



2025 TERM 2 EDITION 6

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 2nd July 2025



IMPORTANT DATES

3rd July

Drumbeat Performance
2:45pm

**Fri 4th
July**

End of Term - 2:30PM dismissal

21st July

Term Three Begins

29th - 30th
July

Student-Led Conferences

25th - 29th
August

F-2 Swimming

1st - 5th
Sept

Book Week @ HPS

Principal's Message



Holiday message

As we wrap up Term Two, I'd like to extend my heartfelt thanks and best wishes to all members of our wonderful school community – our families, students, and staff. It has been a fantastic term of learning, growth, and connection, and I'm incredibly proud of all that we've achieved together.

To our students – thank you for your enthusiasm, effort, and kindness. To our staff – your dedication and care never go unnoticed. And to our families – your continued support plays such a vital role in everything we do.

Wishing you all a safe, warm, and restful holiday break. Enjoy the time with loved ones, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in two weeks' time for the start of an exciting Term Three.

Student Led Conferences

Looking ahead, we're excited to offer Student-Led Conferences early in Term Three. These conferences provide students with a valuable opportunity to take ownership of their learning by sharing work samples from Semester One and reflecting on their progress. They'll also set meaningful goals to guide their learning journey throughout Semester Two.

Bookings for the Student-Led Conferences will open through COMPASS on Thursday 3rd July at 9:00 am.



Tu Toa, Kia Kaha
Stand Strong, Have Strength
Mrs. Simone McDonald Principal



Staffing Update – Semester Two

As we head into the next semester, there are a few changes to the team at Hastings Primary School. We welcome some familiar and new faces into different roles across the school, ensuring continuity of learning and support for our students. Thank you for your ongoing support as we make these transitions smoothly and with our students' best interests in mind.

Mrs. Kate Hermiston

Best Wishes to Mrs. Kate Hermiston

We'd like to extend our best wishes to Mrs. Kate Hermiston, who has been sharing her creativity and passion for the Visual Arts with Hastings students since 2021. Kate will be teaching Visual Arts at Eastbourne Primary School for the next Semester, and while we will miss her energy and artistic flair, we know she will continue to inspire students in her new role. We hope to welcome her back to Hastings in 2026!



Mrs. Erin Huguenin

Best Wishes to Mrs. Erin Huguenin

We'd like to wish Mrs. Erin Huguenin all the best as she takes on a new teaching opportunity at Mt Eliza Secondary College for Semester Two. Since joining Hastings Primary School in 2021, Erin has taught across Year 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6, bringing energy, care, and a strong commitment to student learning. We know she will thrive in the secondary setting and embrace the challenge with enthusiasm. We look forward to seeing her bring these experiences and skills back to Hastings PS in 2026.



Mrs. Sue Wilson

Welcome to Mrs. Sue Wilson – 56A

We are pleased to share that Mrs. Sue Wilson will be teaching 56A for Semester Two. Mrs. Wilson brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the role and is well known to our school community. In 2025, she led our Auslan program and has most recently been teaching in 12B. Mrs. Wilson is looking forward to joining the senior team and working with our Year 5/6 students for an engaging and productive second half of the year.



Mr. Ryan Minehan

Visual Arts & Auslan

Mr. Ryan Minehan, who currently teaches Auslan and Performing Arts, will be shifting his Arts focus to Visual Arts for Semester Two. Ryan is excited about this new challenge and is keen to share his creativity and knowledge of the Visual Arts with our students. He will continue to deliver our Auslan program and looks forward to inspiring students across both of these curriculum areas.



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. Means-tested concession cards must be valid on the first day of Term 1, 2025 (Tuesday 28 January 2025) or Term 2, 2025 (Tuesday 22 April 2025).

A student aged 16 years and over who is considered a mature minor and holds a valid concession card is also eligible to apply.

Eligible families will receive a payment of \$154 per year for primary school students. The funds will be paid directly to the school to be used towards camps, sports and excursion costs for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 5979 1517 or come in and ask for an application form. **Please return completed application forms to the school office no later than 4 July 2025.**

Thank you,

Mrs. Simone McDonald Principal



Available at the Office



BEANIES

In stock now

Beat the winter chill with

- a Hastings Primary School Beanie.

Get yours today!

Available at the office

\$15



RUGBY

TOPS

YEAR
5&6
Students

Sizes 10, 12, 14, 16, 18
& 20 in stock now.

\$65 EACH

Available at the office



Enrol your child in Foundation for 2026



Enrolment in Foundation (Prep) 2026 at Hastings Primary School has been available since 22nd April 2025.

If you have a child starting primary school in 2026, it's time to enrol!

If you are enrolling the sibling of a student at our school for Foundation in 2026, and both children will be attending our school at the same time, your child is prioritised for a place at our school as per the department's Placement Policy.

It is important to follow the statewide timeline to enrol your child in Foundation. Enrolling your child in line with the timelines allows us to plan our classrooms, staffing and transition activities and ensures your child has the best start to school.

For more information, please read about when and how to enrol your child in Foundation at vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep

Tours are welcome by appointment.



FROM THE AP'S DESK

MRS REBECCA LEGGE



CHILDREN'S UNI (CU)

There are so many fun activities you can do over the school holidays to earn hours in your passport for C U!

Leigh Hobbs - author of the 'Mr Chicken' books, Horrible Harriet and many others will be at Hastings Library to do book signings and run a workshop. Bookings are essential. I have emailed CU families the link or you can go to our school Facebook page!

I have also given C U members a paper copy of many learning destinations you may like to visit over the school holidays.

Monthly Challenge

Puppet Power - turn everyday Items into Puppet Magic!

Brought to you by CU member Emma, this creative challenge is all about making your own puppets using items you can find at home!

Use an old sock, stocking, paddle pop sticks or a paper bag

Add buttons for eyes, wool for hair, or anything else you can find

Need ideas? Do a little research online for inspiration!

Once your puppet is ready, give it a name, maybe even put on a mini show - and don't forget to share a photo with us and upload it to the Portal by searching "puppet" to earn 1 hour in your Passport to Learning!

All monthly challenges can be found on the portal and the C U Facebook page.



Attendance - Every Day Counts

Relax, Recharge and Get Ready for Term 3!

As we head into the school holidays, it's the perfect opportunity to slow down and enjoy a well-earned break. Whether it's spending time with family, exploring the outdoors, or simply taking it easy, the holidays give students the chance to reset after a busy term. With so much illness in the community recently, this is also a great time to rest, recover and recharge. A little downtime now can go a long way in helping everyone start Term 3 feeling healthy, energised and ready to learn.

Remember, every school day counts. Being at school every day helps students build routines, friendships and a strong foundation for learning.

A great way to support your child's success is to make sure they're rested and ready to jump into Term 3 from day one.

Enjoy the break - we look forward to seeing everyone back, on time and ready to go!

Cybersafety - Screen time. Part 3

Don't let screens get in the way of parent-child interactions

Mobile technologies mean children can use screens almost anywhere and anytime. The same is also true for parents. Sometimes parents' screens can interfere with conversations and connections between them and their child. In our study, children had better social skills, behaviour and ability to regulate their emotions when parents avoided screen use during interactions and routines like family meals.

When parents are distracted, it can affect the quality and quantity of interactions with their child.

<https://digitalchild.org.au/four-ways-to-help-your-child-use-screens-well/>



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

Michelle Aldridge

Winter Holidays

We all know that keeping the family amused through the winter holidays can be tricky. Here are some low cost ideas to try out during the break.

INDOOR FUN

DIY Craft Projects

Engage kids with simple crafts using household items. Create winter-themed decorations or homemade greeting cards.

Balloon Tennis

Blow up a balloon and have an indoor tennis tournament, using your hands as paddles. Score a point if your opponent lets the balloon touch the ground.

Indoor Obstacle Course

Transform your living space into an adventure zone using cushions, chairs, and blankets. It's a great way to keep kids active indoors.

Indoor Cubby House

Build a cubby house under your dining table using blankets. Fill the space with cushions, pillows and a torch.

Storytime and Puppet Shows

Encourage children to create their own stories and perform them using homemade puppets. This activity boosts creativity and storytelling skills.

Cooking Together

Involve kids in baking simple recipes like cookies or muffins. It's a fun way to teach measurements and enjoy tasty treats.

Making soup is easy and fun, let the kids pick their 3 favourite vegetable and add to some chicken stock.

Write a letter (or two)

Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, even a friend! Everyone loves the surprise of a snail mail delivery.

GET OUT OF THE HOUSE

Junior Rangers Program

Parks Victoria offers free nature-based activities for children during school holidays. Explore local parks and learn about the environment.

Beachcombing at Local Beaches

Visit nearby beaches for shell collecting and exploring rock pools. It's a simple yet enjoyable outdoor activity.



Nature Walks in Local Parks

Take advantage of the scenic walking trails in the area. Parks often have free entry and are perfect for family outings.

Local Library Events

Check with the Hastings Library for free school holiday events like storytelling sessions, craft workshops, and more.



Visit to Local Art Galleries

Some local galleries offer free entry and can be a great way to introduce kids to art and culture.

No matter how you choose to rock your winter holidays, may they be bursting with joy, surrounded by your favorite people! See you in Term 3.

Miss Michelle Aldridge
Michelle.Aldridge@education.vic.gov.au

SEMESTER ONE

AWARDS



ENGLISH ENDEAVOUR AWARD

MATHEMATICS ENDEAVOUR AWARD

PA Hudson Healey

PA Jackson Jose

1/2A Asha Penrose

1/2A Oliver Lazaro

1/2B Lochy Browne

1/2B Jack Peart

3/4A Miguel Magnayon

3/4A Lukas Walmsley

3/4B Gabriel Sumaya

3/4B Felix Tauhore

5/6A Sierra Sweetman

5/6A Jack Randle

5/6B Jason Pollock

5/6B Toby Humble

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Class 34A



SEMESTER ONE

SPECIALIST AWARDS



AUSLAN ENDEAVOUR AWARD



Tayte Cole, Montana-Rose Molloy,
Jacob Kalbfell, Lumen Carroll

VISUAL & PERFORMING ENDEAVOUR AWARD



Ethan Mendez, Oliver Lazaro, Gabriel Xeth,
Blake Gray, Liam Driscoll, Archie Munro-Batson,
Miguel Magnayon, Beau Blackstock

P.E & BIKE ED ENDEAVOUR AWARD



Sulli Yates, Cidney Villamil, Lukas Walmsley,
Persi Barker, Dylan Alexander, Felix Tauhore

TEAMKIDS AWARD



Gabriel Sumaya, Landen Munro-Batson,
Tyrone Goodacre, Montana-Rose Molloy, Chloe
De Guzman

HOUSE POINTS



1355



825



689



501

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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AUGUST

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SEPTEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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OCTOBER




SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

TERM THREE










2025

STUDENT FREE DAYS

-  School Holidays
-  Public Holidays
-  Curriculum Days

IMPORTANT DATES

-  First Day of Term
-  Assembly
-  F -2 Swimming
-  Book Week
-  Principal's Day
-  RUOK Day
-  End of Term - 2:30PM dismissal

At Hastings Primary School we focus on student wellbeing, social and academic growth each and every day.



Hastings Primary School

Caring, Respecting, Learning



7:00 AM START
6:00 PM END

**PLEASE
ARRIVE BY 9AM
ON EXCURSION DAYS**



IN-HOUSE



INCURSION



EXCURSION

MON · 7th JUL	TUE · 8th JUL	WED · 9th JUL	THU · 10th JUL	FRI · 11th JUL
Zumba	Rainbow Serpent	Elio	Campfire Crew	The Outdoor Challenge
Today TeamKids will be doing the mambo, salsa and amenco! It's ZUMBA time! A high energy dance incursion which is sure to get feet moving and hips wiggling! Fast paced and lots of fun! Smiles and fun guaranteed!	Join us as we explore the world of Australia's traditional land custodians and uncover the whimsical critters that spark Dreamtime tales. Meet the fascinating furry, scaly, and feathery friends who help keep life in balance	Elio, a creative underdog, is accidentally beamed into the Communiverse and mistaken for Earth's ambassador. Among alien worlds, he finds friendship and begins to discover his true self. *Rated PG *Allergy Alert	Get ready for a day full of fun, teamwork, and laughs at our Sports Day! TeamKids will play classic camp games like Broken Telephone, team challenges, and mini sports games. Come and join the fun!	Today we're taking on the Great Outdoor Challenge! Get ready to breathe in the fresh air, create your very own adventure sash, and enjoy a day full of fun, creativity, and exploration in the great outdoors! **Cooking Allergy Alert- Nut Free, Gluten Free Options.
Daily Fee \$111	Daily Fee \$112	Daily Fee \$135	Daily Fee \$147	Daily Fee \$99
After Max CCS* \$11.11	After Max CCS* \$11.21	After Max CCS* \$13.51	After Max CCS* \$23.20	After Max CCS* \$9.91

MON · 14th JUL	TUE · 15th JUL	WED · 16th JUL	THU · 17th JUL	FRI · 18th JUL
Circus Skills	Ninja Gym	Arts & Design	KIDZ Shed Play Centre	Balloon Fusion
Get ready to run away and join the circus with TeamKids! Learn to conquer the balance board, juggle like a pro, master hula hoop challenges, and more. Come clown around with us and become the ultimate circus performer !	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!	Get ready to unleash your creativity with TeamKids! We'll dive into vibrant colors, cool techniques, and hands-on fun to create masterpieces worthy of an exhibition! Please wear old clothes or bring an art shirt.	TeamKids is set for a tonne of fun at KIDZ Shed Play Centre! Today, we'll zoom down the endless slides, crawl through the maze of tunnels & climb to the tallest tower. *Socks required.	Twist, turn and shape! Watch and learn as we transform ordinary balloons into extraordinary shapes, animals, hats and much more. Are you ready to be a balloon expert?
Daily Fee \$107	Daily Fee \$141	Daily Fee \$117	Daily Fee \$134	Daily Fee \$117
After Max CCS* \$10.71	After Max CCS* \$17.20	After Max CCS* \$11.71	After Max CCS* \$13.41	After Max CCS* \$11.71

*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. Programs may be subject to change. Third Party Payment Fees apply. See Terms and Conditions for cancellation policy

FIND A VENUE

www.teamkids.com.au/venues

CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE

BOOK TODAY!

4 - 7 YEAR OLDS

A safe and fun program led by experienced AFL coaches, your child will learn basic footy skills, and enjoy mini-games, all while experiencing NAB AFL Auskick in a supportive environment, leaving with big smiles and a day of Good Clean Fun!

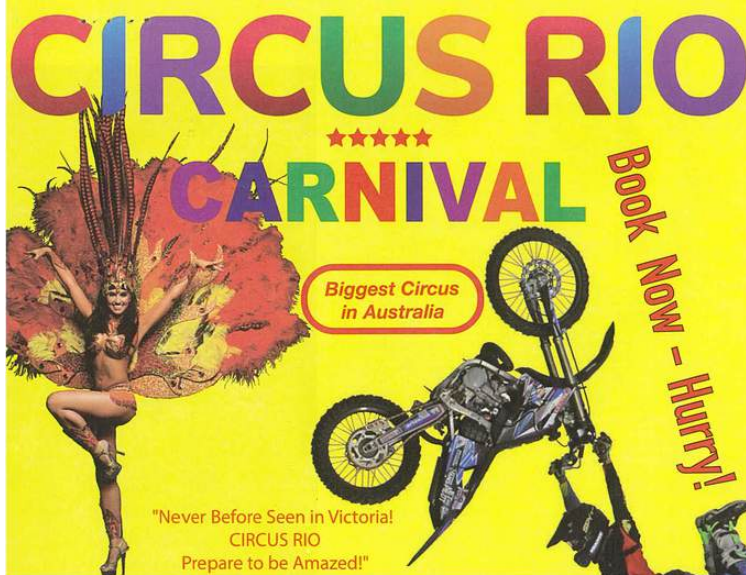


8 - 12 YEAR OLDS

Get a taste of NAB AFL Superkick, with a mix of skill development, modified game play. See their confidence grow in a supportive environment where buddies, mud & fun collide!



Frankston Holiday Program
July 8th | 9am - 3pm | \$55



To validate One Free Yellow Ticket, you need to Purchase at least one Adult Ticket:

One Yellow Ticket per one buying adult.

To start the process of Validation of your Free Ticket, you need:

Call: 04 61 57 93 39 or Call 04 77 31 31 31

If we do not respond to your call, we Guarantee to send you text messages within the next 3 hours, validating your Free tickets and purchasing adult tickets **By Text Message**.

*Then, we will send you a text message with a payment link according to your request;

after payment is made, we will send you proof of your validation as Electronic Text Tickets within 3 hours.

*Also, You can Validate Free tickets via Telegram Scan QR:



Attached Yellow Ticket doesn't work: with another promo, blue/white tickets, after-pay, another discount, or tickets purchased on Ticketek.

To redeem and validate your tickets, you must call the box office at least 48 hours before the show time to reserve your seat.

*Tickets that are already booked and purchased are NOT refundable. But we can reschedule your tickets for \$3 per ticket for your convenience

Rosebud, Village Green Nepean 25 Jul - 3 Aug

Mornington Peninsula Libraries

July 2025


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Shire
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**Get creative these
school holidays with
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