

Newsletter



Term 2 Week 10

1 July 2020

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I write this week's newsletter I can hear our students laughing and chatting excitedly as they await their turn to have their photo taken by our school photographer. It brings me immense joy to listen to them and see them interacting with each other. In the busy-ness of principal life, it gave me a chance to pause and reflect on why we educators do what we do. The reason is very simple, for me anyway, as I believe it is my job to instil a love of learning in every student and staff member at our school. Being lifelong learners, curious individuals, creative, analytical thinkers and having a thirst for information is what I wish for our whole learning community and I can see this happening across our school as we continue to implement innovative teaching pedagogies.

Future-Focused Classrooms

Over the past few weeks we have taken delivery of a huge amount of new furniture that allows for teachers to organise their learning environments in a flexible manner. This supports collaboration, communication and critical and creative thinking. From whiteboard topped group tables, where students can work cooperatively, to standing desks, engine rooms, ottomans, stools and wriggle chairs, we are ensuring that our students have the physical resources they need to focus on their learning in a way that suits their individual needs.



Improving Reading Project

Over the past four weeks our teaching staff have formed a professional learning community with the task of looking deeply into the way we teach students to "learn to read" and "read to learn". With the support of school services staff from Adamstown Office, we have begun the process of a rigorous review of teaching strategies, resources and professional learning that will assist us to ensure continued and ongoing success in

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reading for all of our students.

At Hillsborough Public School our staff have a vision that every student has a love of reading and a love of literature. We know that our community also values and recognises the importance of reading and understanding what we are reading. Our staff are committed to improving the reading outcomes for all of our students and have engaged wholeheartedly in ongoing professional learning to support this goal. Over the coming weeks and months, we will be seeking your input in developing a school and home partnership that supports our vision.

Enrolling Now

If your child is turning 5 on or before 31 July 2021 and you are interested in a possible Kindergarten enrolment, please contact our friendly office staff on 49435695 to discuss enrolment procedures.

We are also currently accepting enrolments for all grades in 2020.

If you know of any families seeking enrolment, please encourage them to contact the school so that we can provide them with all the information they need to begin the enrolment process.

Semester One Reports

I am pleased to advise our community that our modified Semester One reports will go home on Friday, 24 July 2020, that is the Friday of the first week back next term. I would like to thank the teaching staff for all the work they have done to ensure the reports provide families with information about the content covered during Semester One and the future directions for learning for each student.

At this point in time, we have not scheduled any parent teacher interviews due to the uncertainty around COVID-19 procedures. Please do know that these conferences are important to us and we will be working hard to ensure they can go ahead, however, we will have to follow Department of Education procedures in this space. Phone interviews may be necessary to ensure these go ahead in a timely fashion.

A Day at the Races

We are really excited about our Day at the Races event tomorrow. This student only event will allow our students to create a hat or fascinator to wear during a hat parade. The day will also include some other special events organised by our Stage 3 students. Events will include, egg and spoon races, obstacle course, parachute games, sack races and other fun activities. We are pleased to let you know that this event is an out of uniform day. Students are advised to wear comfortable clothing suitable for participating in games and races.

We are very much looking forward to this wonderful day of fun, friendship and celebration.

School Holidays

It will be refreshing to be able to spend the school holiday break with family and friends. Unlike the Easter break, where we were under strict COVID-19 restrictions, these holidays will allow us to participate in fun activities, like going to the park, getaways with family or even a trip to the movies.

I hope that families and staff take this time to rest and recover after what has been a tumultuous six months. Whatever you do over the break, please be safe and enjoy your time together.

Staff return to school on Monday, 20 July 2020 and students return on Tuesday, 21 July 2020.

Have a wonderful school holiday break. See you next term.

Cassie Bate-Barnier

Principal

Home Reading Awards - Week 10

25 Nights	Jaxson P, Max E, Jade W, Elsie M, Luka C and Leo F
50 Nights	Indi H, Matthew I, Sophie B, Kianni B & Scarlet C
75 Nights	Rosie K, Tristan P, Silas B, Kai A & Jared A
100 Nights	Erin H
125 Nights	Oscar C
150 Nights	Zane G, Seth C
200 Nights	Kaia S, Alex R, Emily R, Lilyarna M, kash P

Hilly's Canteen Roster

We love getting new volunteers - once a term, once a month or more!
Mums, dads, grandparents, carers... Please contact the office or our FB group if you would like to join in the fun! Amii works in our canteen every Wednesday.

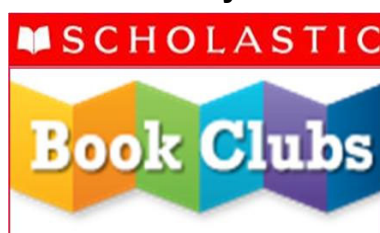
Thursday		Friday	
Week 7 11th June	CLOSED	Week 7 12th June	Renee Checker Ansley Hood
Week 8 18th June	Kirsty Johnston Claire Armitage	Week 8 19th June	Alison Prestwidge Alison Murray Julie Byrne
Week 9 25th June	Natsuko Druery Wendy Bennett	Week 9 26th June	Kate Nicholls Danielle Baddock Sue Rigby
Week 10 2nd July	Hot Dog Day	Week 10 3rd July	Wendy Bennett Kylie Taylor Wendy Djuboski

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be
Monday 3 August 2020 at
6.30pm. Meeting place to be
confirmed.

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND!

**Book Club has been
delivered and will be
distributed to students
today.**



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DATES TO REMEMBER

2 July	A Day at the Races
3 July	Last Day Term 2
20 July	Term 3 Staff Development Day
21 July	Term 3 Students Return

ASSEMBLY

This week's assembly will be an online presentation in each class room. The item will be performed by 1D & 1M.

Notes Sent home

End of Term Movie—1D, 1M, 2S & 2/3M

Term 3 Dance Group

Assembly Awards - Week 8

KH		1D	Marley H Charlotte A	1M	Bronson O Harper A	2S	Anara Y Tasman D
2/3M		3/4A		3/4M	William W	4/5P	Lucas W Savannah L
5/6S	Scarlett B Nathanael W	5/6W		Library			

Good for Kids good for life

STAYING ACTIVE AT HOME

Children should be getting at least **60 minutes** of physical activity that makes them 'huff and puff' across the day.

Staying active as a family will support your physical and mental health.

Try doing some of these activities together each day:

Backyard sports
Dancing
Hula hoops
Walking
Tag
Gardening

FAMILY EXERCISES

Family boot camp
Aerobics
Walk the dog
Skipping
Hide and seek
Make a game from chores



Source: Office of Sport

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LEARN TO MAKE A HEALTHY LUNCH

Teach kids healthy habits for life!

While you have more time at home, teach your children how to make their own healthy lunch. When regular school routines return, they can help pack lunchboxes!

Rainbow Wraps

1. Prepare ingredients: put out wrap breads and a range of fillings on plates (try grated carrot, lettuce, cheese and lean ham)
2. Show your child how to choose fillings and roll up a wrap
3. Let your child prepare healthy wraps for the family
4. Share photos of your delicious creations with friends and enjoy a healthy lunch.



For more lunch box ideas, check out the 'healthy lunch box builder' and recipes at <https://healthylunchbox.com.au/>

Source: Northern Sydney Local Health District



Four Great Reasons to Join the Band:

- ♪ Learn a musical instrument
- ♪ Understand music
- ♪ Have fun
- ♪ Make new friends



Take The next step into a musical future at HPS!

We are looking for students in Year's 2-6 who are interested in joining the HPS Band. You do not need any prior musical knowledge or even an instrument. Join Miss Oosterveen for the **"Come and Try"** session early next term so you can have a look at the instruments and see which one you would like to learn.

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| ♪ Trumpet | ♪ Clarinet | ♪ Tuba |
| ♪ Trombone | ♪ Flute | ♪ Baritone |

Why should you learn a musical instrument?

Studies show that learning a musical instrument uses more 'brain power' than any other activity. Benefits include:

- ♪ Makes all learning easier by using both sides of the brain
- ♪ Increases mathematical and comprehension skills
- ♪ Develops confidence
- ♪ Creates friendships and a sense of belonging.

Please contact Miss Oosterveen for more information.

First collection is at the end of term, so get your old tooth brushes and empty tooth paste tubes in by this Friday.

By recycling oral care waste, we're in the running to win a recycled community garden set!



DROP YOUR ORAL CARE WASTE HERE TO HELP US WIN

We accept any brand of used:

Toothpaste tubes and caps, manual toothbrushes, electric toothbrush heads, toothbrush and toothpaste tube plastic packaging, floss containers.



You can also vote for us online at

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