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# Wednesday, 31st May

# Issue No 16



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| All lost property   |  |  |
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| will be placed in   |  |  |
| the foyer at the    |  |  |
| front of the gym    |  |  |
| on assembly days    |  |  |
| starting Friday     |  |  |
| 2nd June. Please    |  |  |
| check this area     |  |  |
| for any of your     |  |  |
| child's lost items. |  |  |
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| 1st - 16th June  | Book Fair   |  |
| 2nd June         | Assembly 2:45pm   |  |
| 9th June         | Whole School Elective Program   |  |
| 14th June        | ICAS Writing Test  Bedtime Stories Night 5:30-6:30pm  Pyjama Day– Donate a Book |  |
| 15th June        | Year 4 Comm Bank 'Smart Start' Incursion  |  |
| 16th June        | Assembly 2:45pm   |  |
| 19th June        | Travel Expo Year 5 & 6 3-4pm  |  |
| 23rd June        | Whole School Elective Program  Year 5& 6 Lightning Premiership                  |  |
| 27th June        | Athletics Day Year 4-6 Casey Fields   |  |
| 30th June        | Assembly 1:45pm  LAST DAY TERM 2 2:30pm Finish                                  |  |
| 17th July        | FIRST DAY BACK  |  |
| 18th & 20th July | Year 2 "Hands on Science"   |  |
| 31st July        | Hoop Time Year 3 & 4  |  |
| 16th August      | Hoop Time Year 5 & 6  |  |
|                  |   |  |



# **MOTTO**

Growing & Learning Together

# **MISSION**

To provide a caring, safe and supportive learning environment for children to grow.

## **VISION**

At Hillsmeade Primary School, we aim to continually grow and learn together by: supporting individual abilities and excellence in academic achievement, celebrating diverse backgrounds and cultures, and becoming global



Dear Parents,

Happy week 7. I hope that you have all had a wonderful week. We are having a wonderful term, with many exciting things happening across our school.



#### **Caleb Spence**

Congratulations to Caleb Spence in Year 3 who has been achieving some wonderful results with his go karting. Caleb competed in the 2017 Australasian Kart Titles "red plate" meeting at the Goulburn Valley Kart Club, Numurkah over the weekend. Well done to

Caleb on such wonderful results.



It was great to visit Mr Cardamone's class last week to listen to the students in 5C present their debates. Students had been learning how to persuade an audience on a topic using rhetorical questions, facts, exaggeration and emotive language to strengthen their message. It was clear that the teams had worked effectively together to form their arguments and develop the role of each speaker. The students were well-prepared, spoke confidently and included humour in their speeches. I was very impressed with the positive and constructive feedback given by peers in a supportive and respectful classroom environment. Well done to the students and teachers in Year 5!

Sarah Smith

Acting Assistant Principal Teaching & Learning



Cadet 9 1 #9 Caleb Spence (GIPP, OAK) 2 #47P Rory GIFFIN (GOUL) 3 #50P Grace RIDDELL (GOUL)





# "Grateful for small things, big things and everything in between..."

Hillsmeade Primary School will be introducing our Hillsmeade Gratitude Wall to the school this week. Students will be able to write what they are grateful for and share with the rest of the school. Being a Kidsmatter school, we would like to promote positive mental health for our students. Being grateful helps cultivate a sense of wellbeing and happiness as we start to notice the positives in our lives. The practice of gratitude is often associated with increased energy, optimism and empathy. Our student leaders will work with students to present this initiative. Mitze Lau

## **Early Learning Centre**

Last week we met with the leadership team from Yarragon Primary School. We have been supporting Yarragon Primary School to incorporate a Kindergarten into their school over the last two years. With a new Business Manager and Principal they were excited to tour our service and learn how we have managed the Kindergarten, Child Care and Out of School Hours Care program through our license to operate an Education and Care Service under the management of Hillsmeade Primary School Council.



#### **Learning about Transition**

Learning more about best practice in regard to the transition to school process we organised for our Kindergarten teacher (Katrina Roberts), Littlecroft Kindergarten teacher (Gagen Daler) and Prep teacher (Nowella Ahlgren) with Shiona Watson (Director ELC) to attend a Department of Education full day PD on developing strategies to increase our opportunities to support children and families in their transition to school. We learnt about the new way Transition Statements will be developed and shared online after parent consent with their chosen Primary School. Parents also have the opportunity to share their most important insights about their child in this statement so each child's new Prep teacher has a good understanding of how to continue this important learning journey for each child. You can access how the kindergarten early learning framework (Victorian Early Years learning and Development Framework) continues onto the Victorian Curriculum F-10 here; http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/earlyyears/vfldoutcomes/identity.aspx

These illustrative maps are also on display at our Early Learning Centre.

Shiona Watson ELC Director

#### **School Maintenance**

Looking around the school you will have seen some changes to the landscape. With the hard work of our gardener Don, his colleague Colin, and our handyman Gary, they have worked tirelessly to remove old trees, mulch garden beds, erect signage, remove damaged fencing, and complete repairs to buildings.

The old trees along the neighbour boundary have been removed, resulting in a nicer outlook for the senior classes and more light for the neighbours.

New carpet will be installed in the school holidays in 2D and 2E's classrooms and Mrs Scott's class have a newly installed heater and air conditioner. The gym has been painted and walls cleaned to freshen up the area. New electrical wiring has been installed in some portables and also new spouting and guttering.

These improvements contribute to a comfortable learning and play environment for students.

Angela Nixon - Facilities Manager

#### Peer Support

The student leaders will be participating the peer support training program on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of June. This program is led by Scott Clode and Mitze Lau and supports our school community in working together to develop positive relationships and team skills. We look forward to seeing these leaders lead learning sessions with the Year 5 students early in Term 3.

Scott Clode

## **School Improvement Team**

This Friday our School Improvement Team will be meeting with our Senior Education Improvement Leader Leonie Campbell to share our progress in working towards our 2017 Annual Implementation Plan goals and targets. We look forward to Leonie being at our school and seeing the great work happening across our school.

#### <u>Reminders</u>

This week the Prep students will be performing at our whole school assembly. If available, we would love to see you there.

Jodie Bray Principal

# **Cranbourne Gardens Excursion**



This term, Grade 3 have been learning about sustainability. We have enjoyed researching plants and animals that reside in Africa and South America and their natural habitats.





As part of our unit, we visited Cranbourne Botanic Gardens on Wednesday, 17th May. During our excursion we investigated different climates in Australia and how climates differ throughout the world.









# THINK BIG DREAM BIG

Remember on Tuesdays at lunch time the HFC sells Zooper Doopers (\$1) ZD Holders (\$0.50) and yummy Hot Chocolates for \$1.

Thank you to our valued volunteers for running this fantastic service.

We at the HFC are gearing up for end of year Carols by Twilight (yes already). Please keep Friday 8th December free in your calendar.

Please remember to keep your clean glass jars (for a Twilight game) and either hand them into the office or the Canteen please.

Have a happy, safe and dry week.

Inez - HFC President 2017

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remember to LIKE our Hillsmeade Fundraising & Reminders page on FACEBOOK.



# HILLSMEADE VALUES

# I RESPECT



Hillsmeade has introduced a set of important values we feel are essential for building global citizens, prepared for the needs of our ever changing society. These values stem from Hillsmeade's Mission and Vision Statement and are an important part of our Strategic Plan. Our Strategic Plan goals include improving student wellbeing, ensuring students are engaged in their learning and have a connectedness with their peers, teachers, school and the community.

Recognising the importance of these values will help students to make good choices, give their best effort, develop good relationships and respond positively in difficult situations. This will support their learning and improve student outcomes.

The school community, parents and care givers have an important role to play in modelling these values as

children learn by example. By talking about these values and demonstrating them in our everyday lives, our children will see their importance and also embrace these values.

Your child will become familiar with **I RESPECT** and its meaning. The values are displayed around their classrooms. During the year, your child may bring home a 'Positive Postcard' to celebrate a time they demonstrated one or more of these values at school.

Andrea Garwood – Classroom Teacher

# **Prep Transition Survey**

Dear Parents,

We are gathering feedback about prep transition at Hillsmeade, to evaluate and improve our transition program. We would greatly appreciate you clicking on the link below and completing this short 5 minute survey.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NYF7KRQ

Thank you in advance,

The Prep Team





# **Canteen Specials**

2017 Term 2

Orders to be in NO later than 9:30am.

CLOSED TUESDAYS

Clearly write Name and Grade with your order on your bag, or envelope. Alternatively you can view and order everything on our Qkr! App.

# Monday/Wednesday Special

# **Canteen Reminders**

In addition to the specials on the menu, we are also offering the following:

All frozen fruit, ice-creams & slushies need to be collected from the canteen at lunch time (they will not be delivered to the classroom).

Due 15th June

Hoop Time Grade 3-6

**NOTICES SENT** 

HOME

Athletics Grades 4-6

Due 20th June

Grade 2 Hands on Science Due 30th June

Pizza or Pasta and a drink (please specify) \$6.00

Please remember an extra 10c in your order if you DON'T have a brown paper bag.

# Prep -2 Competition

# **Year 3-6 Competition**

Please search through The Link for the Hillsmeade I RESPECT logo and report back to the office with how many you found.

Please read The Link and find the following passage "Recognising the importance of these values will help students to make good choices" and report to the office which article it was found in.

Link Compet

Answers will be accepted no earlier than Thursday morning. For the first 5 correct answers from each competition a prize will be available at the office.

# LAMONT BOOK FAIR

The Lamont Book Fair is arriving this week, Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Our library will be filled with thousands of brand new exciting books for you to purchase. Books are a very important part of our lives. They give lots of enjoyment, stimulate imagination and this will help motivate the children with their writing, which is a learning focus at Hillsmeade Primary School.

Next week, all classes will be visiting the Book Fair to view the amazing range of books that will be available for purchase.

> Selling begins on Tuesday, June 13th and finishes on Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

> > For your information, there will be EFTPOS facilities available at the Fair.

> > Looking forward to seeing you at our Book



# 1st Link Competition Winners

Due to the overwhelming response from our first Link competition, we have made the decision to give all of this week's correct entrants a prize.

Congratulations to the following students:

Gemma 1A Kemala 1A Brenna 1A Maya 1A

Reka 1A Taya 1A Regan 2E **Emilee 2E** 

Candice 2F Sam 2C Zac 4A Milani 5A

Caleb 6B Oaklyn 2E

This week's prizes will be awarded to the first five correct entries, no earlier than Thursday morning.





Any students that currently have an asthma action plan like this



| Student's Name  |                |            |
|---|----------------|------------|
| Gender M F Age Date of birth/_                              | Form/Class     | РНОТО      |
| Emergency Contact (e.g. Parent/Carer)                       | Relationship   | (optional) |
| Phone: (H) (W)  | (M)            |            |
| Doctor's Name   | Phone          |            |
| Ambulance Subscriber Yes No Subscriber number               |                |            |
| Does this student have any other health plans? Yes No If so | what are they? |            |

Your plan may be due for renewal, please contact the office to organise a new plan.

#### **USUAL ASTHMA ACTION PLAN**

| Usual signs of student's asthma |
|---------------------------------|
| Wheeze                          |
| Tightness in chest              |
| Coughing                        |
| Difficulty breathing            |
| Difficulty speaking             |
| Other (please describe)         |

| Worsening signs of student's asthma | What tr   |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Increased signs of:                 |           |
| Wheeze                              | Exercise  |
| Tightness in chest                  | (refer to |
| Coughing                            | Colds/V   |
| Difficulty breathing                | Pollens   |
| Difficulty speaking                 | Dust      |
| Other (please describe)             | Other Ti  |

| What triggers the student's asthma? |
|-------------------------------------|
|                                     |
| Exercise                            |
|                                     |
| (refer to managing EIA)             |
| Colds/Viruses                       |
| Pollens                             |
| Dust                                |
| Other Triggers (please describe)    |

#### Managing Exercise Induced Asthma (EIA)

Students with asthma are encouraged to take part in school based exercise and physical activity to contribute cardiovascular fitness and general wellbeing. Most individuals with EIA can exercise to their full potential if the following steps are taken:

- Students should take their blue reliever medication 5-10 minutes before warm up, then warm up appropriately.
- If the student presents with asthma during the activity the student should stop the activity, take their blue reliev medication and wait 4 minutes. If the symptoms improve, they may resume activity. If their symptoms recour, recommence treatment. THE STUDENT SHOULD NOT RETURN TO THE ACTIVITY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES and the parent/carer should be informed of any incident.
- Cool down at the end of activity and be alert for asthma symptoms after exercise

| Asthma medication requirements usually taken: (Including relievers, preventers, symptom controllers, combination) |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Name of Medication<br>(e.g. Flixotide, Ventolin)  | Method<br>(e.g. puffer & spacer, dry powder inhaler) | When and how much? (e.g. at home, 1 puff in morning and 1 at night, before exercise) |  |
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# WET WEATHER

With the wet weather and plenty of puddles around, could parents please pack a spare set of clothes in your child's bag.





Where:

Hillsmeade Primary School Library

Tuesday June 13th 8:30am-10am 2:30pm-4:30pm

Date:

Wednesday June 14th 8:30am-10am 3:30am-6:30pm

In Conjunction

with bedtime

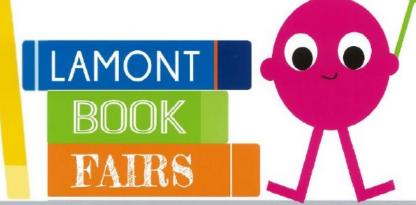
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Thursday June 15th 8:30am-10am

Time:

Don't miss out!

Every purchase
Supports our school!



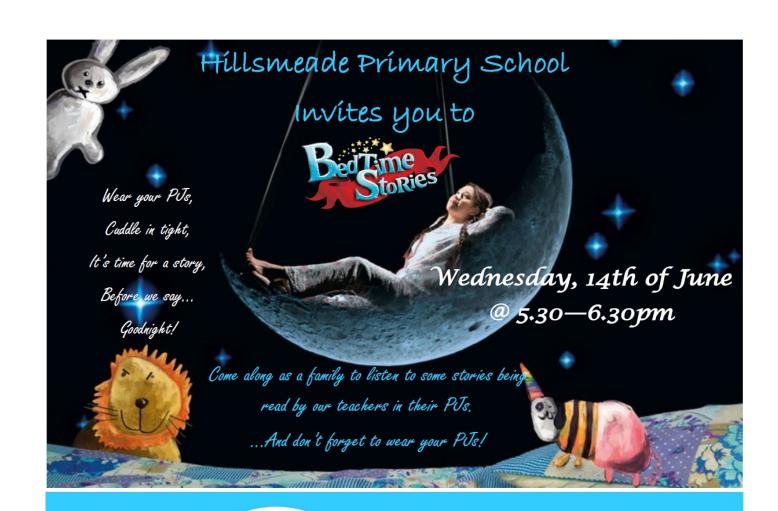






On Friday 26th May, St Catherines visited Hillsmeade as part of our Interschool sports series, playing soccer, netball, AFL, newcombe and T-ball. This is a great experience building relationships with other schools, below is a photo taken of St Catherines students joining in with our 5/6 dancing before the competition began.





# es rijama

Wgar your Pyjamas to school (the teachers will be wearing theirs) for the day and bring a book to donate to classroom libraries.

Second hand or pre loved
books would be perfect, make
sure they are in good condition
with no torn pages or drawing
in them.





Wednesday June 14th THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

# SPECIALLAR

On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, students taking part in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular travelled to Officer Secondary College to attend a regional dance rehearsal. Hillsmeade PS joined 7 other schools to practise a number of dance routines to music by artists, including, Pharrell Williams, Justin Timberlake and Rihanna. The rehearsal was led by a professional choreographer, Deon Kuku. All of the students were exhausted by the end of the day but had a fun and inspiring time.

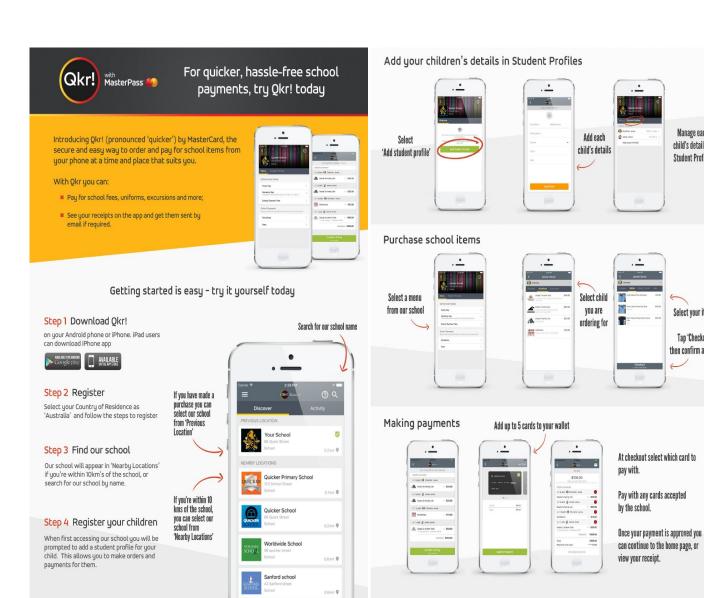
Lisa Scott

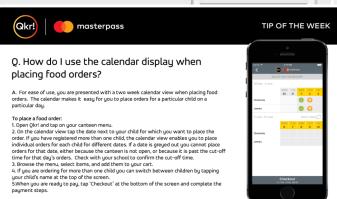


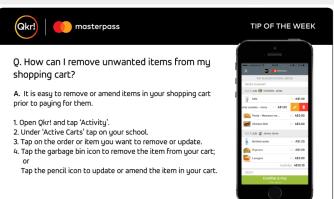












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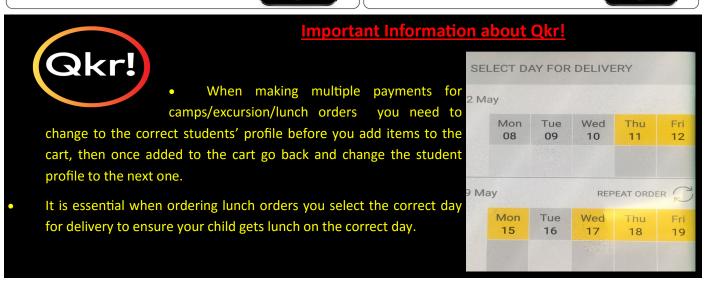
child's details in

Student Profiles

Select your items

Tap 'Checkout'

then confirm and pay





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# Read All About It! Read All About It! Lunchtime Library Borrowing



Great news, the library will be open during Tuesday lunchtimes for borrowing.

Return books, borrow books or drop in and read up a storm.



## **Entertainment Books 2017.**



and get bonus coupons!

Delivery at beginning of Term 2 and you can start using your book immediately. Cost \$70

http://www.entbook.com.au/189q056

To order online



We ask parents not to bring dogs onto the school grounds before 4:30pm during school days. There have been a growing number of dogs being brought onto school grounds during school hours and there have been reports of students being harassed and injured as a result of contact with dogs.

We ask that you respect this request and regard the safety of Hillsmeade students.

# HILLSMEADE

## **READING CLUB!**

An opportunity for you to come to a comfortable place to read before school with friends, buddies and teachers.

We hope to see you there!

Kind regards,

Mrs Ahlgren, Mrs
Porter and Miss
Petersen

## Where The Library

When Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:15am to 8:45am



#### Why

to take a chance to practice and enjoy reading in a supportive and encouraging environment.



# HILLSMEADE'S RUNNING CLUB!

Do you want to run off some extra energy, be healthy, have fun, and meet new people? Then Hillsmeade's Running Club is the place for you.

Come and meet us at the <u>school oval outside</u>

<u>Mr. Cardamone's room</u> to sign in, run some laps
around the track and enjoy!

Don't forget to wear your runners! Mrs Kett and Mrs Pilarinos

# WHY?

- BE HEALTHY
- EXTRA ENERGY MEET NEW
- CHALLENGE
- SET AND ACHIEVE GOALS

#### When:

Wednesdays and Fridays Time:

8:15-8:45am

# Year 6 Canberra Camp

Please remember these are the suggested Canberra Camp instalments:

Fourth instalment of \$100 was due on the 12th May.

Fifth Instalment of \$50 is due on the 16th June.

The total amount (\$580) must be paid in full before Friday 11th of August.

Any concerns please contact Laura Black or Julie Hale regarding payment options.







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# **BUMBLE BEE BABY AND CHILDREN'S MARKET**

NEW, PRELOVED AND HANDMADE ITEMS...

SUNDAY 28TH MAY 2017 9AM - 12PM

BERWICK FIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL 35 GWENDOLINE DRIVE **BERWICK VIC 3806** 

**ENTRY: ADULTS \$2, CHILDREN FREE** 

The success of VCE maths and science subjects such as Physics, Chemistry, Maths Methods and Specialist hooths are often developed from an earlier age. The STEM programs aims to provide students with the knowledge and understanding of these 4 disciplines. Knowledge that can turn into innovation, innovation that becomes influence. We at Narre Warren South P-12 College are providing the apportunity to students that

have a keen interest in the maths and science subjects to expand their horizon. To not only learn the skills that came from the understanding of STEM subjects but to think and relate those skills to society.

The STEM program will start from Year 7 where students will be work an developing skills in problem solving analysis and interpretation of data, as well as enhancing their own skills to help them in their future careers



For further information: www.thebumblebees.com.au info@thebumblebees.com.au 0410 043 549

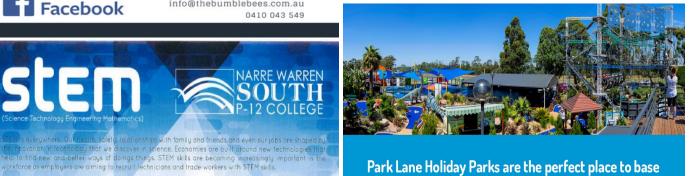
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Park Lane Holiday Parks are the perfect place to base yourself for your next family getaway! With 4 great locations in Bendigo, Shepparton, Traralgon and Yarra Valley, there is the perfect destination for you, just waiting to be explored!

How to apply for year 7 STEM program.

Applications are currently open and the form can be downloaded through the school website or by completing the application form below

#### Round 2 Applications close 30th June 2017

The exam will be held on July 22nd 2017 Time: 9:00am -11:00am Location: A12 Narre Warren South P-12 College Amberly Park Drive Narre Warren South Victoria 3805 Phone: 03 9704 3333 Fax: 03 9704 3399 Website: www.nwsc.vic.edu.au

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