



2026 TERM 2 EDITION 1

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 22nd April 2026



IMPORTANT DATES

Fri 24th
April

Student Free Day

Tues 28th
April

Welcome to Country /
Smoking Ceremony

Thurs 30th
April

3-6 Cross Country

Wed 13th
May

F-2 MoPA Excursion

Wed 13th &
Thurs 14th
May

Semper Dental onsite

Wed 27th
May

School Photo Day
(See last page for ordering details)

Mon
8th June

King's Birthday Public Holiday

Principal's Message



Welcome back to Term Two

It has been wonderful to see all of the students returning to school after the holiday break and hearing all about their family adventures.

This term is action packed! We will attend the ANZAC Day March and service. We have District Cross Country, Interschool Sport, excursions and incursions booked and of course lots of learning experiences in our classrooms.

2027 Transition to School - Prep

Thank you to everyone who has already enquired about enrolling for 2027. Please contact the office to book a tour.

Students transitioning to Yr 7 in 2026

Today, Year 6 students have been sent home with their 2027 Year 7 placement forms.

What you need to do:

1. Locate your designated neighborhood school for 2027 and other secondary schools using the [findmyschool.vic.gov.au](https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au)

2. Complete the Application for Year 7 Placement 2027 form and return to Hastings Primary School by Friday 8th May 2026.

Secondary schools decide Year 7 placements. Your primary school will let you know your child's Year 7 placement offer for 2027 on Wednesday 24th June 2026.

Tu Toa, Kia Kaha

Stand Strong, Have Strength

Mrs. Simone McDonald Principal





ANZAC Day

Students are invited to represent Hastings Primary School in the march down High St to the Cenotaph prior to the ANZAC Day Commemorations at Hastings.

Families will join us at the Cenotaph.

When: Saturday 25th April

Where: Students to meet at the Hastings RSL.

Time: 10:15am

Students participating in the march must wear full school uniform.

The Commemorative Service will finish at approximately 11:15am

Our student leaders will lay a Wreath on behalf of local Fallen Heroes.



They shall grow not old, as we that are left
grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years
condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the
morning
We will remember them.

Staffing Update

Welcome Miss Dutschke (Miss D)

We are very excited to welcome Miss Alisha Dutschke (Miss D), who has joined our teaching team and will be teaching in 45A from the beginning of this term.

Miss D is an experienced teacher who is looking forward to joining the staffing team here at Hastings Primary School.

Miss D has several years of teaching experience in South Australia and has recently made the move to Victoria, where she has been enjoying exploring many new places.

Miss D is looking forward to a fantastic term ahead, sharing that "in our class this term we will be using our Growth Mindsets to learn a range of new ideas and challenge ourselves to do our best." She is excited to meet everyone and build strong connections within our school community.

Let's give Miss D a big warm, Hastings welcome!



DON'T MISS OUT!

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications for 2026

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum. CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or support an out of home care student you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid directly to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$400 for all school students.

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form.

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

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments: your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances: such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

Mrs. Simone McDonald Principal

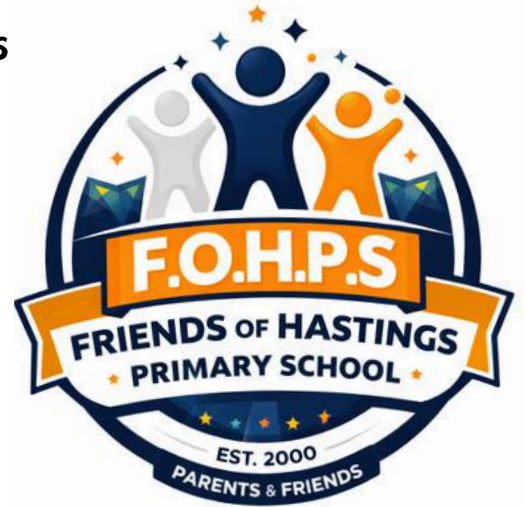


FROM THE AP'S DESK



Mother's Day

This year, instead of holding a traditional Mother's Day stall, the Friends of Hastings Primary School (F.O.H.P.S) will be running a special whole-school fundraiser. For a \$5 contribution, each student will bring home a gift to give to their special person.



This approach allows us to:

- Ensure every child has access to a gift
- Simplify the process for families
- Continue to raise valuable funds to support our school community

No pre-ordering is required – payment can be made at the office by Friday May 8th.

We appreciate your ongoing support of F.O.H.P.S and look forward to helping students celebrate the important people in their lives.

We are also inviting the special women in our lives to join in on a fun activity on Friday May 8th from 2:30pm–3:30pm. More information to be sent separately via Compass.

Hot Dog Fridays:

This term we are introducing Hot Dog Fridays! EVERY Friday beginning next week – 1st May. Students can order a hot dog for \$5. Orders **must be** submitted by 3:30pm on the Wednesday prior to the Friday due to ordering requirements. Order forms have been sent home today. Extra forms are available at the office.

If you are available help cook the hot dogs on a Friday for ½ hour or an hour, please let me know!

Easter Raffle:

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter Raffle.

We raised \$1,000. Congratulations also to our winners – Abeer, Peter, Montana, Jose Family, Kyle, Lindsay, Polly, Taylah and Bailey – we hope you enjoyed your goodies!



Mrs Rebecca Vegge
Assistant Principal

2027 Foundation (Prep) Enrolments Hastings Primary School

At Hastings Primary School, we are proud to be a welcoming and supportive community, and we look forward to beginning your child's learning journey with us in 2027.

Enrolments for Foundation (Prep) are now open, and we invite local families to apply through the Victorian Government's online system, [VicStudents](#).

If your child turns five by 30 April 2027 and you live within our school zone, we encourage you to submit your enrolment application using the link below.

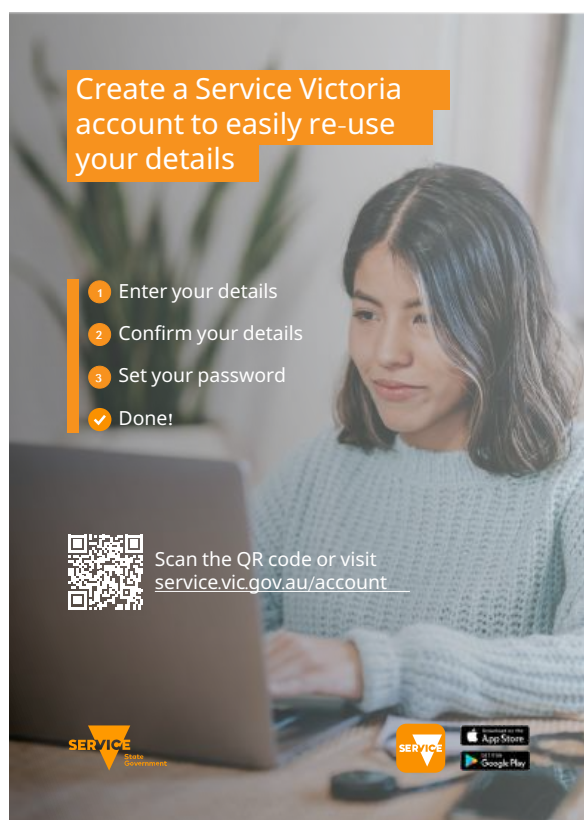
You can check your school zone via the Find My School website.

<https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/>

2027 Digital Prep Enrolment

<https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/>




We understand that starting school is a big and exciting milestone for both children and families. If you have any questions or would like to visit and see our school in action, we would love to hear from you.



Create a Service Victoria account to easily re-use your details

- 1 Enter your details
- 2 Confirm your details
- 3 Set your password
- ✓ Done!

Scan the QR code or visit service.vic.gov.au/account

KEY ENROLMENT DATES	
20 th April 2026	Applications open
31 st July 2026	Applications close
3 rd -14 th August 2026	Families notified of enrolment outcomes
28 th August 2026	Final date to accept enrolment offer



2027 FOUNDATION TRANSITION



Come and Try Sessions - all welcome

Time: 2:30 pm - 3:00pm

Friday 5th June

Friday 12th June

Friday 19th June

2027 Student Transition Sessions

Time: 2:15pm - 3:00 pm

Wednesday 5th August

Wednesday 2nd September

Thursday 15th October

Thursday 12th November

Statewide Transition

Time: 9:00am - 10:30am

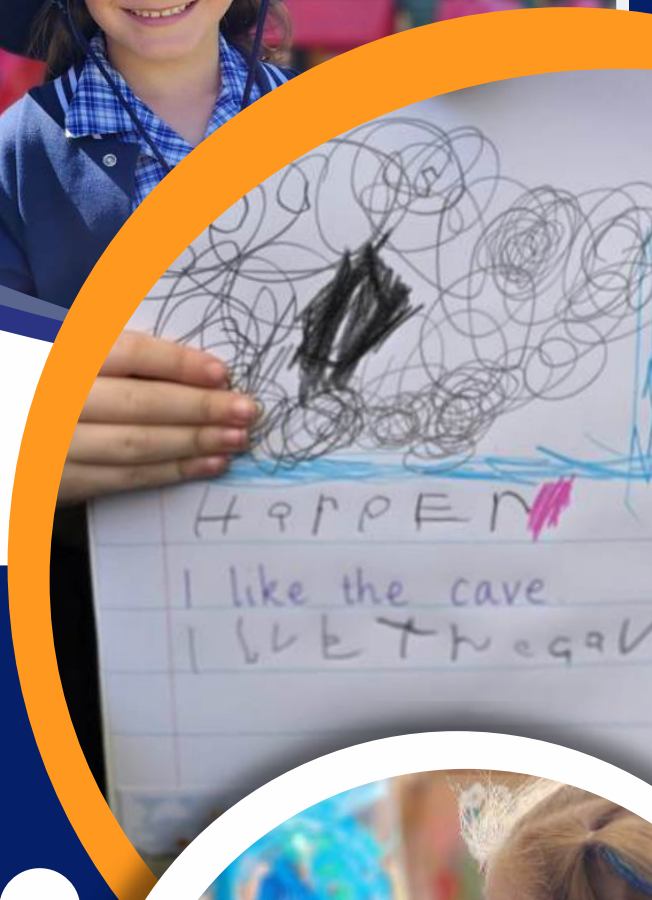
Tuesday 8th December



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2027 TOURS AVAILABLE NOW

APRIL

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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JUNE

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JULY

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TERM TWO



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STUDENT FREE DAYS



School Holidays

Public Holidays

Curriculum Days

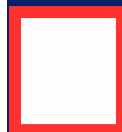
IMPORTANT DATES



Payment for Hot Dog by 3:30pm



Hot Dog Friday



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



YR 3-6 HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

THURS 30TH
APRIL
ON THE OVAL
2PM-3.15PM

YR 3 - 2 LAPS
YR 4 - 3 LAPS
YR 5 - 4 LAPS
YR 6 - 4 LAPS

**PARENTS &
CARERS
WELCOME**

**PLEASE WEAR YOUR HOUSE COLOURS, RUNNERS AND
BRING A DRINK BOTTLE**

PHOTO DAY

COMING SOON!

Wednesday, 27th May 2026

Head to our website to view the available packages and to place your order

VISIT OUR WEBSITE & ENTER THIS CODE:

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