



The Link

Hillsmeade Primary School Newsletter
Issue No 2 - Wed 7th FEB

2018
Term 1



WHO? WHAT? WHERE?



IMPORTANT DATES

<p>14th FEB No Preps Required At School. HFC Annual General Meeting at the ELC 9:15am</p>	<p>15th FEB School Tour Comencing from the Office at 10am</p>	<p>20th FEB Hillsmeade EXPO 5pm-6:30pm</p> <p>21st FEB No Preps required at school</p>	<p>26th Feb-9th March Grade One Hatching Chickens</p>
<p>6 MARCH School Tour Commencing from the Office at 10am</p> <p>12 MARCH Labour Day</p>	<p>15th MARCH Prep Incursion - Responsible Pet Ownership 9:30am - 12:15pm</p>	<p>22nd MARCH Curriculum day (No Students Required)</p>	<p>29th March Last Day of Term</p>

Registration and selection for Team Vic 12 years and under for Basketball, Australian Football, Soccer and Netball, to attend school sport Australian Championships closes MARCH 1st.

To register visit <http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au> before MARCH 1st.

Any queries please contact Mr Ahmad Chazbek - Physical Education Teacher or the Office Staff

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardians

What a wonderful week we have had at Hillsmeade. I hope that everyone has settled back in to the routine of school well. I would like to thank all students, parents and staff on such a wonderful start to Term 1, 2018. We look forward to continuing on this wonderful beginning over the year ahead.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Save the date. We are very excited to announce that this year we will be having our School Production. Plans are currently underway to prepare our Year 4-Year 6 cast members. Our production will be held on Thursday 9th August at the wonderful Bunjil Place.



ALKIRA STUDENTS

I would like to take this opportunity to please ask families with Secondary age students to please remind them to remain off site until 3:15pm. This is mainly a reminder for Alkira students, especially on a Monday and a Thursday who come on site and impact the learning of students. If you could please remind them to patiently walk on the outside of the school fence and wait either at the soccer field, or beyond the fence line, we would appreciate it.

DISTRICT SPORTS COORDINATOR POSITION

A big congratulations to Ahmad Chazbek who this year will lead our District of Schools in the coordination of all sports events. This is a great opportunity and an important role in which we are confident he will excel. Well done Ahmad.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

This year we have again registered for Coles Sports for Schools. If you are a Coles shopper and would be willing to support Hillsmeade Primary in acquiring some more sports equipment, please donate your Coles vouchers.



These vouchers can be placed in the donation box located at the main office.

We appreciate the support.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Good afternoon Hillsmeade community,

Welcome back to 2018. I hope that all families have had an awesome holiday and are ready for a fantastic and fun year. For those that don't know me, I am the new Social and Emotional Learning Leader. This means I am here to support your children and family in any way that I can by providing strategies with behaviour, self-regulation, social and emotional concerns and building that strong connectedness and link from home to school.

This year there is going to be a big focus on social and emotional learning. We know with our children that finding a positive connectedness to school is vital for them learning to their full potential. We plan to provide lots of different opportunities to build on this throughout the year, watch this space!

Most weeks in the link I will provide some tips and strategies on a range of topics concerning children.

First topic!

Some questions to ask your children about their day, instead of asking 'how was your day?'

- What made you smile today?
- What was the best thing that happened today?
- What is something you heard made you think?
- Who did you play with today?
- Tell me something that you know today that you didn't yesterday
- What is something that challenged you?
- What are you looking forward to tomorrow?

If you would like to know more or have any questions please contact me.

John Cardamone

Social and Emotional Learning Leader



HILLSMEADE EXPO

On Tuesday 20th we invite all families to our Getting to Know Hillsmeade Expo. From 5pm, we will have some fantastic classroom door displays to view around the school, followed by our expo displays in the hall from 5:30pm-6:30pm. This is a great opportunity to meet the PLT Leaders, classroom teachers, principal team and our student leaders. This event will provide you with information about your child's year level, including routines, expectations and special events. You will also learn about our specialist programs, vision and values and the many wonderful opportunities our students have at Hillsmeade. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sarah Smith
Teaching and Learning Assistant Principal



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

HFC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please be advised that we will be holding the HFC AGM in the staffroom on Wednesday the 14th of February at 9:15am. This meeting will form the official component of electing office bearer positions. If you have an interest in being on this committee we would love to have you attend.

The HFC at Hillsmeade operates as a subcommittee of School Council. If you would like to find out more information about the roles and functions, please take the time to visit:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/management/community/Pages/parentclubs.aspx>

ELECTIVES AT HILLSMEADE

This year we will again be running our whole school elective program. The elective program is a great initiative at Hillsmeade that involves students from Prep – Year 2, and Year 3 – Year 6 learning and working together in common interest electives. Every alternate Friday afternoon to assembly, students will participate in electives of their choosing with peers from various year levels. We have received some wonderful student feedback about how much they enjoy electives, and we are excited to continue to build on this in 2018.

Electives will begin on Friday the 23rd of February at 2:30pm.



Hillsmeade Primary Whole school elective Program

RATIONALE:

To provide high levels of student engagement in their learning and connectedness with each other, their teachers, school and community	<p>POSS PRIORITY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OR LEARNING INITIATIVE Parents & carers as partners</p> <p>POSS PRIORITY PERSONAL CAPABILITY LEARNING INITIATIVE Empowering students and building self-worth</p>	Build the capacity of teachers in teaching teams to provide a student centred, collaborative learning environment using authentic learning tasks.
To improve student wellbeing.	<p>POSS PRIORITY PERSONAL CAPABILITY OR LEARNING INITIATIVE Health & wellbeing</p> <p>POSS PRIORITY VALUES & CULTURE Values, vision & culture</p>	Engage a whole school community focus on positive relationships, building on the mission, vision, motto and values.

AIMS:

1. To improve student connectedness to school and peers.
2. To improve student engagement (Connectedness to Peers, Student Motivation, Social Skills, School Connectedness).
3. To provide opportunities for children to develop their Personal & Social Capability with elective programs linked to this area of the Victorian Curriculum (Development of resilience, Relationships and diversity & Collaboration).
4. To provide opportunities for teachers and students across the year levels to develop relationships with students other than those in their class.
5. To link electives with the Bounce Back Program.

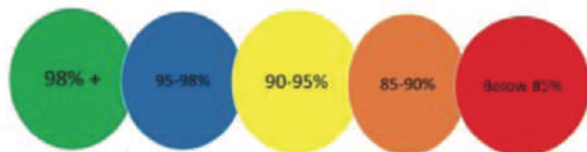
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ATTENDANCE

The attendance of students at Primary School is of high importance. There is a very strong correlation between attendance and achievement. We encourage all students to attend school every day. Of course, unfortunately, from time to time we experience illness. It is important that if your child is unwell then they do not attend school. It is also important that the school is notified of absence by phone call, or note on return to school.

Attendance Matters

On Time: First Time, Every Time



What Zone Are You In?

Every Day Counts

Primary School Attendance

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education.

Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

School is better when your child is there

Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

In Victoria school is compulsory for children and young people aged 6 -17 years

Student Absences

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and developing good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

Family holidays - It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term. If you are planning to go on holiday during term time, make sure that you talk to your child's school in advance, and work with them to develop an absence learning plan.

"Day off" – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

School refusal - School refusing children will experience significant emotional distress not only when going to school but also at the thought of going to school; they may be absent from school for weeks or even months at a time. School refusal differs from truancy as children generally stay home with the knowledge of the parents and despite their best efforts to encourage their child to go to school. See: My child or teenager has anxiety

Being away from school for one day a fortnight equals missing 1.5 years over 13 years of school

If your child is away

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:
Inform the school

- Speak with your child's classroom teacher and find out what work they need to do to keep up.
- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Training Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Chronic or ongoing attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an Infringement Notice being issued to parent/s.

If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

Further information

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit:
www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/stu-

Top attendance tips for parents

- Schools want to work in partnership with parents – act early if you have any concerns by contacting your child's school and asking for advice and support
- Remember that every day counts
- There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes and their social connectedness
- Talk positively about school and the importance of attending every day
- Open and prompt communication with your child's school about all absences is a good idea
- Avoid making routine medical and dental appointments during the school day or planning family holidays during the term
- Seek help from your school if you are concerned about your child's attendance and wellbeing. Schools want to work in partnership with parents to support student attendance and wellbeing.



Education
and Training

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

We are again required to hold a School Council Election for the 2018 school year. Please see the school council election timeline. The call for nominations will start Monday the 12th of February. Forms can be collected from the Administration Office from today. We have 3 parent member vacancies and 2 DET member vacancies for the next two years, as well as 2 community member vacancies.

If you would like to nominate to be on School Council, please collect a notice from the office. Should we receive more nominations than the vacant positions, an election will be required. I am looking forward to working with the newly formed School Council after the election of office bearers on Tuesday 13th of March.

Notice of election and call for nominations	Monday, 12 February 2018 • Advertise in Link Issue #2 on Wednesday February 7.
Closing date for nominations	Monday, 19 February 2018
Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Wednesday, 21 February 2018
Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	On or before Monday, 26 February 2018
Close of ballot	Monday, 5 March 2018
Vote count	Tuesday, 6 March 2018
Declaration of poll	Tuesday, 6 March 2018
Special council meeting to co-opt Community members (the principal will preside)	Tuesday, 13 March 2018
First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)	Tuesday, 13 March 2018

جدول زمانی انتخابات ۲۰۱۸ قسمل مکتب

اطلاع انتخابات و درخواست برای نامزد ها:

دوشنبه ۱۲، فیروزی ۲۰۱۸

• در شماره ۲ اخبار لینک، چارشنبه بناریخ ۷ فیروزی تبلیغ میشود.

تاریخ بسته شدن برای نامزد ها:

دوشنبه ۱۹، فیروزی ۲۰۱۸

تاریخ که است کاندیدا ها و نامزد ها توزیع میشود:

دوشنبه ۲۶، فیروزی ۲۰۱۸ و یا از این تاریخ

بسته شدن رأی گیری:

دوشنبه، ۵ مارچ ۲۰۱۸

شمارش رأی:

سه شنبه، ۶ مارچ ۲۰۱۸

اعلامیه نظر سنجی:

سه شنبه، ۶ مارچ ۲۰۱۸

مجلس خاص قسمل برای انتخاب گیری اعضای جامعه (آمر مکتب، آمریت این را خواهد کرد)

سه شنبه، ۱۳ مارچ ۲۰۱۸

اولین مجلس قسمل برای انتخاب حاملین دفتر (آمر مکتب، آمریت این را خواهد کرد)

سه شنبه، ۱۳ مارچ ۲۰۱۸

نظارت انتخابات توسط گرمستل ولس صورت خواهد شد.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NARRE WARREN DISTRICT COORDINATOR ROLE

Our school is part of the Narre Warren District, which has another 9 schools associated to it, our district is also aligned to the Casey South Division.

I was elected late last year, as the Narre Warren District President (Coordinator) This involves organise sporting events for our district, with things like Swimming Carnivals, Cross-Country, Athletics and Interschool sports (Lightning Premiership) as well as liaise and assist the Divisional Coordinator Bill Hains.

My role is to also act as a chairperson for our district and ensure that staff are up to date with modifications and publications from SSV.

The District Committee acts on behalf of School Sport Victoria ensuring students from member schools have access to quality interschool sport.

For Primary Schools, the Competition Pathway is:

District then Division then Region then State Championships

We have a busy term ahead with our swimming trails and cross-country events this term so be on the lookout on our website and make sure you come along and support our teams and students.

Regards

Ahmad Chazbek

Specialist PLT leader

Narre Warren District President



STUDENT LEADERS

This year we have some wonderful student leaders who have already been very proactive across the school. As a leadership we meet regularly and discuss ways in which they can support the school. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our school captains, Taylor Hounscome and Jack Winestone for leading their first whole school assembly. They both spoke with confidence and did a wonderful job. Please take the time to have a look at their beautiful pictures and find out a little bit more about what they hope to achieve in 2018.

We hope that everyone has had a smooth and exciting start to 2018. We look forward to a wonderful year at Hillsmeade Primary School.

Jodie Bray

Principal

Hillsmeade Primary School



ONLINE SAFETY UPDATE

Hi Families

Do your kids play the app ROBLOX? It's a very popular game with kids at Hillsmeade. You may have seen some recent articles about safety concerns with this app ([UK article](#), [Australian article](#)) so it's a good reminder to check in with your kids and talk about online safety.

ROBLOX has built-in controls to keep young kids safe – they're designed to stop them getting unsolicited messages from strangers. These controls aren't foolproof though, and they're not turned on by default.

If your children are playing ROBLOX or any other internet connected games, we would encourage you to go through the app's online safety settings, and to have regular discussions with your children about being safe online and what to do if they see something that makes them uncomfortable. The Australian Office of the eSafety Commissioner has [specific guidelines for ROBLOX](#), and a dedicated page for [resources on cyberbullying](#).

UK article: goo.gl/vpa5CX

Australian article: goo.gl/znu3Wf

eSafety Commissioner on ROBLOX: goo.gl/zqStbn

Stewart Johnson
Business Manager



Getting to know

HILLSMEADE EXPO

Tuesday 20th
February

Come along for a fun and informative evening, showcasing our school's vision & values, teaching & learning and community events.

5:00pm – 5:30pm
Viewing classroom door displays

5:30pm – 6:30pm
Expo displays in the hall

A welcome from our Principal
Hillsmeade Vision & Values
Interactive Stalls
Chat to our friendly staff and Student Leadership Team
BBQ

OUR CAPTAINS

School Captains

Hi, we are Taylor Hounscome (6B) and Jack Winestone (6B) and we are your 2018 School Captains.

You can expect us to be around the school grounds, running assembly and helping you throughout the school. We would like to continue to improve our school and make sure you feel welcome and included.



Arts Captains

Hi, we are Georgia Groza (6E) and Lucy Pollock (6D) and we are your 2018 Arts Captains. We are passionate about the wellbeing of students and encourage them to follow their hearts. This year we vow to respect our peers and be responsible. We plan to start an acapella groups at lunchtime for all ages. Stay Artsy.



Sport Captains

Hi, we are Kira (6A) and Ricky (6A) the Sports Captains for 2018. This year we are going to try and run a lot more events. We will also be helping Mr Chazbek and Ms Pollock with sports events. You will see us representing our school at swimming, hoop time, athletics and many other sports events.



OUR CAPTAINS

SRC Captains

Hi, our names are Jazmine Le (6B) and Levi Alter (6D). We are the SRC captains for 2018. We encourage our peers to be themselves. We look forward to meeting the new SRC reps from Years 3 – 6. We will be getting some activities up and running across the year. We are looking forward to supporting you in the school yard.



Mandarin Captain

Hi I'm the Mandarin Captain and my name is Arya (6D). My duty is to try and help the teachers. I will be running assemblies and some other things you might see me doing are, picking up rubbish, helping the junior students and working with our visiting students from Hong Kong this year. Sincerely, your 2018 Mandarin Captain.



Environment Captains

Hi, we are the Environment Captains for 2018. Our names are Cameron and Ellie and we are in grades 6A and 6D. This year we will try to keep the school clean. We will also pick up rubbish and work hard to make sure there is no rubbish in the school.



OUR CAPTAINS

Monash Captains

Hi, we are Gemma Mouette from 6E and Kobe Swinburne from 6B and we are the Monash Captains for 2018. We are really excited to help the school and work with the other leaders. We will help anyone in need and make sure that they are doing the right thing. We also really like to have fun. Thank you for choosing us as your Monash Captains for 2018.



Dunlop Captains

Hi, our names are Scarlett (6B) and Jack (6D) and we are your 2018 Dunlop Captains. Some things you might see us doing around the school are; picking up rubbish, helping teachers and supporting our house in sports and debate competitions. We will also be running school assemblies and participate in Peer Support throughout the year. Sincerely, your 2018 Dunlop Captains.



Barak Captains

Hi, our names are Aleisha (6B) and Nathan (6A) and we are your 2018 Barak Captains. We promise to be the best Barak Captains the school has ever had. We will try our hardest to help out all the kids at Hillsmeade. Wishing all other 2018 Captain luck for 2018.



OUR CAPTAINS

Mackillop Captains

Hi, we are the Mackillop Captains. Our names are Logan (6B) and Milani (6E). We wish for everyone to participate in school events and to wear our school colours proudly. We will help clean up the school by picking up rubbish and keeping the gardens clear of students.



STEAM Captains

Hi everyone, our names are Mitchell Boutcher (6A) and Suwience Printhan (6C) and we are the STEAM Captains for 2018. Our job is to help organise the STEAM related activities and help teachers and students with the STEAM Agency. We also want to motivate students to become passionate about STEAM. From time to time we will be running assemblies as well.



Student Wellbeing Captain

Hi my name is Abbie Hunter from 6D and I'm the Student Wellbeing Captain. My job is to help remind you to show your I. R.E.S.P.E.C.T values and to help you get back on your feet if you are feeling down. If you need to talk to someone, you can talk to me or Mr Cardamone, who I will be working with a lot.



SCHOOL PICK UP

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.

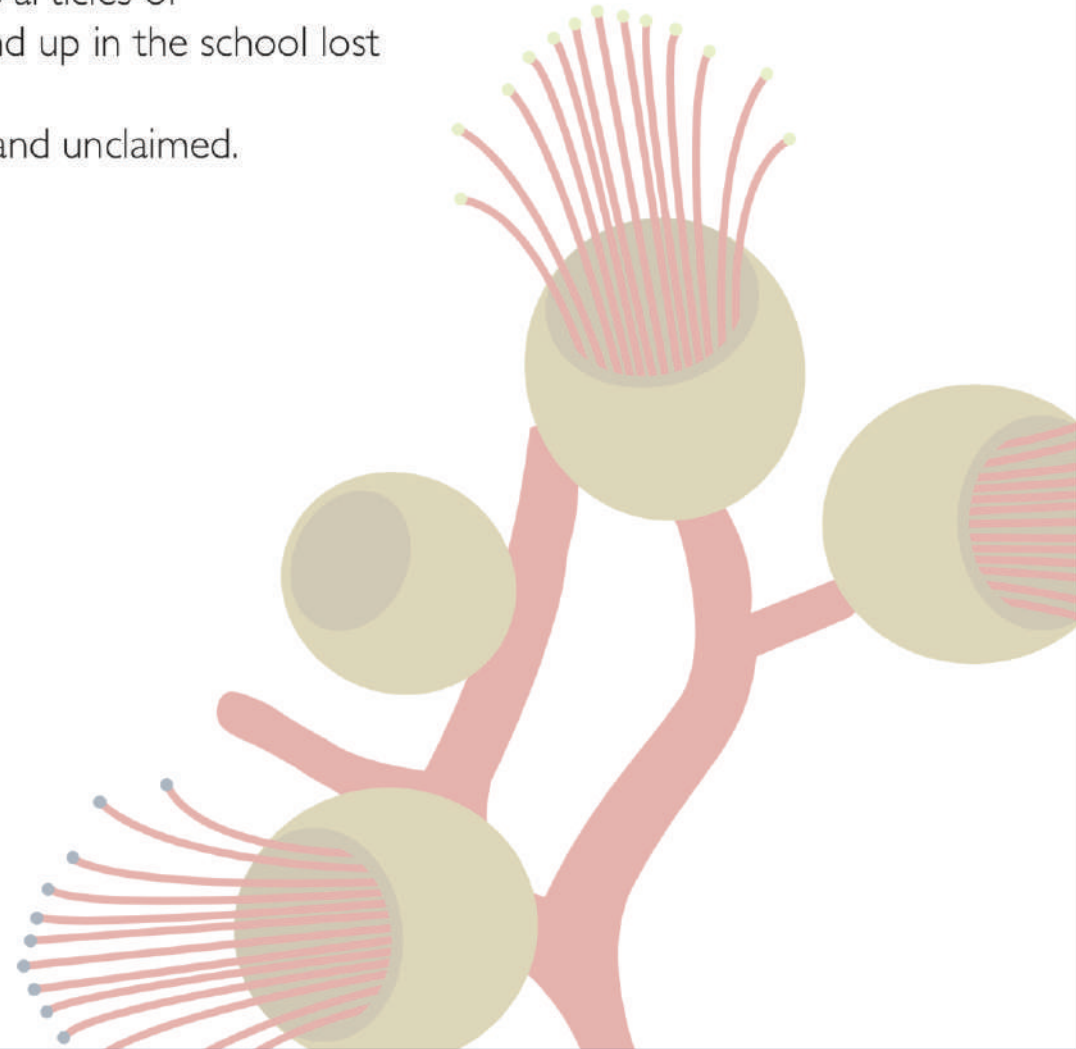
While the kids are outside it is difficult for them to hear the announcements. Our teachers also lock the classrooms during recess and lunch so it can make collecting school bags difficult. After school if you are running late please call the office before 3:20pm so we can call your child to the office and have them wait with us.

School finishes at 3:30pm each day and your child is required to be picked up no later than 3:45pm.

LOST PROPERTY

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

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



SCHOOL BANKING

School banking day is every **TUESDAY**. Bankbooks are to be handed in to the class teacher or to the office on Tuesday mornings. They must be handed in before 11:30am in order for us to guarantee that the deposit will be processed this week.

Any tokens that have not been redeemed for reward items last year can be carried forward to 2018 and used to redeem items this year. Information about the 2018 reward items will be distributed soon. Any students who left Hillsmeade last year but still have a sibling attending the school in 2018 can continue to have their banking processed through school banking by submitting their bankbook with their sibling's bankbook each week. Likewise, any younger siblings joining the ELC in 2018 can have their banking processed at school the same way.

If you have any queries regarding the school banking, do not hesitate to ask at the office.

Jill and Nat (School Banking Co-ordinators)

Get ready for a Super Savers adventure with School Banking.

CAN



This year in School Banking, your child will join the Dollarmites on a Super Savers adventure, developing strong savings skills.

School Banking encourages children to learn the value of saving and rewards those who demonstrate a regular savings behaviour.

New Super Savers reward items.

Introducing an exciting new range of reward items with two released every term. Available in Term 1:

- Twister Power Handball
- Secret Scratch Notepad.

Your child can redeem one of these rewards, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.



Remember, with the CommBank Youth app, it's easy for your child to monitor the Dollarmites tokens they earn when making School Banking deposits and track their savings. Available to download from the App Store on any iOS9+ device.



A chance to win a family trip to Hawaii.



Students who truly are Super Savers will have the chance to win a family trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, staying 7 nights at the Sheraton Waikiki Resort, plus AU\$2,000 spending money.

To enter, students simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018, and they will automatically enter the Super Savers Grand Prize Competition.

To find out more about School Banking, or explore fun activity sheets for your child, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Things you should know: The 'Super Savers Grand Prize Competition' (Promotion) is conducted by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (ABN 48 123 123 124) of Level 30, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. The Promotion starts at 9am AEST on 22/01/18 and closes at 11:59pm AEST on 26/03/18. Entry is open to Australian residents, aged 4-13 years only who have made 15 separate School Banking deposits into their CommBank 'Industrious' account during the Promotion period. Eligible entrants will be automatically entered into the draw. Maximum 1 entry per person. The first eligible entry randomly drawn will win a trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, USA for two adults and up to three children (aged 17 years and under), including 7 nights accommodation and \$2,000 AUD spending money, valued at \$17,000 AUD. Terms and conditions apply. The draw will take place at 12pm AEST on 10/11/18 at the address above. The winner will be notified by telephone and email, and will be published online at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and in The Australian on 17/10/18. Winner must claim the prize by 5pm AEST on 15/01/19 or the prize will be redrawn. The prize will be awarded to the winner's nominated parent or guardian. Conditions apply to accepting the prize. Full terms and conditions available from commbank.com.au/schoolbanking Authorised under NSW Permit No: LTPS/17/18318, ACT Permit No: ACT TP 17/01989 and SA Permit No: T17/1878.

BOOK CLUB

Welcome to the first Issue of Book Club for the year. Reading is an important focus in our school and Book Club is one way to provide your child with enjoyable and quality books to enhance their reading experience. For those of you that are new to Book Club, I will briefly explain about it. There are usually 2 issues given out in a term. The new catalogue covers all ages in one brochure. There is no obligation to purchase anything through Book Club. However, any purchases made through the school, will help the school earn valuable reading resources for the classrooms.

If you would like to purchase some books from this issue, there are 2 options.

1. LOOP This is the preferred option. (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 name to be able to use this option. You do not send anything to school. The order will be delivered to school. There is also a gift option on LOOP now. If you order and spend \$10+ on 2 consecutive issues, you will receive Bonus Books on the third and consecutive

orders. This is a great way to build your own home library.

2. Cheque made payable to Scholastic Australia or cash (which must be the correct amount). IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE STUDENTS NAME AND GRADE IS WRITTEN ON THE TOP OF EVERY ORDER FORM. ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED IF THERE IS NO NAME ON THE ORDER FORM.

Fill out the order form, with the child's 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.

A How to fill out a Book Club Order Form and LOOP information sheet is also included with this weeks Link.

BOOK CLUB ORDERS ARE DUE BACK ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH. 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.

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club LOOP for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



HOW TO FILL OUT A BOOK CLUB ORDER FORM

The preferred option for putting in a Book Club order is by LOOP.

THIS IS THE PREFERRED OPTION SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB LOOP. This stands for Linked Online Ordering & Payment system. Using this system means that you can order your Book Club order online and you do not have to fill in the order form or send anything back to school. The order will be delivered to the school.

To order using credit card using LOOP visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. You can also download scholastic iphone and ipad app from the App store or Google Play for Android and follow the instructions.

You must know your child's grade and teacher's name to order using LOOP. Please note that Prep grades are known by Scholastic as 00A, 00B etc

There is a GIFT option using LOOP for your convenience too. If the parents use this option, I will be notified by Scholastic that it is a gift. I will then notify you that your order is in and ready for collection at the office.

BONUS BOOKS on LOOP If you order and spend \$10+ on 2 consecutive issues, then on the third and consecutive issues you will receive bonus books.

There is an attached flier with more information about how to use LOOP.

However, if you choose to fill out a Book Club order form, this is how to do it. Please keep this handy for future reference.

- **The student's name (First name and Surname) and grade (not room number) must be completed at the top of each order form. I can't stress how important this is, because an order can not be processed if their name is not on the order form. Orders with no name will not be processed.**

- In the quantity column (1st column), put the number of books required i.e. 1 or 2

- **In the \$ amount due column, put the amount of the book i.e. \$10.00. Do not just put a tick.**

- In the Total Quantity box, put the total amount of books being ordered.

- **Add up the amount due for all the books and put it in the Total Cost box.**

- Date.

PAYMENT – TWO OPTIONS

1. **CHEQUE MADE PAYABLE TO SCHOLASTIC AUSTRALIA** – attach to completed order form and return to school by the Due Date.

2. **CASH** – If paying by cash please enclose the correct amount (no change can be given), and return it to school with the completed order form by the Due Date

- **All book club orders must be placed in an envelope with the correct money (no change can be supplied). The student's name and grade must be on the front of the envelope and it must be marked BOOK CLUB.**

Do not place any other money for other events in this envelope.

- All book club orders are to be handed to the class teacher (NOT the office). The class teacher will mark the student's name off on a check list sheet to acknowledge receipt of a book club order being received.

If at anytime you would like the books to be given as gifts, please attach a note to the order form and include your name and contact phone number in this note. The books will then be held at the office for you to collect. Please don't put the information on the front of the envelope, as the envelope is usually thrown out when the order is processed.

THE HFC

Think Big, Dream Big Hillsmeade Fundraising Committee (HFC) will be holding it's Annual General Meeting (AGM) next Wednesday 14th February at 9.15am in the Staff Room (please note change of location). Please sign into the office.

ALL WELCOME.

All positions will become vacant for 2018, positions include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer And General Committee Members.

Last year our committee raised \$26,500 and with this money, we use it to upgrade our school.

Our Private Ship And our Grade 5/6

Playground were all funded by our committee in previous years.

Hopefully we will see plenty of new faces.

Kindest Regards

Inez Crowe - HFC President 2016/17

CSEF

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, 2018. No late applications can be accepted.

Prep families in receipt of CSEF in 2018 must ensure applications for the Winter Uniform Package Initiative are returned to school no later than Friday 20th May, 2018.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Sport
Fitness
Confidence
Self Defence
Discipline
Fun
Friendship**

Karate Classes

Free Uniform – Book in early!!

Fridays:

Hillsmead Primary School

The Promenade, Narre Warren South

Juniors, 7 to 13 years, 6:30pm to 7:45pm
Teenagers & Adults, 6:30pm to 8:30pm



LION BUSHIDO KARATE ACADEMY

www.lionbushido.com

LBKA Centers:

***Forest Hill – Wantirna – Rowville – Glen Waverley – Mount Waverley
Dandenong – Doncaster East
Fountain Gate – Narre Warren South – Patterson Lakes***

FREE Trial Class – Phone 9887 4098

If you would like to place an advertisement in The Link, please contact the Office Team.



GIRLS FOOTY CLINIC

9.30-10.30am

Sunday 25th February

**At Berwick Springs Junior Football Club
Glasscocks Rd, Narre Warren Sth**

This is also our registration day so you can register to play for the 2018 season however, registration can be done at any time online at

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?alD=4507&pKey=1757c4770085fca75e06193c88de38d&clD=30750&formID=36056>
(You may need to copy and paste the link)

**No footy
boots
please,
just
runners.**



**All girls aged 7-18 welcome.
Please register for the clinic by Email
cathy2304@gmail.com**