

Wednesday 16th September No 29

Dear Parents & Guardians

This last week of term 3 has proven to be a typical Victorian spring week. We had twenty-seven degrees and beautiful sunshine on Monday. As the grade 3 students, teachers and volunteer parents hopped on the bus to visit Melbourne Zoo today (Tuesday), raincoats, umbrellas and jackets were evident as we hoped for 15 degrees. Tomorrow when I travel with the grade 5's up to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat, I'll be prepared with the full ensemble of winter/spring attire. If you've visited Sovereign Hill before, you'll know that a jacket, scarf and even gloves are in order.



Congratulations to team Bull Rush, the overall winner of Survivor Day last Friday. The grade 5 & 6 children supported each other in their teams to get through the many and varied challenges set by the teachers. I think the team had an advantage given Ms Tierney has been part of this event for a number of years.

This week the Government and the Department of Education launched The Education State by announcing \$747 million in extra funds to deliver great

schools for every community and great teachers in every classroom. If you would like to read more about this, please have a look on the DET's website

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au>.

Developing the Education State involved consultation with various stakeholders where six key themes emerged:

- 1 Improving the quality of teaching;
- 2 Ensure the overall wellbeing of children and young people;
- 3 The need for all students to have access to quality education;
- 4 The importance of ensuring students see clear learning and career pathways;
- 5 Partnerships with communities; and
- 6 The need to consistently monitor student learning progress and school improvement.

Five and ten year targets have been set to improve reading, maths, science, arts and critical and creative thinking results for all Victorian children. Other initiatives include a new Victorian Curriculum F-10 (incorporating AusVELS), a School Leadership initiative, additional Regional Services & Support, a Framework for improving Student Outcomes and a new Online Assessment Platform (Insight). Hillsmeade PS has already been advised that we will receive additional equity funding which has been calculated based on the levels of social disadvantage of our school. We will be afforded some exciting and challenging opportunities in the next few years of education and more particularly, as we develop our next Strategic Plan.

I wish you all a relaxing two week break with family and friends.

Deborah

## SEPTEMBER

18th

**LAST DAY OF  
TERM 3**

**Finish at 2:30**

**(Please be on time as  
teachers have an end of  
term meeting).**

**Footy Day  
Whole School  
Parade 9:30am**

**Whole School Assembly  
Choir 1.45pm**

## OCTOBER

5TH

**First Day Term 4  
Return to School**

8th

**Hoop time Finals  
Selected students**

9th

**Athletics Finals  
Selected students**

# It's cool to be at school

## Hillsmeade Fundraising Committee

*Think Big, Dream Big*

That was a very busy term 3 for fundraising we all wish you a safe and happy break in the school holidays.

### Coming up in Term 4:

Bus Shopping tour is full but we do have a waiting list. Thanks to those that have paid their deposit & its now time to pay the balance. Any questions to Inez Crowe 0425 896 874.  
Christmas raffle and party/concert – date to be announced.

Thanks to all our GOLD SPONSORS for BOGAN BINGO

**Ava Maria Dental:** 87902500, 370 Pound Rd, Narre Warren South

**Cr. Sam Aziz:** Springfield Ward Councillor, City of Casey

**Harcourts Real Estate:** Shop 21, Casey Central shopping centre

**Jewels of Eden:** Shop 14, Eden Rise Village, 87868266

**Life Track Personal Training,** 2 The Elms, Narre Warren, Michelle: 0410519212

**Prestige Chemdry:** 1300880968, shane@prestigechemdry.com.au

**Russell's for Hair:** 39 Webb St. Narre Warren, 97047260

**Dr Snip:** 1300 377647, 232 Cheltenham Rd., Keysborough

**Victoria Statewide Conveyancing:** 87905488, Peter Gajanovic: Level 1, Suite 6

58-60 Victor Cres., Narre Warren,

[info@victorianstatewide.com.au](mailto:info@victorianstatewide.com.au),

**Mr Jason Wood MP:** Member for La Trobe, Victoria

**Zagame's Berwick:** 9702 6223, 288-296 Clyde Rd, Berwick.

### 2015 RACV Energy Breakthrough Fund Raising Raffle

**Due back TODAY Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September.**

Drawn at assembly Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Thanks to all the families for your support From the grade 5/6 HPV teams and staff.

### GRADE 4 CAMP

Camp is on November 4th-6th  
Balance of camp money must be paid no later than 30th October.



### Notices Sent Home

- History :The Colonial Show grade 4
- Grade 6 Year Book

### EXCURSION CUT OFF DATE

- **Grade 4 History The Colonial show**  
**Due back 27/10/15**

## Kids Matter

The Kids Matter Action Team would like to invite all parent helpers to a morning tea in the library October 14<sup>th</sup> between 10.30 – 11.30am as a way of saying thank you for your support and help in the classroom this year

### Peer support program

Hillsmeade Primary School is so pleased to announce the successful completion of our first peer support program. The key skills that all grade 5 students focused on in the module “Keeping Friends” were critical thinking, empathy, conflict resolution, assertiveness, and relationship building .



### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be starting back on the second week of Term 4, Tuesday 13th October 2015 @ 8.15am in the Happy Hub. See you there!



- **DO YOU NEED MONEY TO HELP PAY FOR CAMPS, EXCURSIONS AND INCURSIONS?**
- **DO YOU HAVE A HEALTH CARE CARD?**

We may be able to help you if you are the holder of a Health Care Card. The Government have made available **\$125 per child** to support families to cover the costs of camps, excursions and incurSIONS. Please come to the office to fill out the application and bring your Health Care Card for photocopying. If you have an queries please phone and speak to one of the office staff on 9704 6313. Any future notices you can then write **“Please use CSEF”** and you do not need to send any money.





# SURVIVOR DAY 2015

On Thursday 10th September, all grade 5/6 students were involved in Survivor Day at Hillsmeade. It was a day full of team building, looking after our friends, confidence, persistence, MUD, tasting weird foods, completing quizzes, team chants, more MUD, resilience, showing initiative, school wide clue finding and most of all—getting along with our class mates!



Congratulations to **BULL RUSH** who were the **WINNERS** on the day. Earning the most points throughout the 10 activities on the day, showing co-operation, comradery, encouragement, great sportsmanship and they had an excellent team chant!



**NARRE WARREN LITTLE ATHLETICS CLUB**



**2015 TRACK & FIELD SEASON  
OPENS 3RD OCTOBER!**

**2015 REGISTRATION & INFORMATION DAY**

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 10AM—1PM

MAX PAWSEY RESERVE—56 FOUNTAIN DRIVE, NARRE WARREN



**KAMBRYA NETBALL CAMP – 2 days**

Or

**KAMBRYA BASKETBALL CAMP – 2**

**days**

Where: Kambrya College – 68 Bemersyde Drive, Berwick  
When: 23<sup>rd</sup> (Wednesday) – 24<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) of September 2015  
Time 9am till 3pm  
Ages: 5 – 13 years old

\$80 per child for 2 days. MUST be paid before the day. Early bird price of \$70 if paid before the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2015.

Payment by cash or cheque

Children will need to bring: Snacks (no peanut products), refillable water bottle & lunch. Lunch can be ordered for both days for an extra \$10.

To confirm or for more information contact Ngarelle on 0434 271 815.

Name:..... Basketball Netball

Age:.....

Contact 1:.....Mobile:.....

Contact 2:.....Mobile:.....

Optional: Select 1 hot food and 1 drink for both days (\$10)

- Sausage Roll  Prima
- Meat Pie  Water

No dogs allowed in school grounds  
Monday to Friday 8am to 4pm.  
Refer to “The Link” dated 17th June, 2015 when this motion was passed at School Council.



**Lunar Drive In**  
115 SOUTH GIPPSLAND HWY, DANDENONG. 9706 9988

PIXELS STARTS 10 SEP  
MAZE RUNNER SCORCH TRIALS STARTS 10 SEP  
Blinky Bill THE MOVIE Advanced Screenings Sept 11 & 12 STARTS 17 SEP  
Oddball STARTS 17 SEP  
PAN STARTS 24 SEP  
INTERN STARTS 1 OCT

ALL CARLOADS ONLY \$25\* EVERY MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY (per movie)  
ALL CARLOADS ONLY \$30 PER MOVIE THURS-SUN

SESSIONS AT [WWW.LUNARDRIVEIN.COM.AU](http://WWW.LUNARDRIVEIN.COM.AU)  
Information correct at time of printing. All dates and films are subject to change.

**ATTENDANCE AT HILLSMEADE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2016**

My children, listed below **WILL NOT** be returning to Hillsmeade in 2016.  
(This does not apply to Grade 6 students)



\_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade 2015  
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(PLEASE PRINT)

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which school they will be attending.

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**HILLSMEADE VISION STATEMENT**

Hillsmeade Primary School is a warm, friendly and diverse learning community where students have opportunities to learn in a manner that is personalised and caters for their interests, needs and strengths. We strive to prepare our students and families for a life of continual learning and we pride ourselves on our unique learning environments. We aim for Hillsmeade students to investigate, communicate and become lifelong learners with curious minds and a bright future.