

Dear Parents & Guardians,



in Victoria. Congratulations to our School Captains Joel Vigilante and Stefanie Stan who led our guests on a tour of the ELC and who represented our school with confidence.

On Friday afternoon at the Early Learning Centre (ELC) we were lucky enough to have the Minister for Families and Children, Jenny Mikakos and local member for Narre Warren South Judith Graley MP present to open the 2016 -17 major grants round for the Children's Facilities Capital Program. This announcement forms part of the Victorian Budget 2016/17 which will provide \$10 million to fund major capital projects for kinders and children's centres



Bedtime stories

Just a reminder that this Thursday the 19th of May is our annual Bedtime Stories night. It would be wonderful to see as many students and families in attendance and in their PJs to listen to some favourite picture book stories. This event will be taking place in the Junior classrooms, so please enter through the main building. Bedtime Stories begins at 5:30pm and concludes at 6:30pm. I look forward to seeing you there.

Monash Science Visits

On Monday the 23rd and Tuesday the 24th of May we are lucky enough to again have over 50 Monash pre-service teachers coming in to conduct science lessons for all classes Prep – 6. These lessons will be aligned to the current curriculum focus in the year levels and are sure to be a big hit. Hillsmeade continues to value our strong partnership with Monash University.

Staff Professional Learning

Over the next few weeks teachers will be engaged in a series of ICT professional learning sessions which focus on:

- IPAD 101. How to best use these new devices within our teaching and learning programs to meet the needs of all learners? Teachers will also be exploring APPs which complement the teaching and learning needs of the class.
- Using Excel. Staff will be completing sessions investigating the use of formulas in spreadsheets to assist in tracking and using data to inform teaching and learning.

Curriculum Day

Just a reminder that there is a Curriculum Day this Friday the 20th of May. No students are required on this day.

Jodie Bray
Acting Principal.

Wednesday, 18 May 2016 No 14

MAY

18th

Grade 4 Camp Meeting 5-6pm

19th

Bedtime Stories 5:30-6:30pm

20th

CURRICULUM DAY

31st

Mandarin Night 4pm- 5:45pm

JUNE

7th

Professor Bunsen Grade 4

13th

Public Holiday **NO SCHOOL**

16th

Aquarium excursion (Grade 1)

ICAS NSW Testing - Writing

17th

Lightning Prem (selected students)

21st

School tour 10am

24th

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

2:30pm FINISH

NOTICES DUE BACK

- Professor Bunsen due 27th May
- Book Club due 26th May
- Aquarium due 9th June

TERM DATES 2016

Term Two 11th April—24th June
Term Three 11th July— 16th September
Term Four 3rd October—20th December

Look what's going on at Hillsmeade

Think big, Dream big



We have a MAJOR announcement this week: in conjunction with Baker's Delight Casey Central, we (The HFC) are giving away FREE bread.

Are you the lucky winner???

One grade per month (school and ELC) will win a loaf of bread, per day, for the whole selected month.



June's winner is: Grade 5D and their Teacher Ms Jess Szalek, as well as Mrs Janine from the ELC and Tanis, a preppie mum who is a brand new volunteer for this year.

Congratulations to you all. Gift cards have already been handed out to all recipients. Thankyou so much Baker's Delight Casey Central for allowing us to engage in this great competition. July's winners will be announced in late June.

Remember the HFC is open on Tuesdays for Zooper Doopers at \$1, Zooper Dooper Holders at 50c and hot yummy chocolates at \$1.50. The Canteen are also selling their reusable canteen bags at \$10.50 for the Traditional Bag or \$12.50 for the Insulated Bag. All purchases in June also receive a Free drink bottle and Zooper Dooper holder. Orders to be placed in canteen baskets daily.

Thankyou once again to our main sponsor: Metin, at LJ Hooker Narre Warren South and his amazing team. "Like" on Facebook, as they are having great Footy Competitions at the moment, where you could win a \$50 Westfield Voucher for all your housing needs!!!!



Have a great week this week, hope to see you all out and about.

kindest regards

Inez Crowe (Winner Winner it's BREAD for Dinner!!!)

Hillsmeade Heroes

Stefan Galonja, Elexis-Avril Waaka, Angel Kraja, Brenna McGloin, Mehran Ahmadi, Erin Buckley, Eli Casey, Maka Munemo, Murtaza Reza, Aisha Readon, Kishen Senthil, Noah Crathern, Genesis Loane, Libby Moseley, Lachlan Keevers, Jasman Sidhu, Hayden Fraser, Jaylina Van Sanden, Archer, Swinburne, Mezghaan Shifaie, Sam Happin, Achok Pandak, Theodore Eliadis, Mia Jenkin, Eshjot Kaur, Florence Inthavixay, Luke Benedicto, Dane Male, Chevynn Senior, Mikaere Barnes, Amelia Klat, Lauren Ashley Tavleen Kaur, Rylan Van Der Meer, Sanah Amin, Willie Faalili, Will Mirtschin, Kaylee Aurisch, Rayan Eisa, Layla Kraus, Jesdeep Singh, Emily Henry, Jalen Bremner, Tarkyn Nicholls, Louise Crowe, Jack Winestone, Belinda Nikitina-Li, Hunter Tabone, Brianna Jenkins, Emily Melville, Saman Alekozai, Samantha Von Hagt, Erik Tereva, Ashini Randeni, Idris Mher, Lauren Page, Maria Gringi, Aleksa Pavosovic, Brooke Galloway & Toby Gibson.

Grade 4 Camp

The Grade 4 Camp Information evening will be held on the 18th of May 5-6pm in the library. A \$50 deposit for Grade 4 camp is due back by the 4th June to secure your spot & full payment is required by the 20th November. Reminder to all families who have CSEF it can be used for the Grade 4 camp and please contact the office if you wish to do so.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

Parents/Guardians with a current Healthcare Card may be eligible to claim CSEF. Please collect an application form from the office. Applications close 27th May, 2016. No late applications can be accepted.

Prep families in receipt of CSEF in 2016 must ensure applications for the Winter Uniform Package Initiative are returned to school no later than Friday 20th May, 2016. (No late applications can be accepted).



MANDARIN NIGHT



Tuesday 31st of May
(Week 8)

4:00pm Junior Corridor for Chinese
activities

4:45-5:45pm Sports Hall for performance

*Hillsmeade Primary invites all the
students, families and friends to
experience the Chinese culture and we
hope to see you there!*



Issue 4 brochure is now being distributed to the students. As usual there are some great books at discounted prices throughout the brochures.

SCHOLASTIC PAYMENT OPTIONS

CREDIT CARD – USING LOOP (Linked Online Ordering & Payment system). www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP You can now order and pay for your Book Club online. You must know your child's grade and teacher's name to be able to use this option. You do not send anything to school. The order will be delivered to school. It is very easy to use!

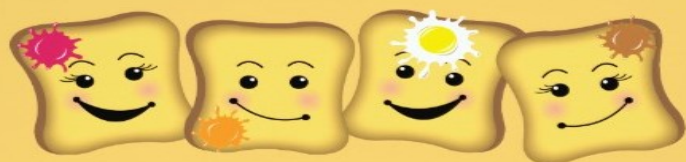
Cheque made payable to Scholastic Australia or cash (which must be the correct amount). If you use this option, you must still fill out the order form and return it to school. Fill out the order form, **with the child's full name and grade on the top** and put it in an envelope along with the **CORRECT MONEY** (cash or cheque) and mark the envelope **BOOK CLUB** with the child's name and grade as well. Please **do not** include any monies for other fundraising or school events in this envelope.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS ARE DUE BACK BY THURSDAY, 26TH MAY. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN.

For your information, it takes approximately **2 weeks**, after the order has been sent to Scholastic, (in Sydney), for the books to be delivered.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

With the wet weather and plenty of puddles around, could you please pack a spare set of clothes in your child's school bag just in case of an accident.



Breakfast Club
has moved to the Library
starting Tuesday 17/5/16



**Waverley Gymnastics Centre
NARRE WARREN CAMPUS**

Waverley's Narre Warren campus at Fountain Gate Primary offers fun & challenging gymnastics classes for primary school-aged children of all abilities. Classes are held on Wednesdays & Thursdays!

**CALL 9887-9611 TO BOOK A
FREE TRIAL CLASS!!**

All classes are taken by qualified and registered coaches and are held in the Fountain Gate Primary School Gymnasium

Prospect Hill Road, Narre Warren (Melways Ref. 110 B1)

For enquiries or a **FREE** trial class, please call the office on **9887-9611** or visit www.waverley.gymnastics.org.au

THE BIG FREEZE
WINTER FAMILY FESTIVAL
JULY 2-10, 2016
CRANBOURNE RACECOURSE

9 INTERACTIVE KID ZONES including a snow pit

BUY TICKETS ONLINE

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SNOWBALL TOSS - LITTLE SHREDDERS - SNOW VILLAGE
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CPR TRAINING LAB - CONSERVATION PLAY

thebigfreezefestival.com.au



OUR AIM: To reduce the number of paper copies of the LINK. Term 3 will be a paperless version.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO HELP THE ENVIRONMENT BY GOING PAPERLESS IN TERM 3

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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.