

# HERNE HILL Primary School



Thursday 11th March 2021

Newsletter #7

**HERNE HILL  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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**Extra Curricular Calendar**

**MARCH**

Friday 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5/6 Sovereign Hill Excursion</li> <li>3/4 Science Incursion</li> </ul>
Friday 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bullying No Way!! Take Action Together</li> </ul>
Tuesday 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Photo Day</li> </ul>
Friday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3-6 School Athletics</li> </ul>
Tuesday 30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Herne Hill Easter Picnic</li> </ul>

**APRIL**

Thursday 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Cross Country</li> <li>Last Day of Term 1</li> </ul>
Friday 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good Friday Public Holiday</li> </ul>
Monday 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Term 2 Commences</li> </ul>

**From the Principal's Desk**

Welcome back to what is going to be a short, but busy week at school. We hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend. It was nice to welcome students and families back to school on Tuesday.

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Thank you to all families who attended Tuesday's Meet and Greet, Parent/Teacher Interviews. This was an important opportunity to establish positive relationships between home and school and to ensure all students are able to maximise their social, emotional and academic outcomes. This was a great success and it was nice to see families back on school grounds.

**LOCK DOWN PROCEDURE**

Next **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>**, 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.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Order forms for our school photos have gone home this week. On this order form, Creative Exposures have provided each student with a unique code which is how to login, order and pay for your child/ren's school photos.

Order forms are not to be returned to school as orders are processed online. If any parents need help in navigating the site or any other information please contact Creative Exposures on 5255 5042.

Payments will be accepted up until midnight on the day of photography (Tuesday 23rd March). If you have misplaced your order form, please see Karen or Astrid at the office.

Family photos will need to be ordered online before 10am on photo day or family photos will not be taken.

**LOST PROPERTY**

Please ensure everything your child owns is clearly labelled. We have an accumulation of items without names. Children are asked not to bring anything to school without a name.

Please also make sure that all lost property is collected from classrooms and office area. There are some lunch boxes, drink bottles and clothing to be collected.

**JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Congratulations to the following grade 1 to 6 students who were awarded Junior School Council representatives for semester 1 2021. These students received their badges at assembly last week.

**Student Representatives**

1/2AO Lily W	1/2B Summah H
1/2M Molly J	1/2S Alvar T
3/4D Cooper M	3/4M Oliver R
3/4W Harvey F	5/6G Luca R
5/6H Isabella F	5/6K Nick R

**School Captains**

Lucy B	Joseph T
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## From the Principal's Desk Continued...

### **BEFORE SCHOOL CARE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

School support services are putting out an expression of interest for BEFORE SCHOOL CARE at Herne Hill Primary School.

If you believe you would utilise this service can you please email [bookings@schoolsupportservices.com.au](mailto:bookings@schoolsupportservices.com.au) with the days you would use so we can assess whether the program will be viable.

If enough interest is put forward, we will endeavour to have the program up and running at the start of Term 2 2021.

Before School Care operates from 7:00am – 9:00am

The session cost is \$20.03 before CCS.

### **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 couple of 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. This 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".

### **SUPPORTING STUDENTS CONFIDENCE**

#### **How confidence develops**

For most children, school means spending more time on learning and less on play. It also means more expectations of them – from parents, carers, school staff and also from themselves.

Primary school children typically start out with high expectations. When they see how well they do things compared to others, their view of their own abilities often changes. They learn that they are good at some things and not so good at others. They also see how other children and school staff respond to what they do. These things influence children's confidence in their abilities. They also influence how willing they are to have a go in situations where they feel unsure.

### **How parents and carers can help**

Confidence improves through building on small successes.

Parents and carers (and school staff) can help by:

- explaining to children that skills develop with practice
- encouraging children to persist when they don't succeed straight away
- praising effort, persistence and improvement
- making sure that goals are achievable by breaking down large tasks or responsibilities into small steps
- being ready to help when necessary, without taking over.

Encouraging children to have a go and valuing individual improvement support children's confidence.

### **Confident thinking**

Self-esteem is an important part of confidence. Having good self-esteem means accepting and feeling positive about yourself. Confidence is not just feeling good but also knowing you are good at something. Particular ways of thinking are very important for building confidence.

Helpful ways of thinking include:

- believing that, if you try, you can succeed
- finding positive ways to cope with failure that encourage having another go
- enjoying learning for its own sake by competing with your own performance rather than that of others
- making sure that goals are achievable by breaking down large tasks or responsibilities into small steps
- being ready to help when necessary, without taking over.

### **Dealing with disappointment**

Everybody fails to achieve their goals sometimes. Parents and carers (and school staff) can help by:

- responding sympathetically and with encouragement (eg "That was disappointing, but at least you had a go.")
- helping children focus on what they can change to make things better, rather than thinking that the situation is unchangeable or that there is something wrong with them (eg "What can you try that might make that work better next time?")
- challenging 'I can't' thinking by showing and saying you believe in them and reminding them of what they have achieved.

Optimistic thinking recognises what has been achieved more than what is lacking. It looks at the glass as half-full rather than half-empty. Parents and carers can help children focus on their own effort and on achieving personal goals as the best way to measure success.

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

## Happy Birthday

This week we wish

### Happy Birthday to...

Monday 8th	Frankie B
Thursday 11th	Eleni G
Sunday 14th	Stevie L Tyler W



## Strengthening Families



### Strengthening Family Connections



"We just needed a little tune up in certain things. The support has had a huge impact on our family life and how I feel as a mother."  
Strengthening Family Connections Program Participant

#### Would you like some support to manage challenges with your kids?

Strengthening Family Connections is a **FREE 8 week program** for parents and their children aged between 8 and 12 years. The program aims to build a positive family culture and strengthens connections in families, improving communication and leading to successful, confident kids and parents.

##### Benefits to parents

- Learn strategies to manage difficult behaviour
- Develop confidence to set limits and boundaries
- Long term reduction in depression and anxiety

##### Benefits to children

- Learn to understand and manage their emotions
- Learn communication and life skills
- Learn to problem solve

#### PROGRAM DETAILS

LOCATION	Herne Hill Primary School 2-24 Gwynne Street, Hamlyn Heights
DATES	28 April - 16 June, 2021
DAY/TIME	Wednesdays 2pm-4pm
CONTACT	For more information contact Janet at the school or Mandy on 5222 6911 or 0417 846 871



## Student News

Hi, my name is Lucy and I am going to be doing the student news for this week. What a great week, I can't believe it's already week seven it's been so quick.

This is the third week that we are going to do head over heels gymnastics and we all thank Kerry for teaching us gymnastics, it has been really fun and a great opportunity for everybody to learn.

Well done to the preps for having a great start to the year we have seen lots of smiles and friends being made it's amazing!

On Friday the year 5/6 students are going to Sovereign Hill for their history to start taking place in our learning for term two. It will get our minds ready to have a great learning during class next term.

The year five sixes have gotten a great preparation for the cross country that will take place during the end of the term thanks to Mrs Gilbert who made a running program. A huge congratulation to Joe T for making it into North division tennis.

Next week is the bullying no way day on 19 March which is a Friday we will get the kids to sign an anti-bullying pledge, get a wristband and get an opportunity to be in a photo booth, it will be put in school newsletter and social media.

Next week in student News, Joe will talk about what happened on the Sovereign Hill excursion and the bullying no way day. Joe will have lots more information for student news next week.

Thank you for reading this!

Lucy B





# Star of the Week *(Week ending 11/03/2021)*



<b><u>Foundation</u></b> <b>Chayse W</b>	For being fair and generous towards his peers when playing cricket out in the yard. Chayse, you blew us away!	<b><u>Foundation</u></b> <b>Annabelle R</b>	For her love of learning. You give each and every task a red hot go and you do this with a big smile on your face. Keep up the amazing work, Annabelle!
<b><u>1/2AO</u></b> <b>Alfie D</b>	For being a super technology helper and showing great confidence within the grade. What a star!	<b><u>1/2B</u></b> <b>Alfie W</b>	For sharing your holiday journal and telling us all about your fantastic trip to Queensland!
<b><u>1/2M</u></b> <b>Maggie M</b>	For her excellent writing when using EXCLAMATION MARKS!!!! Well Done!!!!	<b><u>1/2S</u></b> <b>Poppy H</b>	For the amazing effort she puts into her writing.
<b><u>3/4D</u></b> <b>Elizabeth B</b>	The students from 3/4D have acknowledged that Elizabeth is this week's Star of the Week because of her helpfulness, being funny, always listens to instructions carefully and follows class rules. Well done, Beth!	<b><u>3/4M</u></b> <b>Rhyder Z</b>	Thank you for sharing your kindness and help with everyone around you. You are simply incredible Rhyder!
<b><u>3/4W</u></b> <b>Athena S</b>	For always sharing her great ideas and perspectives during class discussions.	<b><u>5/6H</u></b> <b>Charlea C</b>	For always giving effort and doing her best!
<b><u>5/6G</u></b> <b>Tayla J</b>	For always having a smile on her face and sharing her positivity with others. We are so lucky to have you in the class!	<b><u>5/6K</u></b> <b>Jeeya D</b>	For her hard working nature, enthusiasm and excellent effort in all learning tasks. You're an asset to our class Jeeya!
<b><u>PERFORMING ARTS</u></b> <b>Bisma Putra</b>	For being a star in Performing Arts and playing the instruments perfectly!	<b><u>PHYS ED</u></b> <b>Heidi F</b>	For practicing hard until she nailed her 1st Handstand!
<b><u>PRINCIPAL</u></b> <b>Poppy H</b>	For being a polite and positive student.	<b><u>VISUAL ARTS</u></b> <b>Eden D, Riley M, Zoe F and Charlotte H</b>	
		For designing an excellent 'Bullying No Way Poster' for our school community.	





## Herne Hill Easter Picnic



# Herne Hill Easter Picnic 2021



A *BIG* shout out to our Herne Hill School Community,

This year our school will celebrate Easter with an Easter egg hunt within our school grounds at Herne Hill Primary School on Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Due to COVID-19 constraints, this year the Easter egg hunt will be held at Herne Hill Primary School during school hours.

On the day we ask the students to bring along a small container or bag for the collection of the Easter eggs and suggest that parents add a little something extra in their lunch such as a hot cross bun or any Easter treat to coincide with the Easter theme of the day.

On the day the Foundation to Year 2 students will have their Easter egg hunt from 2:15 ~ 2:30. The Year 3\4 students will have their turn from 2:45 ~ 3:00 and the Year 5\6 students will be on the hunt for eggs from 3:10 ~ 3:25.

This day should be a fun and exciting time as we head into the 1st term holiday break.



## PFA Easter Raffle



Our yearly Easter raffle is back for 2021. There will be a number of draws.

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.

Please bring your donations to the school office.

We have sent home to all families a book of 10 tickets worth \$10.00 (raffle tickets are \$1 each).

The raffle will be drawn on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021**.

Could all raffle tickets (sold and unsold) and money be returned to school by **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021**.

If you do not wish to sell any raffle tickets please return the book of tickets ASAP.



## Get Active Kids Voucher Program

The Victorian government has established a program of support to families to encourage participation in local sport.

If you have a Health Care Card or a Pensioner concession Card and have a current Medicare card you will be eligible to apply.

The vouchers of up to \$200 can be used to towards memberships and registration fees, sports equipment and uniforms.

Application for vouchers for round 1 are now open and will close on 11 April. Visit <https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au>

For more information ring John Eren MP, State Member, 52753898

## Book Club

**DON'T FORGET!**



Issue #2

**SCHOLASTIC**  
**Book Club**  
orders are due:

**Tuesday 16/03/21**

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**Book Club**

they help build our classroom resources



# Advertisements



**"SO YOU WANT TO GET OUTDOORS MORE OFTEN WITH YOUR KIDS BUT..."**

Families report that there are five main challenges that hinder their efforts to get outdoors and play.



Presented by Tania Moloney, Founder of Nurture in Nature, this interactive and fun online workshop will guide you through the Why's, When's, What's and How's of nature play to find simple and innovative ways to overcome the 5 BIG BUT's that get in the way of a good, old-fashioned play outside!

Join us as we have fun turning the BUTS into "WHEN ARE WE GOING OUT'S!" ... and help getting out the door to play easier and way more fun for everyone.

**THURSDAY 15 APRIL**

7.30pm-9.00pm

**WEBINAR BOOKINGS**

<https://soyouwanttogetoutdoors.eventbrite.com.au>

This is a free event but a limited number of tickets are available.



## PRIMARY SCHOOL WEBINAR

STARTING OR RETURNING TO PRIMARY SCHOOL



In this webinar we will explore how parents can support their child's entry or return to primary school, addressing the anxieties they may experience and the ways you can help them build resilience.

Hear from family workers and a teacher and join discussions about ways to proactively help your child have a great school year.

Bookings can be made at [www.ds.org.au](http://www.ds.org.au) and if you have any questions please email us at [events@ds.org.au](mailto:events@ds.org.au)

DATE:

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

TIME:

7pm Online via ZOOM

Book via this link

<https://ds.org.au/events/starting-or-returning-primary-school/>



Tickets \$10  
or FREE with concession card



We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land where we work and pay respects to elders past, present and future.



## LOOKING FOR A FAMILY-FRIENDLY SCHOOL HOLIDAY ADVENTURE?

To friend

Jump on your bike and join Foodbank Victoria's Recovery Ride, a brand new family-friendly cycling adventure in East Gippsland! Join us for this fun-filled school holiday weekend and help us support bushfire affected communities on their Journey to recovery.

Starting in Bruthen, one of the small townships badly impacted by the Black Summer fires of 2020, this one-day event will bring families from far and wide to discover the idyllic scenery of the East Gippsland Rail Trail whilst boosting tourism to the local region.

Whether you're a beginner cyclist or an experienced rider, there are three cycle routes to choose from, catering to all abilities and ages.

WHEN: Saturday, 17 April

WHERE: Starting in Bruthen, East Gippsland

**REGISTER TODAY**

Not into cycling? Join us at the event village in Bruthen showcasing the best of Gippsland producers, makers, and artisans. There will also be kids' entertainment, including fun cycling skills clinics, local Gippsland food trucks and live entertainment.

So grab your friends, family or colleagues and join us for a fun-filled school holiday weekend, supporting East Gippsland's Journey to recovery.

With the support of event sponsor **Montague JAZZ™ Apple**, and our delivery partner, **KSJ Events**, we hope to make it a special day for both visitors and locals alike.

Find out more and [REGISTER TODAY](#)

**JOIN THE ROAD BACK TO RECOVERY!**

**JUNIOR SEASON LAUNCH**  
FRIDAY 12TH MARCH  
5PM-6PM

**NEW PLAYERS WELCOME**

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## FACILITATED PLAYGROUP



### ME, DAD AND GRANDAD FACILITATED PLAYGROUPS

A facilitated playgroup for dad's with pre-school children that provides:

- A supportive, safe environment
- Community connection and belonging
- Play, learning and fun.

#### EVENT DETAILS

WHERE	Grovedale Child and Family Centre, 45 Heyers Road, Grovedale
WHEN	Fortnightly on Saturdays 10.00-11.30am
CONTACT	For bookings and more information contact Lisa on 0418 538 569 or email Vicki on <a href="mailto:vjenkins@geelongcity.vic.gov.au">vjenkins@geelongcity.vic.gov.au</a>