



HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

No. 2382

Respect, Responsibility, Resilience



Dates for the Diary 2023



Term 1

14th – 21st

March
Book Fair

15th – 21st

March
NAPLAN

29th March

District Athletics
– Yinnar

31st March

House Cross
Country

5th April

Parents/Teacher
Interviews
3.30-6pm

**Last Day of Term
for students**

6th April

Parent/Teacher
Interviews
9am – 12.30pm



Term 2

24th April

First Day Term

25th April
ANZAC Day
holiday

1st - 5th May

Swimming Week
All grades

Term 1 – Newsletter 4 **Friday 17th March 2023**

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 was fantastic to see so many parents at our House Athletics on the 6th of March to support and cheer on the students. It was a fabulous day that had our students showing a lot of respect, responsibility, and resilience. Congratulations to the Yellow House for being the winning house this year. I would like to thank those parents who helped run events and to the Parent's and Friend's Club for selling snacks and drinks. Finally, I would like to thank the staff who put in extra time and energy to organising the day and setting up the oval, namely, Miss Adams, Mrs Hughes, Kaye, Mrs Jones, and Miss Robbie.

Over the next couple of weeks, we have Mrs Jones, Mrs Saddington and Ms Williamson attending Sounds-Write training. This is to ensure our whole school approach to teaching phonics is consistent across the school and is in line with best practice. We have noticed a huge shift in decoding and writing abilities in our junior students since introducing this last year.

District Athletics - Yinnar

On Wednesday the 29th March all students will be attending the District Athletics in Yinnar. We will travel by bus as a school to participate in a day full of track, field, and fun activities. It is a big day, especially for the junior students so please make sure they have enough snacks, lunch and water to last the day. Students are to wear full school uniform and their hats; sunscreen is also recommended however will be provided by the school. Parents and Grandparents are more than welcome to attend and watch your child participate. We may have room on the buses to take some parents with us and will let you know if this is a possibility closer to the day.

Parent Teacher Interviews

These are being held on Wednesday the 5th in the afternoon from 3.30pm – 6pm and again Thursday morning from 9.00am -12.30pm. A time can be booked on Sentral so if you haven't already done this, please go in and sign up. It is expected that all parents will attend an interview, therefore if you haven't got a time, one will be allocated for you. As we are holding interviews on the 6th of April, the final day for students will be Wednesday the 5th at our usual finishing time.

NAPLAN – Grade 3 & 5

This week our Grade 3&5 students commenced NAPLAN. This will continue next week on Monday and Tuesday. The students worked hard during the writing and reading sessions this week and handled the technical issues with patience and resilience. We wish them well for the remainder of the testing period.

Attendance

The DET region is pushing to have an improvement in attendance across all schools. I understand that there are times that you may need to take your child out of school for an appointment, however, please try and organise this for either end of the day to minimise disruption to their learning. If you are planning a family holiday that takes your child out of school for a number of days, you need to email the school for approval and to discuss provision of learning activities while they are absent.

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

Our school really does appreciate receiving the school fees that support us to provide learning materials for your child(ren) such as books, pencils, coloured pencils, rulers, scissors, art and craft supplies, online learning platforms and a number of other essentials. Being a smaller school, we rely on these funds to ensure we can provide quality learning experiences across the school. This year we are unable to issue invoices, however payment can be made in cash at the office 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 Gunnaikurnai people have never ceded their sovereignty on these lands and treaties are yet to be negotiated

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™ GEM Chat

The Resilience Project (TRP) is committed to **teaching positive mental health strategies** to prevent mental ill-health and **build young people's capacity to deal with adversity**. We have now introduced TRP at our school, where teachers and students will engage in weekly lessons and activities around the key principles of **Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness (GEM)** and **Emotional Literacy** to build resilience. Our facilitator is Martin, so if you hear your child talking about him, you will know it is a TRP lesson! We will be holding a brief information session one afternoon where we will explain the structure and introduce you to the parent hub. Check out their website for more information: [The Resilience Project](#) And check out TRP@HOME; a place filled with inspiration and activities for the whole family, to help improve your wellbeing and build resilience. [TRP@HOME](#)



If you have any exciting news about your child and their extra-curricular out of school activities (e.g., drama, music, basketball, football, soccer) to share, please email the school so we can include it here!

Sport News:

Congratulations to Yellow House on their win at the school sports!

Congratulations to Ozzie on his efforts representing our school in the Division Swimming Competition. The Yinnar District Athletics Day will be held on Wednesday 29th of March in Yinnar, permission forms with further Information will be sent home soon.



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PARENTS AND FRIENDS CLUB

Parents and Friends Club will be holding their **AGM on Tuesday 21st March at 9.30am** at our school. All are welcome to attend and all positions are vacant at the moment.

Hot Cross Buns will be available for pick up on Wednesday 22nd March at school from 2.30pm-3.30pm. If you are unable to collect, please arrange for someone else to do so.

Pizza day on Friday 24th March **forms due back on Monday 20th March.**

Dough raiser- Dominos Morwell will also be donating \$1 from every pizza sold on Friday 24th to our school, so please support them.



Don't forget your Easter Raffle Tickets.

1st prize is a 10kg block of Cadbury Chocolate.
These are due back on Thursday 30th March and the raffle will be drawn on the last day of term.

HELPERS WANTED Bunnings BBQ

We will be doing another Bunnings BBQ Morwell on Sunday 30th of April. Helpers will be needed for 3hr shifts. Keep an eye out for more details and if you can help, please let Fran or myself (Brook) know. Thanks
We are also taking donations for the Mother's Day stall. Please drop these into the office.
Thanks, Parents and Friends Club.



Bookaneer Book Fair - Aaarrgh!

Our Bookaneer Book Fair continues in the School Hall next Monday and Tuesday. Purchases can be made before school from 8.30-9.00am, at lunchtime, and after school 3.15-4.00pm. Payments can be made with cash, using EFPOS or the Scholastic online orders for Book Fairs. Our Book Fair Assistants, Bailey R, Taj, Sadie, Koah, Ryan and Ella C are doing a fantastic job helping their customers and organizing the competitions. Competition entry forms can be handed in at the Book Fair or Library by lunchtime on Monday to be eligible for a prize. The prize winners will be announced on Tuesday.