

Newsletter **Term 3 Edition 4** Wednesday 1st September

Message from the principal

Caring / Respecting / Learning

Unfortunately the Victorian Premier has just announced that we will not be returning to face-to -face learning for the remainder of Term 3.

Hastings Primary School will continue to deliver remote learning to all students until school holidays.



Free Webinar: Supporting children during lockdown 6 - a webinar for parents On: Thursday 2nd September, 2021. 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Register here: https://www.trybooking.com/ **BTUMG**

Further information on flyer at the end of newsletter.

Year 5-6 Camp Postponed

Due to the current COVID-19 lockdown and + restrictions, we have decided to postpone our Year 5/6 Ballarat Camp. The camp will now take 🔸 place Monday 8th- Wednesday 10th November.

Unwell Families

For the safety of the school and community we wider would appreciate that if anyone in your family is unwell please keep all family members home and get a COVID test ASAP.



Onsite attendance

If you require onsite attendance for the reminder of term please ensure an onsite attendance form is filled out along with a copy of your permitted workers permit.

Click here if you need a copy of the onsite attendance form otherwise if can be found on the website under learning from home resources.

HATS ON day is here!

1st of September is HATS ON Day! For students who are attending onsite during remote learning hats need to be worn in the playground for recess, lunchtime, physical education and sport and outdoor activities from 1st September 2021 until 30th April 2022.

Remember to make sure your hat is clearly named inside.

To protect yourself and your family in the sun, remember to slip, slop, slap.

- Slip on some sun-protective clothing that covers as much skins as possible.
- Slop on SPF30+ sunscreen make sure it is broad spectrum and water resistant.
- Slap on a hat that protects your face, head, neck and ears.

Please ensure that your child is sun smart and check that they have their broad brim hat at school. Children who have lost or forgotten their hats will need to remain undercover during recess and lunchtime.



Thank you to everyone for their involvement is HPS celebration of book week so far. It was fantastic to see so many students and families coming together during our Whole School Big Read on Monday. We enjoyed sharing our love of reading with you by launching into the wonders of a book as a community of readers. Great job everyone and keep up the reading at home!

We have received a number of poetry entries and look forward to celebrating the entries and our dress up day in our virtual assembly later this week.

with the following events.

- Thursday 2nd September- Virtual Dress Up via WebEx Check-in
- Friday 3rd September we also have a visiting author, Michelle Hamer, who will present her journey as an author and top tips for aspiring writers to all students via WebEx. Prep - 2 students will meet at 9:30am, with 3 - 6 invited to join at 10:15am
- Friday 3rd September Virtual Assembly Poetry Competition winners announced, certificate and prizes given. Virtual Book Week parade with submitted photos of student costumes.

Team Kids Program

TeamKids have another amazing Spring Holiday program planned!

- Learn new skills and make new friends
- Qualified and REMARKABLE Educators
- Digital detox with out no screens policy
- Delicious and nutritious morning and afternoon snack
- CCS approved care

PLACES ARE LIMITED—Head to teamkids.com.au to secure your spot!



Quill Update

If you've been following the Quill updates, you'll know that distraction has been a big area for Quill to work on. Dog distraction especially learning to be calm and not change what she is doing when other dogs are around. Quill has exciting news to announce to you all... She now has a foster brother!! Mrs. Welsh's family Our book week celebrations continue this week adopted a 1 year old dog into their family last

week. As well as being a super fun playmate, the new dog has allowed Quill to work on her dog distraction. She is learning so much with regular practice! She now walks happily alongside Mrs. Welsh while her new friend is walking up ahead, behind or next to her. Keep up the great work Quill!



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HAPPY FATHERS DAY

We would like to wish all the dads a happy fathers day this Sunday 5th September. We hope you are able to enjoy some quality time with your families. We look forward to being able to celebrate next year with our annual father day celebration at school.

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



Level One Awards 2021

Congratulations to Allison White, Max Hansen & Mitchell Kingdon who have achieved Level One in recognition of their citizenship, commitment, enthusiasm and outstanding contributions to school life.

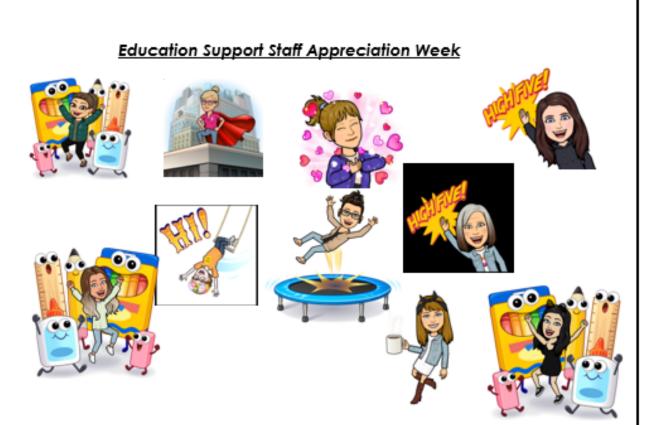
They have demonstrate the school values everyday by:

- Having a caring attitude towards others,
- Showing respect to staff, students, and community members, and,
- Aspiring towards personal growth in all areas of learning.









This week we are celebrating our incredible Education Support Staff.

On behalf of the Hastings Primary School community, I'd like to extend my thanks and gratitude to our fabulous ES team members who consistently provide their unwavering support, compassion and, encouragement to our students, families and staff members.

Our ES team are multi-talented bunch who never fail to surprise us and brighten our days.

In the spirit of Book Week, our teaching staff have put their creative writing hats on and written a poem for each of our ES members.

This is a simple gift to say We appreciate you more each day Though time and tasks are coming fast Please take some time and just relax.



You're the bomb!

Can you guess who is who in the bitmoji pictures?



Keeping our students safe online

With our students working online every day, it has begun to feel 'normal' and this can mean that we can become complacent about monitoring our student's activities in the online environment. Supporting safe online set-up is not enough, safety online requires ongoing monitoring.

At school all students sign an ICT Agreement, and this still applies when students are learning remotely from home.

Social Media

If your child is on social media use these guideline on how you can assist your child to be safe on these sites:

- Ensure that they comply with the age restrictions (DO NOT let them on Facebook under 13 years of age),
- **Do not teach your child to lie about their age online.** Facebook for example has a range of important safety settings as the 'default' when the account holder is 13 17 years.
- Ensure that they understand how the privacy and security settings work and always have the account set to 'private'. Note that even with this setting, random people may still be able to contact your child.
- Ensure that they can change their passwords and they know how to report and block.
- Ensure that they know who to tell if they have an online issue.
- Set up an account yourself and be your child's friend (this is not going to ensure safety but is part of what is expected of you as a parent).
- Know your child's password. This is not invading their privacy, it is parenting.
- Have house rules about what your child can post and when they can add new 'friends' (must ask you first). Ensure they know and understand the rules.

Sharing Images

Mobile devices have made the taking and sharing of images so quick and easy that people sometimes don't think about the consequences of their actions. There are laws about what sort of material can be sent electronically, you can break these laws without even knowing. Here are some things to discuss with your children:

- You have no automatic right to take images of other people without their consent. If you do capture that hilarious moment, asking the person's permission before you share it with others is a good way to show that you care about their feelings and opinions.
- When someone shares a picture, or other digital media such as a text, with you it is a one-to-one interaction. Just because they shared it with you, it does not mean that they want it passed on to other people.
- **Digital media is so easy to copy, edit and share** that we sometimes forget that it isn't always 'ours'. We need to respect other people's ownership and privacy in all media.
- Only you have the right to share your personal information. Be aware that the more you share it the less private it is.

If someone does something you are unhappy about, don't get into blaming them but explain your feelings calmly so that they can understand you better. They may be sorry for what they have done, or they may feel that you are overreacting—if they really care about you they will still listen and try not to hurt you again.

From the Acting Assistant Principal

Respectful Relationships

Social and emotional development is a continual focus at HPS, with respect being a key focus for staff, students and our community. This term the topic focus in classrooms is 'Help Seeking' skills.



Help seeking

Thursday the 9th September is RUOK day, and this question is so important right now. Make it a regular habit to ask your loved ones, friends and your-selves the question 'Are you ok?'

Practice at home.

Goal: To feel confident that you can ask someone 'Are you ok?' **Activity:**

Watch this video together: <u>https://vimeo.com/594515979</u> Have a chat with your family:

- Why should we check with people "Are you ok?"
- What might it look like if someone is having a bad day?
- If you spot those things, what might you do?
- What's a good time or place to ask "Are you ok?"

Talk about the importance of talking to a trusted adult if there's a big problem!



RU OK?



This week I'd like to challenge the adults in our community to model these practices. Use these 4 steps to have a conversation that makes a difference.

We are a Respectful Relationships school,

Michelle Aldridge

Acting Assistant Principal.

Student of The Week

Class	Week Ending	Friday 20th August
PT	Dylan Alexander	Dylan the dynamo! It has been outstanding to see the confidence and independence you have gained during remote and flexible learning. When working at school and hoe, you have taken on challenges with a smile and given everything your best effort. Keep it up!
P1M	Shaun Ralston	Well done on a great week of learning Shaun. Not only have you produced some great work, but you have contributed confidently to the lessons both online and onsite. You work well with all people in the classroom and are keeping up with routines and directions. A solid effort all round.
1/2B	Sebastian Ramage	Welcome to Hastings Primary School Bas! Sebastien has stepped into his new school with enthusiasm. Bas, you are a kind, considerate and valued member of 1/2B and you are proving to be a fantastic role model to your classmates. Keep up the amazing effort.
1/2J	Tai Banhert	Tai congratulations on being our student of the week! I am really enjoying seeing all of the images and videos you hand in with your completed work each week. Your hard work and effort are plain for all to see and certainly not going un-noticed. This week in particular I have enjoyed seeing your "Crazy" hair on Thursday and enjoyed reviewing your Rainbow Smile writing. Tai, you should be proud of your efforts in our virtual classroom this term.
3/4H	Noah Doll	Noah, you have not let remote-learning stop your steady progress of onward and upward. Every single task you do, is of the highest standard and I have certainly enjoyed reading your rather clever Haiku's.
3/4К	Hugh Ralston	Hugh, you have completed another great week of remote learning. I have enjoyed reading your poems, especially your Limerick about planets. Great work Hugh!
3/4R	Lilly Elliott	What a term you have had! It is wonderful to see your work determinedly to achieve excellent results in class and remotely. A kind and supporting friend who encourages others. Well done Lilly.
5/6A	Sian Gallaher	Sian, you have continued to show dedication to your learning by attending online classes. I look forward to seeing more of your work posted online and hearing your learning discoveries. Keep it up Sian!
5/6B	Ehmber Hyder	Ehmber, your enthusiasm during online learning is like that of a gold prospector when they first arrive at their dig. You have shown us all good questioning and take positive risks when sharing your thinking. Way to go Ehmber!
5/6C	Charlotte Fenton	Charlotte, you have transferred your positive attitude to your learning to our online classroom. You checked in every day this week and contributed your ideas to the chat. Keep up the great work!

Student of The Week

Class	Week Ending	Friday 27th August
PT	Evangelyn George	Way to go Eva! You have continued to demonstrate outstanding enthusiasm towards your online learning. You not only show up to our check-in with a big smile and something interesting to share, but show care when completing your work tasks. Keep it up!
P1M	Blake Gardner	You showed some great persistence with your poetry activity Blake. Having to go back to your work many times to add more and more details only improved your poem and illustration. Well done Blake.
1/2B	Zoey Baker	Zoey your approach to remote learning, as well as onsite learning, is inspiring. You complete all allocated activities to an impressive standard and go above and beyond to expand your learning. You also do all of this with a positive attitude and a smile on your face. You are a superstar Zoey!
1/2J	Claire Twaddle	Claire I can really see the effort you are putting in and have loved seeing your colour poetry writing assignment this week. Your confidence in our online classroom and check ins is starting to shine through and I am enjoying seeing you start to contribute more and more to our virtual discussions as the term goes on. Online learning has been a steep learning curve for us all. However, it is a curve you are well on your way to conquering. Congratulations Claire.
3/4К	Jason Cameron	Jason, you have been producing some wonderful work during remote learning. I am particularly proud of your poetry that you have been creating, just not sure about all of your references to "Collingwood!"
3/4H	Connor Lavea	Connor I have loved the work you have been doing during remote- learning, especially with your Mathletics tasks. You put in 100% effort and I am as proud as you are with your results.
3/4R	Lacey Spiegel	Lacey you are a quiet achiever and a thoughtful student. I am extremely impressed in your growing determination to strive to improve your personal best. Well done Lacey!
5/6A	Malaya Fry	It has been wonderful to see you engaging with your learning Malaya and completing work to the best of your ability. We loved hearing your thoughts and ideas about our class novel during our online discussion and your effort to publish a fantastic poem was great to see. Keep it up!
5/6B	Amelia Jackson	Amelia, your efforts in poetry lately . Have shown your skills off greatly. Your poetic creations definitely find their mark. As the words come together with a spark. Way to go Amelia!
5/6C	Tahlia Jansen	Tahlia, you always approach your learning with a positive attitude and try your best. It's been great to see you actively participating in our online classes and working co-operatively with your peers at school. Keep up the great work!

Important Dates 2021

Wednesday 1st September—Friday 17th September Remote Flexible Learning

Thursday 2nd September

Friday 3rd September

Friday 3rd September

Wednesday 15th September

Friday 17th September

Virtual Dress Up Day

Visiting author, Michelle Hamer WebEx. Prep - 2 students will meet at 9:30am, with

Virtual Assembly 2pm

Foundation Transition Session 2 2:15-3:15

Last Day of Term 2:30pm finish



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Happy Birthday





FREE WEBINAR SUPPORTING CHILDREN & FAMILIES DURING LOCKDOWN

Dr Billy Garvey, Paediatrician Royal Children's Hospital Dr Tom Brunzell, Director of Education Berry Street and Dr Claire Nogic lead a panel of professionals from ECEC, Education and Psychology

7.00pm Thursday September 2nd 2021

Support & strategies for parents and kids during this challenging time.

Dr Billy Garvey and Dr Brunzell will discuss the pressures & challenges of lockdown on parents & kids, with a chance to ask questions of a panel of education and health specialists.



