Friday, 30th January, 2015.
Term 1 – Newsletter 1

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, 3rd March  
School Photos – 9.00 am

Friday, 27th March  
Last day of Term 1

Other known dates for the year are on the School Website Calendar.

PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS………..Adam Downes (Acting Principal)

Firstly, thank you for all the kind welcomes from students, parents and staff yesterday as we kicked off the first day of school for 2015. I’m very excited for the next six months as we continue to build on the great work that has already been started at the school.

For those parents who I haven’t been able to meet yet, and for those I have, I’d like to invite you all to the staffroom for a cuppa and biscuits after Monday’s assembly.

It was great to see our new Preps starting their educational journey yesterday, with only a few tears shed from students (and parents). Two of our young school starters were most horrified after recess when I gathered them off the oval to return to class. They couldn’t understand why they couldn’t “just go home now…we’ve done school already!” I didn’t have the heart to tell them they have 13 years to go!

Schools are very dynamic places and I have found that communication is the key. I like to operate with an open door policy so please, if you have any concerns, please come in to see me or ring. On the off chance I’m not available, please let Brenda know of some times which are suitable to meet or return your call.

As well as welcoming our new preps, we also welcome Miss Tayla Loprese who is teaching 5/6 this year. Tayla will be working closely with Sue Duncan throughout the year. I know you will join with me in wishing Tayla a warm welcome to Hazelwood North as she starts her own journey. Have a wonderful weekend………..Adam
SCHOOL COUNCIL - Felicity Di Toro (President)
Welcome to another year. I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and relaxing break, regardless of how long or short your break was. Welcome to our new students / families.

Acting Principal

HNPS welcomes Mr. Adam Downes as our Acting Principal for Terms 1 & 2 whilst Paul Jorgensen is on secondment in East Gippsland. Below is some information to assist our community in getting to know Adam:

- Assistant Principal at Kosciuszko Street PS for 4 years. During that time also Acting Principal for 6 months.
- Major roles were PSD co-ordination, Student Wellbeing, Teaching and Learning development, staff coaching and facilities management.
- School Councillor (staff representative) Kosciuszko Street for a number of years.
- Currently on the Latrobe Valley Principal Professional Learning team which sets and organises professional learning for all Latrobe Valley Principals.
- Current Chair of the Traralgon Principal Cluster (won’t fulfil role whilst at HNPS).
- Masters degree in School Leadership.
- Previously held Leading teacher and senior unit leader positions at Liddiard Road PS.
- Undertook role as a Primary Maths Specialist, working across the Gippsland Region and in Melbourne, to improve school’s Maths programs and enhance teacher effectiveness in the teaching of Maths.

Adam is looking forward to working with the staff, students and families to enhance the learning of students at HNPS.

School Uniform

Just a reminder to parents and students to familiarise themselves with the Uniform Policy to ensure that all students are complying with the requirements in 2015. The school uniform is required to be worn at all times, ensuring a positive image of the school, to promote a sense of pride in, and identification with our school, and to promote safety awareness with respect to the type of clothing that is worn. A summary of the Policy is below with a full copy attached.

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<td><strong>Polo Shirt</strong></td>
<td>Navy Blue with striped collar / Light Blue with striped collar with school logo - short or long sleeved</td>
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<td><strong>Windcheater</strong></td>
<td>Navy Blue with school logo.</td>
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<td><strong>Polo fleece Top</strong></td>
<td>Long sleeve and vest with school monogram.</td>
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<td>Long navy pants including school pants, tailored pants and tracksuit pants.</td>
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<td>Navy Blue/White sports socks (must be above the ankle)</td>
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<td>Black leather shoes / boots. Black or predominantly white athletic shoe.</td>
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<td><strong>Dress</strong></td>
<td>Navy Blue and White gingham dress.</td>
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<td>Navy Blue Legionnaire Style or Wide Brimmed must be worn 1st September to 1st May.</td>
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<td>Navy Blue beanies / scarfs are an option for winter.</td>
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