



PUPIL FREE DAYS

Term 4 Monday 6th November

Curriculum Day (Monday before Melbourne Cup)

Term 4 FRIDAY 17th November

Common Professional practice day

MORNING Yard Supervision

Our school gates are locked until 8:40 am in the morning. Our yard is supervised from this time by several staff members.

If you are needing to drop your child to school early because you are working we have our Team Kids Before and After School program that is open from 7:00 am in the morning.

After school the service is open until 6:00pm



Newsletter

Term 3 Edition 4

Wednesday 29th August

PARENT OPINION SURVEY REMINDER

We recently sent out an email via Sentral asking parents to complete a short survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school.

This survey will be conducted from Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023 and is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement.

We encourage all families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey results will be reported back to our school in term 4 and information passed on to parents via the newsletter and through our annual report.

For further information, please speak to your child's teacher or contact the office on

DON'T Forget your Book Character costume this Friday. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone come dressed as their favourite character.
Keep reading!



Tu Toa, Kia Kaha – Stand Strong, Have Strength

Regards, *Simone McDonald*
Principal





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Dear parents and carers

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assessments held earlier this year had a very high participation rate from Victorian students, with participation levels returning to pre-COVID levels.

Last month, families with children in grades 3 or 5 or years 7 or 9 who participated in the assessments received their results through an individual NAPLAN report.

Today, the statewide results have been released, and I am pleased to have this opportunity to provide some information about Victoria's performance.

There are a total of 20 tests each year across grades 3 and 5 and years 7 and 9 that assess student achievement in reading, writing, numeracy, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Of the 20 tests, Victorian was ranked first or second in 16, more than any other state or territory, and an improvement on the 2022 results when the equivalent figure was 12.

NAPLAN results for Grade 3 are of particular importance because the first 3 years of schooling establish the foundation for further success. Victorian Grade 3 students achieved the highest results in the country for both reading and numeracy.

In secondary schools, Victoria had the lowest proportion of students needing additional support in both years 7 and 9 in both reading and numeracy compared to all other states and territories.

The results have also highlighted the fact that we need to continue our efforts to close the gap between advantaged and disadvantaged students. While Aboriginal students in Victoria achieved higher results on average than in other states and territories, the gap between the performance of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students is still too large, as is the gap between the average performance of metropolitan students and that of regional students.

Overall, however, while we are clearly focused on the areas where further improvement is needed, these are excellent results. They are a tribute to the outstanding work of teachers, principals and staff in the schools across our state.

No one would suggest our schools are perfect. Education is always an unfinished business. But on the evidence of today's release of the statewide NAPLAN results, Victorian teachers and school principals are doing a great job.

Dr David Howes
Deputy Secretary, Schools and Regional Services



NAPLAN Student Reports AVAILABLE

The Individual Student NAPLAN reports are now available to be picked from the school administration office.

NAPLAN measures student achievement in numeracy, reading, writing, spelling, and grammar and punctuation and the results will now be presented in 4 proficiency levels:

These are:

- ◆ **exceeding**
- ◆ **strong**
- ◆ **developing**
- ◆ **needs additional support**

These reports will give schools, parents and carers clearer information that details student achievement against new proficiency levels.

Students' NAPLAN reports will show how they are tracking against their peers and provide an indication of their skill levels against national averages and where we would expect them to be in order to get the most out of schooling. This provides valuable information to teachers about how we can continue to support your child.

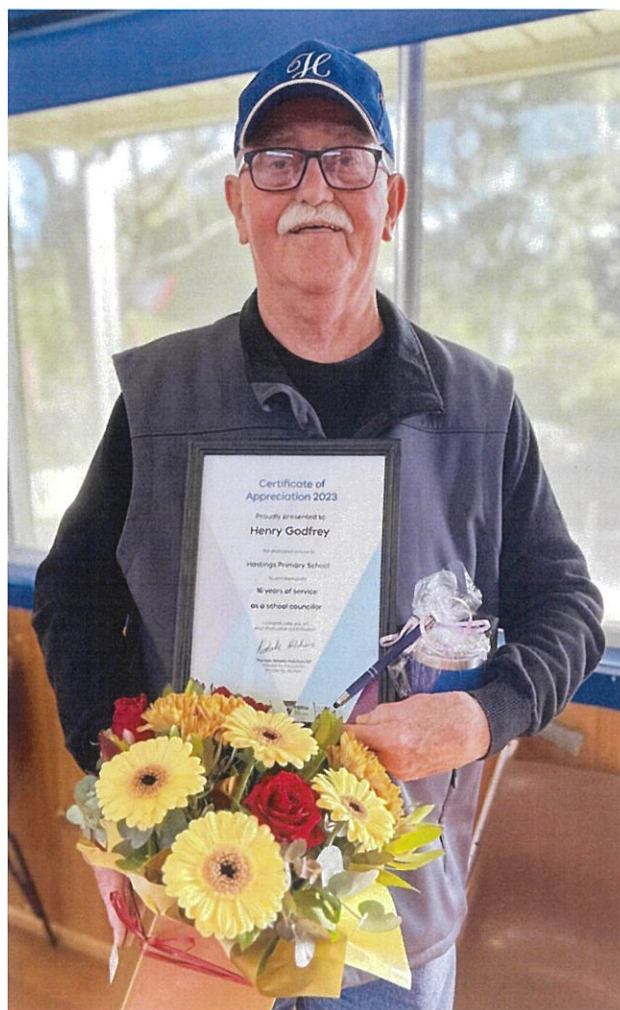
Each set of NAPLAN results is an important milestone but it's also important that students know that one result does not define them – these results are about making sure every student gets the support they need so they can continue to get the best from their learning.

When we provide you with your results, you will also receive information about what the new proficiency levels mean.

As ever, you're welcome to speak to me, or your child's teacher with any questions about these changes.

Mrs. Simone McDonald

SCHOOL COUNCIL SERVICE AWARD

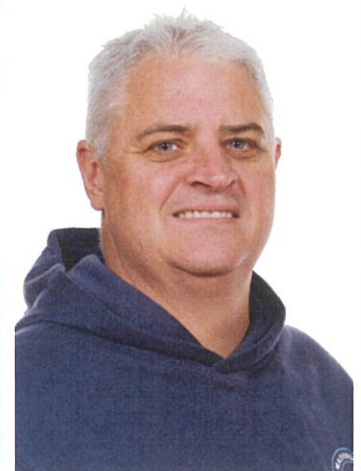
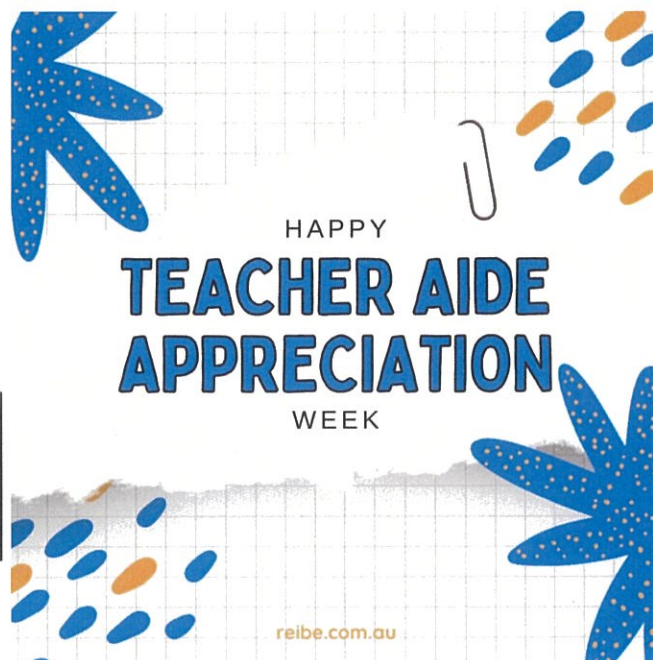


As a school we have recognised and thanked Henry "Pops" Godfrey for his 16 years of voluntary service and support of our school.

We quickly learned that Pops did a lot more than that at HPS, in fact if you can name an event at HPS over this time you can be sure Pops was there. He was also an amazing support for our students learning regularly volunteering to help out in classrooms, for which we are extremely grateful.



ES APPRECIATION AT HPS



EDUCATION SUPERHEROES (ES)

**Congratulations, you have been recognised as a
Education Superhero (ES)**

**in acknowledgment of your citizenship, commitment, enthusiasm, and
outstanding contributions to school life.**

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2024 Foundation transition

Foundation 2024 Transition Sessions

We understand the importance of a smooth transition into primary school and are excited to have commenced 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 September 13th 2:15-3:00pm
- ♦ Wednesday October 11th 2:15-3:00pm
- ♦ Wednesday November 15th 2:15-3:00pm

2024 Foundation Parent Workshop

- ♦ Wednesday October 11th 2:15-3:00pm
- ♦ Wednesday November 15th 2:15-3:00pm



Hastings Primary School Foundation Transition



We understand the importance of a smooth transition into school and we are excited to invite families in for our transition program!

2:15 - 3:00

Wednesday 13th September

Wednesday 11th October

Wednesday 15th November

9:00 - 10:30

Tuesday 12th December



IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT OR KNOW OF ANYONE WHO WILL BE JOINING US NEXT YEAR PLEASE ENSURE THEY ARE ENROLLED SO THEY CAN ATTEND THESE SESSIONS.



DONATIONS REQUIRED

Hello Hastings Community,

Following the success of our scarecrows with PA and P1B, I am seeking donations to add more life to our garden. I am looking for any metal whisks (any condition or size) and tea cups & saucers. The tea cups will not be used for drinking, so a chip or crack is fine.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs. Welsh

Kitchen Garden



From the Assistant Principal

Fathering Project Event – TOMORROW!

We are so excited for our next Fathering Project event tomorrow afternoon! We have had a fantastic response, thank you to everyone for RSVP'ing. Shaun Kestle will be cooking up a storm – there will be sausages and burgers, all funded from our profits from the Bunnings BBQ and drinks for \$2 a can. We look forward to seeing you for a bite to eat and some games from 5:00pm-6:30pm



Don't forget the winner of the Geelong Guernsey will be drawn and the winner of the Fathering Project footy tipping comp will be announced.

Father's Day/Special Person Stall

Our Father's Day stall will be this Friday from 11:30am (after the Book Character parade).

Gifts start at \$2 up to \$6. Cash only and please bring a plastic bag to take home your pressies for Dad. Thank you to FOHPS for organizing this.

Hats On Day Friday

Don't forget Hats On Day is this Friday! As part of our SunSmart policy all students and staff will be required to wear a broad brimmed hat when outside. Tomorrow will also be the last day you can purchase our special beanies.

I can't wait to see everyone dressed up on Friday for our Book Week parade!

Rebecca Legge

Assistant Principal



Would you or someone you know like to win this SIGNED GEELONG GUERNSEY?

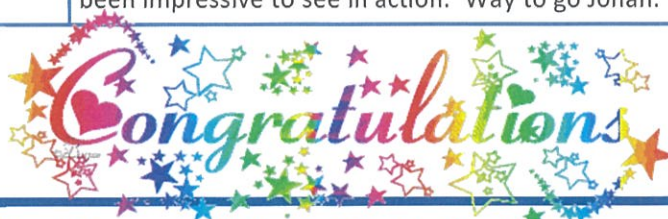
\$5 for 5 tickets

The winner will be drawn at our next Fathering Project Event on Thursday 31st August.

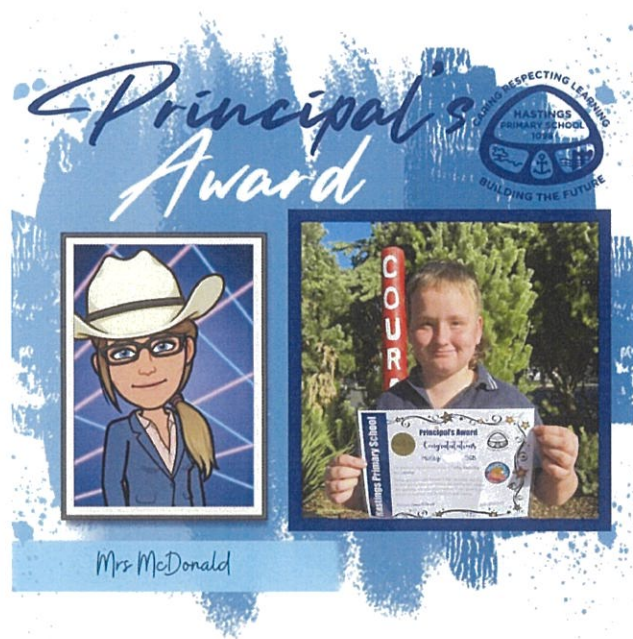
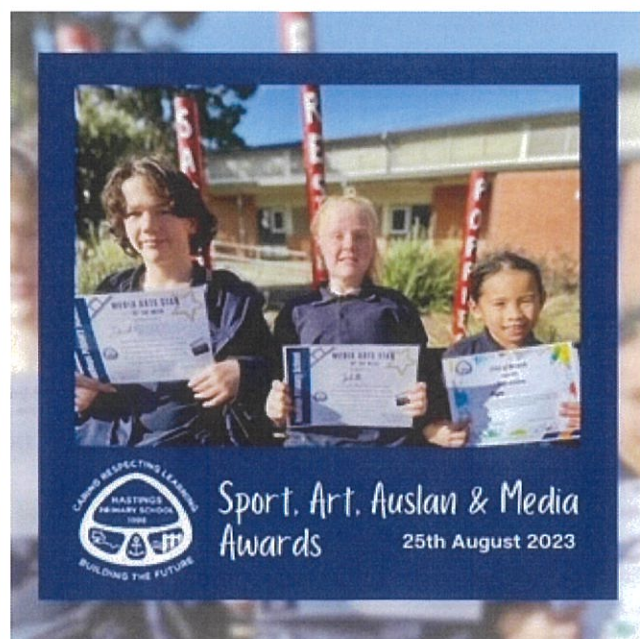
Tickets can be purchased at the school office
(03) 5979 1517
eftpos/cash/bank deposit
OR on the night



Class	Week Ending	Friday 25th August
PA	Aliah-Joy Taylor	The amazing Aliah. It has been an absolute pleasure welcoming you into Prep A. Your ability to jump straight into your learning and new routines with a smile and positive attitude should be admired. I can't wait to see what you accomplish for the rest of the year.
P1B	Nahleah Churcher	Well done Nahleah. You have tackled all tasks this week with a can-do attitude. I have noticed how hard you have been working, from tally marks to your three-line poem. Thank you for always bringing a positive smile into P/1B. You're a superstar.
12A	Ava Thredgold	Thank you Ava for your amazing efforts this past week in our writing lessons. You have become quite the poet Ava. You have developed a flare for prose and word selection to communicate your ideas and evoke images with ease. Thank you for sharing them with us.
12B	Spencer Mogford-Jellett	Spencer, your positive and determined approach to learning especially in you reading has truly impressed me. I continue to hear about your exceptional effort in all the work you have undertaken this term, even without me. Well done Spencer you are a delight to teach.
34A	Brooklyn Rumbold	Brooklyn your enthusiasm in the classroom is contagious and it is easy to see that you are trying your best at all times. Your willingness to have a go and join class discussion has stood out this week. Keep up the great work Brooklyn as you have a huge amount of potential that we haven't yet seen.
34B	Blake Gray	Blake you have been showing outstanding effort through the two weeks I have had you, participating in the lessons I ran with great enthusiasm, but most importantly putting up with my nonsense in the classroom. So I made you a haiku but it's not as good as yours.
4/5A	Beau Blackstock	Beau you give every learning opportunity your best shot. It was fabulous to see you take on the challenge and succeed in Bike Ed. Your kind and positive attitude is appreciated by all of 4/5A. Keep up the great work.
56A	Drew Tzatzimakis	Drew you strive to improve your learning. A generous and thoughtful student, I am so proud that you support others with their learning, acknowledging challenges and working hard to improve.
56B	Jonah Angerame	Jonah it has been great to see you settle into Hastings Primary School. You have a wonderful ability to experience the fun and enjoyment in the environment around you. Your ability to connect to conversation and add your thoughts has been impressive to see in action. Way to go Jonah.



Class	Week Ending	Friday 25th August
Auslan Award	Kaydence Healey	Well don on fingerspelling your name with such fluency this week Kaydence. You have taken on feedback and are showing more confidence as you introduce yourself. Your hard work is paying off.
Art Award	Angela Orongan	You have shown amazing skills in the art room this week by always being engaged in your learning. Well done on always being enthusiastic and creative. Keep on being an inspirational artist.
Media Arts	Dylan Watson-Wilson Bella Auty	Demonstrating the value of learning by using innovative thinking when working on your Media Arts project. Taking risks to find creative solutions is going to have a great impact on the final product This fortnight in Media Arts you have shown great determination in all tasks. Your ideas are growing and developing, highlighted by your work in your script. Keep up the hard work and determination Bella, there will be no limit to what you can achieve.
Physical Education	Jazmin Baxter Felix Cao	For always giving 100% in class, being kind and courteous to her peers and striving to improve her personal bests. Well done Jaz. For having a 'can do' attitude, never giving up and working hard on improving his skipping. Well done Felix.
Principal's Award	Harley Priddle	For demonstrating our school values of Caring, Respecting and Learning. Harley, you were super focused in Bike Education and this enabled you to share your thinking and learning both clearly and succinctly with your class members. It was great to see you act on feedback and demonstrate your learning.



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Important Dates Term 3 2023

Thursday 31st August

Daffodil Day
District Athletics Day
Fathering Project Event 5.00pm—6.30pm

Friday 1st September

Book Week Parade 9.00am
Father's Day Stall

Wednesday 13th September

2024 Foundation Transition Day
2.15pm—3.00pm

Thursday 14th September

R U OK? Day
Footy Colours' Day

Friday 15th September

Last Day Term 3
2.30pm Dismissal

Important Dates Term 4 2023

Monday 2nd October

First Day Term 4

Monday 6th November

Curriculum Day
No students to attend school

Tuesday 7th November

Melbourne Cup
Public Holiday

Friday 17th November

Professional Practice Day
No Students to attend school

Thursday 14th Dec

Year 6 Graduation
Yr.5 and Yr.6 Excursion

Mon 11th Dec - Fri 15th Dec

Prep to Year 2 swimming

Wednesday 20th December

End of Term 4
1:30 Dismissal



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ON EXCURSION DAYS



IN-HOUSE



INCURSION



EXCURSION

MON - 18th SEP	TUE - 19th SEP	WED - 20th SEP	THU - 21st SEP	FRI - 22nd SEP
Smoothie Bar	Bowling	Ninja Gym	Magic Bubbles	Ticket to Ride
Today we'll research and design our own delicious smoothie product! From market research, to tasting, which team will pitch the smoothest brand by the end of the day? *Allergy alert	There's no time to spare! TeamKids is hosting our very own bowling tournament & we need your help to knock down as many pins as possible! Are you & your friends up for the challenge? *Socks reqd.	TeamKids is ready to prove our moves at Ninja Gym! We'll use traditional gym equipment, with a mix of martial arts, parkour, tricking and break dancing! Get ready to roll, jump and dive into an awesome day!	It's time for the most incredIBUBBLE show you have ever seen with the King of bubbles, Tim Credible! This interactive magic show will POP your little mind plus every child will get to go inside a giant bubble!	Roll up! Roll up! Block heads unite! Grab the tickets! Build with excitement! We are off to the BRICKS 4 KIDS amusement park made from imagination and heaps of fun! Using bricks we'll build our favourite rides and learn how to make them come to life!
Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$24.00 Daily Total \$99.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$43.00 Daily Total \$118.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$28.00 Daily Total \$103.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$18.00 Daily Total \$93.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$19.00 Daily Total \$94.00
After Max CCS* \$14.85	After Max CCS* \$17.70	After Max CCS* \$15.45	After Max CCS* \$13.95	After Max CCS* \$14.10

MON - 25th SEP	TUE - 26th SEP	WED - 27th SEP	THU - 28th SEP	FRI - 29th SEP
Hives Happenings	Battle of the Bands	Movie	Go Yoga-migos	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Calling all busy bees! Buzz over and get creative with bee-themed crafts, learn fascinating bee facts, and create your very own beeswax candle to take home. It's a hive of excitement, where imagination takes flight in bee-coming a crafty beekeeper!	And a one, and a two and a... Get ready to get groovin' as we experiment with different instruments, songs and sounds before battling it out in teams to see who will be crowned the ULTIMATE little rockers!	Lights down, popcorn ready! TeamKids is off to see Ruby Gilman, Teenage Kraken! Watch Ruby learn that she comes from a fabled royal family of legendary sea krakens and that her destiny lies in the depths of the waters! *Rated PG	Time to get twisted! Twist, bend, and stretch your way to becoming a true yogi master! Learn cool breathing tricks and smooth body moves that will make you feel like a superhero while getting fit and flexible!	
Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$8.00 Daily Total \$83.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$16.00 Daily Total \$91.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$35.00 Daily Total \$110.00	Base Fee \$75.00 Exp Fee** \$18.00 Daily Total \$93.00	
After Max CCS* \$12.45	After Max CCS* \$13.65	After Max CCS* \$16.50	After Max CCS* \$13.95	

*Child Care Subsidies may apply. \$5 Admin Fee per family. \$5 Late Fees apply within 7 days per child. Payment plans available. | **Experience/Activity Fee.
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Local Activities

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**SEASON
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**WE ARE
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Starting 6th October

Friday nights from 5pm at Westernport Little Athletics

Located behind Western Port Secondary, off High Street, Hastings



Moonlit Sanctuary
the best way to see Aussie animals

KEEPER CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out Moonlit Sanctuary's Keeper Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, kids get up close to many animals including kangaroos and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited, so book early and make your junior keeper's day!

For ages 7-14 | Cost \$99 | 9am-2pm
See our website for more info.



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