



**School Ends 2:30PM -  
Friday 21st Sept. Please  
pick up students by  
2:45PM**

# The Link

Hillsmeade Primary School Newsletter

Issue No 28—WED 12th SEPT

TERM 3  
**2018**



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
10th SEPT	11th SEPT Maths Games Night 5:00PM-7:00PM	12th SEPT Hoop time 3/4 8:45AM-2:00PM	13th SEPT	14th SEPT Summer Lightning Prem 9:00AM-2:45PM Electives
17th SEPT Parent Teacher Interviews (Bookings via Compass) Year 3-6 Assembly—John Coutis 9:15AM Book Fair	18th SEPT Parent Teacher Interviews (Bookings via Compass) Book Fair	19th SEPT Parent Teacher Interviews (Bookings via Compass) Book Fair	20th SEPT Grade 1 Sustainability Morning 9:00AM Yeah 4 Calligraphy Expo 2:30PM BYOD Information Session in the Library 'Self –Regulation' Parent Workshop 6:30-7:30PM Book Fair	21st SEPT Footy Day 1:45PM Whole School Assembly in Gym <b><u>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL ENDS 2:30PM - Please pick up students by 2:45PM</u></b>



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Final payment for G2 2 Science

Discovery Dome is Due:

**FRIDAY 12TH OCT**

**MIDNIGHT**



<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CONSENT/PAYMENT DUE</u>	<u>EVENT DATE</u>
Alexandra Adventure Camp - Grade 4	<b>31/5/2018</b> <b>(CLOSED)</b>	Wednesday, October 24 - 09:00 AM— Friday, October 26 - 03:30 PM
Grade 2- Camp Manyung	<b>31/08/2018</b> <b>(CLOSED)</b>	Monday, December 17 - 09:00 AM— Tuesday, December 18 - 03:30 PM
Hoop Time (Basketball) Grade 3/4	<b>05/09/2018</b> <b>(CLOSED)</b>	Wednesday, September 12 - 08:45 AM— 03:00PM
Summer Lightening Prem	<b>07/09/2018</b> <b>(CLOSED)</b>	Friday, September 14 - 09:00 AM—02:45 PM
Science Discovery Dome Gr 2 Incursion	<b>12/10/2018</b>	Monday, October 22 2018 Sessions running throughout the day

### \* 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 Thursday 23rd OCTOBER departing from the front office at 10AM.



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy Week 9 everyone. I hope that you have all had a wonderful week. We are coming up to the end of Term 3 and wow have we had some exciting events taking place.



## Mathematics Dress Up Day and Games Night

A big congratulations to the students and staff that dressed up in awesome mathematics inspired outfits on Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of September. It was wonderful to see giant playing cards, tens frames, friends of ten and dice running around. A big congratulations to Jess Szalek (Numeracy Learning Specialist) for coordinating a wonderful community event. It was beautiful weather, and fantastic to see students and families taking part in the great activities on offer. There was a great competitive buzz around the yard as families engaged in the scavenger hunt. A big well done to our prize winners. Thank you to staff for staying behind to set up and facilitate the activities. Another wonderful event at Hillsmeade Primary School.



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### Year 6 Camp

I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you some amazing feedback we received about our Year 6 students and staff. Last week we had over 80 Year 6 students participate in the Canberra Camp. We have received positive feedback from the camp organisers, businesses and even the bus drivers about the manners, attitude and respect of our students. I was very proud to hear this. Thank you very much to staff who attended the camp, Toni Barker, Jess Szalek, Travis Cole, Crystal Wells, Belinda Catanese and pre-service teacher Tyler Neil. A big thank you to Toni Barker who coordinated the entire organisation of this camp, the many hours, presentations and budgeting is appreciated.

### Lamont Book Fair

A reminder that the Book Fair has arrived. Classes have been visiting the Book Fair this week during class time to make their wish lists. A big thank you to the senior grades who have been supporting our younger students with this process. The books this year look fantastic. The books are very reasonably priced and a commission from the sales supports our school in strengthening our in class libraries. There are book prizes to be won and you will receive a raffle ticket in this draw when you make a purchase!

The Book Fair will be open for sales from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September from 8:30am – 9:00am and after school from 3:30pm.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

A reminder that parent teacher interviews are happening next week. This term we are conducting all of the interviews in the main building. This means that all classrooms will have 2 – 3 teachers per room conducting the interviews.

Please try to make an appointment to see your child's classroom teacher. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate student achievement and also set goals around future areas of need. Our specialist teachers will also be available, so please take the time to visit.

The Book Fair will be open for sales during the parent teacher interviews.

### ELC enrolments

We are excited to announce that we currently have 101 confirmed kindergarten enrolments for 2019.

Congratulations to the hardworking ELC staff and their commitment to supporting the local community.

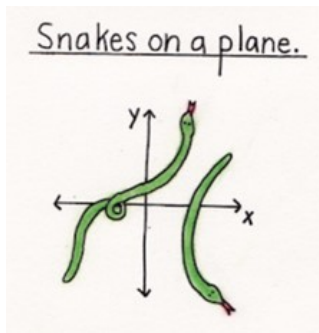
### Prep 2019 enrolments

Currently we have 74 Preps enrolled for 2019. A reminder that we are taking enrolments now and that transition planning is underway. Our next school tour will be taking place on Tuesday October the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am starting at the front office.

### John Coutis Guest Speaker

This Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September, we will have the privilege of welcoming motivational guest speaker, John Coutis. John spoke at the Young Leaders forum earlier in the year and was a highlight. John will be speaking to our Year 3 – 6 students and also running a session with our Year 6 Student Leaders. We are very excited about this opportunity to welcome John to our school. <http://www.johncoutis.com/>

### Maths Monday Pun Day



### Thank you

A big thank you to Gardening Club. The salad and sandwich was amazing. I will definitely be putting future lunch orders in.



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### **Nude Food Day Tuesday September 18th**

The SRC have organised a Nude Food Day on Tuesday the 18th of September. This was something the SRC saw as a way of helping to reduce litter at Hillsmeade. On Monday the 17th of September, classes will be collecting wrappers in their grade, counting them and using this information to make a comparison with the rubbish collected on Nude Food Day. Nude Food options include reusable containers and reduced plastic wrappers in lunchboxes. Hopefully we will see a visible difference in the amount of rubbish collected on the 18th. We hope to use this to generate a discussion about how we can all make a difference at Hillsmeade to minimise waste and do something positive for the planet. Thank you for your cooperation with this SRC initiative.



### **RUOK? Day – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Staying connected and having meaningful conversations is something we can all do. You don't need to be an expert - just a good friend and a great listener. So, if you notice someone who might be struggling - start a conversation. Conversations need to happen every day. This Thursday, as part of our social and emotional learning programs, we will be encouraging more people to ask "R U OK?" in our school, workplace and community. For more information about this important initiative, please visit <https://www.ruok.org.au/>

## Remember these 4 steps to starting a conversation



1. Ask R U OK?



2. Listen



3. Encourage action



4. Check in

## FROM MS PARMENTER - GR 1/E

On Saturday, September 8th a few Hillsmeade teachers including myself were lucky enough to attend the 'Resilient Kids Conference'. Five experts spoke throughout the day, on topics such as; building resilience, growing up online and raising thankful kids. Some standout speakers were Dr Justin Coulson who spoke about building resilience. His main message outlined having a support network and adults who put in quality time with them. The day finished with Dannielle Miller's presentation on gratitude and raising thankful kids. Dannielle's main message, that taking time to feel grateful for all that we have and to show children how to pay forward acts of kindness, is one that I am so excited to teach within my classroom.

For more information and tips  
[ruok.org.au](https://www.ruok.org.au)

**RUOK?**  
A conversation could change a life.

This Friday afternoon is our Electives program for our junior students.

Have a great week everyone!

**Jodie Bray - Principal**

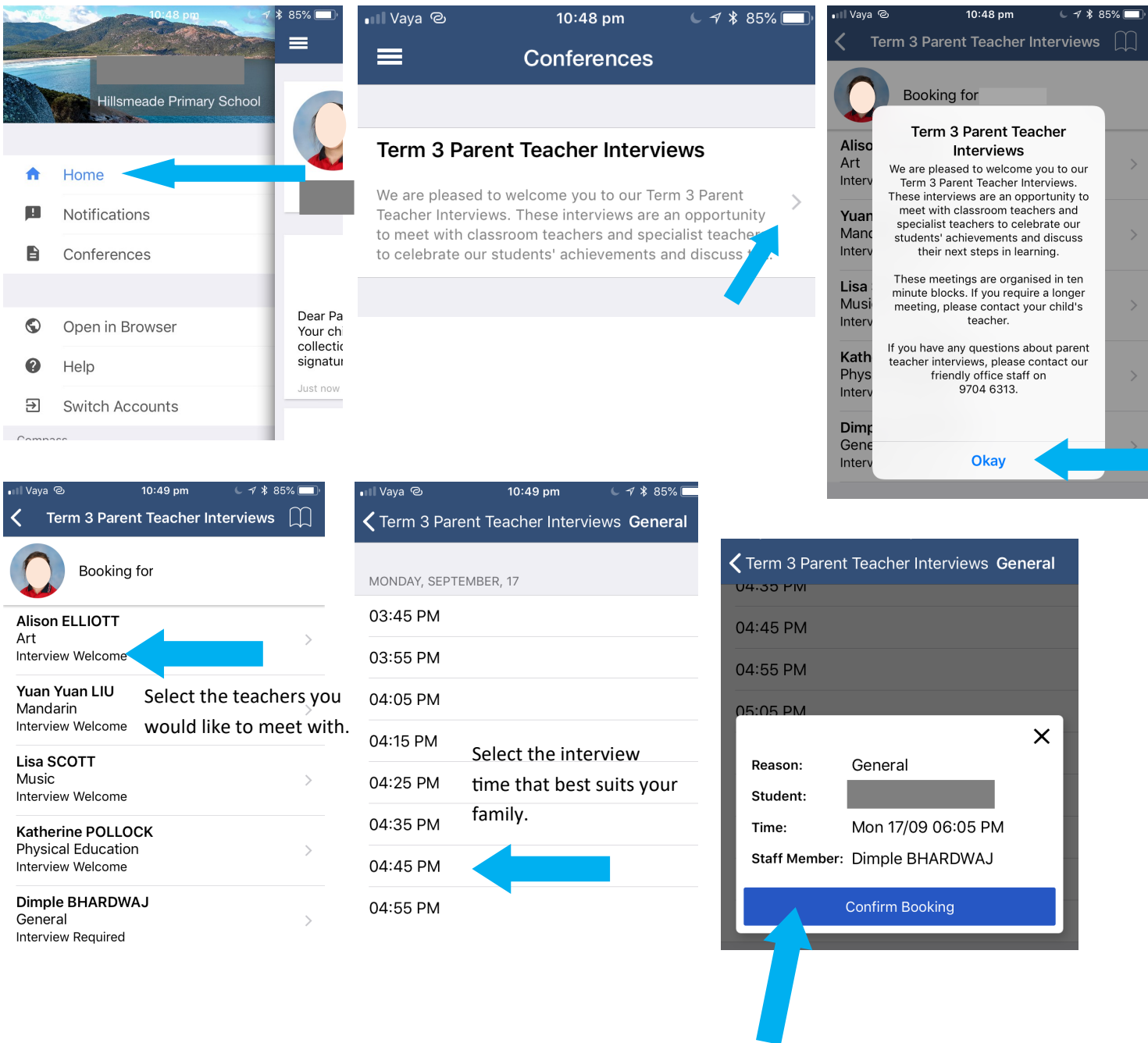
# TERM 3 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Term 3 Parent Teacher Interviews will be held after school, from 3:45pm until 6:30pm, on the 17th, 18th & 19th of September.

These are an excellent opportunity for teachers, parents and students to meet to reflect upon and celebrate the growth students have made in their learning.

Interviews are scheduled in 10 minute intervals. If you require a longer meeting, please contact your child's teacher to discuss how this may be accommodated.

All interviews will be held in the main building. A map to direct you to the correct classroom will be available in the main office from Monday, 17th September.



# TERM 3 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

All parent teacher interviews will be held in the main building.

Please find below the location of your parent teacher interview.





## Hillsmeade Primary School Managed Laptop Program

*Parent Information Session Thursday 20 September, 2018. 5:30pm-6:00pm.*

**2018 Grade 5/6 Students**

**Location: School Library**

### About the Laptop Program

A 'Laptop Program' provides students with personal portable computers to enhance opportunities for learning. The program helps schools engage the digital generation by nurturing individual learning experiences. This approach can increase independence and self-initiated learning in students and extend their learning beyond the classroom.

Learning experiences across the school are purposefully designed to develop the attributes of a global learner. In this way, each student learns to develop and demonstrate the knowledge, skills and practices required in the digital world. The intent is to provide our students with "anywhere, anytime" inclusive, engaging learning.

### Why Hillsmeade Primary School implements a student laptop program

Hillsmeade's Laptop Program provides an environment where grade 5/6 students have the **option** to have access to a personal laptop computer as well as digital content and educational software. Benefits of the school laptop program include: increasing student engagement in learning, personalising instruction and facilitating student collaboration. Students will have immediate access to resources and information on the World Wide Web.

#### Student Requirement for the Laptop Program

- Students will be able to work with the laptops at school
- Students will be able to take the laptop home and return it the next day
- It will be the students' responsibility to return the laptop fully charged the next day
- **Students will be required to strictly observe the 'Internet Use and Technology Policy' of the school**

The managed laptop program is **not** a school requirement and the purchasing of a personal laptop is at the discretion of the parent/guardian. Students who do not purchase a personal laptop will have access to the school supplied laptops and IPADs provided in each class.

If you are unable to attend the information session and you have any questions regarding the program for 2018 please contact the school on 9704 6313.

## FROM MR CARDAMONE

Good afternoon Hillsmeade community,

I hope the week has been well.

A big congratulations to our I RESPECT wristband recipients Tushar C, Lachlan M, Keely O, Eszter S, Mikayla R, Toby and Livinia B.

Please vote for our Pick My Project! It would be a great addition to our school to add some awesome fitness resources. A flyer will be going out this week with more information on how to vote. Voting closes this Monday, so you have time over the weekend to do it as a family. You need to be 16 years or older, so that means older brothers and sisters can also vote!

This week our gardeners got together to have an amazing lunch in the staff room to celebrate our achievement in growing our very own vegetables. We had the opportunity to have fresh sandwiches and talk about the process of our gardening from start to finish (in our bellies). We also spoke about our next plan of attack. We plan to introduce tomatoes, strawberries, grapes, passion fruit and we spoke about planting fruit trees around. This is very exciting for Hillsmeade as it shows that our children love to get involved, be around nature and learn valuable life lessons.

As you can see Lachlan made Mrs Bray a lovely lunch which she enjoyed very much, I think she put another order in for this week!

Which brings us to this week's topic of **GARDENING!**

The benefits of gardening are massive, we know growing your own fruit and vegetables are not only better for you, but can do amazing things from a mental health point of view and to add to that it keeps you fit.

Some of the benefits include:

- Health and fitness
- Exposure to vitamin D
- Can be a stress relief
- Be a life experience and learning for our children
- Can help with social development when done in small groups
- Can build family connections working on a project together
- Many benefits to our mental health, lots of research says that gardening helps combat anxiety and depression
- Fresh and tasty vegetables
- Can build positive habits

- Better understanding where our food comes from

Wow!!!! All this from gardening and much more. For me personally I do gardening at home and I love it. I am planning to have little Vincent to join in as I believe this can build a stronger family connection. You might be saying 'I don't have a big enough yard, well there's all kinds of different ways to do gardening '.

- Gardens beds
- Raised garden
- Wall garden
- Indoor plants
- Pots

And many more...

I would be more than happy to assist you with any more information on gardening and how this can benefit you and your family. Thank you.

**John Cardamone**

**Leading Teacher in Social and Emotional Learning**



## PARENT WORKSHOP Self Regulation

Hillsmeade Primary School is very excited to present our next parent workshop. This workshop will be presented by John Cardamone (Leading Teacher Social & Emotional Learning) and Crystal Wells (Acting Assistant Principal Wellbeing).

**What:** 'Self- Regulation'

**When:** 20<sup>th</sup> of September 6:30pm – 7:30pm

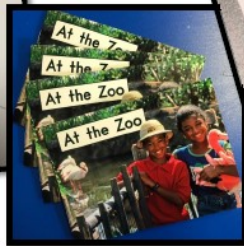
**Where:** Hillsmeade Primary School staffroom

**Cost: NO COST**

Don't forget to sign up!

# Literacy Lab

In term 3 we have started the Prep Literacy Support program. The lessons involve exploring letters and sounds, high-frequency words, reading multiple books and writing. It is very busy but lots of fun! Here are some examples of our work and the activities we have been involved with.



THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

# SPECTACULAR



We just want to wish the following students good luck with their dance performance on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September at the Hisense Arena:

Mikayla R, Eszter S, Harleen K, Lina N, Lucy P, Rita A, Harleen K, Scarlett G, Taylor H, Tyrese R, Senithi E, Annabella W, Aleisha M

You have worked so hard and should be proud of the commitment, teamwork, persistence and enthusiasm that you have shown.

[www.ticketek.com.au/spectacular/](http://www.ticketek.com.au/spectacular/)

## 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**

***Limited places available for 2019 ,  
3 year kinder program at the Early  
Learning Centre.***

***Cost per term is \$340.00.***

***Session times : Monday 1.15pm  
to 3.45pm and  
Wednesday 8.30am to 11.00am  
each week.***

***Please visit the ELC for enrolment  
forms.***





# AN INVITATION TO OUR BOOK FAIR!

**Where:** Hillsmeade Primary School

Library

**Date:** 17th - 20th September 2018

**Time:** 8:30-9:00am & 3:30-4:30pm



**Don't miss out!**

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supports our school!



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## HILLSMEADE HEROES:

00A Subaga S	1A Ethan H Sean A	2A Matthew C Duarte S	3A Jaycea C	4A Mark S Nicolas Z	5B Milad A Jayel A	6A Nadia A
00B Anna P Angus S	1B Jayden H Ashton M	2B Kishen S Aisha R	3B Samuel L Luca H	4B Mia D Zarah A	5C Kurapoto A Bahara q	6B Kamran A
00C Charli C Vahin M	1C Lex W Kingston D Deniz H	2C Mortaza A Victoria C	3C Logan K Sienna W	4C Ali S Nadia K	5D Jordan N Neeraja R	6C Afshin H
00D Jisella A Alex R	1E Sinem O Sienna F	2D April M Cameron T Reuben B		4D Ilir S Ananya T		6D Ahmad R
00E Olivia M Azlan J	1F Ayaan G Grace G	2E Ethan T Aydin M Yaree A Aahil S		4E Wyatt T Chloe H		6E Levi C Toran F Annabella W
00F Mozdha S Jeremi		2F Pranaali P Chase C				
		2G Cooper K Feda H				

# FOOTY COLOURS DAY

## SHOW YOUR TRUE COLOURS!

**GOLD COIN DONATION**

HILLSMEADE PRIMARY SCHOOL WELCOMES  
FOOTY COLOURS DAY  
NEXT FRIDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> OF SEPTEMBER.

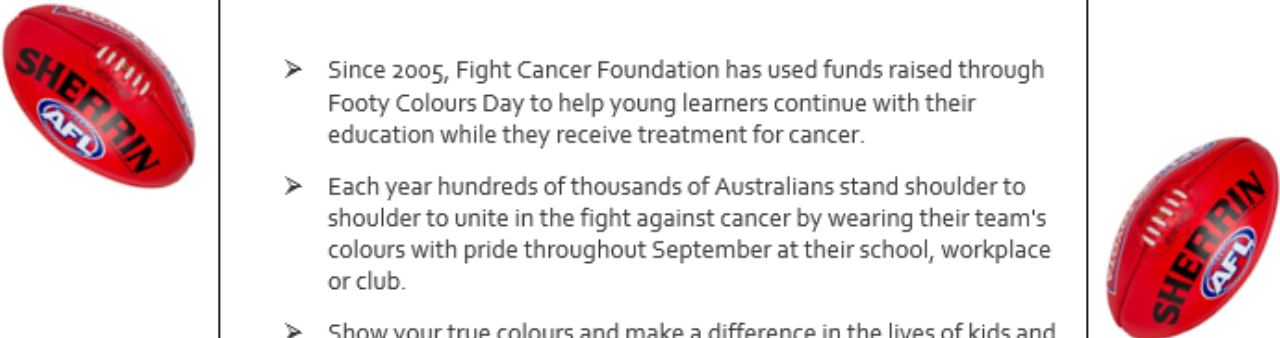
- Since 2005, Fight Cancer Foundation has used funds raised through Footy Colours Day to help young learners continue with their education while they receive treatment for cancer.
- Each year hundreds of thousands of Australians stand shoulder to shoulder to unite in the fight against cancer by wearing their team's colours with pride throughout September at their school, workplace or club.
- Show your true colours and make a difference in the lives of kids and young people living with cancer - register your Footy Colours Day activity and you can find fundraising tips and ideas about how to make your event bigger than the grand final.

MORNING PARADE!

LONGEST KICK COMPETITION!

TEACHERS VS STUDENTS AFL MATCH!

HANDBALL COMPETITION!



**DRESS IN YOUR TEAM COLOURS AND BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION TO HELP US 'FIGHT CANCER'.**



**FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**SEPTEMBER, 2018**  
**(LAST DAY OF TERM 3)**



## FROM THE COMMUNITY



# Teenage School Holiday Program

BOOKINGS OPEN  
WEDNESDAY 29 AUGUST 2018



## YOUTH SERVICES

[www.trybooking.com/XQYF](http://www.trybooking.com/XQYF)



**David Marchesani**  
M 0430 580 788  
E [david@kellysports.com.au](mailto:david@kellysports.com.au)

**HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

## Cranbourne SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Sports orientated holiday program designed for children to emphasise fun, enjoyment and maximum participation.

**WHERE** Cranbourne Indoor Sports Centre  
14 Smethurst St Cranbourne 3977

**WHO** Ages 4 - 12 years

**WHEN** WEEK 1 : Wednesday 26th Thursday 27th September  
WEEK 2 : Wednesday 3rd Thursday 4th October  
8:00am – 5:00pm daily

**INFO** Spring Holiday Program!

Enjoy your school holidays this Spring with Kelly Sports. These programs are designed to help kids develop basic skills such as kicking, throwing and catching, all in a fun engaging and exciting environment. Sports included are Basketball, Netball, Cricket, Soccer, Football, Hockey Dodgeball and loads of fun Games.

- Friendly and experienced coaches teaching skills and providing an exciting and safe environment
- Lots of variety to ensure your child will have loads of fun each week.
- Challenges and skill progression ensuring learning

**COST** \$45 inc. gst per day

**ENROL** TWO WAYS TO ENROL

1. Online: [www.kellysports.com.au](http://www.kellysports.com.au) and enter the events postcode, 3977. (Preferred Method)
2. Call or Email David (contact details above)

**WHY NOT TRY?**

**A KELLY SPORTS BIRTHDAY PARTY!**

Let us organise all the games and activities for your child's party. We can tailor the event to include all of your sport preferences.  
For more info go to: [www.kellysports.com.au](http://www.kellysports.com.au)

A young tabby cat was found on school premises over the weekend. The cat had no collar or ID. Please contact the school if you think this may be your cat.



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.

If you would like to place an advertisement in the newsletter please see the friendly office team.