For those families who are paying via the payment plan options the detail are outlined below

### Payment Plan Option 1

\$90 due 11th December

### Payment Plan Option 2

\$45.00 due 21st November

\$45.00 due 11th November

If there are any families who require some assistance with their book fees you can contact the Hastings Community Centre now to make an appointment to discuss whether you can get assistance towards the books portion of 2020 school fees.

Hastings Community Centre

0359 79 27 62



## School News

### Swimming Program

The swimming program is coming up fast, and it is important for **all children** to participate as part of our curriculum. Please return the permission forms and payment by the due date so that final arrangements can be made for classes. Late payments will not be accepted.

#### **Program Dates:**

Prep– Yr 2 Students	Yr 3– Yr 6 Students
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December

### Sustainability

What a great start we have made to our school being more environmentally active.

We have recycled our paper for a long time. The school chickens have always been very grateful to receive the food scraps from each classroom. A couple of months ago we started collecting bottle

caps to send to Envision Hands for use in prosthetic limbs. We have collected more than 1500 caps. Last week we introduced a crushables" bin into each classroom and last week we collected a whole big garbage bag full! This has diverted rubbish from going into landfill -instead it is recycled into garden furniture. Who is doing these things at home?

A big thank you to the lunchtime clubs and the Angling recycling team who give up their time to keep our school green. Go us!

### Congratulations

#### Dylan Malloy

Dylan has been going to dancing lessons and has achieved a medal following their concert.



### Walk to School Month

We hope that everyone has enjoyed walking, riding or scooting to school in the mainly fine weather this month.

We have seen an increase in students participating in this activity.

During the month of October, the Victorian Government promotes a healthy lifestyle of walking regularly. The school has also been supported by the Mornington Shire Council to assist us with walk to school day and purchasing equipment for our school. This year, we are dedicating our funding towards the Bike Education Program to buy some new helmets.

On Tuesday 29th October Hastings Primary School held our **official Walk to School Day**. Students & parents were able to meet at two

meeting points one outside the front of K-Mart, and the small reserve near the school crossing at Wallaroo.

The children who participated were able to join Breakfast Club and received a raffle ticket and will go in the draw to win sporting equipment at assembly next week.

We are looking forward to continue some of the healthy habits that we have established during Walk to School Month.

Enjoy the pictures below.



# Term 4 Important Dates

October– November	Walk to School Month 2019
Friday 1st November	5/6 Leaders Science Fair
Monday 4th November	Curriculum Day <b>No students</b>
Tuesday 5th November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday <b>No students</b>
Thursday 7th November	Year 2 Sleepover Camp
Wednesday 13th November	Crazy Hair Day
Wednesday 13th November	Session 4 of 4– 2020 Foundation Transition Visits
Thursday 14th November	Level 1 Sleepover
Monday 18th– Friday 22nd November	Yr 3-6 Swimming and Water Safety Lessons
Tuesday 19th November	School Council Meeting
Thursday 21st November	School Fees Due \$45 payment plan option 2
Wednesday 27th November	Volunteers Morning Tea
Thursday 28th November	Crib Point District Duathlon
Monday 2nd– Friday 6th December	Foundation– Yr2 Swimming and Water Safety Lessons
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Concert
Tuesday 10th December	State Wide Orientation Day
Wednesday 11th December	Book Collection Day
Thursday 12th December	Year 6 Graduation
Thursday 19th December	Final Assembly for 2019 9am
Friday 20th December	Last Day of Term 1:30 dismissal

## Happy Birthday



# Join us for a **FREE** community **BBQ**

## Held at Wallaroo Park in Hastings

Come along to enjoy a free BBQ, meet people working in your community and learn more about organisations such as your local Council, Police, Navy, Good Shepherd, the Shire's Youth Services Team and maintenance staff who help care for our community and environment throughout the year.

The day is an opportunity to talk about how we can all work together to improve the spaces we live, work and play in.

Members of HMS Cerberus and Broadspectrum (the Shire's Maintenance Team) will be available on the day to discuss possible future job opportunities.

Broadspectrum and Mornington Peninsula Shire have worked together for almost 20 years to provide maintenance services across the Peninsula. This includes: grass mowing, fence repairs, graffiti removal, playground repairs and much more in areas such as Wallaroo Park.

Grab a  
free bite to eat  
and join in some  
fun street art  
activities.

Thursday 7 November  
BBQ from 3.30 – 5pm  
Wallaroo Park  
Reserve, Hastings  
(behind Wallaroo  
Primary School)  
No RSVP required





# Long Day Program

## Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### for Hastings and St Mary's P.S.

Dear Parents,

Both Hastings and St Mary's Primary Schools have Curriculum day listed on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November. St Mary's Child Care Service is offering a Long Day Program on this day for the children, just in case you have to go to work and work doesn't like it if you bring them with you. We will be opening at 7am and closing at 6.30 pm. Our plan is to stay around Hastings and go check out the foreshore and maybe do some handline fishing from the pier, if enough children are booked in. We need a minimum of 12 children booked, with the deposit of \$10 paid by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> of October.

If your children have never attended the service but you would like to use it, just for this day, that's fine. We are accepting those sort of bookings, we just need you to complete an enrolment form and return it to the Program at the St Mary's school hall, with the deposit by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> of October.

For the Long Day Program, a deposit of \$10 per child will be required. No Deposit means your child will not included in the minimum requirement. The deposit holds your place. If there are not enough bookings by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October then you will be notified. So, the sooner you book in the better!

There is a booking sheet on the Parent Notice Board at the Program which you must add your child's name to and pay the deposit. If you make the booking and then your child does not come, you lose the deposit. If it gets cancelled due to lack of numbers, the deposit is refunded.

If you have any further questions then please don't hesitate to give me a call on 0417592252 or better still, pop in with your children at the Program so we can meet. Any time after 3 pm is fine.

Yours in Child Care,

*Rose H.*

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P.O. Box 421, Hastings Vic 3915 \* Open 7-9am & 3:15-6:30 pm