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Thursday 9th February 2017
Term 1 – Newsletter 2

WEDNESDAY'S SCHOOL BANKING

Tuesday 14th February
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Wednesday 15th February
Friday 17th March
Monday 20th February
Wednesday 22nd February
Thursday 23rd February
Monday 27th Feb- Wed 1st March
Wednesday 1st March
Thursday 2nd March

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Monday 6th March
Monday 13th March
Tuesday 14th March
Wednesday 15th March
Tuesday 21st March
Tuesday 21st March
Friday 24th March
Friday 31st March

WEDNESDAY'S SCHOOL BANKING

Welcome BBQ – Parent information in classrooms
District Swimming
No School for Prep Students
Dress up day for all students – Pirate Day
School Council Meeting @ 7pm
No School for Prep Students
School Photos
Marlo Camp –Grade 6 Students
Preps starts fulltime
4- 6 Excursion – The Government & Democracy
10.30 – 12.45
Division Swimming
AGM – Parent Club @ 9.15am
No School for students - Teachers PD Day
Labour Day Public Holiday
Book Fair- Starts
School House Sports – Proposed
Parent/ Teacher Meeting – starts @ 3pm
Book Fair -Resumes
District Athletics
End of Term 1 – 1.30pm Finish

2017 SCHOOL CAMPS:

Year 5/6 Melbourne/Ballarat Camp
18th to 21st April – **\$320** depending on numbers

Years 3/4 Phillip Island Camp
Wednesday 11th October to 13th October

Possible cost between \$250 - \$ 300 depending on numbers



CAMPS SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid 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 \$125.00 for primary school students. If you applied last year this will need to be done again for this year. Please contact the school office to obtain a CSEF Application form and make sure it is returned to school. All application need to be in by the end of February.

PRINCIPAL COMMENTS – Paul Jorgensen

Staff at school have been complimenting the children on how settled they have returned to school this year. It has been a very smooth start to the year with classrooms straight into their learning and children focused on what they need to do. This week and next week teachers are assessing students and using this information to ensure that student's individual needs are being met in classroom activities. This information is also used to form any intervention and extension programs across the school. We have already revisited last year's student data to look for any children in particular that we may need to focus on but also as starting points for all children.

Students at HNPS progress through Writing Checklists that staff developed a few years ago. Students are able to continue their progression through these important writing steps in development. Each child is on a particular checklist that they are able to use to set their goals and development through learning conferences with their teacher. These writing checklists help support the development of writing skills for children from Foundation (Prep) to Year 6.

A reminder to all parents that it is very important that students attend school on all available days. Each day missed means that children miss out on aspects of their learning. If children miss several or more days then their learning is certainly impacted upon. If a child is to be away for more than one day please contact your child's classroom teacher to arrange for any important learning that may be missed to be passed on to you so that gaps in learning does not occur.

Preview from F/1W and 1S

Next week we will be continuing to complete assessments in reading and mathematics with your child. Foundation students will have Wednesday off.

Some of the things we will be covering in class and things you can discuss at home:

Next week the Grade One students will be revising writing the letters "r, i, p" and identifying the sounds these letters make. They will be learning about "wh". The foundation students will be learning about the letters 'R, i ,p' and revising the letters m, c, t and a. At home you could look for these letters in your child's reader or in books you have at home.

In maths our focus we will be looking at length. Accurately measuring and ordering from smallest to largest will be the focus.

Events coming up....

Miss Waite's grade will be having PE on Tuesday until the Foundation students start full time.

House sports are next month – check in the Grade to see your child's house colour (Grade 1 parents they are the same as last year) so you can find a House T-shirt for this event.

14th February – School BBQ night. Half an hour before hand there will be an **informal information session with Alyce and Amy.** This session will cover what we will be doing at school and other bits of helpful information. We look forward to seeing you all!

Miss Waite and Miss Stockdale

Preview 2/3 – Week 3

Next week we will be beginning our Inquiry Unit, with the Big Question – **“What’s Good for Me?”**

This unit will explore aspects of healthy lifestyles, growing and changing, with a particular emphasis on nutrition. To enable us to fully explore these concepts we are seeking your assistance. If you are able to send in examples of packaging – eg cereal boxes, snack food boxes, packets from pasta, etc, it would be greatly appreciated.

Home reading has started, with students beginning to take books home to read. If your child’s reader cover is still at home, please send it in so that they can begin taking books home. We ask that parents monitor their child’s home reading and sign the Reading Log in their reader cover. Currently in class we are discussing the thinking we do as we read. At home you could discuss the connections your child makes to the text, predictions about what might happen, and questions they have as they read.

In Writing we will be continuing to develop our understanding of the “Pre-writing” (or Planning), by exploring different ways of recording ideas for writing (or “Seeds”) in our Writer’s Notebook. We will also focus on good sentence structure when writing our weekend recounts.

The focus for Mathematics next week will be number, particularly the operations of addition and subtraction. It is important that students can use efficient mental strategies to solve problems. Does your child know their basic number facts for the numbers to 10? If not, perhaps you could spend some time practising with them?

Next week, class teachers will send out a form for expressions of interest for classroom helpers. If you are able to help in any way, we would greatly appreciate it. Whether it be reading, writing, maths, science, inquiry or cooking, there is always a way that you can help if you would like to!

Regards,

Kelly Alexander and Mark Atherton

Preview Year 4/5/6

Next week we will be focussing on healthy eating. The students will build on their understandings of healthy eating learning how to read the nutritional packaging on a variety of foods. In teams they will research healthy school snacks and choose something to prepare at school. Students will construct packaging for their snack

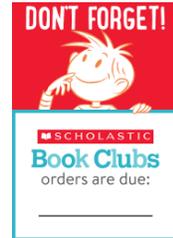
and explore nets, prisms and angles. In writing, they will compose a procedural essay so we can make a class recipe book of healthy snacks.

As homework, we would like the students to keep a food diary of their daily diet from Saturday to Tuesday. Parents should ensure they check their child's homework envelope so they can support their learning.

Scholastic Book Club

Book Club Issue 1 2017 brochures have been handed out this week to each student.

If you would like to order an item(s) from the brochure please fill out the order form on the last two pages of the brochure and return it, together with your payment, to School by **Tuesday 14th February**. Please send these in a named envelope with **"Book Club"** written on them.



Any **cheques** for book orders should be **made out** to **Hazelwood North Primary School**.

If you prefer, Scholastic have their online payment system LOOP, Linked Ordering and On-line Payment, where you can make direct payments to Scholastic, and your books will be delivered to the school with the other orders.

There are some spare brochures available from the Library, or the Scholastic website www.scholastic.com.au also allows us to view their catalogues on-line.

If you have any queries regarding Book Club please do not hesitate to contact Kaye Stockdale in the Library.



Book Fair

In March we will be holding our first Book Fair of the year from Tuesday 14th to Tuesday 21st. The Book Fair theme of Pirates has already created an exciting atmosphere in the Library where pirates and treasure maps abound.

On Friday 17th March we will have a special day where everyone can come **dressed as a pirate**, and bring a gold coin donation. The money raised will be used to purchase some new special student interest books for the Library.



Aaargh!

Our School Library.

All students visit the School Library regularly where they have the opportunity to borrow and return books of their choice including picture, fiction and non-fiction titles. These books are to take home, and are in addition to their classroom's books. Junior students are able to borrow two books, and the middle / senior students' three books.



When a student has reached their borrowing limit they will be unable to borrow until at least one book is returned. Books are borrowed for two weeks, after which they will become overdue. Students will be reminded at their weekly Library

session if they have reached their borrowing limit, or if they have any books overdue. Students can renew any book that they wish to continue reading. Periodically I may send out notices to students listing their overdue books.

To protect the library books we expect the book(s) to be carried in a separate bag (which can be placed inside their school bag), either a designated Library bag or other. During Library sessions if students do not have a library bag they will be provided with a plastic bag to carry their book(s).

Accidents do happen so please return library books even if they damaged, chewed, scribbled on, become wet, or lose pages. I can repair them or order a new copy, but most importantly your child will be able to borrow other books. Similarly, if you believe a book is lost you can write a note informing me that you have helped your child search for the book, but have been unable to find it.

Here is a list of the days and times each Grade comes to the Library.

F/1W	Friday	11.30am
1 S	Friday	12.30pm
2/3KA	Thursday	2.15pm
3/4MA	Wednesday	11.30am
4/5/6D	Friday	10.00am
4/5/6S	Wednesday	12.30pm

Please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's teacher if you have any questions regarding your child's use of the School Library

PARENT CLUB

LUNCH ORDERS

Subway will again be providing lunches of a Friday,

Order forms have now been sent home there will be spare copies on the board outside office, in your classroom or just write your order on the front of an envelope with your child's name and class, this makes it easier for subway to put in correct tub and easy distribution on Friday at school.

We are unable to submit orders with no money enclosed, these orders will be sent back to your child to return it home for you to make arrangements with Subway directly on number below.

Any queries regarding the order form or if your child is absent on the Friday should be directed to Subway, Morwell 51336833.

FUNDRAISING for 2017

Fundraising profits for 2017 will once again go toward the constant updating of new IT equipment for our school.

2nd HAND UNIFORM

Don't forget when your children grow out of uniforms hand them back to school for relocating. If you could kindly remove name tags as this makes it easier if they end up in lost property.

On that note if you label, especially jumpers, we are easily able to return them to their rightful owner, so then no lost jumpers.

These are available for purchase at the school anytime, Francesca will direct you to our store. Price for these preloved uniforms are \$2 or donation higher.

RITCHIES IGA, Churchill support our school through their Community Benefits Program, if you need a Card for this please let Francesca or myself know.

CADBURY CHOCOLATES

Information out soon.

MEETING

AGM on the Thursday 2nd March at 9.15

Come along for a cuppa and chat, toddlers welcome.

We are always looking for new ideas and new helpers, if you are interested please let us know. If you can't come to a meeting that's okay, let us know anyway.

Don't have time during the day but would still like to be involved perhaps School Council would be an option, contact Paul at school or Leigh Markham our current President.

If you cannot make meetings but would like to be involved or have any ideas for fundraising please let me know on either : bronwyn@wideband.net.au or 0412855933.

Don't forget the SKOOL BAG App for your phone, or the school Website www.haznthps.com.au.

For Parents Club information Facebook, forms at front office.

HAZELWOOD NORTH PLAYGROUP

Playgroup sessions run every Monday during the School Term 9.30-11.15am at the Hazelwood North Hall (across the road from school). New families are always welcome.

For further information contact - **Louise on 0438 140 088.**

