

HERNE HILL Primary School



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Newsletter #7

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events and activities.

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From The Principal's Desk

LOCK DOWN PROCEDURE

Tomorrow, Herne Hill Primary School will have a practice Lock Down Procedure across the whole school and kindergarten community. These procedures are a great opportunity to ensure that the safety measures we have in place are sufficient in the unlikely event of an actual emergency.

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All visitors and parents entering the school during school hours need to ensure they are coming in through the office area. It is important for safety and emergency management procedures, we are aware of people entering the school. This needs to be followed also if you are collecting your children early, delivering messages or dropping off lunches.

PARENT FORUM

Our next parent forum will be held on **Friday 22nd March at 2.15pm** prior to assembly. This is a great opportunity for parents to reflect, question and discuss processes and procedures at Herne Hill Primary School. Parent and Community voice is extremely important and we encourage as many parents as possible to attend. The discussions will focus on sharing our 2019 Annual Implementation Plan.

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 in as part of our 'Well Being' 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.

1. Listen calmly and get the full story
2. Reassure your child that they are not to blame
3. Ask your child what they want to do about it and how you can help
4. Contact the school
5. Check in regularly with your child

6. Visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

CULTURAL DIVERSITY WEEK

Cultural Diversity Week is next week (16-24th of March) and Herne Hill PS is preparing to celebrate!

Since the traditional owners first inhabited the land, Victoria's cultural diversity has continued to evolve and shape our identity. While the many cultures of Victoria's First Peoples remain in continuous connection to this land, successive waves of migration have seen people from all over the world arrive to our state. Today, almost half of Victorians were either born overseas or have at least one parent who was born overseas. We come from 200 countries, speak over 260 languages and follow more than 130 different faiths. Victoria is considered one of the most successful multicultural societies in the world. Multiculturalism is a part of the Victorian identity, character and way of life. This is our multicultural story. It is part of who we are as Victorians.

On **Thursday, 21st March** (Harmony Day), all learners have the chance to wear a coloured t-shirt as a way of recognising the diversity within our community. Please wear your favourite coloured t-shirt to school to celebrate the idea that we are all different and that these differences help make our country, state and community GREAT! This is not a fundraiser so no donations are required. Learners will also work with their 'buddy grades' over the course of the week to recognise diversity through shared learning experiences.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING A SEA OF COLOUR RIGHT ACROSS THE SCHOOL!

Extra Curricular Calendar

MARCH

Friday 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5/6 North Geelong SC Transition Visit
Monday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5/6 Western Heights SC Transition Visit
Thursday 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear your favourite coloured shirt for Cultural Diversity Week
Friday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Cross Country • Parent Forum at 2:15pm
Tuesday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3/4 Healthy Heroes (BioLab) Incursion • School Council AGM & Meeting
Wednesday 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/2 'Health & Hydration' Incursion • 5/6 RAAF Museum Excursion

APRIL

Tuesday 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 3-6 House Athletics
Wednesday 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Herne Hill Easter Picnic 5pm-6pm at Ripplside
Thursday 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 5/6 Girl's Footy
Friday 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last Day of Term 1



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From the Principal's Desk... Continued

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

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

As we move into the last three weeks 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 and 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 that 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".

STAFF CAR PARK

For safety reasons, it is important that parents and community members are not accessing the staff car park before, during or after school hours. These parks need to be available for staff who are leaving and returning to the school for curricular activities and meetings throughout the day. It is important also that the traffic in this area is limited for the safety of the children and the community. Please using other marked designated parking areas around the school.

We also continue to have feedback from neighbours in regards to illegal parking during school drop off and pick up times. We understand this is a busy time, but it would be appreciated if we are not parking across driveways and on nature strips.

A recent audit has confirmed that we have ample parking spaces around our school for our school population.

You Can Do It
Shane Ezard, Principal

Save the Date

Tuesday 3rd
September

- School Concert at the Geelong Arena

Student News

Hello to the wonderful people of the Herne Hill community,

Wow! This week has gone so fast because of the curriculum day on Friday and the Labour Day holiday on Monday.

This meant back to schoolwork. No more watching TV and sitting on the couch. I feel as though everyone is now counting down the weeks until the end of the term.

The last two weeks have been extra special during P.E. for Grades 1-6. We have had Aero Sports come to our school and teach us gymnastics skills. This has been easy for me, only because I did gymnastics for 5 years. Gymnastics might be hard for others but it's an excellent challenge!

I just wanted to say thank-you to Mr Carracher for organising four weeks of gymnastics learning. It has been so fun for us all!

**Summer R
School Captain**

Second Hand Footy Boots Needed!

Do you have any old Footy Boots lying around the house that no longer fit? If so, Mr Carracher would love them for use in Interschool competitions for our students who don't have access a pair. All sizes and colours are needed all you need to do is give them a quick scrub and drop them in when you have a chance. Thanks



Parents and Friends Fundraising



Family portrait fundraiser

Save the date (18/05/2019) and soon you will receive information about booking a photo shoot.

Easter Hamper Raffle

We are asking all school families for a donation towards the hampers. This will be part of the raffle prizes. It can be whatever you like that is Easter related.

Raffle books have been sent home to all families a book of 10 tickets worth \$10.00 (raffle tickets are \$1 each). Raffle books available at the office.

The raffle will be drawn on **Monday 1st of April 2019.**

Could all raffle tickets (sold and unsold) and money be returned to school by **Friday 29th of March.**



Grade 1/2 Barwon River Hop on Hop off Bus Tour (7/3/2019)



Art Activities



Grade 3/4
For their inquiry, grade 3/4 students created a 3D model of their Landmarks



Star of the Week (week ending 01/03/2019)



FB Alexander W	For having a positive attitude at school!	FG Aaron A	Your happy nature is contagious! We love having you in Prep G!
3/4D Allyssa P	You are 'working up' a storm with your Monkey Mia Inquiry. Terrific research and time management.	3/4M Joseph T	For his enthusiasm to learn and for taking his work home to finish.
3/4W Momina F	For being organised, a kind soul, and a beautiful friend.	5/6B Max D	For his positive attitude at Lightning Premiership!
5/6C Eliana H	Your effort, curiosity and drive to succeed during maths sets the standard for the rest of the grade. Thank you for being such a positive role model and support person for your fellow mathematicians.	5/6O Tilly S	For being an absolute delight! You have a great attitude towards everything that you do!
VISUAL ARTS Tatiana R	For your effort and creativity when designing your 3D model of an Australian landmark. Well done Tatiana!	PERFORMING ARTS Eleni G	For her beautiful singing and dancing in Performing Arts.
		LANGUAGE Timothy W	Fantastic sounding out of words.
		PRINCIPAL Nate M	For being a kind, caring and dedicated student.

Creative Spirits Family Day Care



Creative Spirits Family Day Care is located in Gwynne St Hamlyn Heights and provides educational programs for children aged 0-12 years.

Offering Before School Care and Family Day Care starting from 7am.

Creative Spirits Family Day Care is registered through the City of Greater Geelong and caters for small groups of children in a home environment.

Fees range from \$11.75-\$14.00 per hour with the ability to claim Child Care Subsidy for a reduced rate.

For additional information and tours please contact:

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Facebook- Creative Spirits Family Day Care

Instagram- creativespiritsfdc

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Open over the school holidays
Monday-Thursday (each week)

Herne Hill Easter Picnic



Wednesday 3rd April 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Rippleside Park, Bell Parade, Rippleside

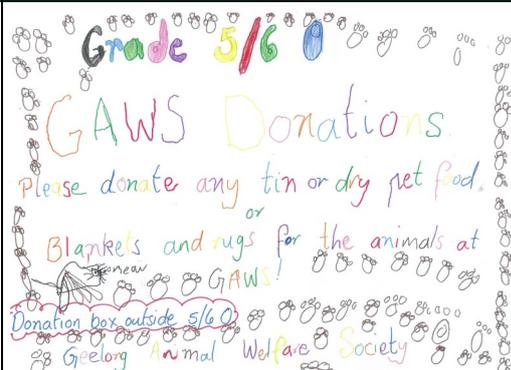
BYO picnic dinner (no alcohol)

The Easter egg hunt begins at 5:00pm

We hope you can come along!



GAWS Donations



Please donate any tin or dry pet food, blankets or rugs for the animals at GAWS! Donation box outside 5/60