

Wednesday, 8th November
Issue No 35

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8th November 🦘	School Banking Today Due To Public Holiday
9th November	Year 6 Alkira Science Session 2018 BYOD Program Parent Meeting Year 5/6
10th November	Assembly 2:45pm 5/6 Girls Basketball Regional Final
14th November	Prep Transition 1st Session
15th November	Curriculum Day (No Students At School)
16th-17th November	Prep Woodwork Incursion
16th November	Year 6 Alkira Science Session
21st November	Art Expo ELC Art Expo Prep Transition 2nd Session
24th November	Assembly 2:45pm
28th November	Prep Transition 3rd Session
29th November	Kinder Parent Information Night
30th November	School Tour 10am
1st December	Mad Day
5th December	Prep Transition 4th Session
6th December	Year 3 Zoo Excursion Prep Parent Information Night
8th December	Assembly 2:45 School Xmas Concert
12th December	State wide Transition
13th December	Year 1 Creativity Expo

Picking up students during recess, lunch & afterschool

If you are planning on picking your child up from school in between 11-11:30am or 1:30-2:30pm, please let the office or teacher know so we can have your child and their bags waiting in the office. While the kids are outside, it is hard for them to hear all of the announcements. Our teachers also lock the classrooms during recess and lunch so it can make collecting school bags difficult. After school if you are running late please call the office before 3:20pm so we can call your child to the office and have them wait with us. Please remember school finishes at 3:30pm each day and your child is required to be picked up no later than 3:45pm.

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 citizens prepared for the needs and expectations of our ever changing society.

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Happy week 5 everyone. We hope that you had a lovely Melbourne Cup day. Hillsmeade Primary School continues to be busy and thriving. It is an exciting time as we reflect on the schools targets as outlined in our 2017 Annual Implementation Plan and begin important planning for 2018.

Senior Sport

Last Friday during Senior Sport, we had the pleasure of dancing up a storm with our Buddies in Grade 2. All the students had a great time dancing to songs such as Hey Mickey, What Makes You Beautiful and #Power. It was great to see how welcoming and encouraging the older students were with the younger students, supporting them with actions and pointing out the moves on the screen. Next week we are excited to get back outside on the new basketball courts!



New Courts

We are very excited at seeing our new blue courts complete. Thank you to all students, staff and community members for patiently waiting for the courts to be completed. It is wonderful to see the bright blue, new, safer surface being used by the students of Hillsmeade, as well as the wider community. A big thank you to Angela Nixon our Facilities Manager for coordinating this work for our school.

Science Expo

A huge thank you to students, parents, staff and community members for attending last week's Science Expo. There were amazing experiments and activities on offer. A big thank you to Dimple Bhardwaj for coordinating this wonderful whole school event. Also, a big thank you to students and parents who submitted entries for the competition. We look forward to presenting the audience voted winners prizes at this week's assembly.



School Improvement Team Meeting

Last Friday the Hillsmeade School Improvement Team, made up of myself, Sarah Smith, Crystal Wells, Dimple Bhardwaj, Rachel Hicks, Carmen Collins and Judy Kenny met with our Senior Education Improvement Leader (SEIL) Leonie King to review our 2017 AIP targets. It was a wonderful meeting, with great celebrations of our achievements so far and great reflection and planning as to where to focus next. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the SIT for their dedication, commitment and focus in monitoring the goals and targets of this year's AIP. This is important work, and we thank them for their contributions.

Southern Melbourne Area Principal Forum

On Wednesday 1st November, Jodie Bray (Principal) and I attended the Southern Melbourne Area Principal Forum at the Cardinia Cultural Centre in Pakenham.

The forum was opened by the Secretary of the Victorian Department of Education, Gill Callister. Gill discussed the state education targets and progress. She announced that the recent NAPLAN results identified Victoria as the leading state in achievement across literacy and numeracy for 2017.

The Regional Director for Southern Melbourne, Stephen Gniel addressed the key elements of adopting a systemic approach to education in schools across Victoria. This included the implementation of the Victorian Curriculum and key state initiatives such as FISO (The Framework for Improving Student Outcomes), Professional Learning Communities and the HITS (High Impact Teaching Strategies).

Mark Anderson, Senior Education Improvement Leader for Southern Melbourne, discussed the development and implementation of the Annual Implementation Plans (AIP) in schools. AIPs directly address the goals in the school's four year strategic plan. AIPs include key improvement strategies based on a logical sequence of actions, are data and evidence informed and are adaptive to feedback.

The government funded Professional Practice days for 2018 were discussed by Tony Bugden, Executive Director of People Division for DET. As part of the recent Teacher Enterprise Bargaining Agreement the state government committed to funding four professional practice days each year for all teaching staff over the next four years. Discussion centred on how individual schools would administer and facilitate the four professional practice days for their staff.

The forum finished with discussion on four new pilot initiatives of the Department of Education. The initiatives focussed specifically on the health and well-being of school principals. Feedback was requested in reference to support measures for new principals, management of increasing workload and compliance requirements and the ongoing commitment to the state education targets in improving student outcomes.

Scott Clode

Assistant Principal

2018 Prep Transition

We are very excited to be welcoming our 2018 prep students to their first transition session next week! On Tuesday 14th November, children will enjoy a classroom experience from 11:40am – 12:40pm while we invite parents to attend an information session in the Soccer Room. The first information session will introduce our Leadership team, the KidsMatter framework and provide some valuable advice about preparing for school. Transition sessions are:

Tuesday 14 th November	11:40am – 12:40pm
Tuesday 21 st November	11:40am – 12:40pm
Tuesday 28 th November	11:40am – 12:40pm
Tuesday 5 th December	11:40am – 12:40pm
Tuesday 12 th December	9:45am – 12:30pm

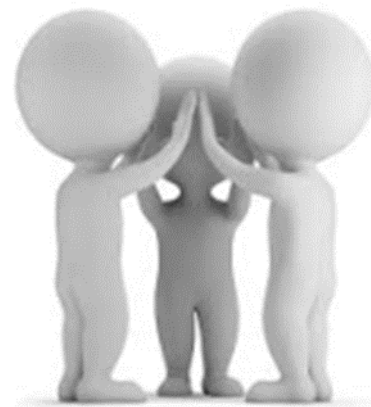


An evening information session will be held on **Wednesday 6th December** for those parents who are unable to attend the day information sessions.

Sarah Smith

Week 6 Curriculum Day

Next week we have a whole school curriculum day on Wednesday the 15th of November. **Students will not be required to attend on this day.** This curriculum day is being utilised by staff in attending Network School observations. Staff will be completing lesson observations at Cranbourne East Secondary College and Narre Warren South P-12 College. These formal observations are part of our AIP goals for this year. Teachers have been working in triads this year completing formal lesson observations at our school and providing feedback, we now will be widening our lens to look at examples of professional practice at other Network schools. We look forward to reflective questions, wonderings and ideas for future improvement that will be cultivated through this experience.



VIT Graduate Panels

It is very exciting to be celebrating the achievement and growth of our Victorian Institute of Teaching Graduates this week. Our graduates have been working hard all year with the support of their VIT mentors. This week sees the culmination of their work and learning presented in a portfolio and to a panel of peers. Our graduates should be extremely proud of their work and learning this year.

OSHC

Curriculum day bookings are available through the ELC office, \$50 including lunch and fun activities. Reminder please let us know if your child will not be needing before and after school care next year. For our January school holiday program families have been invited to submit an expression of interest to commence from the 15th of January otherwise we will start back on Monday 22nd January.

Shiona Watson

ELC

Limited places remain available for our 4 year old kindergarten and Child Care program. Sessional kindergarten enrolment is through Casey Council and Long Day Care with integrated 4 year old kindergarten is through the ELC office.

Shiona Watson

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Emily Wahl who safely welcomed a healthy baby boy named Jonathan Eric Wahl last week. Congratulations.

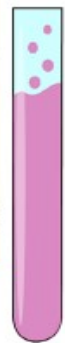
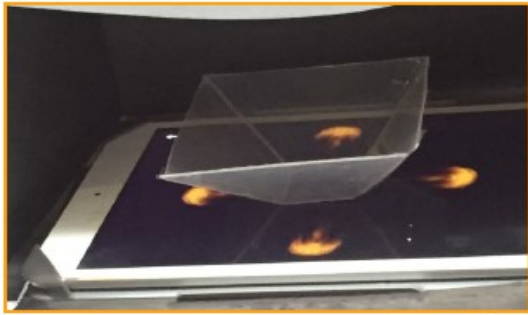


On Demand Testing Year 3 - 6

Over the next few weeks students in Years 3 – 6 will be completing some online assessments. These assessments are in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy and will be used to measure and monitor student learning growth. We will be excited to reflect, celebrate and share the results in comparison to Semester 1 results.

This week we have our whole school assembly beginning at 2:45pm in the gym. If you are available to attend we would love to see you there.

Jodie Bray
Principal



CRAZY SCIENTISTS



Amazing Activities



Cool Experiments



Family Fun



Spectacular Displays

Asthma First Aid

1 Sit the person upright

- Be calm and reassuring
- Do not leave them alone



2 Give 4 separate puffs of blue/grey reliever puffer

- Shake puffer
- Put 1 puff into spacer
- Take 4 breaths from spacer

Repeat until 4 puffs have been taken

Remember: Shake, 1 puff, 4 breaths

OR give 2 separate doses of a Bricanyl inhaler (age 6 & over) or a Symbicort inhaler (over 12)



3 Wait 4 minutes

- If there is no improvement, give 4 more separate puffs of blue/grey reliever as above

OR give 1 more dose of Bricanyl or Symbicort inhaler



4 If there is still no improvement call emergency assistance - Dial Triple Zero (000)

- Say 'ambulance' and that someone is having an asthma attack
- Keep giving 4 separate puffs every 4 minutes until emergency assistance arrives

OR give 1 dose of a Bricanyl or Symbicort every 4 minutes - up to 3 more doses of Symbicort



Call emergency assistance immediately - Dial Triple Zero (000)

- If the person is not breathing
- If the person's asthma suddenly becomes worse or is not improving
- If the person is having an asthma attack and a reliever is not available
- If you are not sure if it's asthma
- If the person is known to have Anaphylaxis - follow their Anaphylaxis Action Plan, then give Asthma First Aid

Blue/grey reliever medication is unlikely to harm, even if the person does not have asthma



Contact your local Asthma Foundation

1800 ASTHMA Helpline (1800 278 462) asthmaaustralia.org.au

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THINK BIG DREAM BIG

Thank you to everyone who has handed in their Walkathon notices, please remember to hand it in ASAP to go into a draw to win a family pass to Moonlit Sanctuary, valued at over \$110!!!

Our next major event is Carols by Twilight on Friday 8th December, 5pm to 8pm.

A notice will be coming home soon, with all event details.

We are in need of volunteers for the night. If you have your Working With Children's Check, please register your interest at the office, so I (Inez) can personally call you.

More hands make light work for us all.

Donations of lollies (individually wrapped) are still being taken if you prefer to do this instead of volunteering.

Gearing up for the end of year!

Enjoy your week.

Inez - HFC President 2017



Remember to LIKE our Hillsmeade Fundraising & Reminders Page on FACBOOK



Lest we Forget

Student Voice update

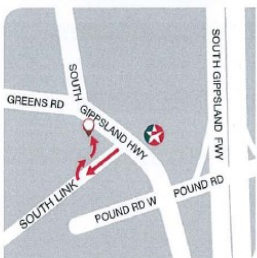
The SRC will be selling Remembrance Day badges at recess (near the flag pole) each day this week. They are \$2 for a poppy, \$1 for a badge and wristbands are \$3.

Every year on the eleventh day at the eleventh hour of the eleventh month, we observe one minute's silence in memory of those men and women who have died or suffered in all wars, conflicts and peace operations. In 2017, the 11th November marks the 99th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18).



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Your uniform is available at the
PSW store in HAMPTON PARK



Unit 2, 10-12 South Link, Dandenong South VIC 3175

Phone: (03) 9768 0343

Enter the car park off South Link

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Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm

EXTENDED TRADING HOURS**

MON 8 NOV 2017 TO SAT 10 MAR 2018

Mon to Fri: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sat: 9:00am - 4:00pm

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***No new lay-bys in January, Lay-bys require a 20% deposit, Lay-bys require a 20% deposit, Lay-bys available in-store only, Extended lay-by for 'Back to School 2018' must be placed between Mon 6th Nov and Sat 16 Dec 2017. Lay-bys must be paid for and picked-up by Sat 27 Jan 2018.

**Store trading hours are subject to change, please refer to www.psw.com.au for all store trading hours, holiday trading and public holiday information, or call the customer service team on (03) 9768 0333.

*School Price Lists are subject to change throughout the year.



The School Uniform Specialists

Be a **SOAPY HERO!**



SOAPY HERO TRAINING STEPS



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LOST PROPERTY

Please label all articles of clothing with your child's first and last name.

Numerous articles of clothing end up in the school lost property unnamed and unclaimed.

Enrolments for 2018

If you have a child you wish to attend Hillsmeade PS in 2018 please collect an enrolment form from the school office.



ENROL
NOW

2017 Term 4

Canteen Specials

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

CLOSED TUESDAYS

Preferred Payment Method



Clearly write Name and Grade with your order on your bag, or envelope.

Alternatively you can view and order everything on our Qkr! App.

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

Thursday Specials

Aussie Pie or Sausage Roll & Drink	\$4.00
Caesar Wrap, Frozen fruit & Drink	\$6.00
** Add Chicken**	\$1.00
Chicken Strip Wrap & Drink	\$6.00

Monday / Wednesday Specials

3 Fried or Steamed Dim Sims & Drink	\$3.50
Pizza or Pasta And a Drink	\$6.00
Chicken or Ham & Salad Roll & Drink	\$6.00

\$1.50



NEW

Canteen Reminders

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



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 school oval outside Mr. Cardamone's room 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
- RUN OFF THAT EXTRA ENERGY
- MEET NEW PEOPLE
- CHALLENGE YOURSELF
- SET AND ACHIEVE GOALS

When:

Wednesdays and Fridays

Time:

8:15-8:45am

**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.**



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

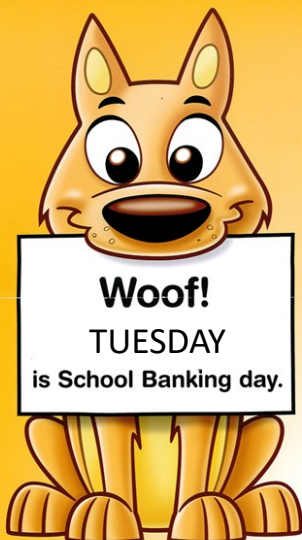
Where The Library

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.



CommonwealthBank

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.

NO DOGS ALLOWED



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