



Newsletter

Term 4 Edition 1

Wednesday 12th October

Caring/Respecting/Learning

Welcome back to Term 4 and the fabulous spring weather we are currently experiencing. We have an action-packed term of learning experiences ahead of us and it is fantastic to see our students settle quickly into the classroom and their learning goals.



Congratulations to our Athletics Team

Last week we had students representing us at the Division Athletics sports event. Our students ran like the wind and jumped like leopards!

Our 12/13 year old female 4x 100m Relay ran a close 2nd place and is now moving forward to the Regional Athletics event.



We also had individuals running in the 100m sprint and the long jump events. Congratulations to all of our athletes. We are incredibly proud of you and your achievements.

Bullying Prevention Policy

Hastings Primary School is committed to providing a safe and respectful learning environment where bullying will not be tolerated. Please [click here](#) to read the policy on the website.

Thank you to Mrs Welsh

I'd like to extend a HUGE thank you on everyone's behalf to Mrs. Chrissy Welsh.

Mrs. Welsh applied for and was SUCCESSFUL in obtaining a grant to develop our sustainable practices here at Hastings Primary School. Soon you will see purpose designed bins to assist staff and students with recycling and composting.

We will be recycling soft plastics as part of the REDcycle program. All our organic waste will be dealt with in school, as we lift our capacity to compost through the purchase of more compost bins and worm farms. This will further enhance the Kitchen – Garden program that Mrs. Welsh delivers to all students across the year. Our SRC will be heavily involved in getting these projects up and running within the school, and we hope that our students will be excited to share our progress with their families at home.



Transition

Foundation 2023 Transition Sessions

We understand the importance of a smooth transition into primary school we are excited to be continuing our transition to school program.

If you still have a student or know of anyone who will be joining us next year, please ensure they are enrolled so they can attend the sessions.

Transition Session Days and Times

- ♦ Wednesday 16th November 2:15-3:00pm
- ♦ Tuesday 13th December 9:00am-10:30am
(State wide Transition Day)



**YOU ARE INVITED TO
HASTINGS
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**MIGHTY MINNOWS
SESSIONS**

JOIN US!

2:30 - 3:00PM
**AVAILABLE TO ALL
ENROLLED FOUNDATION
STUDENTS**

**EVERY
FRIDAY**

Join us for some extra sessions to explore
your new school!

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Dates for your Diary

Please ensure that these days are written in your diary for this term.

- ♦ Curriculum Day **Monday 31st October**
- ♦ Common Professional Practice Day— **Monday 14th November.**

If you need your student supervised on these days, please contact Team Kids.

Naplan Reports

Naplan student reports are available for collection. Reports can only be picked up by adults and are available at the office.

School Hats

We would like to remind all parents that during Term 4 students are required to wear hats at recess and lunchtime.

School hats are available at the office. School Hats are \$18.00.

Year 3/4 Camp

Our Yr. 3/4 students and staff have been enjoying camp this week. Keep an eye out in our next newsletter for their report.

Bike Education is BACK!

Bike Education is back for the Yr. 5/6 students with PE teacher, Ms. Munn. They have begun with a safety lesson and the 'A-B-C-D' of bikes.

All our bikes have been serviced by local business, Westernport Bicycle Centre.

Practical sessions are held on the Astro turf and the Bike Education



Donation requests Kitchen and Art Room

- ◆ Mrs. Welsh is looking for donations of blueberry and strawberry containers for the kitchen/garden program.



- ◆ The Art room are also looking for donations . Students will be making Robots and boxes are required for bodies.



- ◆ This year the Grade 6 students will be engaged in creating a mural. The mural will require the use of house paint. If anyone has any left over paint at home they don't need particularly BLACK, DARK GREY OR GREEN donations would be greatly appreciated.



- ◆ If families have any of these clear, plastic containers, snack boxes or paint to donate please either drop them off in at the office or send with your child to pass on to Mrs. Welsh or Ms, Hermiston. *Thank you for your help.*

Tu Toa, Kia Kaha –

Stand Strong, Have Strength

Regards, ***Simone McDonald Principal***



From the Assistant Principal

Welcome back to Term 4! As usual we have a jam packed last term full of exciting events and opportunities for our students.

F.O.H.P.S

The Friends of Hastings Primary School Team have met and this term we have some new meal deals!

We will be starting with sushi on Wednesday 26th October. All orders will be placed online and a flyer with all of the information will be sent home later this week.

The COLOUR RUN is coming! On Friday 2nd December H.P.S will host our first colour run! More information to come.

Monthly Markets are also back this term on the last Friday of the month. Our first one will be on Friday 28th October. Come along and grab a bargain!



Walk to School Day

As we are part of 'Active Schools,' the SRC are organising a Walk to School Day on Friday 28th October. This will also be a fundraiser for the SRC and students are invited to bring a gold coin donation and wear **crazy socks!** A Facebook post and note will be sent home with all of the information.



Attendance

In Victoria it is compulsory for children and young people aged 6-17 years old to attend school. Parents are legally required to ensure their child attends school every day and to provide an explanation for their child's absence from school unless an exemption from attendance has been granted.

Evidence shows that daily school attendance is important for young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have better health and employment outcomes and enjoy higher incomes.



Schools must record student attendance twice per day in primary school. Under the legislation, if a student of compulsory school age is absent from school for five days within a school year and without a reasonable excuse, then further action can be taken, at the discretion of the Principal.

The Education and Training Reform Act 2006 provides some examples of what a reasonable excuse is for the purposes of explaining a school absence and includes, amongst other considerations:

- ◆ Illnesses and accidents;
- ◆ Unforeseen and unexplained circumstances;
- ◆ The child has been suspended or expelled; and
- ◆ The child is attending or observing a religious event or obligation.

Unexplained Absence:

A Principal or Principal's delegate will record an absence as 'unexplained' if no explanation about the absence is given to the school by the parent or carer of the student.

If you do not contact the school to provide an explanation on the day of the student absence, the school must attempt to contact the parent or legal guardian either by phone or in writing and seek clarification within three days of the recorded absence.

If no contact can be made with the parent or other carers of the child within 10 days, the absence will be recorded as an unexplained absence and a note will be made in the child's file. A parent or legal guardian can contact the principal at any time after the recorded absence to provide an explanation.

If a child reaches five days of unapproved or unexplained absence in the preceding 12 months then the school and Principal will work with the parent or legal guardian to implement the appropriate support or intervention to assist the child and ensure they

attend school every day and remain at school during school hours. If the support and intervention do not improve your child's attendance, the Principal may decide to make a referral to the School Attendance Officer. This person is the Regional Director of the Department's Regional Office where you are located.

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

As well as learning about Topic 7: 'Gender and Identity' this term, our students will also be learning about Topic 8 'Positive Gender Relations.'

Learning activities within this topic focus on building an understanding of the effects of family violence and focus on the standards associated with respectful relationships. Students develop the skills needed to solve problems, set boundaries within relationships, and play an active role within the prevention of family violence. They develop peer support and help-seeking skills that can be applied in response to situations involving gender-based violence in family, peer, community or on-line relationships.

If you need any financial support regarding summer uniforms, please come and speak to me.

Thank you

Mrs Rebecca Legge

Assistant Principal

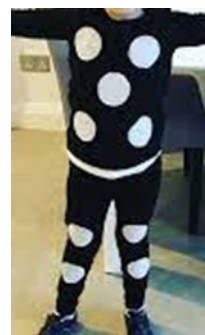
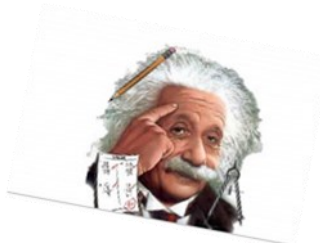
2022 Numeracy Day – Friday 21st October

This year Hastings Primary School will be celebrating everything maths.

Dress up on the day as anything mathematics.

Ideas include:

- ◆ a famous mathematician,
- ◆ a number
- ◆ a shape,
- ◆ a map



Activities will be taking place between 11:30- 1:20pm

All family members are welcome to come along and join in the fun!

Year 5/6-ANGLING – Experience a Maths Escape Room. Crack the codes to answer clues!

Year 3/4- KINGFISHERS – Solve equation cups, join in with maths racing, creative 3D shape making

Year 1/2- SEAEAGLES – Explore transport measurement

Foundation - MINNOWS – Investigate maths through different hands-on activities

Please bring a gold coin donation to support the State School Relief fund. State Schools Relief is a not-for-profit organisation that improves the lives of tens of thousands of disadvantaged Victorian students, and their families, including the families of Hastings Primary School.

Student of The Week

Class	Week Ending	Friday 16th September
PA	Phoebe Sannen	Wow Phoebe! The effort and enthusiasm you have demonstrated in all your learning this week should be commended. You have put your head down and worked hard on correct letter formation and having a go at writing new words. Keep it up!
P1B	Leeroy Cousins	What a fantastic week you have had Leeroy. You are approaching each learning challenge with a positive attitude and a willingness to do your best. You also continue to shine in your maths tutoring lessons and are a wonderful help to all your teachers. Keep up the fantastic work; we are lucky to have you in P/1B.
1/2A	Mia Jose	Congratulations Mia! You have been huge this week! You have attended school each day with a great big smile. You have also gone above and beyond to help out your classmates and I love how you are always ready to contribute to class discussions, no matter what the subject! Keep being a legend!
1/2B	Lucie Hermanek	Well done Lucie for always being such a kind friend to other students. You go out of your way to include other students in your play. Each time you see someone upset, you do not hesitate to go check on them and try and make them feel better. You are an amazing member of HPS!
3/4A	Ava Ford	Ava, this week I congratulate you on your consistent approach to class tasks, your constant bubbly attitude and for generally being an outstanding member of 3/4A. You are an absolute pleasure to have in the class Ava, keep up your great work!
3/4B	Maddison Catlow	Maddison, your enthusiasm is infectious. You have had a wonderful week engaging with all our extra activities, especially the Oobleck! Have a wonderful birthday this weekend and keep up the "can do" attitude to your learning!!!
3/4C	Sophie Perham	Sophie you are one of my quietest achievers who goes about your work with a minimum of fuss and you always get great results. More importantly you know how to have fun with your learning and I enjoy seeing you celebrate your little victories regardless of the task.
5/6A	Harley Priddle	Harley you continue to give 100% in all aspects of your learning. Focusing on improving your personal best and driving for success. Great Job Harley!
5/6B	Brodie Andrews	Brodie, you have been digging for information when answering our novel questions. There have been no holes in your thinking at all. Way to go Brodie!
5/6C	Daniel Watson Wilson	Daniel congratulations for being Best on Ground and improving your attendance to 100%! You have been kicking all of your goals! You're a champion!
		Auslan Signer of the Week
	Jacob Kalbfel	Well done Jacob on your efforts in Auslan this week. You were confident when introducing yourself to peers and have almost got the hand of fingerspelling your name. It's wonderful to see you follow conversation protocols too. Great effort Jacob.

Student of The Week

Class	Week Ending	Friday 7th October
PA	Seth Sitarz	Sublime Seth! You have had a sensational start to Term 4. Your smile has shone, lighting up our whole class. There was no stopping your skills during learning as you surprised us all with some stunning facts. Keep it up!
P1B	Felix Tauhore	Felix you continue to impress everyone with your dedication to your learning. You enthusiastically approach each learning task– no challenge is too big! You have been working especially hard on listening for the different phonemes in words and attempting to write them. Keep up the fantastic work Felix!
1/2A	Marnie Cheyne	Welcome to Hastings Primary School and 1/2A Marnie .You have been a great addition to our class and our school.. We have appreciated how you have joined in with all the activities, started making friends, and sharing your experiences. Keep up the amazing efforts Marnie.
1/2B	Aneeta Grant	Welcome to Hastings Primary School Aneeta! You have settled in amazingly into 1/2B. You have made so many friends by being kind, caring and respectful. It is wonderful to see you smiling each day, participating in lessons, eager to join class discussions and showing pride in your work. You are already an amazing member of HPS!
3/4A	Lilly Elliot	Lilly, it was great o watch your enthusiasm this week as you tried to complete our Design and Technology challenge by building a Davinci Bridge. Your determination and “can do” attitude shone through. Keep up the amazing attitude to your school work Lilly!
3/4B	Jack Randle	Jack, you blew us away with your Lexile results this week. Your comprehension skills in your reading have remarkably improved. It has also been pleasing to see the approach you have with your writing now too. Keep up the great work and I look forward to reading more about the adventures of “Mushroom!”
3/4C	Connor Lavea	Connor you have made a great start to the term. The work you have been doing on your autobiography and timeline has been very good. You have also demonstrated confidence with your maths and the way you quickly sold a maths problem during our mini lesson.
5/6A	Imogen Coster	Congratulations Imogen, your commitment and enthusiasm in improving all aspects of your learning is commendable. You are developing the skills of becoming a life-long learning as you recognise you can do whatever you put your mind to, in particular maths!
5/6B	Mitchell Kingdon	Mitchell, your writing in recount has been engaging and well written. You are enticing the reader in with your words like an ice cream van on hot beach day would. Way to go Mitchell!
5/6C	Allison White	Wow Allison, this week you have shown what you can achieve when you take your time and put in your best effort. It is exciting to see your positive mindset in action! Well Done!
		Auslan Signer of the Week
	Ethan Cacek	Well done Ethan on your efforts in Auslan this week! You were confident fingerspelling the topic words and recognizing signs that you have seen before. Fantastic effort recounting “5 Little Ducks” in Auslan too! Keep up the great work Ethan!

Important Dates Term 4 2022

Wednesday 19th October	WPSC Concert 3/4 Students
Friday 21st October	Maths Day Dress up and Activity Day Gold Coin Donation
Wednesday 26th October	Meal Deal Sushi
Friday 28th October	Walk to School Day and Crazy Socks Day Gold Coin Donation
Friday 28th October	Monthly Market
Monday 31st October	Curriculum Day (No students to attend)
Monday 14th November	Common Professional Practice Day (No students to attend school)
Friday 2nd December	H.P.S Colour Run
Tuesday 20th December	Last Day of Term 4 1:30 Dismissal



Active kids are healthy kids!

Walk to School and Crazy Sock Day!

GOLD COIN DONATION

When:
FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER

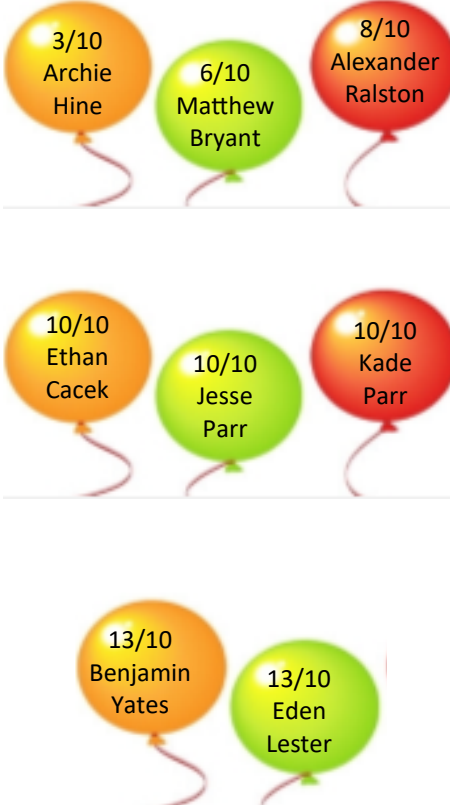
Meet At:

1. HASTINGS K-MART
2. WALLAROO SCHOOL CROSSING (HODGINS RD. HASTINGS)
3. UNITED PETROL STATION (219 MARINE PARADE HASTINGS)

8:15AM TO LEAVE AT 8:30AM

HASTINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL 1098
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



3/10 Archie Hine

6/10 Matthew Bryant

8/10 Alexander Ralston

10/10 Ethan Cacek

10/10 Jesse Parr

10/10 Kade Parr

13/10 Benjamin Yates

13/10 Eden Lester



WE HELP FAMILIES MEET THE COSTS OF EDUCATION

This information sheet provides suggestions on assistance available to help you meet the cost of your children's education.

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Visit us: 185 High Street Hastings, Vic 3915



Talk to your school

If you are experiencing hardship, speak to the School Welfare Officer, Principal or nominated parent payment contact person about support options available.

These may include but are not limited to:

- Payment options including waiving or reducing fees, deferring payments, extending deadlines, flexible payment plans, cost saving alternatives & referrals to government and community assistance programs;
- Referrals to State Schools' Relief (see below);
- Assistance with second hand text books or text book hire schemes;
- Access to a personal device during times where a device is required at school or where a device has not been purchased or leased by the family.

Low cost computers

Computerbank's low cost computers/laptops are available to concession card holders, students and community groups. Computers are refurbished, donated, low cost computers with a keyboard, mouse, monitor, cords, user guide and internet ready with word processing and a range of free programs. Call 9600 9161 or visit www.computerbank.org.au

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Uniform and school shoes

State Schools' Relief (SSR) provides assistance with uniforms, shoes & other items to students in need who are attending a Victorian government school.

In 2019, Prep & Year 7 recipients of the Camps Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualify for a uniform voucher/pack through SSR. Speak to your Principal or School Welfare Officer to apply. Additional uniform assistance may also be available. www.ssr.net.au

Government Assistance

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund: Financial assistance provided by the Victorian Government and paid to the school to assist eligible families to cover the costs of camps, sport and excursions.

Contact your school for information.
www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/csef.aspx

Parent Payments in Government Schools

The Education and Training Reform Act states that all students in government schools must have free instruction in the standard curriculum program.

Schools can request payment for:

Essential learning items such as text books, stationery, incursions, etc. Speak to your school about the option to buy similar materials from other places that may be cheaper.

Optional items offered in addition to the standard curriculum, which you are not obligated to pay. These may include school magazines, class photos, music tuition, formals etc.

Schools may invite voluntary financial contribution towards a building or library fund but it is optional to pay it. www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/financial/Pages/parentpaymentfaqs.aspx

Stationery

Shops may be cheaper than school ordering. Officeworks will price match and even give a small discount if their advertised price is the more expensive.

Online Shopping

Shopping online for new or second hand school items such as text books, uniforms, laptops/ computers and musical instruments can yield some savings. When buying textbooks, make sure you get the right edition. Your school may organise a day to buy and sell second hand books, or you can try these websites:

- Low Cost Computers: www.computerbank.org.au
- Sustainable School Shop: www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au
- School Xchange: www.schoolxchange.com.au
- Book Outlet: www.bookoutlet.com
- Book Depository: www.bookdepository.com
- Ebay: www.ebay.com.au

Community Organisations

Western Port Community Support offer an annual Education Assistance program to provide support to disadvantaged families with the cost of items such as textbooks, stationery, uniforms and shoes, fees and technology. Clients can make an appointment by phoning 5979 2762. The program commences in October and concludes in early February.

Assistance is available to families living in the following postcodes: 3926, 3911, 3918, 3920, 3919, 3915, 3916, 3927, 3912, 3913.

NILS Loans

Financial programs for people on low or limited incomes that may assist families with educational costs and other expenses. The No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) gives access to fair and safe credit (up to \$1,500) for essential educational items. Ph. 5979 2762.



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Visit us: 185 High Street Hastings, Vic 3915



PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS

For parents, step-parents, grandparents, families and carers of children aged 3 - 18 years. Come along for one, two or three sessions. You can just come along on the day and register once you are there. Free for all.

Sibling Rivalry

Thursday 6th October 9.30 - 11.30am

DAY: Thursday

TIME: 9.30am - 11.30am

Peaceful Parenting

Thursday 13th October 9.30 - 11.30am

WHEN: October 6, 13, 20

Building Resilience and Self Esteem

Thursday 20th October 9.30 - 11.30am

WHERE: The Corner Youth Centre
Wilsons Road
Mornington

COST: FREE

INQUIRIES:
Michelle Brown 0429174150
Michelle.Brown@anglicarevic.org.au



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Dealing With Feelings

Wednesday 12th October 1pm - 2.30pm

DAY: Wednesday

TIME: 1pm - 2.30pm

Dealing With Conflict

Wednesday 19th October 1pm - 2.30pm

WHEN: October 12, 19, 26 2022

Building Resilience and Self Esteem

Wednesday 26 October 1pm - 2.30pm

WHERE: Somerville Recreational Centre
14 Edward Street
Somerville

COST: FREE

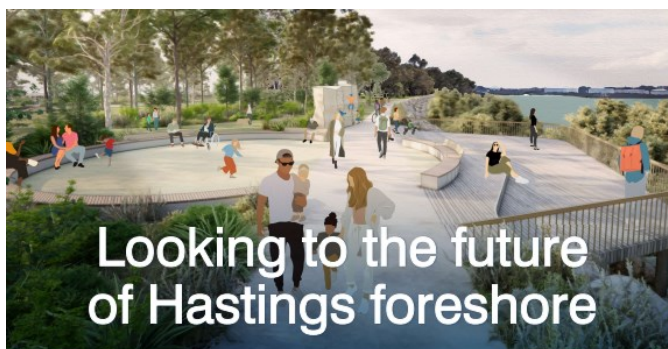
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Looking to the future of Hastings foreshore

After community engagement earlier this year, we've developed the draft Hastings Foreshore Masterplan.

The Foreshore is a key public asset and much loved by the community. The draft Masterplan supports the qualities already found and loved. Through nearly 300 community responses, five key themes stood out:

- playful destination
- connected foreshore
- resilient coast
- enhanced natural environment
- collaborative and engaging processes.

Through these themes, the Plan provides a more attractive, accessible, safe and sustainable foreshore.

Pop in and visit us

13 Oct, 9am - 1pm Hastings Main Street market
4 Nov, 12 - 4pm Hastings Foreshore
10 Nov, 4 - 6pm Shire office in Hastings (Kings room)

We'd love your thoughts on the draft Masterplan before **20 November**.

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at TeamKids

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**BOOK
TODAY**

TUES 11TH OCT **MINI BEASTS**
THURS 13TH OCT **BEES & BEEKEEPING**

Here at Before and After school care we have been blessed with some fantastic events!

Yesterday we met Ben who gave us the lowdown on stick insects, millipedes, tarantula spiders, and other native invertebrates. You can even find them in your own backyard! Then we met some of the animals that eat them like, spotted pythons and frill necked lizards. It's so important to understand these animals and how to react when you come across them so we can preserve them in their habitat and stay safe.

We have a whole program of events coming this term including soccer on Fridays, Circus on Thursdays, Dance on some Tuesdays and Wednesdays. So watch this space for more information!

When you phone 1300 035 000 to book ask about eligibility for subsidy.

We can't wait to see you!

Lorin,
Director of Service
0412 146 722 7am to 9am and 3pm to 6pm

To attend these **special after school sessions**, bookings are essential at www.teamkids.com.au



**THURS, 13th Oct
BEEKEEPING**

If you've ever wondered about bees, you'll love this afternoon's incursion! Today Coastal Nectar will drop-in to TeamKids Hastings and teach us all about **Bees & Beekeeping**.



We'll learn about the lifecycle of a honeybee, how bees create their delicious honey, beeswax, honeycomb and much more.

We'll get up close and personal to native bees and their habitat and learn fascinating facts about the secret life of Aussie native bees.

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HASTINGS PRIMARY

TERM 4 – WEEK 3

TUES 18TH OCT CARTOONING

**BOOK
TODAY**



**TUES, 18th Oct
CARTOONING WORKSHOP**

During after school care we'll be learning some awesome tips to really bring our drawings to life in this **Cartooning Workshop!**



In this fun-filled session, we're learning to draw (even better)!

We'll grab some pencils & textas and switch on imagination, to create amazing illustrations in this Cartooning Workshop.



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