

# HERNE HILL Primary School



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Newsletter #24

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## From The Principal's Desk

What another great week at Herne Hill Primary School. Students and families have had many positive opportunities to engage in extra-curricular activities and contribute to our school community in many ways. One of the many attributes that make Herne Hill Primary School such a special place for students to learn is how our school celebrates parent engagement and inclusion within our community.

### SCIENCE WEEK

This week we celebrated National Science Week at Herne Hill Primary School. This was a great opportunity to recognise the importance of Science learning now and into the future. Students were involved in many learning experiences within and beyond the classroom. Students participated in many activities including the Science Fair, a Virtual Reality Experience, building rockets as part of a buddies activities and participating in many other great opportunities throughout the week. Thanks to Mr Condemi, Mr Hobbs and all our classroom teachers for planning for such an exciting and purposeful week.

### SWIMMING

For parent planning purposes, Prep-4 Swimming will take place from the **28<sup>th</sup> of October to the 1<sup>st</sup> of November**. The program will involve students participating in an intensive 5-day program at Waterworld in Norlane. Swimming notes will be sent home later this term and we encourage all students in P-4 to participate in this program. The cost of swimming in 2019 is \$40.00 and is lower than previous years. Notes will need to be returned and full payment will be required by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> of October** for planning purposes.

### CONCERT TICKETS

A reminder to all families that concert tickets are now available for sale. Our Herne Hill School Concert will be held on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of September at 7.00pm (doors open at 6.15)** at the Geelong Arena. Tickets are \$12.00 and are available through Try Booking on the following links:

<http://www.trybooking.com/535148> or  
<http://www.trybooking.com/BELQQ>

### NATIONAL ESMART WEEK

Later this term we will acknowledge E-Smart week at Herne Hill Primary School.

National eSmart Week is a week where schools and public libraries come together to promote the smart, safe and responsible use of digital technology. Last year saw a record 1000 organisations taking part, helping to create awareness, solutions and ideas for community education on issues of cyber safety, bullying and wellbeing online and offline.

Our 5/6 students will have a presentation from police officer Robbie Noggler as well as many other learning experiences and activities across the school.

### CYBER SAFETY

Cybersafety is an important issue for young children. By the time young children arrive at school many are already online or using digital technologies. They visit their favourite websites, play games and use social media or apps.

Herne Hill Primary School recognises the need for students to be safe and responsible users of the internet and social media. We believe that explicitly teaching students about safe and responsible online behaviours is essential in the lives of students and is best taught in partnership between home and school.

To be safe online and to gain the greatest benefit from the opportunities provided through an online environment, students need to do the right thing by themselves and others online, particularly when no one is watching. Safe and responsible behaviour will be explicitly taught at our school, and parents / carers are requested to reinforce this behaviour at home. Some online activities are illegal and as such could be reported to police.

### UNIFORM POLICY –HAIR

Can we please remember that in line with our uniform policy, hair of shoulder length or longer should be put back. There are a number of students coming to school with their hair not tied back. Having your child's hair up also helps limit the contraction of head lice.

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## Extra Curricular Calendar

### AUGUST

Friday 16th	• Queenscliff Discovery Excursion
Friday 16th, 23rd, 30th	• Year 5 & 6 Puberty Sessions
Tuesday 20th- Friday 23rd	• Cottage by the Sea Camp
Wednesday 21st	• District Athletics Carnival
Friday 23rd	• Book Week Character Parade and Buddies Activities
Wednesday 28th	• 5/6 Lightning Premiership

### SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 3rd	• School Concert at the Geelong Arena
Friday 6th	• Yr 5& 6 Puberty Sessions
Monday 9th	• Grade 5/6 Vic Police Visit
Tuesday 10th	• Grade 1/2 Billy Carts Incursion • Parent information session—Vic Police
Wednesday 11th	• Grade 4 Girls Puberty Information Session at 4pm in Mr Durran's Room
Friday 13th, 20th	• Yr 6 Puberty Sessions

## From the Principal's Desk, Continued

### MUSIC FESTIVAL

Congratulations and well done to all the grade 3/4 students involved in the GPAC Music Festival today. The feedback has been very positive and you should be proud of your efforts. Thanks to Mrs Gilbert for all her hard work in planning and preparing the students for this special event.

### BOOK WEEK

A reminder that next week is 'Book Week'. Students will engage in a number of activities throughout the week to celebrate this week. The book week dress up parade will be held on **Friday August 23rd**. We look forward to seeing all the creative costumes on the day.

### STAFF CAR PARK

A reminder to all parents and students that we should not be accessing the school via the staff car park. This is extremely dangerous as staff are regularly moving in and out of the carpark for meetings and other commitments. It is important that access to the school is through one of the safe access gates around the school.

### SCHOOL FEES

Thanks to all families who have already settled their 2019 financial contributions. As the end of term 3 approaches the payment of any outstanding fees is appreciated ASAP. Please see Karen in the office if you have any questions.

### 2019 PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents were invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. It would be appreciated if families that received the survey, complete the survey before **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August** (this time has been extended).

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English.

*You Can Do It*  
*Shane Ezard, Principal*

## Herne Hill Whole School Concert - 'Tell Me a Story'

A reminder that our concert is at the Geelong Arena at 7pm on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September (doors open at 6:15pm). Tickets are \$12 per person. Herne Hill students and pre-schoolers who are comfortable to sit on an adult's knee do not need a ticket. Seating for people with a disability is available. Unlike past concerts, there is no limit on the number of tickets purchased. So please share this information with extended family and friends.

How to purchase tickets:

- Go to Compass News Feed 'Concert Ticketing Information' and click on the link 'Purchase Concert Tickets'. This will take you straight to our Try Booking concert homepage. Once on the homepage, simply follow the instructions to purchase tickets.

You can also type in / click on either of the following links  
<https://www.trybooking.com/535148> or  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BELQQ>

Tickets are selling quickly so I would suggest getting online soon to secure your preferred seats.

Please keep in mind that although students sit with their teacher and classmates during the concert, all students need to have a parent or carer in the arena seating.

Thank you,  
Karla Gilbert

## The NED Kindness Adventure

Last Friday, the whole school watched a multi-media presentation about NED's travels to Kenya. In Kenya NED was made to feel very welcome and was shown a great deal of kindness by the children and adults he met there.

The NED show celebrates diversity and kindness, which fits perfectly with our Herne Hill Primary School values.

Junior School Council have been selling the Kenyan craft items before school this week. Some of the money raised is going towards providing clean wells for water in villages in Kenya. **Last day of sales is tomorrow (Friday) morning!**

# Annual Toucan Food Appeal

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019

.....THINK OUTSIDE THE CAN!



The Geelong Food Relief Centre has been providing Emergency Food to those in need for 29 years. Working in conjunction with welfare agencies, this year 37,000 individuals will be referred to Geelong Food Relief Centre for Emergency Food Relief.

Items listed below form some of the basic food items most families choose.

We are inviting you to be part of this generous donation to provide if possible the following:

- Cereal (All Sizes) • Cake Mix • Spreads • Dry Pasta
- Canned Soups • Canned Tuna • Packet Pasta
- Canned Fruit • Noodles • Rice • Tea/Coffee
- Cling Wrap / Foil • Shampoo & Conditioner

Of course, all donations whether cans, boxes or packets are always gratefully appreciated.

Donation box is at the school office.

# Student News

Hello everyone, welcome back to another addition of Student News. I can't believe we are already into week five of term three, the year is going so fast!

If you didn't already know, this week Herne Hill PS has been celebrating Science Week. On Tuesday, we had the Science Fair with loads of amazing projects. We had slime, explosions and many models which were great to explore and play with. The whole school also had a VR experience where we got to go to a whole new virtual reality world.

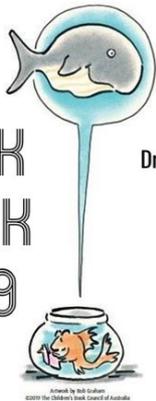
Also this week, the Grade 5/6's met with their Grade 1/2 buddies to celebrate Science Week. With a focus on space exploration, we made rockets, one with fins and one without fins to see how they would fly. Although our results were very different, we had a great time creating and testing.

The concert is also coming up soon! The Grade 5/6's are practicing once a week and we are also sorting out our costumes for our three group dances. Tickets went out on Tuesday, August 13 and we hope that as many families and friends as possible can come along and enjoy the show!

Until next time,  
Summer R

# Book Week

Reading is my  
**SECRET POWER**



BOOK  
WEEK  
2019

Dress up day  
Friday  
23rd  
August

Book Week is coming up — this year's theme is "Reading is my Superpower" - and we will be having a dress up day on **Friday the 23rd of August**.

Come dressed as a Superhero or your favourite book character! There will be a parade in the hall on Friday morning, and buddies activities throughout the day. Dress ups can be as simple as you like, anything to celebrate Children's Book Week

# Art Activities

## Prep-2 students

have been working with clay this week. Preps made a clay sculpture of a chicken and 1/2's learnt about pop artist Claes Oldenberg and made clay sculpture of food.

# Book Club

DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC  
Book Club

Wednesday 4th  
September

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# Star of the Week *(Week ending 9/08/2019)*



<b>PREP B</b> <b>Jaylon S</b>	For singing so beautifully at concert rehearsal.	<b>PREP G</b> <b>Gus R</b>	For his excellent writing during writers workshop this week. Gus, you are a star!
<b>1/2A</b> <b>Nate M</b>	For being an enthusiastic participant during school concert practice.	<b>1/2B</b> <b>Athena S</b>	Having the patience of a saint during rotations.
<b>1/2HA</b> <b>Lucas D</b>	Working hard in class to improve his reading.	<b>1/2S</b> <b>Connor W</b>	Always trying his best at school.
<b>3/4D</b> <b>Zack P</b>	You are really interested in your schooling by taking on extra learning tasks.	<b>3/4M</b> <b>Brock A</b>	For making good choices in the classroom and the playground.
<b>3/4W</b> <b>Lucas F</b>	For showing bravery, hard work and determination this week.	<b>5/6B</b> <b>Lincoln B</b>	For his amazing hard work in everything he does.
<b>5/6G</b> <b>Alex S</b>	For his great work when creating a 'popplet' for inquiry! Well done.	<b>5/6CO</b> <b>Claire G</b>	For the beautifully presented contents of her Student Led Conference folder. It was uplifting to look through it!
<b>LITERACY SUPPORT</b> <b>Phoebe R</b>	For attempting unknown words and working on her comprehension. Keep it up Phoebe.	<b>VISUAL ARTS</b> <b>Kan R</b>	For being such a lovely helper in the art room and doing your best work.
<b>PERFORMING ARTS</b> <b>Sebastian D</b>	For taking his dance moves seriously and performing them really well.	<b>PHYS ED</b> <b>Jarraah M</b>	For super honesty in all P.E sessions.
<b>PRINCIPAL</b> <b>Jackson C</b>	Singing beautifully and proudly during concert practice.	<b>COMPUTER</b> <b>Lincoln B &amp; Rafael Lakandula</b>	For controlling the traffic in PIPER!

## Living Eggs Program

## 5c and 10c Fundraiser

Over the past two weeks, our students in Prep Land have been hatching and raising baby chicks. The students have watched with their inquiring minds on as they hatched from their eggs, fluffed up and got bigger and bigger each day.

FB	FG	1/2A	1/2B	1/2H	1/2S
\$10	\$6.40	\$4.80	\$50	\$28.50	\$20.30
3/4D	3/4M	3/4W	5/6B	5/6C	5/6G
\$13.90	\$17.40	\$20	\$20	\$0	\$3.35