



News Sheet 5: Wednesday 29th April

WELCOME TO REMOTE ONLINE LEARNING

Welcome to Week 3. We are excited to have launched our online learning platform to all students this week and it has been fabulous to see you all in the virtual check-ins this week.

Last week staff worked to distribute approximately 70 of our school laptops to students who had no device. Teachers contacted all families and provided them with their student's email addresses and passwords. These are necessary to support your child/ren to access the remote learning online platform.

We acknowledge that the first few days transitioning to online learning have had teething problems. Please note your virtual check-ins with your teachers will be open for the full half hour so if you are not able to log on immediately please do not stress.

If you are still having difficulty accessing the online platform you can contact the school office via email hastings.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone and someone will get in contact to support you.

ONLINE ACCESS

We have had a number of queries regarding Virtual Check-ins so we would like to clarify how to sign into the virtual check-ins with your teachers please follow the following steps:

- 1) Sign into google classroom using your students email address and password.
- 1) Once logged into google classroom select the students class
- 2) The top ribbon will have the word **stream**
- 3) Select Stream and scroll down to a post by the teacher named virtual check-in.
- 4) Select the link and enter the details which are outlined in the message on the stream page.

Please note:

- It can be helpful to 'copy' and 'paste' the password for accuracy.
- You cannot join the meeting outside the times displayed on the google classroom stream.

We would like to remind everyone that the school website has a tab called "Term 2 Remote Learning" which provides links to commonly used programs such as Reading Eggs, Mathletics etc. as well as each year levels suggested timetable for online learning.

CONTACTING YOUR TEACHERS

Please note that due to social distancing measures we have limited staff members on site daily. If you need to contact your students teacher please email hastings.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with your query and we will forward this on the teacher accordingly.

Staff will be available for assistance during **working hours only** and depending on how much support you need it may take a bit of time for us to get back to you and we thank you for your patience and understanding.

If you require a face-to face meeting you **must** contact the school and arrange a meeting time so we can continue to implement social distancing measures.

ATTENDANCE

Hastings Primary School is still required to submit attendance to the Department daily and we use the virtual check-ins as an opportunity to take attendance and assist with questions and queries students may need to clarify.

If your child is not participating in online learning and cannot virtually check-in with the teacher but is undertaking remote learning from home please ensure you contact the school. This can be done

via email or phoning the school and choosing the absence line. Please state that your child's name and that they are working from home.

Please note if you do not check-in virtually with your teacher throughout the day or contact the school your student will be marked as absent.

ANZAC DAY—LEST WE FORGET

It has been great to see that in spite of not being able to undertake the traditional ANZAC Day memorials due to Covid-19 students have still taken the time to partake in activities at home to remember the sacrifices the soldiers made. Please see the next page which shows students making poppy's, wreaths and ANZAC biscuits.



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Over the last few weeks we have been receiving pictures via our school email address sharing how students have been undertaking their learning at home and we have been sharing these images via our Facebook page.

You are all doing a fantastic job juggling your children, schooling and other commitments during these challenging times.

We look forward to seeing you each day and supporting you with your learning.



Caring for our Community during Coronavirus



Care packages for those in need



Mornington Peninsula Shire, in partnership with local Community Support Centres, is offering care packages for our most vulnerable and isolated community members who are impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic on the Peninsula. Care packages will be sent to eligible households through contactless delivery.

Care packages will include non-perishable food and essential hygiene items.

You are eligible to receive a care package if you:

- are being impacted by Covid-19 due to self-isolation
- are considered 'at risk' of getting COVID-19
- have no support locally to access supplies
- are experiencing significant hardship due the current situation.

How do I register to receive a care package?

Phone the Shire on ☎ 1300 850 600

If you need the assistance of an interpreter phone ☎ 131 450

TTY/voice calls: ☎ 133 677

Speak and listen: ☎ 1300 555 727

SMS relay: ☎ 0423 677 767

If you are deaf or have a hearing or speech impairment contact us through the National Relay Service:

📞 [communications.gov.au](https://www.communications.gov.au)

Community Support Centres

Community Information and Support Centres provide a number of programs and services to assist vulnerable individuals, couples and families.

Services provided include fresh food parcels, personal hygiene products and food vouchers. There is also support available for people experiencing financial difficulties and referral information is provided to other health and community agencies.

There are three Community Information and Support Centres operating on the Peninsula:

- Southern Peninsula Community Support and Information Centre ☎ 5986 1285
- Westernport Community Support Centre ☎ 5979 2762
- Mornington Community Information and Support Centre Inc. ☎ 5975 1644

Support services

Coronavirus Health Info Line (24/7)	☎ 1800 020 080	Advice and information on coronavirus.
Department of Health and Human Services	☎ 1300 650 172	Services to support the health and wellbeing of Victorians.
Lifeline	☎ 13 11 14	People experiencing personal crisis requiring immediate support and suicide prevention services.
Beyond Blue	☎ 1300 224 636	Information for people experiencing mental health issues.
1800 Respect (family violence)	☎ 1800 737 732	People experiencing family violence and their family/ friends.
DirectLine (drug and alcohol)	☎ 1800 888 236	People seeking alcohol and drugs info, advice or referral.
Headspace	☎ 1800 650 890 ☎ 9769 6419 (Frankston office)	Support for young people aged 12-25 years.
Kids Helpline	☎ 1800 55 1800	Kids aged 5-25 years needing support
Maternal Child Health Line	☎ 13 22 29	Support to care for children until they start school.
My Aged Care	☎ 1800 200 422	Support for people requiring aged care services.
National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	☎ 1800 800 110	Support for eligible people with a disability.
Carer's Victoria	☎ 1800 242 636	Carers of people with disability, mental illness, chronic health issue or age-related condition.
Nurse on Call	☎ 1300 606 024	Professional health advice from a registered nurse.
Gambler's Help Line	☎ 1800 858 858	People with gambling problems and those close to them.
Wellways Helpline (mental health)	☎ 1300 111 500	People experiencing mental health issues.
Child Protection (DHHS)	☎ 13 12 78	
South East Centre Against Sexual Assault (SECASA)	☎ 1800 806 292	Victims/survivors of sexual and physical assault
Grief Line	☎ 1300 845 745	People experiencing grief, loss or trauma.

For concerns about Coronavirus call the dedicated hotline or visit the DHHS website.

☎ 1800 675 398 ☎ dhhs.vic.gov.au/novelcoronavirus

Please keep Triple Zero (☎ 000) for emergencies only.