

# The Link

Hillsmeade Primary School Newsletter

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### THE FULL CALENDAR AND DETAILED EVENT INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO VIEW VIA THE COMPASS APP OR WEBSITE

WHO? WHAT? WHEN?

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
6th AUG	7th AUG	8th AUG	9th AUG School Production Dress Rehearsal Gr 4-6 9:00AM-3:15PM The Adventures of Superstan Theatre Trip Gr2&3 11:00AM –2:30PM <u>SCHOOL PRODUCTION 7:00pm @</u> <u>BUNJIL</u>	10th AUG Whole School Assembly in Gym 2:45PM
13th AUG	14th AUG Gr 1 A/B/C Aquarium Excursion 9:15AM ICAS Maths 11:30 AM	15th AUG Hoop time Basketball 5/6 8:45AM	16th AUG VSSS18 Regional Rehearsal 4 8:30AM Gr 1 D/E/F Aquarium Excursion 9:15AM	17th AUG GR 5 Sovereign Hill Excursion 7:30AM- 6:00PM

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# UPCOMING EVENTS



EVENT	CONSENT/PAYMENT DUE	EVENT DATE	
School Production: Grade 4-6 Dress	31/07/2018	Thursday, August 9 - 09:15 AM-03:15 PM	
Rehearsal	(CLOSED)		
The Amazing Adventures of Superstan—	31/07/2018	Thursday, August 9 - 09:15 AM-03:15 PM	
Theatre Trip (Gr 2/3)	(CLOSED)		
Grade One Aquarium Excursion	01/08/2018	Tuesday, August 14 - 09:15 AM—03:30 PM	
(1/A, 1/B & 1/C)	(CLOSED)		
Grade One Aquarium Excursion	01/08/2018	Thursday, August 16 - 09:15 AM—03:30 PM	
(1/D, 1/E & 1/F)	(CLOSED)		
Year 6 Canberra Camp Experience	01/08/0218	Monday, September 3 - 07:00 AM—	
	(CLOSED)	Friday, September 7 - 05:00 PM	
Grade 5 Sovereign Hill excursion	07/08/2018	Friday, August 17 - 07:30 AM—06:00PM	
	(CLOSED)		
Hoop Time (Basketball) Grade 5/6	08/08/2018	Wednesday, August 15 - 08:45 AM— 03:00PM	
VSSS18 - Regional rehearsal 4	10/08/2018	Thursday, August 16 - 08:30 AM—02:30PM	
(selected students) Grade Prep and One Swimming	10/08/2018	Monday, August 20 - 12:00 PM—02:00PM	
Grade 2- Camp Manyung	17/08/2018	Monday, December 17 - 09:00 AM— Tuesday, December 18 - 03:30 PM	
Alexandra Adventure Camp - Grade 4	Final Payment Due:	Wednesday, October 24 - 09:00 AM—	
	21/9/2018	Friday, October 26 - 03:30 PM	



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Dear Parents / Guardians,

Happy Week 4! It's an exciting time with final production rehearsals in preparation for the performance of *The Amazing Adventures of Superstan* this Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August at Bunjil Place.

Students are to arrive at the foyer of Bunjil Place at 6pm dressed in their costume and stage make-up. Main cast members are to arrive at 5:30pm. Please see the notice posted on Compass for final performance information.

Tickets for the show are purchased directly from Bunjil Place and cost \$18 per seat. They are available to purchase:

Online: <u>www.bunjilplace.com/events</u> Phone: 9709 9700 In person: Bunjil Place Box Office, Bunjil Place, 2 Patrick North East Drive, Narre Warren

#### **Prep Excursion to Healesville Santuary**

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August, our excited Prep students embarked on an adventure to Healesville Sanctuary.



Through their inquiry unit, students have been learning about Australian animals and how they are unique. It was a fantastic day exploring the park and learning about the different animals with the help of friendly guides. A highlight for students was the 'Spirits of the Sky' show with colourful birds and soaring eagles. The excursion provided many rich learning opportunities for students and teachers to take back to the classroom.

#### Literacy Lab



Our Literacy Lab is buzzing with learners in Years Prep – 2, working in small groups to build strong oral language and reading skills. Our experienced team consisting of Mrs Schultz, Mrs Kidd, Mrs Monrroy and Mrs Martin, facilitate our reading programs. Mrs Cooper and Ms Tooba work with our English as an Additional Language (EAL) students to develop oral language skills to support their literacy skills.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Students participating in the programs will have books to read and activities to practise at home. We appreciate your support as we work in partnership to grow all of our students at Hillsmeade.



#### **Extension in Excellence**



Mrs Yates leads our Extension in Excellence program, working with our Year 4 high achieving students to challenge and stretch their thinking. Mrs Yates uses rich literacy texts to engage the students' in deep discussion, learning authors' craft and strengthening their own skills. This is an exciting opportunity for our students!

#### Science Expo – Family Entries

The Hillsmeade Science Expo is coming up on **Tuesday 14th August 5:00pm – 6:30pm**. <u>We are seeking family</u> <u>entries!</u> If your family would like to present a simple science display or demonstration, please fill in the form posted on Compass, or collect a paper copy from the front office. Great prizes to be won, as voted on the night!

#### Swimming Lessons – Prep and Year 1

A reminder that Friday the 10th August is the last day to pay for swimming and to return notices. Swimming week begins on the 20th of August.

Come along to our whole school assembly this Friday at 2:45pm in the hall. Our Year 1 students are looking forward to performing!



#### Sarah Smith

Assistant Principal On behalf of Jodie Bray

#### Year 7 Transition 2019

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August, students will be receiving a letter to inform families of their acceptance of placement into government secondary schools for Year 7 in 2019 as per the DET guidelines.

We are aware that some students will not get their first preference due to zoning allocations and secondary school discretion. However, parents/guardians can make nonplacement appeals from Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August.

If you or your child require any support throughout this process, please do not hesitate to call myself, Crystal Wells or John Cardamone at the school on 9704 6313.

We are happy to answer any questions and assist you with the process.

Toni Barker Yr 6 PLT

## SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH

The Science Talent Search (STS) is an annual science competition open to all primary and secondary students. STS theme for 2018 is **Australian Game Changers and Change Makers**. It fits ideally into the Victorian curriculum and encourages creative, self-motivated project work closely aligning with science, other learning areas and capabilities.

Congratulations to Bianca C, Amra F, Tiffany H, Alexandria J, Garine N, Shaileshwar S, Jaylina V and Shakyla V who put in time and effort to compete and enter their work with various STS competition sections.

Students had to follow specific guidelines for their chosen section and I am impressed by their enthusiasm and the understanding of their scientific concepts presented on their poster, working model, experimental research and creative writing. Also a big thank you to all the parents, who gave their time to participate in the STS.



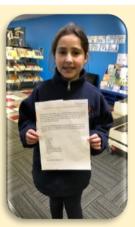
We have submitted all online entries and the judging day was on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August.

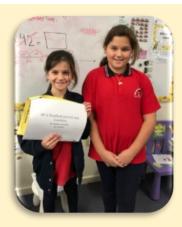
Watch this space for more information in regards to working models and posters.

Dimple Bhardwaj – Acting Science Learning Specialist.

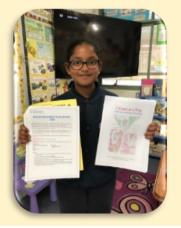


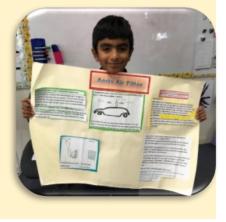












### \* NOW ACCEPTING PREP 2019 ENROLMENTS\*

Please see the office team for a 2019 Prep enrolment pack. Prospective families are welcome to attend our next school tour on Tuesday 31st JULY departing from the front office at 10AM.



Meet the world's newest, greatest and most unlikely Superhero in Craig Hawes' comical musical performed by the Grade 4 to 6 students of Hillsmeade Primary School.

For general ticketing, box office information (including conditions of sale), accessibility bookings or other box office inquiries please

email <u>bunjilplace@casey.vic.gov.au</u>or phone 03 9709 9700 between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm (Monday to Saturday). Tickets are available for purchase via the link below.

https://www.bunjilplace.com.au/hillsmeade-ps-amazingadventures-of-superstan



#### DATE

Thursday 9 August 2018

TIME

7.00 pm

VENUE

Bunjil Place Theatre

RUNNING TIME

75 minutes

TICKETS

All tickets \$18.00

Children under the age of two do not require a ticket if they are seated on the lap of their carer.

Please note: Service fees may apply to tickets sent via email (\$1.95) and mail (\$4.00).







# GR 3 HISTORY BOX

The Year 3's participated in a History Box Incursion on Wednesday  $\mathbf{1}^{st}$  August.

We had speakers telling us stories from Australia's past and introduced us to explorers, convicts and first Australians.

They also taught us a new game called Ngaka Ngaka which is like Knots and Crosses.

We also got to make our own spices, write using a feather and ink and explore artefacts from the past.

Overall, we had a great day exploring our history!

- Trisa Kett GR3 PLT



### **Dress Rehearsal Grade 4-6 Production**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, we had our first full dress rehearsal of 'The Amazing Adventures Of Superstan' in the school hall. Students had the opportunity to see the whole show from start to finish and to practice moving onto and off the stage. Staff and students were amazed at the standard of our performers and were in stitches at the very funny jokes (in particular Miss Szalek!). We are all so excited about the final performance on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August at Bunjil Place and hope to see many of you there! - Lisa Scott







# Congratulations to our **MANDARIN AWARD** Recipients



Congratulations to the following students who have received a Mandarin award certificate for

enthusiastically participating in every Mandarin lesson and reflecting the Hillsmeade 'I Respect' values.

Indiana H 6C	Jasraj H 6A	Omid M 6A	Caitlyn S 6A
Ricky D 6A	Shanelle J 6A	Tarkyn N 6A	Trinity T 6A
Sharlotte D 6A	Riley L 6A	Mustafa 6A	Tyson W 6A
Nathan Z 6A Kira E 6A	Shaelee D 5C Homayoon M 5C	Nemdini T 5C Anisa A 5D	Neeraja R 5D

# PREPSVISIT HEALESVILLE

Last Wednesday, our Prep students visited Healesville Sanctuary as part of their inquiry question 'Why are Australian animals unique?' The students have been learning about types of Australian animals, their different features and the varying habitats they live in.

Our Preps loved seeing the birds of prey exhibition and identified many of the animals they have been learning about. These included seeing sleepy koalas, fat wombats, kangaroos and their baby joeys, and fighting emus!

The excursion was a wonderful opportunity for our students to apply their understandings of Australian animals and continue to ask more questions about why these animals are so special to us in Australia. This was the first excursion our Prep students have been on, and the staff were proud of their positive behaviour and great enthusiasm!

A special thank you to our classroom volunteers and school staff who came along to help on the day. -Nicole Page



# DRAFFIN SATELLITE TABLE

Last week the Year 2 students completed and entered a competition to win a Draffin satellite table for our school. We had to show how recycled plastic items could be used to make the table. Voting is via Facebook, so if you could go onto Draffin Street Furniture on Facebook: www.facebook.com/ DraffinStreetFurniture and vote for our school, that would be awesome!









# Vote for Hillsmeade!!



# EARLY BIRD READING CLUB

(and lunchtime club!)

What's happening!

Read-alouds:

## Thursday 9th August 8:15-8:45

Come along to the library with your favourite book and Mrs Herres and Mrs Thomas will take turns to read them aloud to the group.

Make a bookmark:

## Thursday 23rd August 8:15-8:45

Come along and learn how to make your own bookmark to take home!

Recommend a book!

When you come to reading club you might like to recommend a book to a friend and encourage them to come along and read. Grab a special slip in the library, fill it out and give it to a friend!



# FROM THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY



# **Tuesday 14th August**

Experiments in the main building



between 5.00-5.30pm



REMEMBER TO DRESS UP!

View displays and family demonstrations in the Hall between 5.30pm-6.30pm

Don't forget your gold



# CANTEEN

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

#### **CLOSED TUESDAYS**

Clearly write Name and Grade and whether you have paid via QKR 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 Tomato Soup and Toasted Cheese \$4.00 6 Chicken Nuggets, Brownie and Drink \$6.00

#### Monday/Wednesday Specials

3 Fried or Steamed Dim Sims & Drink \$3.50 Pizza or Pasta and a Drink \$6.00 Tomato Soup, Roll and Brownie \$3.00 Home made soup, Roll and Brownie \$4.00 Tomato and Toasted Cheese Sandwich \$4.00 Hot Roast Chicken Roll, Brownie & Drink \$6.50

#### **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).

In our effort to become more environmentally friendly, straws will now only be given out upon request

# Your uniform will be available from the 3RD JULY at the **PSW STORE IN OFFICER**



407 Princes Highway, Officer VIC 3809 Phone: 03 9768 0382

**REGULAR TRADING HOURS\*\*** Tue to Fri: 9:00am-5:00pm Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm

EXTENDED TRADING HOURS\*\* WED 7 NOV 2018 TO SAT 09 MAR 2019 Mon to Fri: 9:00am - 5:00pm Sat: 9:00am - 1:00pm

#### www.psw.com.au Save Time, Shop Online!



\*\*\*No new lay-bys in January, Lay-bys require a 20% deposit, Lay-bys available in-store only, Extended lay-by for 'Back to School 2019 must be placed between Mon 5th Nov and Fri 21s1 Dec 2018. Lay-bys must be must be placif for and picked-up by Set 26 Jan 2019. \*\* Store trading hours are subject to dange, please refer to www.psw.com.au for all store trading hours, holiday trading and public holiday information, or call the customer service team (03) 9768 033.

School Price Lists are subject to change throughout the year.



# FROM THE COMMUNITY

Our lost property is looking very full! Please remember to put your child's name and grade on any items they bring to school so we can ensure they are returned to them if they go missing. The lost property basket is located at the front office.



# **ENGLISH FOR PARENTS**

Learn to speak, read and write English and have fun

in our new class

Join in with other parents from the school

### MONDAY 1.00PM TO 3.00PM

Class dates: 16th July to 3rd December Hillsmeade Early Learning Centre 82 The Promenade Narre Warren South





\$99.80 full fee \$85.00 concession For bookings and enquiries call Clea on 9704 7388



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Hillsmeade Primary School is raising funds. Here's how you can help...

Help yourself to your Membership before the **23<sup>RD</sup> JULY for your chance to win the Ultimate Melbourne getaway!** The Prize is a 2 night stay in a one bedroom apartment at **Melbourne Short Stay Apartments,** Pre-Theatre dinner for 2 at the incredible **Ezard** restaurant before enjoying the best show in town, **Mamma Mia.** 

This prize is worth over \$700, ten times your investment!!

# **SUPPORT US NOW!**

# COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



Ormond rd, Narre Warren South Instructor : VIJI RAJENDRAN tel: 0401 182 966



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# JUNIOR & SENIOR SEASON 2018/19 REGISTRATION DAYS SATURDAY 11TH AUGUST 9am - 12noon SATURDAY 25TH AUGUST 9am - 12noon

# 3 Turf and 3 Synthetic Senior Teams And up to 14 Junior Teams (U11 to U17) Berwick Springs Reserve Club Rooms Glasscocks Rd, Berwick Springs, Melways Ref 130 G6

Please note: Pre-filled out registration forms are available for existing members to sign on the day, otherwise for new members refer to our web site for a copy of the current registration form or pickup one on the day.

## **A Friendly Reminder**

If you are picking up your child early or they are unwell, please let the office staff know if OSHC needs to be cancelled for the day. If you would like to place an advertisement in the newsletter please see the friendly office team.