

Wednesday 18th November No 36

Dear Parents / Guardians

How awesome are the boys from the Senior Boys Basketball Team? On Monday they travelled with Mrs Bray and very supportive parents to compete in the state finals. After three victorious games, they played off in the Grand Final. With only seven points the difference, the boys celebrated as Runners Up. Huge effort guys! Well done and the Hillsmeade school community is so very proud of you all.



Today the HPV team head off to Maryborough to compete in the RACV Energy Breakthrough 2015. Mr Kay, Ms Barker and our pre-service teacher Ms Aoun has spent many hours with the children and parents getting ready for this exciting and rewarding challenge. We thank all sponsors and parents who have contributed money, time and energy to ensure these two red, white and blue beauties are ready for the event. Good luck to all the team members and we wish you every success.

Sahar from Grade 1 recently attended a City of Casey's award ceremony where she received multiple copies of Casey's National Recycling Week 2016 calendar as part of a competition she entered. Here is Sahar proudly displaying her winning entry which is the picture for December 2016. Ms Robinson (relief teacher for a short time) was delighted to support Sahar by entering her beautiful drawing into the competition.



It has been a busy time for our School Council members over the past few weeks. Last Tuesday night a number of members attended a Governance training session hosted by our school and facilitated by the department. On Monday night, we ratified 16 policies including Mandatory Reporting, Duty of Care, Head Lice Management, Enrolment and Attendance. With over 90 compliance policies, we will be developing a three year cycle of ratification to ensure we continue to remain up to date with our DET policies. We also approved our second VCOP PD day (pupil free day) on **Monday 15th February, 2016**. The school's new website has finally been enabled with further updates to come. Have a look at www.hillsmeade.vic.edu.au.

Deborah

NOVEMBER

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

Hillsmeade Fundraising Committee

Think Big, Dream Big



The bus shopping tour was a great success – thanks to Kasey's Hair Studio who supplied a raffle prize. We made \$2600 profit on this day and had a great time. We put the FUN in fundraising!!!!!!

Tuesdays at lunchtime we will continue to sell Zooper Doopers for \$1 & hot chocolates if it's cool.



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.

It all starts with an appraisal... where it ends, is up to you.

Whether you are staying or moving, take control of your future now and call your local LJ Hooker office to organise a free sales or rental appraisal.

Find out more *Terms and conditions apply.

LJ Hooker

Up to \$50,000 in home appliances

LJ Hooker – Casey Central – is the primary sponsor for the school for the next 12 months. They have already sponsored the HPV team and will donate \$50 to the school for every house they sell in Narre Warren South. You may have noticed an advertising board at the front of the school. They are running a Hillsmeade

only Christmas colouring competition – 3 different age categories and several Westfield gift vouchers to be won. One page is being sent home with the link. **For extra copies, and to hand them in, go directly to LJ Hooker's office at Casey Central** – not to the school office.

Please support our school sponsors who are:

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. Our Christmas raffle first prize is being purchased with our "Cranbourne Cash".

THE GOOD GUYS 330-398
South Gippsland Highway
CRANBOURNE

PAY LESS ONLINE

03 5991 6000

HILLSMEADE PRIMARY SCHOOL CO OPERATIVE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

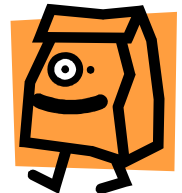
The AGM for the above will be held at the school on Thursday 26th November, 2015 at 3.45pm.

All welcome.



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

NOTICES SENT OUT:

- Christmas Colouring Competition (eldest)
- Grade 1 Big Night In



GRADE 6, 2016 JUMPER & POLO ORDERS

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



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.



NOTICES DUE BACK :

- Life Ed. due 21/11 (all grades)
- Grade 6 tops 26/11
- Grade 1 Big Night In due 4/12



TERM 4 2015:
5th October—18th December
(2.30pm finish)



YEAR 4 CAMP - MALDON

On the Wednesday following Melbourne Cup Day, ninety-seven very excited students, five equally excited teachers and five parents set off for the Year 4 Camp to Blue Light Youth Camp in Maldon.

The forecast for the week was not great but we were thankful that all activities planned went ahead.



When we arrived at camp it was around lunch time, so we unloaded our buses, grabbed our lunches and had a meet and greet session with camp owners, Todd and Denise.

After lunch we walked to the Maldon Train Station for our first activity, a steam train ride to Muckleford. We played ball games and had some delicious locally-grown apples for afternoon tea. About an hour later we boarded the train for the return journey. The students were very excited about the carriages, which reminded many of them of the 'Hogwart's Express' from 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone'.



The food for the duration of the camp was delicious and very generous servings. There were definitely no hungry campers.

After dinner we walked to the Maldon CFA Fire Station for an educational tour. Three volunteers spoke to groups of students about their roles in the CFA and answered some very well asked questions. They

showed one group the control centre at the station with the radio, weather radar, and maps of the local area. The second group went to



equipment inside of the third group was station's water is used on the front-grass fires and



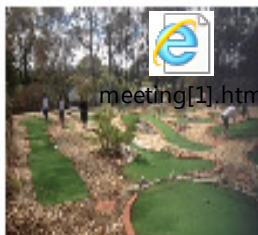
see the a fire truck and shown the tanker, which line to control bushfires.



The students learned a lot about the role of were interested to hear that these men had

the CFA and full-time

employment and had to leave work as soon as they heard the station's siren.



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The second day was activities Heavy overnight rain had the wet but that didn't hinder any The activity groups went

following rotations: Bubble Soccer, Table Tennis/Giant Climbing, Bike riding, Mini Golf, Obstacle Course, Beach the crowd favourite – Nerf Wars.



rotation day. camp grounds of the activities. through the Connect 4, Rock Volleyball and



The final day was a walking tour of the historic country town of Maldon. Students in groups went from store to store looking for a small gift or piece of memorabilia and looked forward to the visit to The Maldon Lolly Shop. We returned to have lunch before boarding the buses for the return trip to school.



All-in-all it was a very successful and enjoyable camp. The weather turned out to be a bit of all seasons which was okay with us. There would have been a lot of tired students and adults who looked forward to a big sleep on the Friday night.



PLAY IT SAFE BY THE WATER

Play it Safe by the Water' is a Victorian Government initiative that aims to increase community awareness of water safety and change Victorian's behaviour in and around water. Water Safety Week is the main feature of the campaign, running from Sunday 29 November - Sunday 6 December 2015. You can discover what you can do to make sure your children are safe around water with various community activities and events run throughout the campaign.

When you and your children are playing around water it's important to make sure that both you and they:

- Are aware and prepared for conditions
- Read safety signs to understand dangers
- Swim between the red and yellow flags wherever Possible.
- Never swim alone
- Children 5-14 years should always be in sight

Together we can ensure that Victoria's coastlines and pools are a safe and fun environment for all Victorians. For more information about the campaign see: '[Play it safe by the water](http://www.watersafety.vic.gov.au/)' - Aquatics & Recreation Victoria and <http://www.watersafety.vic.gov.au/>

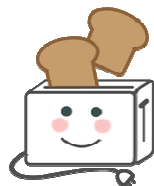
MUSIC LESSONS:

Private lessons are now available for keyboard/vocal/drum and guitar . Please see the office or Mrs Scott for an enrolment form.



Breakfast Club

Portable 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)

_____ Current Grade 2015
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(PLEASE PRINT)



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.



Free Family Fun Day

Come to Berwick's new athletics track,
TRY LITTLE ATHS for free and enjoy the family activities
and stay for the FIREWORKS at 9pm

FREE Activities:

30pm Registration

00pm Try Little Aths - for ages 5-15
includes running, hurdles, long jump, shot put, discus

30pm Fun family events for all ages including races & mping castle

bbons for kids participating in races

00pm FIREWORKS!!



Saturday 28th November 2015

Edwin Flack Reserve
Manuka Rd, Berwick

Just bring your running shoes!!

BBQ food available

For more information about Casey Little Athletics visit: caseylac.com.au
Follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/CaseyLittleAthletics>



Cranbourne Junior Football Club

**Registrations now OPEN
for 2016 Season:**

U8s-U10s (min. age turning 7 by 30/4/2016)

U11s-U14s

U15s-U17s Boys

U12s/U13s Junior Girls (age group TBC by the League, born 2003-2006)

Youth Girls (ages 14-18)

Auskick (ages 4+ - Registrations open Feb 2016)



Enquiries: Vicki Smith
cranbournejuniorfc@iprimus.com.au



We're a
Good Sports Club

