



Term 1 – Newsletter 5 Friday 26th March 2021

Dates for the Diary 2021



Term 1

31st March
District Athletics

1st April
Last day of Term
1.30pm finish

Term 2

19th April
First day of Term

26-29th April
5/6 Camp

30th April
District Cross
Country

3rd-7th May
F-2 Swimming

10th-14th May
3-6 Swimming



Uniforms

A reminder that all students are expected to wear full school uniform. This includes navy blue pants or shorts and school jackets and jumpers. As the weather becomes cooler students can wear coats outside, however when indoors will need to take these off. As we approach winter, if your child does not have a jumper or jacket, these can be purchased at the office or at Hip Pocket in Morwell. We also have some second-hand items available as well.

Our Vision

At Hazelwood North Primary School we are a community of life-long learners who are inclusive, kind and curious. We are problem solvers who work together with confidence to strive for growth and excellence.

Principal News

It is hard to believe we are nearly at the end of the term! It has been a terrific start to the year with some fabulous teaching and learning happening in our classrooms. Unfortunately, the District Sports were postponed until next Wednesday, the weather forecast looks a lot better so we are looking for a great day!

It was also terrific to see so many parents and carers attend the parent/teacher conferences. I know the teachers really enjoy the time to talk to you about your child's learning.

We also had a very successful Book Fair! It is great to see so much enthusiasm from the students (and parents) around book purchases. A huge thank you again to Kaye for all of her organising and extra hours to enable this to happen. Kaye also had some very responsible and respectful student helpers Abbie, Mason, Katy, Aston, Riley and Harri which she appreciated.

School Council for 2021

Our AGM was held on Monday which saw an end of an era with Leigh Markham ending his time with us. Leigh has been President for the past 5 years and has supported the school through the Principal selection and School Review. He has also been a terrific support for me as I settled into the role last year. He will be missed at the school.

It is with pleasure I can announce our school councillors office bearers for 2021:

- President: Adam Leslie
- Vice President: Bec Kilday
- Treasurer: Sam Armstrong
- Secretary: Mark Atherton

Building Refurbishment - Update

We have gone through an interview process and selected the architects who will be helping design a master plan for our school, including upgrading the administration



HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

No. 2382

Respect, Responsibility, Resilience



Values Award

We are respectful

We are responsible

We are resilient

Congratulations to our fortnightly Values Award recipients:

F/1 MJ – Raylan for Respect
F/1 X – Elijah for being a Triple R Superstar!
1/2 M – Harper for Responsibility
3/4A – Jack for Responsibility
3/4 K – Darci-Rose for Resilience
5/6 AJ – Bella for Resilience
5/6 S – Charlie for Responsibility
STEAM – Grade 5/6 AJ for their great work



Keep smiling and take care,

Gillian Connolly ☺

I Acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land where I work and live, and pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging. I extend that Acknowledgement to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia

SPORT NEWS

Coming up:

District Athletics: Wednesday 31st March

House Cross-Country: Last day of Term Thursday 1st April – wear House colours

District Cross Country: Friday 30th April

PARENTS AND FRIENDS CLUB NEWS

P&FC are looking for new members. We need more people to join. The more help we get the more we can do to raise some much needed funds to help our kids.

If you have any questions or would like to be involved contact Nicole for more information on 0408354094.

HOME READING AT HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Home reading is a fantastic way to develop a child's love of reading. It should be an enjoyable activity where students practice fluency, build confidence, learn about the world around them and develop their imagination.

Home reading time is also a great time to connect with your child and spend some quality time enjoying good books and literature together.

Hazelwood North Primary School is committed to child safety and upholding the Child Safe Standards



Assisting your child to become a successful reader

Remember – Your child is a reader, not a level.

Reading at home should be easy, enjoyable and fun for those involved. When listening to your child read their take-home books, please focus on the development of their fluency and confidence in reading, rather than focussing on what level the book is. The book should be easy enough for your child to read on their own.

Reading at home should be an enjoyable, relaxed experience and is not a time for introducing new skills. Harder texts are given in the classroom under the guidance of a teacher who knows which skill or strategy to teach your child next.

During home reading, it would be great if you could listen, support and encourage your child's reading efforts. If it happens that your child brings home a book that appears to be too hard, you could use it as an opportunity to read to them – demonstrating what fluent and expressive reading looks and sounds like.

Sometimes, your child may be tired or lacking in motivation to read. If this is the case, you may want to read to them instead. You could read a picture book together, or read aloud from a children's novel. Try to keep the experience fun and engaging, rather than making it into a chore that must be completed. You could even try an audio book! All these types of reading can be recorded in your child's Home Reading Diary.

Happy reading everyone!

