

Student Leadership Team

During our 'Start Up' program it is reinforced to all of our senior students that they are leaders within our school and important role models to our younger students.

Our Student Leadership Team has been inducted into their roles, giving our students the opportunity to take on additional roles and

responsibilities across the school.

I would like to extend my congratulations to the following students who have been elected and appointed leadership roles for 2020. Along with all of our staff at Hastings Primary School, I look forward to working alongside these students.



*School Leaders
Patrick Large &
Paris Dang*



*Kids Matter Leaders
Kynan Bryant &
Jackson Dimmock*



*Sports Leaders
Jasmine Bannan &
Blayne Gallagher*



*Arts Leaders
Abby Dudas-Fleetwood
& Charlotte Hodder*



*House Leaders
Brett Wells, Ginny
Williams, Jayke Wilson &
Caitlin Phillips (abs)*



*Sustainability
Leaders
Tyler Law & Carter
Coster*



School Council Elections

We are indebted to our parents for the great volunteer work they do in representing our school community on School Council. School Council is our governing body which ensures that Hastings Primary School keeps moving onwards and upwards in providing excellence in teaching and learning for our students. If this sounds like something you would like to be involved in, now is the time.

We are currently calling for nominations for 4 parent positions and 3 DET positions. Please refer to the additional information sent home today if you are thinking of nominating and would like to become a part of our School Council for 2020.

Nomination forms are available from the office [by request] on Wednesday 19th February.

Nomination forms must be lodged by 4.00 pm on Wednesday 4th March.

SCHEDULE 4: NOTICE OF ELECTION AND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An election is to be conducted for members of the school council of

Hastings Primary School

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00pm on

4 / 3 / 2020 (insert day, month and year).

The ballot will close at 4.00pm on

12 / 3 / 2020 (insert day, month and year)

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM OF OFFICE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS
Parent member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 20..... to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 20.....	4
DET employee member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 20..... to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 20.....	3
Student member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 20..... to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 20.....	

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.



Principal signature

Parking Awareness Program – Mornington Peninsula Shire

Many schools on the Mornington Peninsula face challenges in relation to the amount of available parking close to school entrances and this limited parking leads to problems with traffic flow and safety during drop off and pick up times.

The School Parking Awareness Program aims to reduce the congestion and improve the safety of pedestrians and drivers specifically during these times by ensuring drivers are aware and observe road rules and signage which is in place.

Council Officers will be attending schools on a random basis across the year. Officers will identify drivers committing offences, drivers may be verbally cautioned, or issued with an infringement notice.

The types of offences relating to the Road Safety Road Rules 2017;

Rule 171 – Stopping on or near a children’s crossing:

‘A driver must not stop on a children’s crossing, or on the road within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing’.

Infringement notice: \$161.00

Rule 167 – No stopping signs:

‘A driver must not stop on a length of road or in an area to which a no stopping sign applies’.

Infringement notice: \$161.00

Rule 183 – Stopping in a bus zone:

‘A driver must not stop in a bus zone unless the driver is driving a public bus’.

Infringement notice: \$97.00

Rule 197 – Stopping on a path, dividing strip, nature strip, painted island or traffic island:

A driver must not stop on a bicycle path, footpath, shared path or dividing strip, or a nature strip adjacent to a length of road in a built-up area:

Infringement notice: \$97.00

Rule 189 – Double parking:

‘A driver must not stop on a road if to do so would put any part of the vehicle that the driver is driving between a vehicle that is parked on the road and the centre of the road’.

Infringement notice: \$97.00

Rule 203 – Stopping in a parking area for people with disabilities:

A driver must not stop in a parking area for people with disabilities unless: the driver’s vehicle displays a current parking permit for people with disabilities; and the driver complies with the conditions of the use of the permit.

Infringement notice: \$161.00

Rule 169 – No stopping on a road with a yellow edge line:

A driver must not stop at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line.

Infringement notice: \$97.00

Rule 205 – Parking for longer than indicated:

A driver must not park continuously on a length of road, or in an area, to which a permissive parking sign applies for longer than the period indicated by information on or with the sign or, if rule 206 applies to the driver, the period allowed under the rule.

Infringement notice: \$81.00

Drivers should be aware that at times Officers will take notes or photographs of drivers parking in contravention of the road rules. Any notes or photographs taken are used for the sole purpose of proving evidence that an offence has taken place.

The Shire works directly with many schools to improve the traffic flow and availability of parking. However, the reality is such that there will never be enough parking during the high demand periods.

Other options to reduce congestion may include walking to and from school, carpooling or arriving earlier or later to the main peak which often lasts only a short time.

Principals Award

Abby Dudas-Fleetwood

For always having a positive attitude and sharing your zest for life with everyone around you.



Harley Clark

For joining in with the Spartan Strong crew and demonstrating your ability to take on feedback and act on it. Well done!



Family Fun Afternoon

We would like to thank everyone who joined us for family fun afternoon on Monday 17th February.

We had delightful weather and it was a great opportunity for students to show their 2020 classrooms and a chance for parents/carers to meet teachers informally.

See the collage of pictures from the afternoon below.

Tu Toa, Kia Kaha –

Stand Strong, Have Strength

Regards, **Simone McDonald** *Principal*



From the Assistant Principals Desk

It has been another busy, but FUN filled fortnight at HPS. Our 'Friday Fun' clubs started last week and on Monday we had our Family Fun Afternoon. Both events were fantastic. thank you to all of our staff for their organization, thank you to the students for their enthusiasm and thank you to you, our parent community for your participation and support.

"Meet the Teacher" Interviews

Meet the Teacher Interviews will be held again on **Tuesday March 10th**. Due to the overwhelmingly positive feedback we will be using the School Interviews website again:
<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/>

Bookings will open on **Monday 24th February at 9am** and close on **Friday 6th March**.

To book, simply go to the website, click on 'make a booking' and enter the event code **q28z3**. Enter your details, your child's name, choose the teacher, choose a time and press go.

Interviews will run for 10 minutes and will be held in the Angling Building.

The smooth running of our event relies on all parents keeping to the timetable. Please consider other parents, if you need more time with a particular teacher, arrange a separate meeting or phone call.

Head Lice

There have been a couple of cases of head lice reported to us. Please make sure you are examining and treating your child's hair if there are signs of lice infestation. Although they are unpleasant, head lice are easily treated. Please see attached fact sheets.

FOHPS

(Friends of Hastings Primary School)

Would you like to be part of a team that has fun and helps to organise the fantastic activities and events that happen at Hastings Primary School?

The F.O.H.P.S (Friends of Hastings Primary School) is having their first meeting for the year this Friday at 3pm in the Community Café. All new members welcome, we'd love to see some new faces join!

Facebook

Don't forget to 'like' our school Facebook page. Search for 'Hastings Primary School' and follow our page to see all of the great things that happen at HPS.

Rebecca Klimeck



News from the Office

Remaining Book Packs

We would like to thank everyone who has paid for and collected their books for 2020. For the remaining families please note that we will be returning the left over book packs back to the suppliers by Friday 28th February unless arrangements are made with the office prior to the return date.

Camps Sports & Excursion Funding

If you hold a current Health Care Card or Pension Card that is valid from the first day of term one, you may be eligible to apply for the CSEF for your child attending Hastings Primary School.

Forms are available from the office and this will entitle you to \$125.00 per child. These funds can be used towards camps, sports and excursions throughout the year.

Dear Hastings Primary 3K and 3/4 H

Thank you so much for the letters you sent me last year, I can't believe I'm already getting fan mail! I enjoyed reading all of them and I'm so happy to see so many words of encouragement and support. I'm sorry I have not gotten back sooner or come to visit yet, I am just so busy with training and moving to a whole new place!

I am so happy to be playing for Geelong because not only do I get to play footy everyday but I get to see all my siblings who live over here too! Everyone at the club is so nice and I have made so many new friends. We have just started playing practice games at training and I cannot wait for the season to start! Hopefully I get some games on the TV so you can all watch me play (I wear number 16 by the way but I'm sure you'll be able to see the tall guy with blonde hair pretty easily). The teams I would most like to play against would be Carlton so I can play on my brother and OBVIOUSLY beat him! Also Collingwood and Richmond because they are easy to beat too HAHA. I hope you have all ditched your old teams and are now going for the greatest team of all GEELONG, especially if you went for Collingwood before.

I miss the basketball games at lunch times but I've

heard you haven't been playing anymore! I hope you start playing again because it is so good for you, not only for your health but it helps with resilience, sportsmanship and also its FUN. If your trying other sports that's even better, just find the one you love the most and play that.

I hope your Christmas concert went well and I would love to hear how silent night was sung in German. Also congrats Sian on scoring your second goal in soccer! Keep it up, and yes I'm sure I would be a good goalie because I would cover most of the goals ha-ha.

I will definitely not forget any of you guys and I will try my best to come in and say hello the next chance I get! I hope you are all doing your best at school in your new classes because that's the most important thing you will ever do. Treat your teachers well because they do so much for you and remember to always try your best at everything you do because dreams do come true if you work for them!

See you soon,

From Sam (A.K.A The big friendly giant)



Student News

Students have been visiting the office to show their work to Mrs McDonald & Miss Klimeck. It has been wonderful to see and be involved all the work being completed in the classrooms.

The following students have written some great pieces regarding the recent bushfire devastation that occurred during the break.

Bushfires

Raging beast that destroy firefighters risking their lives for animals and people. Hopes burnt down nature turned black. Months later the fire has been beaten, but not forever.

Patrick Yr 6

Bleeding
Unstoppable
Safety
Harmful

Flames
Ignite
Replace
Evacuation

Fires are devastating
People loose their lives and their homes
Fire can harm wildlife
Fighting fires is important
Fires take animals homes and food

Jasmine Yr 6



YEARS 3-6 Swimming Program Core 24 Somerville

Thank-you and well done to all of families who supported this program.

Andrea Jones PE

From Monday 10th February through to Friday 14th February, our year 3-6 students completed the Swimming and Water Safety component of the Victorian Physical Education Curriculum.

The five days were dedicated to improving the swimming skills of our students. They gained the technique and stamina to swim 50 metres, improve their knowledge and abilities in relation to water safety.

These are important capabilities which the Victorian State Government and our school, is now committed towards each child achieving by the time he/she graduates from Year 6.

The program was a great success, with the following students achieving their Victorian Water Safety Certificate:

- ◆ Carter Coster
- ◆ Jackson Dimmock
- ◆ Kynan Bryant
- ◆ Sophie Knell
- ◆ Jainaya Delly
- ◆ Jacqueline Latina
- ◆ Brett Wells
- ◆ Jayke Wilson
- ◆ Tyler Law
- ◆ Cody Exon



Congratulations. These students have demonstrated the ability to confidently perform specific water safety knowledge and skills. These skills provide children with a swimming and water safety foundation that will enable them to safely enjoy aquatic activities in a limited range of environments.

As a school community we are dedicated to supporting our students to achieve important life skills to improve their knowledge and skill base necessary to lead a safe and active lifestyle in our peninsula environment surrounded by waters.

Student of the Week

Class	Week Ending	Friday 7th February
1/2B	Sophie Perham	For always trying her hardest and doing her best work. Well done Sophie!
1/2D	Beau Seal Hayden Gardner Liam Crawley	All of these students have had a fantastic start to the year at Hastings Primary School.
3/4H	Myniah Grooby	You have started the year showing definite leadership potential with the way you are helping out your new classmates and by setting a fine example of how to take initiative in the class. Well done!
5/6B	Chloe Synnott	Cool ... Calm... Composed. Chloe, this is the style and attitude you have started the year with. A strong beginning to year six. Way to go!

Class	Week Ending	Friday 14th February
P1M	Craig Blackney	Well done on a fantastic start to your Prep year and your time at Primary School. It is awesome having your laughs, generosity and cleverness in our class.
1/2B	Aaliyah Jellett	Aaliyah is an enthusiastic learner who has a positive attitude in the classroom. Aaliyah always tries her best. Keep up the great work Aaliyah.
1/2D	Stella Doll	Stella you arrive each day with a big happy smile ready to always do your very best, Go girl! Keep up the wonderful, positive attitude.
	Hayden Gardner	Fantastic start to the year.
	Caiden Mehegan	Caiden you always show a positive attitude towards having a go and doing your best in everything you do, well done champ. Keep up the fantastic confident growth mindset!
3K	Malika Kelly	Malika, I have been so impressed with the way in which you have embraced your nightly reading as well as your reading during class. I'm sure we will see some wonderful growth this year. Well done!
3/4H	Emily Webster	It is terrific to see your commitment to improving your reading by doing home-reading every night of the week and being another student who sets a good example for our class.
4H	Michaela Pallesco	For engaging in classroom discussions with good contributions and enthusiasm.
5/6B	Harley Clark	Harley, you dove headfirst into swimming last week. You showed us all how to overcome challenges and leave them in your wake. We look forward to seeing which challenge you set your sights on next! Way to go Harley!
5/6C	Abby Dudas-Fleetwood	You are always willing to give everything a go with enthusiasm and a smile. Well done on a great effort at swimming last week and for stepping into your leadership role with confidence!

Head lice Scratching for Answers?

health

Frequently asked questions

Where do head lice come from?

Head lice have been around for thousands of years. As with any insect, they learn to adapt to their environment in order to survive. We are never going to be completely rid of them, but we can make managing them easier.

Do head lice fly or jump?

Head lice do not have wings so they cannot fly. They can't jump because they do not have 'knees'.

So how do head lice move around?

Head lice crawl very fast and require head to head contact for transmission. It is possible that because of the way young children play, head lice are seen more widely amongst primary school children than adolescents or adults.

Can head lice spread disease?

No. Head lice cannot transmit or pass disease on to people.

Who is responsible for checking and treating head lice?

Like similar health conditions such as scabies, and ringworm, it is a parent or guardian's responsibility to treat and care for their child.

Do head lice live in carpets, clothes, hats or sheets?

No. Head lice very rarely fall from the head. They require blood to survive. Head lice feed three to four times a day and without blood, will dehydrate in six hours in a dry climate and 24 hours in a humid climate. An egg requires warmth to hatch and is the reason why they are laid close to the scalp. The further away from the scalp, the less likely they are to survive.

Is it true that head lice only like clean hair?

No. Head lice are not selective. They don't care if hair is long, short, blonde, brown, washed this morning or last week. As long as they are warm, and have blood to drink, then they are content.

What treatment kills 100% of head lice or eggs?

There is no single treatment that kills 100% of head lice or eggs. Whichever treatment you choose it can take time and persistence to get rid of head lice. Use a method that will not risk the health of your child.

Is there a way to prevent head lice?

No. It's important to check your child's head regularly with conditioner and comb even when you don't think your child has head lice. There is no research to prove that chemical or herbal therapies can prevent head lice.

How does the conditioner and comb method work?

It's a very cheap and effective way of finding head lice. Hair conditioner does not kill lice, but it does stun them for about 20 minutes, meaning they do not move around, and it is difficult for them to hang on. This gives you time to comb through the hair with a fine tooth (head lice) comb.

How does a chemical treatment work?

Only use products that are licensed or registered for head lice. There are four different active chemicals that target head lice, each works differently and aims to kill lice and/or eggs.



Department of Health

Do some products work better than others?

Over time, head lice may develop resistance to some chemicals. It is important to check if a treatment you used has worked, and if not, treat again with another product that has a different chemical in it.

Why do you have to treat again in seven days time?

Head lice eggs take six to seven days to hatch. And when you treat, it's easy to miss an egg or two. By treating again in seven days, you are aiming to kill and comb out any head lice that have since hatched from eggs, which were missed.

Should I treat everyone in the family?

It is important to check each family member, using conditioner and comb, for head lice but only treat those with live lice.

What should I wash or treat at home?

As head lice only live for a short time off the head, the only extra cleaning needed is to wash the pillowslip on the hot cycle or place in clothes dryer. Head lice combs can be cleaned in water hotter than 60 degrees.

Why does my child keep getting re-infected?

Re-infection is the least likely reason for head lice returning in a week's time. If eggs do not die, or were not removed during the original treatment they may hatch and the lifecycle starts all over again. To break this lifecycle you must re-treat (regardless of treatment method) seven days after the first treatment and continue with weekly checking.

Does my child have to miss school?

According to the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2009, children with head lice can be readmitted to school after head lice treatment has commenced. A certificate from a doctor or council is not required before your child goes back to school. Head lice are not the fault of schools, other families or children.



www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice

Information and photograph used are courtesy of Assoc Professor Rick Speare and the team of researchers at the School of Public Health, James Cook University, Queensland.

Helpful hints

- Using the conditioner and comb method every week is the best way to detect head lice early and minimise the problem.
- Tying back hair can help prevent the spread of head lice.
- Many parents will complain that they are doing the right thing but other parents aren't. Placing the blame will not achieve anything. Instead of pointing the finger, help each other.
- A school with a head lice education program and policy in line with *Scratching for Answers?* is a proactive school attempting to help families address a common health concern.
- The department's head lice management strategy is supported by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

Treatment choices

- Chemical: Treat and comb to remove the head lice and eggs; and repeat in seven days.
- Non-chemical: Use conditioner and comb to remove the head lice and eggs; and repeat every two days until no live lice have been found for 10 days.



Term 1 Important Dates

Thursday 20th February	Yr 5-6 Surf Life Saving– Pt Leo
Friday 21st February	Deposit due Yr 5-6 Sovereign Hill Camp & Yr 3-4 Oasis Camp
Tuesday 25th February	Yr 3-6 Vic Science Incursion
Wednesday 26th February	No Foundation Students
Thursday 27th February	District Swimming
Monday 9th March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 10th March	Foundation Students Commence Full Time
Tuesday 10th March	Meet the Teacher Interviews
Thursday 12th March	House Cross Country
Friday 13th March	GRIP Student Leader Conference
Friday 20th March	Hastings Ride to School
Tuesday 24th March	Final Payment Due Yr3-4 Oasis Camp
Thursday 26th March	Final Payment Due Yr 5-6 Sovereign Hill Camp
Tuesday 14th April	Curriculum Day– No Students
Monday 2nd November	Curriculum Day– No Students



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday 24th March 2020

5pm - 7pm

School tours, fun activities, family BBQ, live music,
mini festival, plus free samples for VIP card holders

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