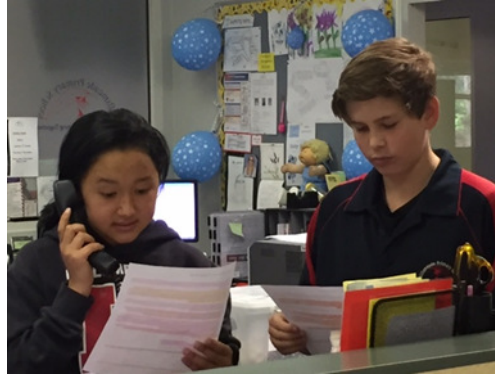


Dear Parents / Guardians

Today our school community stood silent as our School Captains led our Remembrance Day Service. Abidah and Ben displayed true leadership strength as they researched, wrote and presented their speech over our PA system. They introduced the reason for the service, read The Ode, played the Last Post, held one minute silence, played the Rouse and concluded with the National Anthem. Well done to our School Captains.



Yesterday at our staff meeting, we reflected on how the school has implemented the KidsMatter Framework this year. As we conclude Module 1, the reflection showed exactly how many initiatives have progressed throughout the year: Happy Hub, Breakfast Club, Environment improvements (painting & gardens), Welfare Handbook, Behaviour Management Process, Multicultural activities, Positive Start Program. Next year as we start Module 2, we will be implementing a wellbeing and resilience program called Bounce Back. If you would like to see more about this program, click here <http://www.bounceback.com.au/>. I saw this recently in The Age relating to KidsMatter where it states: *“Growing in popularity, KidsMatter aims to build resilience in children by including the key people in a child's life — family members, school staff and peers — to build social and emotional skills; inculcate a sense of belonging; support parents and carers in building their own resilience, and by supporting those with mental health challenges.”* <http://www.theage.com.au/national/education/resilience-classes-aim-to-improve-mental-health-of-a-generation-20151022-gkfjoy.html>

On Thursday 5th of November the Year 5/6 boys basketball team travelled to Pakenham Sports Centre to compete in the Regional Basketball Championships. The team played against teams from Greater Dandenong District, Peninsula South District and Cardinia. The boys worked hard to win the event and qualify for State Championships which will be held at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre on Monday the 16th of November. The team, led by Captain James Hounscome and Vice-Captain Nemuel Soliven is very excited about the event on Monday. All boys have been training hard and are extremely excited about representing our school on Monday. Good luck boys!



Deborah

NOVEMBER

12th

Grade Prep
Woodwork Incursion

16th

Prep Transition
11.40am—12.40pm

20th

Whole School
Assembly 2.45pm
ELC Item

23rd

Prep Transition
11.40—12.40pm

23rd-8th Dec

Life Ed Van

30th

Prep Transition
11.40am—12.40pm



4th

Mad Day Grade 5/6
Whole School
Assembly 2.45pm
Grade 1 item

7th -8th

Grade 2 Camp

8th

Tabloid Sports
3.45pm—5pm

9th

Prep Transition
9.30am to 12.30pm
Prep Information
Night 7pm -8.30pm

It's cool to be at school

Look what's going on at Hillsmeade

Hillsmeade Fundraising Committee

Think Big, Dream Big

The bus shopping tour was a great success – thanks to everyone who attended. Thanks to the local businesses who donated raffle prizes:

Chemmart Casey Central, Marg (Christmas doves), Heather (candles) and Sussan Day cakes for morning tea.

Thanks very much to Inez Crowe – tour leader, Kerry, Sue, Bronwyn, Kellie, Nicole & Natalie for organising and running the day so smoothly. Thanks to Marchelle and Stacey for their assistance pre tour.



Tuesdays at lunchtime we will continue to sell zooper doopers for \$1.



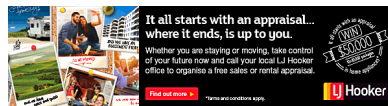
Diary Dates: stay tuned for further information and notes home.

Free Dress and bring a donation for the Christmas raffle – Fri 11th December.

Christmas concert, cake stall & BBQ – Thursday 17th December. Preorder and prepay form will be sent home soon.

Please support our school sponsors who are:

L.J. Hooker Casey Central:



The Good Guys “Cranbourne Cash” incentive program. To take advantage of this offer all you need to do is **advise your salesperson that you want Cranbourne Cash allocated to Hillsmeade P.S. Fundraising Committee.** For further information regarding this program please contact Damien at The Good Guys Cranbourne on 5991 6000. Email: promotions016@thegoodguys.com.au



BOOK CLUB

The last issue of Book Club for this year is now out. If you would like the book to be a gift, please attach a note to the book club order form, with your name and contact number stating that it is for a gift and I can hold it for you for collection from the front office. Payment can be made using LOOP

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP - (nothing needs to be sent to school), cheque made payable to Scholastic Australia or cash.

The student's name and grade must be written on every order form.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS ARE DUE BACK ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN.



Energy Breakthrough

With only one week to go three teams of students from grade five and six have been extremely busy preparing themselves for this year's Energy Breakthrough. The program challenges school communities to construct a human powered vehicle and compete at the Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough. The challenge is to travel as far as you can in 14 hours as well as present an exhibition of work they have carried out throughout the year. The program has been fortunate to have a number of valued sponsors & supports who have been kind enough to assist the school throughout the year. Our thanks go to Rick Bouche at Totally Outdoors as well as Metin Aziret at L.J. Hooker Narre Warren South, Lochie Walker at LJW Electrical, Mark and Kerry at M&K Peach Bricklaying Specialists and our wonderful Hillsmeade HFC & parents. Your contributions have gone a long way in preparing our three teams for this outstanding event.



HILLSMEADE HEROES

Joshua McKenzie, Chase Phipps, Marley Petero, Scott Robinson, Yassine Dai, Ahmad Abuusba, Jamie Partridge, Darrence Mai, Hamza Rahimi, Cameron Carruthers, Levi Cortez, Sadaf Mohammadi, Kamran Atahi, Kobe Swinburne, Tyrese Roussety, Indiana Hyde, Scarlett Gniel, Toby Pemberton, Jayden Grunzu, Eshjot Kaur, Ihha Wang, Olivia Ristas, Ruby Pollock, Sam Lappin, Milan Bosevski, Lilly Dillon, Farshad Mohammad, Skye Aurisch, Ben Shaw, Ava McMahan, Toby Bown, James Lappin, Owen Wolfanbuttall, Isabel Slaney, Dielle Wang, Jacinta Corrado, Kaylee Aurisch, Rony Yi Yang, Elizabeth McVicar, Elyas Hosseni, Lachlan Mancini, Ahmad Abuusba, Yassine Dai, Scott Robinson, Marley Petro, Chase Phipps, Joshua McKenzie, Sam Green, Danen Earle, Aaron Boutcher, Sonia Aziz, Sarah Kate Byrnes and Luke Braithwaite,

NOTICES DUE BACK :

- Book Club 17/11
- Life Ed. due 21/11 (all grades)
- Grade 6 tops 26/11



NOTICES SENT OUT:

- Lap top program 5/6
- Grade 6 Visual Arts



Grade 6 Alkira Science Excursion:

6E 18th November

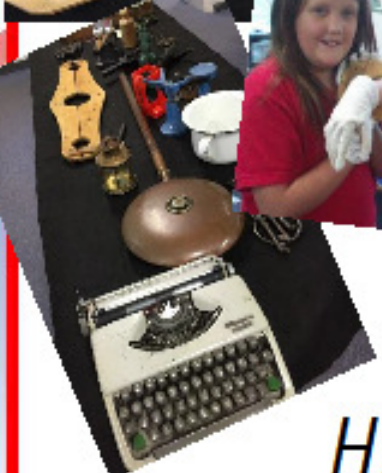
Please return permission slips no later than 2 days before visit date. There is no cost for this excursion.



GRADE 6 2016 JUMPER & POLO ORDERS

Orders must be in and paid for by Friday 26th November.





Grade 3 History Box



Coaching Corner: Nurturing your child's interests.



Parents are a child's first playmate, nurturing their creativity, imagination and social awareness. Play is fundamental to development because it contributes to the academic, physical, social and emotional well-being of a child as they grow through the many ages and stages of childhood.

When a parent shares the child's enjoyment for 'play', there are many benefits for the child, additionally, there are many benefits for the parent. The unique opportunity to see the world from the child's vantage point, as the child explores the world perfectly crafted to fit their needs, supports the notion of belonging, being enough and being loved. In turn, this connection nurtures and supports a child's learning readiness, learning behaviours and problem-solving skills.

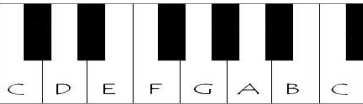
Supporting your child's strengths, and needs while also exposing children to experiences they may not typically seek out independently will have a tremendous influence on children. Sufficient time and space for movement, music, and arts as well as a numerous opportunities for reading, design, manipulatives, indoor and outdoor exploration gives rise to encouragement and guidance for your child to achieve possibilities within the realms of their natural strengths.

Kelly Utting
Teaching and Learning Coach

MUSIC LESSONS:

Private lessons are now available for keyboard/vocal/drum and guitar . Please see the office or

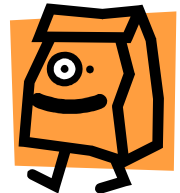


 Mrs
Scott for an
enrolment form.

CANTEEN NEWS

Monday Special

6 Nuggets, one brownie and one drink
\$5.00



Please Note: The last day for canteen lunch orders will be Friday 11th December
Over the counter snacks will be available on Monday 14th to Thursday 17th December
The canteen will be **CLOSED** on Friday 18th December.
Thanks
Felicity & Bianca

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



Breakfast Club

Portables near junior playground
(next to Ms Crowe's room)
Tuesday **8.15am-8.45am**



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)



Please indicate which school they will be attending.

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_____ Current Grade 2015
_____ Current Grade 2015
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_____ Current Grade 2015

(PLEASE PRINT)

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.