



HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

No. 2382

Respect, Responsibility, Resilience



Dates for the Diary 2023



Term 3

14th September

R U Ok Day

Student Led
Conferences

3.30 – 6pm

15th September

No students at
school

Student Led
Conferences

9.00 – 12.30pm

Term 4

2nd October

First Day of
Term

4-6th October

3/4 Camp
Phillip Island

5th October

Year 2 Sleepover

6th November

Student Free
Day

7th November

Melbourne Cup
Holiday

Term 3 – Newsletter No14 Friday 8th September 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

Wow, I can't believe we are at the end of the term already! It has been a busy couple of weeks and time has flown quickly. Thank you to the parents and carers who completed the survey about our school. We really value your opinion, and it helps support decision making about how we do things.

Book week was a great success and I loved seeing the photos of everyone dressed up in characters. I was sad to have missed it as it is always a great day that is well organised by Kaye and the students who led groups. I would like to thank the students who did lead the sessions as I was told they did a terrific job, and the other students loved the activities. A huge thank you to Kaye for her hard work in organising the day and supporting the students to develop and run the sessions.

Please see the following reminders important information for families:

Student Led Conferences & Student Free Days (7th & 15th of September)

Our next student free day is on Thursday the 7th of September. All staff will be attending the Latrobe Valley Disability Inclusion Conference which will be a fantastic learning opportunity for us all. Therefore, there is no school for students on this day. OSHC will be open for those families who need to access it.

Our student led conferences are being held on the afternoon/evening of Thursday the 14th September and the morning of the 15th September. This means students are not to attend school on the Friday, except if they have their interview booked on that day. This is a fabulous opportunity for parents and carers to come in and watch a presentation by their child about their learning so far and their future goals. It is always well attended, and the

IMPORTANT SAFETY ISSUES - Drop Off Zone & Pedestrian Access

We have received a number of complaints from the community and other road users about Church Road at pick up time. We have cars lining up on the road from just after 3pm and blocking the flow of traffic. We have also had some near misses in relation to families crossing the road.

- We have been advised that we are not allowed to block the road by queuing up for the pickup zone, therefore if our car park pick up line reaches the end of the car park, you will not be able to join the

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



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line. If this is the case, you will either have to park in the hall car park and collect your child(ren) or do a loop and come back. The other option is to come later than 3.15pm.

- If you have parked on Church Road you are asked to please cross the road and use the side of the road that is sectioned off as a path and join our path through the car park to collect your child.
- If you have parked in the church or the hall car park, please use the crossing to cross the road and walk around the outside of the car park.
- If you have parked in the middle of the car park, please cross at the end closest to the rubbish bins where the flags start.
- We have also had complaints from other parents about parents swearing at each other in the drop off line. Please ensure we are respectful to each other at all times.

We thank you for your cooperation with this and ask that you remain respectful towards staff if you are asked to move on from the road. If we don't improve this situation, we will have to look at staggered pick up times.

Apart from the amazing morning tea and lovely plant I received, it was wonderful to get notes, posters and little booklets that had been made by the students which really made me smile. I even received my own bucket of positives to dip into when I'm having a bad day (thanks Ethan for that suggestion!).

I feel really blessed to be Principal of this school with the wonderful teaching team and community we have!



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.



Congratulations to Zac who won Best & Fairest at football this year! What a great effort.

Please keep sending out of school achievements and celebrations to the school so we can include them!!





Curiosity Class

On Tuesday 5th September, a group of Year 3-6 Curieosities participated in an excursion to the Sale Botanic Gardens. The day was facilitated by staff from the Melbourne Botanical Gardens, and the students learned about 'Biomimicry', a practice that involves observing nature and mimicking strategies found to solve human design challenges. This was a fantastic opportunity for students to engage with their learning in an outdoor environment, and to interact with like-minded peers from other schools. Thank you to the parents who came along and assisted with car-pooling in order for us to be able to attend.



Thursday 14 September

R U OK? Day

Thursday 14 September and is our National Day of Action when we remind Australians that every day is the day to ask, 'are you OK?' and start a meaningful conversation whenever they spot

signs that someone, they care about might be struggling with life.



Students can wear something yellow, otherwise students need to wear their school uniform.