

HERNE HILL Primary School



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Newsletter #7

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Extra Curricular Calendar

MARCH

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| Friday 16th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 3-6 House Athletics Day at Goldsworthy Reserve |
| Tuesday 20th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Council |
| Friday 23rd | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cross Country |
| Tuesday 27th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5-6 GPAC Excursion Easter Picnic at Rippleside Park 5:30pm-6:30pm |
| Wednesday 28th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Term for Students |
| Thursday 29th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff First Aid Training Offsite. No Students |
| Friday 30th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good Friday (Public Holiday) |

APRIL

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| Monday 16th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 2 Starts |
| Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 3/4 Maldon Camp |

From The Principal's Desk

Welcome back to all students and families after the long weekend. I hope you all enjoyed some relaxation and family time over the extended break. Students have settled in well to the week and are continuing to produce quality work, both within and beyond the classroom.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

Our school athletic sports for grades 3-6 will be held on tomorrow, **Friday 16th of March** at Goldsworthy Reserve. This is another great opportunity for students to participate in activities beyond the classroom. We know all students will participate with enthusiasm and will represent their House to an exemplary standard.

House Colours

Barwon

Corio

Flinders

Moorabool

BULLYING. NO WAY!

At Herne Hill Primary School, we continually aim to create a supportive and safe school environment for everyone. This week all students and staff will sign a pledge against 'Bullying' and this will be displayed as part of our Kidsmatter wall.

Sometimes it can be difficult for parents and carers to know what to do when their child talks to them about bullying. You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

- Listen calmly and get the full story
- Reassure your child that they are not to blame
- Ask your child what they want to do about it and how you can help
- Contact the school
- Check in regularly with your child
- Visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Congratulations to all students who have been achieving excellence with their school attendance so far this year.

As we move towards the end of term one, it is also important that we remember the significance of regular attendance at school. This is one of the most important things you can do to ensure your success at school and in the future.

When a child misses school, it is not only their academic progress that is affected, they also miss important social interactions with peers which can impact on social learning and self esteem.

A child who is absent one day of school per week, misses and equivalent to a terms learning for the year. The equates to almost 2.5 years of schooling between Prep and year 10.

A child who is 30 minutes late each day misses equivalent to 17 days school per year.

We understand there are days where students are unwell or significant events may lead to absence, however it is important that schools are notified for documentation and accountability purposes immediately upon return.

Please remember "Everyday Matters" and "Learning starts at 9.00am".

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 20th March** where the 2018 office bearers will be elected.

This will be followed by our regular school council meeting.

ROAD SAFETY

A further reminder to all students and parents about road safety during drop off and pick up times. It is really important that parents are supervising students crossing the road during these times and that school crossings are used appropriately in designated areas. There has been a number of unsafe situations recently with students crossing roads in an unsafe and inappropriate manner. Can parents please speak to their children about this at home to reinforce the discussions at school.

Report Continued on next page.

From the Principal's Desk Continued...

PICKING UP & DROPPING OFF CHILDREN AROUND SCHOOLS.

For the safety of children, parents are reminded to take care and obey parking signs when picking up or dropping off children around schools. Council's Parking & Information Officers regularly patrol school areas during start and finish times and motorists detected breaching parking regulations risk being issued with a Penalty Infringement Notice.

Remember, as soon as you stop to let your children in or out of the car, you are deemed to be parked. You do not have to leave your car or turn the engine off to be fined so please ensure you are parked in a legal parking area.

At children's crossings, you must remain stationary at the stop line while any person (including an adult or the supervisor) is on the crossing or the stop sign is displayed. Do not let your child alight at this time, ensure that they wait until you are safely and legally parked.

If you breach a parking regulation the Parking & Information Officer assigned to monitor the crossing will usually record your registration number and details, and the Penalty Infringement Notice will be posted to you within the next three days.

INQUIRY LEARNING

Herne Hill Primary School has a focus on structured, purposeful inquiry that engages students actively in their own learning. Inquiry learning is a learning process initiated by students, supported by the teacher who moves students from their current level of understanding to a new deeper level of understanding.

Students are invited to investigate by formulating questions, designing research, experimentation, observation and analysis that will help them find their own responses and resolutions. Inquiry allows students understanding of the world to develop in a manner and at a rate that is individualised and unique to that student. Students are supported to make meaning from the world around them by drawing on prior knowledge, by providing new experiences and by providing time and opportunity for reflection and consolidation.

What does Inquiry look like?

- Exploring, wondering and questioning
- Experimenting and playing with possibilities
- Making connections between prior and current learning
- Making predictions and acting purposefully to see what happens
- Collecting data
- Clarifying meaning
- Deepening understanding through application of concept, knowledge or skills
- Designing and testing theories
- Researching and seeking information
- Solving problems in a variety of ways

You Can Do It

Shaun Ezard, Principal

Parents and Friends Association



EASTER RAFFLE

The first Parents and Friends fundraiser for 2018 is an Easter Hamper Raffle. There will be a number of draws.

All families should have received a book of 10 tickets worth \$10.00 (raffle tickets are \$1 each).

More tickets available at the office.

The raffle will be drawn on **Monday 26th of March 2018.**

Could all raffle tickets (sold and unsold) and money be returned to school by **Friday 23rd of March.**

We are also collecting donations for the hampers, so please drop these off at the school office by **Thursday 22nd March.**



SPECIAL EASTER TREAT

Order forms have gone home today with today's newsletter about a special Easter treat for students.

On **Tuesday 27th March 2018**, at morning recess at a cost of \$2.00. This will consist of a cold hot cross bun and an Easter egg. Forms need to be returned by **9am on Monday 26th March.**

Student News

Hello,

I would like to begin by thanking Zoe for helping the Student News report during Boris's absence.

By now families should have received their school photographs. In our opinion everyone looked 'on point'. In other exciting news the graduating class of 2018 got their Grade Six jumpers on Tuesday, we were all really excited and look forward to some cooler weather so we can wear them regularly.

Just a reminder that our annual Easter Picnic is on Tuesday the 27th of March. We encourage all families to come along because there will be CHOCOLATE involved!

The House Athletics for Grades 3-6 is on tomorrow. We would love to see a sea of colour on display so we are asking all students to wear your house colours, cheer as loud as you can and take pride in your team!

The entire school sounded so incredible at Assembly during our performance of 'Inanay'. It was great to be a part of and we thank Mrs Gilbert for all of her preparations.

Have a great week everyone!

Adriana and Zoe
Student Leaders



Herne Hill Easter Picnic 2018



Herne Hill Easter Picnic

Tuesday 27th March

Rippleside Park

Bell Parade, Rippleside

5:30pm - 6:30pm

BYO picnic dinner (no alcohol)

The Easter egg hunt begins at 5:30pm

We hope you can come along!



3/4 Alert to Our Parents

★ Camp Reminders ★

Maldon Blue Light Camp information has been sent home.

Just a reminder could the medical and dietary information please be returned to school as soon as possible to help with the camp organisation.

Don't forget to catch up with Karen or Astrid in the office for camp payment. The total cost of the camp is \$250.

★ Bikes, bikes, bikes, bikes, bikes, bikes... ★

Keep those old and loved bikes coming (any bike part will do). We need as much as you can find or give.

Remember, these bikes can be in any condition; rusty, un-kept, working, non-working, they can be parts of bikes such as frames, wheels, rims, bike seats etc. If you have anything or know of someone that has an old bike the 3/4 team need these as part of the students learning for term 2.

You can drop off your old bikes or any bike piece at Herne Hill PS. Just look for Mr Ezard or any of the 3/4 staff.



*A big thanks to everyone,
from the 3/4 teaching team.*



Wellbeing Matters

KidsMatter Recognition!!

Herne Hill Primary has been recognised as an accredited KidsMatter School! Our Action Team and all staff have been working hard on all things wellbeing over the past 4 years. We will be presented with our KidsMatter plaque at assembly on April 30th. We will have a celebratory morning tea after assembly, for all parents.



Please take the time to look at our new **KidsMatter Display** in the corridor (opposite Mrs Johnston's office). You will see the sorts of things we do at school to that promote positive mental health.

KidsMatter is a national framework that guides our work. It helps us to work out what is most important to assist our children to be happy in their own skin, to build their resilience and importantly, be ready to learn.

It is based around 4 important components: Building a Positive School Community, Social and Emotional Learning, Working with Parents and Carers and Helping Children with Mental Health difficulties.

KidsMatter Action Team

Our Action Team members are Shane Ezard, Fiona Anderson, Amy Murray, Julie Ryan and Janet Johnston, Lisa De Groot, Tanya Profaca and Leza Daniels. The Action Team helps to plan our wellbeing directions at Herne Hill PS.



KidsMatter



Happy, calm children learn best



★ Star of the Week ★

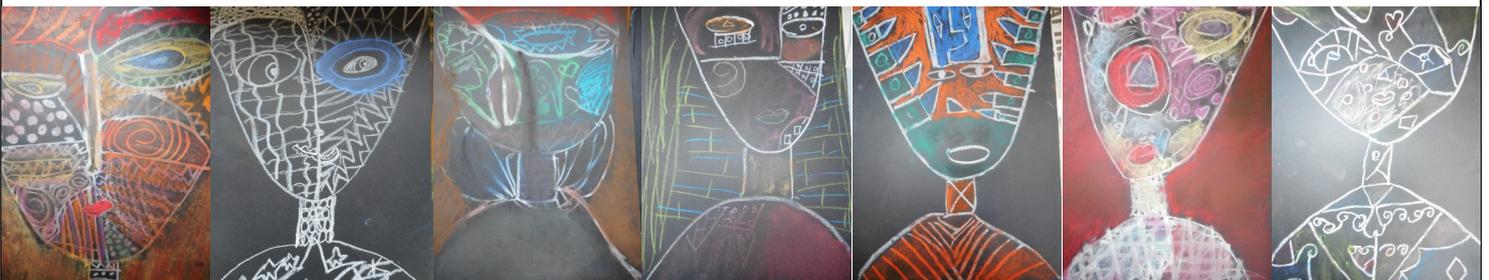
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| PREP B Oliver T | For being a star prep! | PREP M Mason G | For always trying so hard to do the right thing and stay on the green. |
| 1/2B Georgia D | For being an enthusiastic participant in our mini beast incursion. | 1/2G Lucinda J | For having such a positive attitude towards learning. Well done Lucinda! |
| 3/4D Aayan K | You continually strive to reach your learning goals. Keep up this fantastic work ethic! | 3/4L Charlie D & Sam R | For being kind and caring people. I love the way you help each other. |
| 3/4W Cooper H | For his wonderfully positive attitude and growth mindset. Well done Cooper! | 5/6B Jada B | Challenging herself with her spelling. |
| 5/6C Zackery H | For showing great leadership at our Lightning Premiership Softball competition. | 5/6S Lilly S | Demonstrating initiative and using her learning time effectively. |
| LANGUAGE SUPPORT Kan R | Using cues to work out unknown words. | PHYS ED Boris K & Adriana C | For outstanding athletics preparations! |
| VISUAL ARTS Milly E | For giving up your own time to sew our 5/6 possum skin together. You are a very generous person. | VISUAL ARTS Blake S | For a fantastic grasshopper mini beast. Well done. |
| PERFORMING ARTS Logan Z | His enthusiasm and great singing in Performing Arts. | PRINCIPAL Charlie D | Great attitude towards and participation in the tennis clinic. |

Art Activities

3/4 Students have been researching important Geelong women in history. In Art they painted a portrait of these women. Students learnt about proportions of the face.



1/2 Students created a self portrait using line, shape and colour. Students made some great patterns.



Canteen News

Our next Meal Deal is PIZZA ROLLS! (Large bread roll with a pizza topping) Provided by Routley's. Cost \$5. Each meal includes a smartie cookie and fruit juice drink. Please return form and money no later than 9am Tuesday 20th March 2018.