Monday 25th April
Thursday 28th April
Friday 29th April
Friday 29th April
Wednesday 4th May
Thursday 5th May
Friday 6th May
Friday 6th May
Friday 13th May
Wednesday 10th May – 12th May
Friday 10th June

Anzac Day – No School
District Cross Country (TBC)
Subway
Sorting of Mother’s Day items – Volunteers needed
Counting Pie Orders – Volunteers Needed
P & F Meeting
Pie Day - information out soon
Mother’s Day Stall – Volunteers Needed
District Soccer (TBC)

NAPLAN Testing – Years 3 & 5
Winter District Sports (TBC)

Thankyou to the school community members who were able to attend our ANZAC Day ceremony on Thursday as well as our Civics and Citizenship awards. These commemorations and events are important in allowing children to gain a better understanding of being Australian and the history behind our nation’s culture. Our awards support this in that we celebrate the outstanding efforts of our children and award those that continually show the values of our school. Values which will support children throughout their life.

Our Award winners this term were Lucy Thompson (F/1), Bailey Perez (F/1), Kydan Makepeace (1/2), Melina Turnbull (3/4), Sophie McKenzie (4/5/6) and Maddy Salmon (4/5/6). Congratulation to all these children who have shown on a regular basis the school values of Challenge, Curiosity, Collaboration, Resilience and Responsibility.

Congratulations to Nicholas, Connor C and Dylan who competed in the Champions High Jump event that was held over until Wednesday from the Yinnar and District Sports.
All competed very well with close results. Connor was able to get a first place in the 9 Year event while Nicholas was third and Dylan fourth in the 12/13 year event.

Well done to everyone in their efforts at our House Cross Country day. It was great to see so many children (and some teachers and parents) putting in the effort to achieve good results. Particularly it was great to see some children who displayed terrific reliance when they fell over and got up again and continued in the race. Despite the setback when falling on the ground and hurting themselves they were still able to keep going regardless. Congratulations to Huāngsè (Yellow) House in winning the House competition.

All government schools are reviewed every four years and this year, Hazelwood North Primary School will be reviewed between May 9th and May 17th. As part of the review, Sharon Adams (reviewer) will hold a parent forum to provide an opportunity for parents to provide feedback on their child/ren’s experience at HNPS. The forum is planned for Monday 9th May at 6:30 pm at the school. Parents will be able to provide general feedback but contributions in regard to the following areas will also be sought. Parents unable to make this session may catch up with Sharon between May 10 – 12th, so she may introduce herself to some parents in the yard after school to get some perspectives on how they feel things are going at HNPS. If any parents would like to specifically meet with her please contact the school to make arrangements for this. Sharon will also meet with School Council members, staff and students while she is here. For further information please contact the school or Leigh Markham, School Council President.

Are the expectations for your child’s learning challenging and achievable?

Is the learning environment safe, stimulating and motivating for your child?
In what ways does the school communicate and involve you in your child’s education?

How does the curriculum and teaching build skills to be independent and self-motivated learners?

What contributes to the school’s values and strategic direction being reflected in attitudes, skills and knowledge of staff and students?

On Thursday this week Dale Simmons took 6 of our student leaders to The GRIP Student Leadership Conference which is unique in that it concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as SCHOOL LEADERS. This was very successful conference and well worth while our students taking part. One important aspect of the conference was how leaders can influence others through their actions and the way the go about the things they do every day.

REMINDER SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE AND CAN BE PAYED AT THE OFFICE BY CASH, CHEQUE OR BPAY.

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. Please contact the school office to obtain a CSEF Application form.

We can also now apply for allowance for school uniform, if you have filled out a CSEF application. Please contact Francesca at the office for more details.

HEADLICE: We are very grateful to the parent who alerted us to a case of head lice, an unfortunate but common aspect of school life. Please check and treat hair if required. A reminder that longer hair should be tied up and hat sharing is not recommended! If we all work together we achieve good lice management, as evidenced by very few cases last year!

F/1W and F/1A Preview

We are nearly in week 3! How time is flying by!

This week in maths we will be focussing on the topics of probability. This involves using the language of chance – such as ‘will happen’, ‘won’t happen’ or ‘might happen’. For example; what is the chance of it raining today? Will it happen? Might happen? Won’t happen? We will also be continuing to working on division and using the language of equally sharing objects into groups.

This week the Foundation students will be looking at the letter Gg. Last week, your child would of brought home some word cards. The grade one students were given
some ‘wh’ words on Tuesday. At home, you may wish to get your child to read these words or have a go at spelling them. This week the Grade One students will be focussing on th words.

Both grades have been working on developing our knowledge of different reading strategies We have been focussing on using our CAFÉ menu. A reminder of the areas are as follows;

- **Comprehension** – I understand what I read
- **Accuracy** – I can read the words
- **Fluency** – I can read with good pace and expression
- **Expanding Vocabulary** – I know, find and use interesting words

One strategy we have been looking at this week is looking at the beginning and ending sound in a word. This involves looking carefully at each word we read. To be accurate readers, children need to look at the beginning, middle and end of a word. When reading, children need to push through to the end of every word they read. If they rush through a word and guess at the ending, they might miss those last letters and misread it!

**A friendly reminder that our Show and Share format has changed this term.** Instead of show and share we are now trialng Oral News. Students are welcome to bring different items or news of their choice.

This week F/1A will be making ANZAC biscuits on Wednesday. Below are some photos from F/1W’s attempt at making ANZAC biscuits on Wednesday. Thankyou to Kaye and our parent helpers; Laura, Michelle and Nicole who helped out.

If you are helping out in the classroom, please remember to sign in at the office. This is to ensure we are aware of the visitors we have in the school at different times in the day. If you have any questions about this please see Kelly or Amy.

We hope you enjoy the long weekend with your family. We look forward to seeing your all on Tuesday.

Amy Waite and Kelly Alexander
1/2S

Reading

We have continued our learning of reading strategies through our CAFÉ. We have been consolidating ‘check for understanding’ and have learnt a new strategy that we can use to help us in our reading: cross checking. When we cross check, we ask ourselves: Does it look right? Does it sound right? Does it make sense? This helps us when we come across tricky words.

Writing

We have continued our learning about writing recounts. We have continued to write about our holidays, and most students have completed their first ‘published’ piece of writing for the year. This was very exciting! This week, we will continue our weekend recount writing, ensuring we set writing goals and reflect on these goals.

Maths

In maths this week, we will be learning about probability and the chance of events happening. We will also be learning about fractions and sharing objects equally. We have an exciting Anzac Biscuit activity planned, where students will be able to make their own Anzac Biscuits!

School Values

We are continuing to focus on our school value of ‘collaboration’. Students have engaged in discussion and activities requiring them to be collaborative learners.
Our Show and Share topic for this week is: Something from my long weekend.

Miss Stockdale 😊

3\4 Atherton

This week in Inquiry we have planned our own inquiry into a topic area that interests us based on the main topics of the First Fleet, the Gold Rush and Migration. It is fantastic to see students challenging themselves in their planning and I cannot wait to see what new learnings we will all have over the next few weeks!

This week we have continued deeper into the realm of persuasive techniques used in advertising. We were all a bit surprised at how much advertisers try and persuade us to by their product and we have to ask ourselves, are the burgers really better at Hungry Jacks???

Take home books have started coming home this week. We are missing a few reader covers so please check at home if your child has not brought theirs home. Also please let me know if their cover is missing/damaged or alternatively feel free to replace it over the weekend.

We are continuing with times tables and investigating the power of zero in numeracy. During this week we constructed our 20 times tables using the power of zero! Who knew a number that has so little can mean so much!

Monday – Art 10am to 11am

Tuesday - Chinese 10:20am to 11am, Physical Education 9:00am to 10:00am

Wednesday – Library 11:30am – 12:30pm

Thursday – Performing Arts 9:40am – 10:20am, Chinese 12:50pm to 1:30pm

Friday – Senior Sport 2.15 to 3.15.

Preview 4/5/6 D & S

Homework

Just a reminder that the reading diary is to be filled four times per week after reading. The expectation is that students read for at least 20 minutes per day. The students need to write a response about their reading, there is a section on the reading diary for this. Homework is due in on Mondays, or on long weekends Tuesday as is the case for this week.

To enhance our Pit discussions next week we are following on our Anzac theme with the focus topic of “Mateship”
**Language:** In the area of language we will continue to explore persuasive texts and writing. The students will look at various examples and write their own arguments. To continue support your child’s learning look at television advertisements and discuss the types of language used as well as techniques and the various images used. Our students are expanding their vocabulary so please continue to encourage your child to write descriptive and powerful words / phrases down and send them to school.

**Maths:** In Maths we will focus on fractions, decimals and percentages as well as continuing written and mental methods of addition and subtraction. Encourage your child to mentally calculate approximate percentages and fractions in their everyday life. They could calculate the percentage of time spent playing sport, watching TV, and completing homework! Following this, ask them to convert the percentage to a fraction. We will also continue to work on automatic response of times tables and the power of zero – 3x5 = 40, 30x5 = 400 and so on. Ask your child to continue sequencing a variety of times tables using the power of zero. Please encourage them to practice their nominated times tables as this will assist them in all the maths operations areas.

**Inquiry:** This week we have focused on planning our presentations for our Australian History topics drawn from The First Fleet, The Gold Rush and Migration. The students are eagerly looking forward to starting in Week 3 and we would like you to support your child through encouraging and assisting them with pre-research on their focus topic and their presentation medium (how they are going to produce their presentation)

**FUNDRAISING for 2016**

**MOTHERS DAY STALL**

Our Mother’s Day stall will happen again this year on **Friday 6th May**.

**If families could donate items in groups of 6 would be appreciated for this event.**

Groups of 6 make it easier to sort items into grade lots, we have 1 grade come in 1 at a time to select their item for mum.

Children are asked to bring in $5 on Friday 6th May to purchase a gift for mum.

We have been asked why I can’t buy for nana etc? This makes it tricky for us to assure that we have enough items for purchasing just for mum. This year we will
open it up at recess for purchases for other “special mums” if we have enough gifts left over, so if you wanted your child to bring extra money that’s okay but knowing they will have to wait until recess to spend it as long as there is enough left over.

We will need volunteers to assist the children with their purchases on the day also.

When buying your goodies at Bakers Delight Morwell and Traralgon please don’t forget to mention Hazelwood North Primary. A percentage of all sales come back to our school.

Ritchies, IGA, Churchill – don’t forget your community benefits card.

These are easy fundraisers if you already buy from these local businesses.

Not to mention your student banking. CBA give us a percentage of amount deposited, not from your deposit’s but from their money back to the school.

Wednesday mornings

Please remind your children to put their LUNCH ORDERS AND SCHOOL BANKING in the appropriate tubs or bags first thing Wednesday as Volunteers start to come in to process these at 9.30am.

Thank you in advance.

2nd Hand Uniform

Keep those preloved school uniforms coming in we are in need of bigger sizes at the moment.

Don’t forget to check out Schools website: www.haznthps.vic.edu.au

General information, generic permission slips and draft school policies for you to have feedback on.

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.
The Transformers are coming to Traralgon! Meet mega Optimus Prime and Bumblebee at the Shine a Light on Road Safety Gippsland community festival on Friday, May 6 at the Traralgon Showgrounds from 6pm to 8.30pm. The Transformers show will begin at 6.45pm, and afterwards kids can get their photo taken with Optimus and Bumblebee for a gold coin donation.

There will also be a live band, spectacular car and motorbike displays, emergency services displays including the CFA’s ladder truck ‘Bronto’, jumping castle and face painting. Entry is free, a variety of activities by gold coin donation and refreshments available for purchase on the night.

For more information visit our event on Facebook Shine a Light on Road Safety – Gippsland.
Latrobe Theatre Company’s production of

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Come join Ariel, Sebastian, Flounder, and all the gang, for a fun-filled, emotional journey. Based on the much-loved Disney classic from the 80s, this stage version is just how you remembered the story...only better. And the extremely talented, local cast do a brilliant job of bringing it to life. Brand new, fabulous music joins all the familiar tunes, such as 'Under the Sea' and 'Part of your World'.

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Latrobe Performing Arts Centre

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