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Thursday 2nd March 2018
Term 1 – Newsletter 5

WEDNESDAY'S SCHOOL BANKING

Wednesday 7th March

Thursday 8th March

Friday 9th March

Friday 9th – Monday 16th March

Monday 12th March

Thursday 15th March

Thursday 15th March

Thursday 15th March

Friday 16th March

Monday 19th March to 4th April

Thursday 22nd March

Friday 23rd March

Thursday 29th March

Monday 16th April

WEDNESDAY'S SCHOOL BANKING

Prep classes start fulltime

House School Sports

Subway

Book Fair

Labour Day- NO SCHOOL

F/1 & 2/3 History Excursion

Parent Club AGM Meeting @9.15

School Council AGM- afterwards GM

Hot Dog & Dim Sim Day

China Tour

Yinnar & District Athletics Sports

Subway

Term 1 Concludes @ 1.30pm

School Starts – Term 2

ZOOPER DOOPERS FOR SALE FOR 50c

Each Day throughout Term 1 2018

PRINCIPAL COMMENTS: PAUL JORGENSEN

Our early Parent/ Teacher conversations are due to take place on Wednesday 14th March. After our assessment program to begin the year and after parents have had a chance to listen to staff about how the classrooms work and basic expectations it is now time to catch up with parents to discuss individual children's needs. Our Parent/Teacher conversations are a good chance for this to happen. Please check your child's bag for the booking form and information (Yellow paper) and return as soon as possible. If you have recently had or been having conversations with your child's teacher then there may not be a need for you to have these conversations.

We have been investigating the replacement/fixing of our popular sandpit area. At School Council we have discussed the need for shade over the sand pit area and for the area to be structural sound as at present on wall is falling away a bit. We are currently gathering quotes for this work and Parents Club fundraising will also go towards this project.

School Assembly

There will be an assembly today Friday 2nd March and then every 2nd Friday at 2.45 pm they will be held in the hall.
All families are welcome.

Attendance

Daily school attendance is important for all children to succeed at education. At Hazelwood North Primary School, staff work hard to develop and implement programs that help students to achieve academically, socially and emotionally. Recently there has been a change in the Victorian Education Department Guidelines. Schools are now required to contact parents on the first day of an unexplained absence. If your child is absent, please contact the school prior to 9.00am.



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND

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

Eligibility date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2018) or term two (18 April 2018).

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Thank you for all the people who participated on crazy hair day. We raised \$179.95. All this money will go to Cancer Council Australia. Thanks for the donations.

Chi and Isabelle

Junior School Council Leaders

House Sports

When: Thursday 8th of March

Students can come to school in their House colours.

Time: Activities will run from **9.15am to 12.30pm.**

Parents are welcome to come and watch their child/children compete.

Age Champions and the winning house will be announced from 2.45pm onwards.

Alyssa and Ally

Yellow and **Red** House Captains

SPORT

Swimming

Well done to Archie Norman, Allira Richardson, Claire Thorburn, Harrison King and Kayla Wilson for representing Yinnar and District at the division swimming carnival on Wednesday. By all reports they swam extremely well and represented their school appropriately. Congratulations to Kayla who will progress to the regional level in the multi-class.

Athletics

A reminder that the house sports day is next Thursday 8th March. Children are asked to dress up in their house colours and compete in a range of athletic events.

Schedule:

9.15am-1pm activities

2.45pm- age champions and winning house announced **(Go YELLOW!!)**.

Also, our students will be representing the school in the district sports at Yinnar Recreation Reserve on Thursday 22nd March. Extra supporters are welcome, and anyone able to assist on either day would be welcomed.

F/1AJ & F/1/M Preview

Next week, will begin our Inquiry on 'My History', starting with our families. At home, you could discuss who the members of your family are, where they live and where they come from. Please look out for some homework tasks related to our topic over the coming weeks, and assist your child to answer the questions, so that they are prepared to participate in discussions and activities at school.

In Maths, we will continue to explore the four seasons, and the months of the year. Perhaps you could discuss the months that are in each season, and the things your family does in different seasons. For example, what times of the year do you collect firewood, go on holidays, collect mushrooms, etc?

In Literacy, we will be revising the letters and sounds introduced so far and explore how these sounds can be put together to make words. To support your Foundation child, encourage them to practise the words and letters in their folders. Grade One students should practise reading with fluency and expression, by taking notice of the punctuation marks, and thinking about what is happening in the story.

At school, we have been focussing on our school value of responsibility. At home, you might like to talk about the responsibilities different people in your household have.

We are excited to welcome Mrs Denise Vesty back to HNPS. She will be working two days a week in the F/1/2/3 classes, providing extra support in the area of literacy.

Old Gippsdown Excursion permission notes have been distributed. Please sign and return with payment as soon as possible, particularly if you are interested in being a parent helper on the day.

Don't forget, the Foundation students begin full time attendance next week.

Kelly, Natalie and Alyce.

Preview 2/3

It is fantastic to see so many parents already logging on to Seesaw and viewing their child's learning! Our focus is on specific feedback and one of the things to keep in mind, which can make giving feedback easier, is commenting about what you *notice*. For example *I noticed that you did...really well. Have you thought about doing...next time?*

Reading: There will be a focus on our reading accuracy next week. One of the Café strategies that can assist this is cross-checking: "*Does it look right?*", "*Does it sound right?*" and "*Does it make sense?*" Try using a feedback starter such as "*I noticed you said...when the first letter is...*". "*Does that look right, sound right or make sense?*"

Maths: Next week in Maths, we will be developing our place value understanding while learning more about measurement. A simple way to find out what your child knows is to roll a dice to create one, two, three, four digit numbers and asking your child to accurately read it aloud. There are also plenty of ideas online: <https://mathgeekmama.com/best-math-card-games/>.

Writing: In Writing, we will be looking at using paragraphs to help organise our writing pieces. Students need to remember that the information in the first sentence of a paragraph needs to be directly related to the information written in the paragraph, otherwise it can get very confusing!

Inquiry: This week a notice has been sent home for the Old Gippsdown Excursion on the 15th March in Moe. This excursion will help students to develop their understanding of the difference in daily life over the years. Grade 2 students will also be bringing home interview questions to ask you or your extended family about your own family histories. The due date for this is Monday 5th March.

Mark Atherton and Justine Morgan.

4/5/6 Preview

Writing

Next week I will be continuing to work on drafting a narrative story. I will be setting goals using my Writing Checklist.

Maths

In Maths, I will be completing activities around the topic of Data representation. This will involve asking questions, collecting information and graphing data. I will interpret and answer questions about the data I have collected. I will have the opportunity to create various graphs; including picture, bar and pie graphs. At home, I could practise putting information into a graph.

Reading

This week our teachers' finished our reading assessments. Next week I will be focusing on my next level of learning during Reading Conferences. I will ensure I read at least 4 times this week and ask my parents to question me deeply about what I have read. I will remember to get a parent to sign off on my daily reading.

Inquiry

I will be continuing to engage with our new Inquiry topic based on Australian History. I will be working on identifying my area of interest (First Fleet, Explorers, Indigenous Australians) and continue to refine my questions about my area of interest. I will be working on a timeline to organise when I will complete parts of this project. We can talk about the major events which formed our history – particularly early European settlement and the effect on our aboriginal population.

We hope you have a great week!

Amy, Ash and Dale.

The Book Fair is coming!

Our “Paws for books” Book Fair opens on Friday 9th March in the School Hall.



The Book Fair will be open before school **8.30am till 9.00am**, lunch times **1.40pm-2.00pm** and after school **3.15pm-4.15pm** each school day, until the following Friday 16th March. All students will be given time to have a look at the books in the Book Fair, and the opportunity to write a wish list to take home.

Our Book Fair Assistants, Jada, Jayla, Shanae, Rhys, Lachlan and Hunter are collaborating making posters, organising competitions, and preparing brochures and wish lists for the Book Fair.

Just a reminder that we can **only accept cash or cheques** in payment for items purchased at the Book Fair, and please write the cheques out to Hazelwood North Primary School. Younger students can bring their money/cheque to school in a labelled envelope, and change will be returned in the same way. All sales at the Book Fair benefit the school with the choice of books for our library.

The Book Fair will be set up at the eastern end of the School Hall so please enter via the door near basketball court.

Book Club Issue 2 is not sent home this term as we hold the Book Fair here at School, however the online LOOP system for ordering for Book Club is available for the Issue.

School Council News February Meeting

AGM is set for Thursday 15th March 7.00pm in staff room, changed from previous date due to China and other commitments by a few members.

New members welcome please speak to Paul at school or Leigh Markham, President.

At our February meeting it was discussed and decided that some of the funds raised through Parents and Friends Club would go toward upgrading the sand pit area. This will include stabilising the structure and shade for the area. If you think you can help out in any way please speak to Paul.

Drop off Zone in Bus area, please keep in mind this is a quick stop area, if your child is not at the gate or you cannot fit in the area safely, please go around to stop any accidents from occurring.

Church Road Drop off Zone, please keep gate area clear so everybody can see the coming and going in that area. Please collect you children from the gate.

We had the welcome BBQ last week with a different format to previous years your feedback, suggestions would be appreciated.

Thank you to all that support our students going to China via the purchase of Zooper Doopers this has proved to be popular and a worth while fundraiser.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

2018 FUNDRAISING

Funds raised from this year's fundraising will go toward the upgrade including shade for our sand pit area.

Approved activities so far this year are House Sports – Cake n Coffee, Cadbury Chocolates, Hot Dog and Dim Sim lunch, Easter Raffle, Mother's Day and Wood Raffle.

Chocolates: If you missed handing your form in just leave a note at the office, Chocolates will be distributed to those wishing to help us out with this at the start of term 2. Any question please see Karyn Amos or myself.

House Sports Coffee n Cake: Thursday 8th March at school.

If you are able to make us a plate of goodies to sell on day please let Nicole McKenzie, Jane Wilson or myself know or leave a message at the office.

We may need some shade covers it's going to be hot.

Don't forget to mark the date and come and watch the kids practice for Yinnar and District and grab and cake n coffee at recess.

LUNCH ORDERS

Subway will again be providing lunches of a Friday, except on **special lunch days** Order forms have now been sent home there will be spare copies on the board outside office, in your classroom and on the school website or just write your order on the front of an envelope with your child's name and class.

Orders need to be placed in the Lunch Pocket in your child's classroom on the Wednesday prior.

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.

Subway deliver them to school for us.

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

We are looking for a volunteer from our school community to quickly collate and drop order into Subway, Morwell on a Wednesday afternoon if anyone is able, willing to do this job please let me know or speak to Louise Miller.

MEETING

Come along for a cuppa, cake 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

AGM will be Thursday 15th March 9.15, 2nd hand uniform room with General Meeting to follow.

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**