



2026 TERM 2 EDITION 2

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 6th May 2026



IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 13th May	F-2 MoPA Excursion
Wed 13 th & Thurs 14th May	Semper Dental onsite
Mon 18 th May	Maths Dress-Up Day
Mon 18 th May	Family Maths Games Afternoon 3:20 - 4:30 in Angling
Wed 27 th May	School Photo Day (See last page for ordering details)
FRI 5th June	Student Free Day
Mon 8 th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday

Principal's Message



Thank you to everyone who joined us at the ANZAC Day march. The student leaders, along with many other students and staff represented Hastings Primary School at the ANZAC Day service in Hastings. Student leaders, Marnie and Charlie laid a wreath on our behalf.

STUDENT FREE Day Notification

We have a student free day on **Friday 5th of June**. The staff will be working with cluster schools to focus on Teaching Maths.

NO STUDENTS are required at school on this day. Team Kids will run a program for parents who require support for the day.

Student Opinion Survey - later this term our Year 4 to Year 6 students will participate in an important survey to help our school understand their experiences of school. Parents & Carers have been sent a COMPASS notification earlier in the week.

Reminder: Students transitioning to Yr 7 in 2027
Completed Application forms for Year 7 Placement 2027 need to be returned to Hastings Primary School by tomorrow, Friday 8th May 2026.

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



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.

DUE DATE: 26th of June 2026
DONT MISS OUT!

Mrs. Simone McDonald Principal



FROM THE AP'S DESK

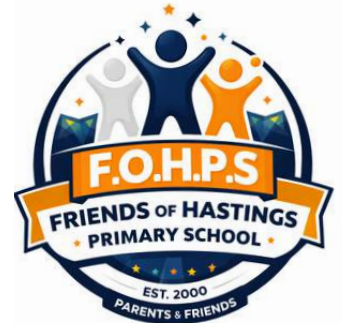


Mother's Day

Don't forget that this year, instead of holding a traditional Mother's Day stall for \$5 each student will bring home a gift to give to their special person.

Payment can be made at the office by Friday May 8th.

We are also inviting the special women in our lives to join in on a fun activity starting in the classrooms and finishing outside for games on Friday May 8th from 2:30pm-3:30pm. Light refreshments will be provided.



Hot Dog Fridays:

Wow what a great response we have had to Hot Dog Friday!

Friendly reminder that orders **must be** submitted by 3:30pm on the Wednesday prior to the Friday due to ordering. If your child is away on that Friday we will not keep the hotdog for them until Monday and you will not get a refund.

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!



Beanies and Scarves

As the weather starts to cool down, it's the perfect time to rug up in H.P.S style. Our beanies and scarves are available from the office to keep your kids warm while showing off their school pride. Pop in to grab yours before the chilly mornings really set in!

Website of the week

<https://www.maggiedent.com/>

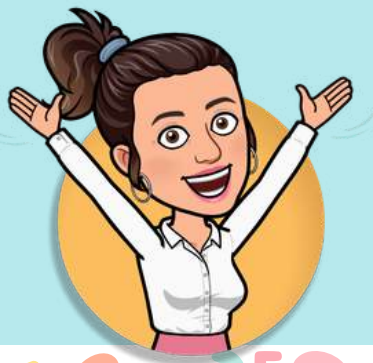
Affectionately known as the 'queen of common sense',

Maggie Dent is one of Australia's favourite voices on parenting.

She's especially passionate about early childhood, adolescence and building resilience, and is well-known as a fierce advocate for boys.



Mrs Rebecca Legge
Assistant Principal



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

Michelle Aldridge

Mathematics Week 2026

Mathematics Week at HPS will run from 18th - 22nd May.

We will start with our annual dress-up challenge on Monday and finish with a whole school incursion hosted by World of Maths. Our student leaders will be running some fun maths themed activities at lunch times, and we will also host the annual Maths Games Afternoon on Monday 18th May from 3:20 to 4:30 PM.

Monday

- Dress-Up in maths theme!
- Family Games Afternoon 3:20 - 4:30

Tuesday

- Lunchtime games with the leaders.

Wednesday

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Thursday

- Lunchtime games with the leaders.

Friday

- World of Maths Incursion for all students.



Costume ideas from 2025

STEM News

We are thrilled to announce our exciting new partnership with Monash University and their esteemed STEM program for 2026!



MONASH University

This term's collaboration sees Nicky Rogers joining our lessons with 45A and 56A each



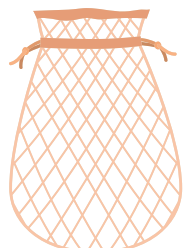
week. Nicky is the Primary Curriculum and Program Lead at Monash University, supporting schools to design and implement innovative STEM lessons, tailored to

meet the learning needs of each school, whilst fostering student curiosity and creativity.

This term students will focus on the fascinating topics of states of matter and chemical changes. We are eager to explore these scientific concepts together and look forward to showcasing the results of our joint efforts later this term. Stay tuned for more updates on this innovative partnership!

We are looking for some more donations for our STEM store:

- clear plastic containers
- mesh bags, such as the ones that oranges come in
- chocolate inserts
- egg cartons.



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

STUDENTS of the WEEK



PA

Levi Kallio

Congratulations Levi! You've made a fantastic start to Term 2. You show courage when you try new things and kindness when you help others. We are proud of the respect and effort you show every day.

1/2A

Liam Driscoll

Congratulations on a fantastic attitude towards your learning this week. You have shown some ANZAC spirit by not giving up when challenged. Keep up the great work Liam!

1/2B

Asha Penrose

Well done Asha! You have shown amazing understanding and respect when embracing ANZAC Day. We are proud of how you honour our heroes through building your own knowledge and documenting this in our information writing. Keep it up!

3/4A

Sonny Wilkinson

Sonny I am so impressed with your initiative and strengthening leadership skills! Your efforts at Running Club, both in laps and supporting others, had been awesome! Keep up the great work!

4/5A

Tyrone Goodacre

For your engagement in learning about ANZAC Day. The respect you have shown in completing this learning has been excellent. Well done!

4/5A

Eva George

For your outstanding effort in all your learning and following all the classroom expectations.

5/6A

Zac-Rees Heald

Zac, your improved engagement in learning and your thoughtful understanding of ANZAC Day demonstrating respect and reflection has been fantastic. Keep it up!

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

SCONES ON HASTINGS



Lilly Holland, Monica Goodacre

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD



Ethan Mendez

Congratulations to this weeks award recipients!

Caring, Respecting and Learning

HOUSE POINTS



641
BUNYA



581
WARADA



537
MURUMBAL



515
WALLUM

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.

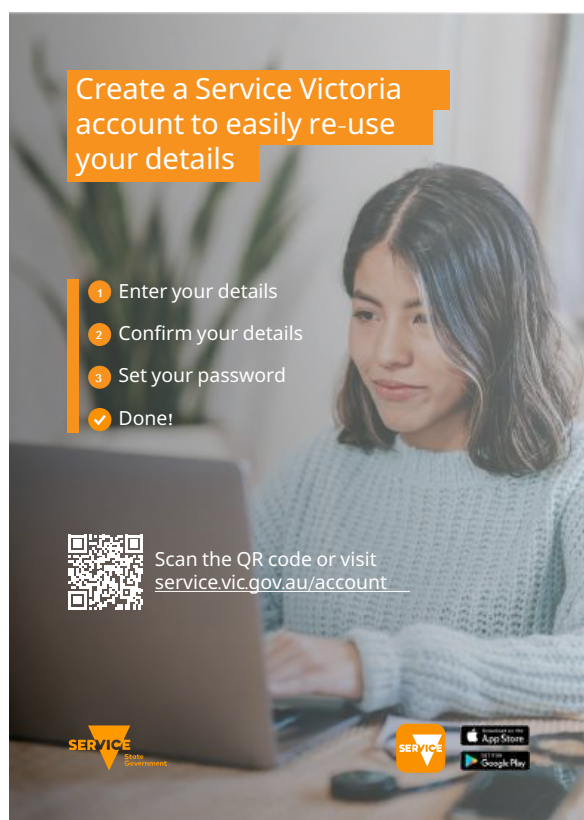
You can check your school zone via the Find My School website.

<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 curriculum day
- 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

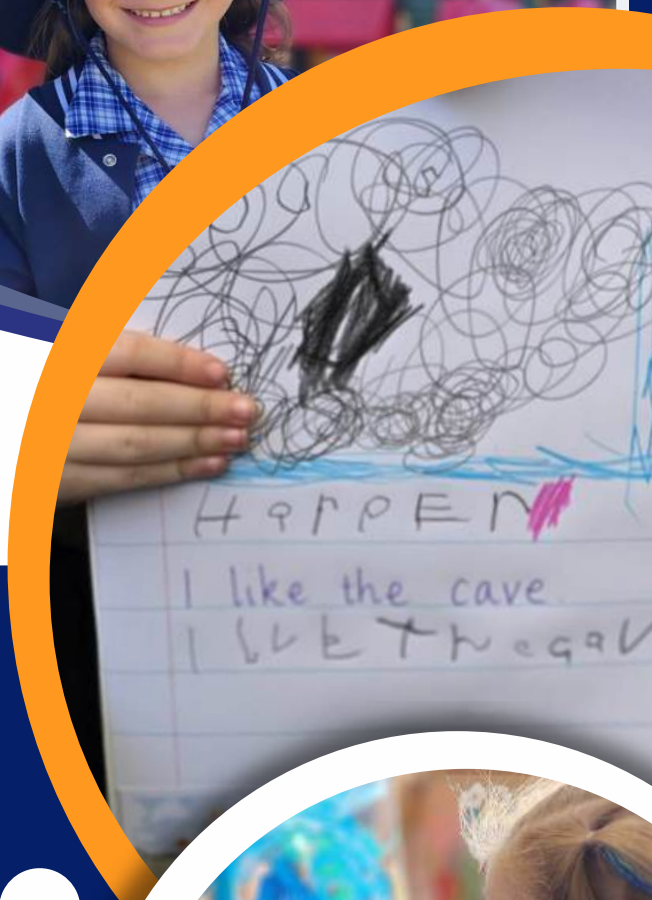
- Time: 9:00am - 10:30am
- Tuesday 8th December



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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



2026

STUDENT FREE DAYS



School Holidays

Public Holidays

Curriculum Days

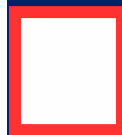
IMPORTANT DATES



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

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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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Footy gets kids off screens and running free - fresh air, muddy knees and big smiles are all part of the package.



FIND YOUR FOOTY FIT



4-7 YEAR OLDS*

Your introduction into Australian football centred around game-based activities kids love.





7-12 YEAR OLDS

Designed for any child to give it a go, with a focus on skill development and learning how to play the game. This program is played at the same location and time weekly.



JUNIOR FOOTY

7+ YEAR OLDS

For the child ready to be part of a team and take the next step in their footy journey. Offering the thrill of playing matches each week, all with modified rules to prioritise safety.



*Kids can join NAB AFL Auskick if they are turning 5 in the calendar year (before 30th June in WA).

GET ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

ELIGIBLE CHILDREN MAY RECEIVE UP TO \$200 TO COVER THE COSTS FOR REGISTRATION FEES

Join Us For

Families Week

Celebrating Every Family, Everywhere!

Date: Tuesday May 12, 2026

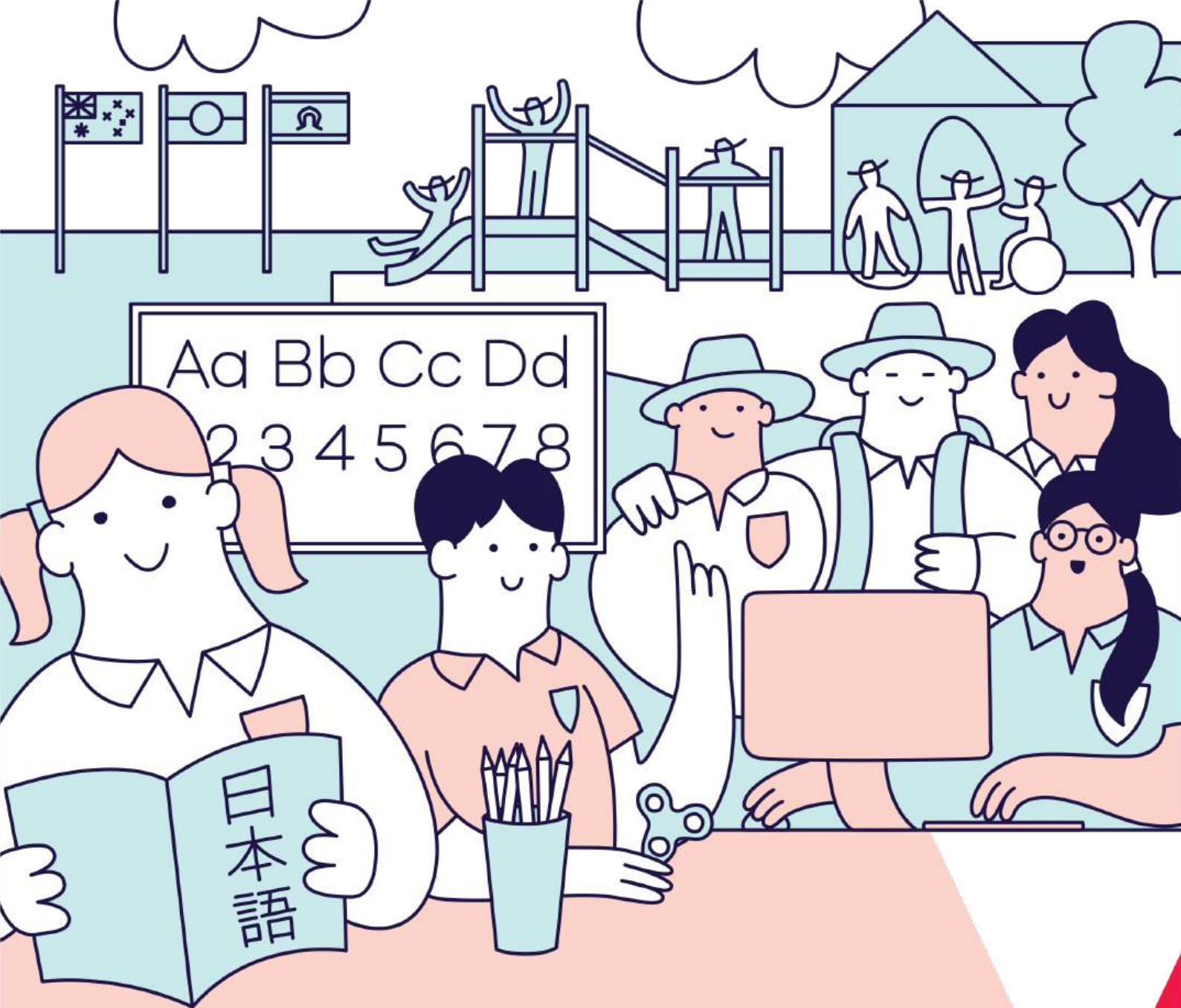
Time: 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Venue: Wallaroo Community House
6 Wallaroo Place, Hastings

Community Services | Free Sausage Sizzle | Face Painting | Kids' activities | Fun and games



We look forward to seeing you and your family!



Every day counts

Missing **one day per fortnight**
adds up to missing
four weeks of school a year.