



HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

No. 2382

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Dates for the Diary 2023



Term 2

12th June

Monarch's
Birthday Public
Holiday

23rd June

Last day of term.
1.30pm finish.



Term 3

10th July

Start Term 3

19th July

Regional Winter
Sports

9th – 11th August

Regional Winter
Sports



Term 2 – Newsletter 9 Friday 9th June 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

I can't believe it is nearly the end of term! There has been some terrific learning going on in the grades and it is great hearing conversations around the growth our students are making. For a short term it has been a busy one with winter sports, cross country, and the F-2 excursion to Gumbya World. Thank you to the teachers for spending the extra time to arrange these additional activities for students to participate in.

Reports

End of semester (Term 1 & 2) reports are currently being finalised. They will be sent home on the last Thursday of term (22nd June). The reports cover achievement points for English, Mathematics and Physical Education, with student achievement comment for English and Maths. Other subjects will have a comment about what has been covered so far this year and we have a series of checklists that will indicate how your child is tracking against several areas of personal and social capabilities. If you have any questions about your child's report, please contact the classroom teacher to make a time to discuss them.

Long Service Leave

For the first 4 weeks of Term 3 I will be taking Long Service Leave and travelling to Canada. To say I'm excited is an understatement! During my absence Kate Boddy will be working full-time in the Acting Principal position. Mark Atherton will be stepping up into the Leading Teacher role to cover Kate's position for 3 days a week. I would like to ask that you all support Kate in stepping up during this time. If you need to speak with her, please contact the office or send an email as per the current arrangements for seeing me. I will be back at school on Monday the 7th of August.

New Building and Changes for Term 3 – IMPORTANT PLEASE READ!

We are still on track to be moving into the new administration building in the last week of term. The student toilets will not be used until the project is complete in September (all going well with weather etc).

The following arrangements are being made and it is important for everyone to be aware of it and work together in a positive mindset. If you are an avid newsletter reader, please let others know to read this information.

- To minimise disruption due to noise, the demolition works will take place in the school holidays. Fencing will go up in the last week of term so we can get students and parents used to the areas that will be out of bounds and unusable.
- Closure of Church Road gate: due to the fencing, the art room and hall will be isolated from the rest of the school and only accessible via a construction gateway that will be manned during the day. The Church Road gate will only be open between 7am – 8.40am and 3.30pm – 6pm for OSHC users only.

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- Access to the school: The only gate available for access is the current one near the large, cream shed. During school hours, to access the school you will need to come to the administration building and be directed by Fran.
- Parking:
 - Where possible please park in the hall car park or at the church carpark.
 - If you park on Church Road, there will be no parking allowed between the Church Road fence and the school driveway entrance on the school side. This is to facilitate a safe path for pedestrians parking on Church Road to move between the exit gate and road. There should be a path made available to take you to the road.
 - If this doesn't work, we will need to consider staggered pick up and drop off points.
- Drop off and pick up: will operate as normal.

PLEASE KEEP AN EYE OUT IN THE NEWSLETTER AND SENTRAL FOR ANY CHANGES!!

2024 Foundation Enrolments

If you have a foundation student coming next year or know of a family who is interested at starting at our school, enrolments are now open. This year there is a new State-wide process which we have to follow. Enrolment applications have to be handed into the school by the 28th of July, with families being informed of their application outcome by the 11th of August. Families outside of our school zone are not guaranteed a place, so if this applies to you, please get your application in early. If you are unsure of our zone, please head to <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/> and type in your address.

Hair Tied Back – thank you.

Thank you, parents, for encouraging your children to wear their hair tied back if shoulder length or longer. It helps when everyone is working together to ensure things like our uniform policy are followed.

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 Gunaikurnai people have never ceded their sovereignty on these lands and treaties are yet to be negotiated.

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

GEM Chat

Gratitude

Some benefits of practising gratitude are:

- After 21 days, you start to scan the world for positives.
- After 42 days you become:
 - More optimistic, energised & focused.
 - Less likely to get sick.
 - You will sleep better.
 - Anxiety and depression decreases.

A few quick and simple ways to practise being grateful are:

- Journaling: each night writes down 3 things that went well for you that day or purchase a gratitude journal with gratitude prompts.
- Write a gratitude letter to someone special, telling them why you are grateful they are in your life.
- Have a family discussion on the way home from school or around the dinner table about the things that went well that day or made you smile.

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Over the King's birthday weekend, Bailey and Ryan are travelling to Ballarat to represent their local clubs and the Latrobe Valley Soccer League (LVSL) at the Victorian Soccer Country Championships. Bailey and Ryan will play in the under 11 division.

The competition takes place over 3 days and the boys will play against some of regional Victoria's best U 11 players from places including Albury, Mildura, Shepparton, Geelong, and Ballarat. The LVSL team will play 3 games on Saturday and 3 games on Sunday with Finals being played on the Monday.

We wish Bailey and Ryan the best of luck for their weekend!



PB4L

Student resets / exits from class:

Gillian was talking to a parent last week about their child being exited from class. During the discussion we worked out that there were 2 different understandings of what this meant for students, as when the parent was at school being sent out of the class meant you had done something fairly bad or disruptive. At our school we use positive behaviour for learning which means we work with students to teach them expected behaviours and remind them if they forget. If they have 3 reminders, they are sent to their buddy grade to 'reset' so they can come back in and be ready to learn. This is not a punishment; it is an opportunity for the student to change environments and reflect on their behaviour and choices. By doing this we are teaching students to regulate their emotions and take actions when needed. Some students are starting to become proactive and are asking for a break if they need it which was fantastic. So, if your child says they were sent out of class it is for this reason. If it was for something else the classroom teacher will contact you. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.



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Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Book Club No 4.

Book Club brochures were handed out to each student this week. Would you please place orders on the Scholastic LOOP on-line ordering platform by **Monday 12th June?** Due to the short term the date for this brochure has been brought forward by Scholastic to ensure the orders can be sent out and received by students before the mid-year holidays.

A big **THANK YOU** to the School Community for your continued support of Book Club which benefits the school with free books and literacy resources for both the library and classrooms.

Goodall Report

Our school is starting to put posters and boxes around to advertise that we are collecting bread bags of all brands to recycle correctly. The bread boxes are located in Mrs Sepping's and Miss Cross's classrooms, the Grove and at the Office. Any brand of bread is accepted but only the plastic bags and no crumbs please or bread tags.

Our school is also resuming Nude Foods to stop the use of single use plastic and reduce pollution in the world. Nude Food has everything to do with getting rid of littering and polluting around Victoria and people are starting to buy plastic containers to put fruit, chips, yoghurt, and other things in instead for their kids.

We are starting a competition for everyone to tally up nude food and whichever class has the most gets a prize. It will start next week and will finish on the Friday at the end of the week.

Inspirational Persons Day - Dress-up Friday 16th June

Our Student Voice delegates have organized a dress as an Inspirational Person for next Friday 16th June. This is so students can dress-up as a person/career they want to be doctor, firefighter, teacher, vet etc or as a person who inspires them.

Looking forward to all the wonderful inspirational people who will be attending our school next Friday! Please see the attached artwork by Georgi K.

Please note this day is not for superheroes or other fictional characters which they can come dressed as at Book Week Activity Day in Term 3.