



# HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

No. 2382

*Respect, Responsibility, Resilience*



## Term 1 – Newsletter 4 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

### Dates for the Diary 2022



#### Term 1

#### 21<sup>st</sup> March

F-2 Excursion to  
Old Gippstown

#### 21<sup>st</sup> March

School Council  
AGM 7pm

#### 28<sup>th</sup> March

Student Free Day

#### 30<sup>th</sup> March

Parent/Teacher  
Interviews

#### 31<sup>st</sup> March

District Athletics

#### 8<sup>th</sup> April

Last Day of Term  
1.30pm finish

#### 26<sup>th</sup> April

First day Term 2

#### 29<sup>th</sup> April

District Cross  
Country

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> May

Swimming  
Program



### 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

The term is flying by, even with it being a longer term. There has been some terrific work happening in the classrooms which is great to see. Nearly all of our full-time staff have now been trained in Sounds-Write which is the approach to teaching phonics our school is adopting. The junior grades have been using this from the start of the year and it is fantastic seeing their knowledge of letters, sounds and how to manipulate these coming along in great strides. The senior grades will start using this for their level and to fill any knowledge gaps there may be.

I would like to extend a thank you to one of our newest parents, Danielle Wright, for offering to shift the new sand into the sand pit. She spent a few hours here with her children and some other students helping to get the job done. We really appreciate your time and effort. Thank you also to the parents who helped today at our school sports.

### School Council – Thank You

I would like to extend a huge thank you to our two outgoing School Council members. Firstly, to Nicole McKenzie who has been on School Council and in our Parents and Friends Club for a number of years. Nicole ensured the school's fundraising efforts continued even through COVID and enabled us to provide incursions, fund graduation and purchase the outdoor table tennis table. We will miss having your smiling face around and thank you for the contributions you have made to our school.

I would also like to thank Adam Leslie for his service over the last 5 years. Adam has been a wonderful advocate for our school, rallying local politicians to help improve our school. He was instrumental in pushing for the funding we received to build a new administration wing and toilet block. He also worked hard with local council to improve the road safety signage and have the path built to enable our families to cross the road safely from the hall to our car park. Thank you Adam for being a passionate advocate for our school, we will miss having you on School Council.

### AGM – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 7pm

Our AGM is being held Monday at the school and our Annual Report will be presented. If you are fully vaccinated and would like to attend, please come along.

### Parent/Carer

I was recently shocked and saddened to hear recently, that over the past few months we have had some instances where parents have approached another and said unkind things about their child. It is part of our school vision that we are kind and inclusive, this goes not only for our staff and students but for you as part of our community. If you have an opinion about another student's behaviour please keep it to yourself or if you are extremely concerned make an appointment to talk to me about it. Every student at the school is entitled to be here and it disappoints me that some families don't feel this is the case for their child/ren.



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### **Parent teacher interviews: 30<sup>th</sup> March**

Our start of year interviews will be held on Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> from 2pm. These are quick 10-minute sessions with the teacher so you can get to meet each other if you haven't already or share relevant information to support your child. Bookings are now open in Sentral. This is the only way to book a time so if you need assistance please contact your child's teacher.

### **Parent/Carer Payments (school fees) - \$195 per child**

Thank you to those parents who have already paid the school fees, we really appreciate this as it does help purchase the books and resources students need in their classrooms for effective learning. If you haven't paid yet you can do this at the office in cash or via direct deposit (BSB: 063 522 Account: 10068627) - please note when making a deposit ensure it states your name and that it is for school fees. If you would like to set up a payment plan, please contact Francesca on 5166 1267.

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. I acknowledge that the land is stolen land and the GonnaiKurnai people have never ceded their sovereignty on these lands and treaties are yet to be negotiated*

### **Centrepay is fully approved.**

Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service that is free for people receiving Services Australia- Centrelink payments.

#### **How deductions are set up**

Hazelwood North PS Reference Number: **555137438K**

You can set them up one of the following ways:

- using your Centrelink online account at my.gov.au
- using the Express Plus Centrelink mobile app on your mobile device
- at a Services Australia Service Centre with help from staff
- by calling your regular payment number

Francesca Tucker-King

## **PB4L - Respectful Relationships**

At Hazelwood North Primary School, we deliver the "Respectful Relationships" Program. The Respectful Relationships program supports schools and early childhood settings to promote and model respect, positive attitudes and behaviours. It teaches our children how to build healthy relationships, resilience and confidence.

By implementing this program alongside our PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning), we plan to create a welcoming, kind and inclusive learning environment where all children feel safe and respected. This will have a positive effect on student outcomes, student mental health, classroom behaviour and relationships between teachers, parents and students. We aim to create a culture of respect and equality where students are taught to be respectful towards not only just people at school but also people in the wider community.

To help support what is taught within the Respectful Relationships program, it would be great to have conversations at home about what is being learnt at school. You can start by asking your child, "What does Respect mean?", "What are some ways to show respect at school/at home?" Having regular conversations with your child generates openness and helps a child feel heard and cared for.

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