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Hamlyn Views School

Newsletter

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Important Dates

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| 8th May School Council 5:30pm | 20th May 2020 Prospective parent's information night 6pm |
| 10th May Mother's Day + Australia's Biggest Afternoon Tea 2pm | 31st May School Photos |
| 20-24 May Education Week
Open classrooms from 9-10:30am | 10th June Queens Birthday Public Holiday – No School |
| | 11th June Student Free Day |

Important School Updates

Welcome back to Term 2. We have had a great start to the Term by celebrating Easter and ANZAC Day. It has been wonderful to hear about all the activities everyone got up to on the holidays. We look forward to another great term of learning opportunities.



**Thursday 2nd May
2019**

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Admin News

Reminder - Drop off and pick-up arrangements

With colder weather just around the corner during terms two and three students are to be dropped off or picked up from the school gym. The side door will be open from 8:50am in the morning and rostered staff will be on duty. This door will be locked at 9:10am. Students arriving after 9:10am (hopefully very few) will need to enter via the front office. At the end of the school day - 3:00pm students will be brought by class staff to the gym for collection by parents/carers.

CSEF

We are currently processing applications for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). The CSEF is an annual payment to the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports or excursion costs for your child. The payment amounts are \$125 for primary students and \$225 for secondary students. To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of the student must be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card. If you think you may be eligible and have not yet submitted an application, contact the office to obtain a form. Applications may be lodged up until the end of Term 2.



Foundation Blue News

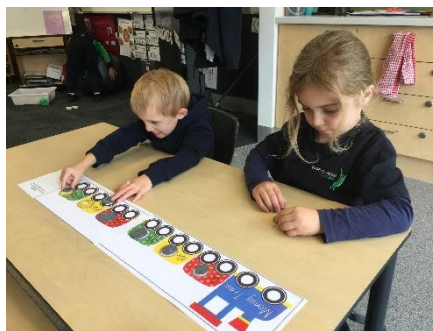
Term 2 is off to a flying start! This Term we are introducing the TEACCH approach to the classroom. This includes a personalised schedule for the students to follow and be exposed to as we explicitly teach this throughout English and Maths. The students are responding very well to this style, which is great!



In addition, we have had a wonderful time participating in the Swimming Program with our last session this week.



Jenny and I are so proud of our little superstars and cannot wait to see their growth in Term 2.
Lacey



Early Years Orange News

We have had a fantastic start to Term 2 in Early Years Orange. Students have settled into class well after the holidays and have been working hard on their individual goals. During term 2 we will be learning about different kinds of weather and how the weather affects our choices, including the clothes we wear and the activities we do.

Last week we learnt about ANZAC Day and students worked together to make wreaths to acknowledge and remember the men and women who have fought for our country during the different wars.

A highlight for the group has been participating in music therapy sessions with Mel each Wednesday. Student have enjoyed expressing themselves through movement to music and choosing their own instruments to play.

We are looking forward to another exciting term of learning together and working towards our learning goals.

Claire



Performing Arts News



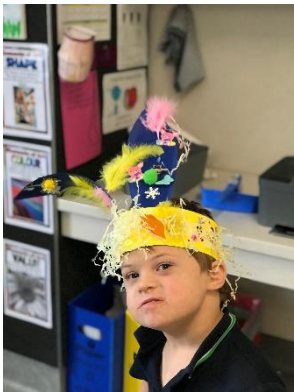
Find Your Voice

Hello everyone! I hope you all had a lovely Easter break. It was fantastic to see so many parents and carers come along to our Easter egg hunt and hat parade. What a fun way to end a successful first term! The students were proud to show off their creative head pieces and we all enjoyed the chicken dance.

Our first week back this term was a short week and only some classes had Art and Performing Arts. The focus was Anzac Day and students had an opportunity to paint "Fields of Poppies" to commemorate all those who've served and died in war. We used a combination of watercolours and acrylic paint as well as brushes and recycled bottle lids. The poppies look beautiful and are currently on display in the gym which is where we held our Anzac ceremony. Some of the Early and Middle Years students also learned to sing the old Seekers hit, "I am Australian" in Performing Arts.

In other exciting news, we have a new Roland digital piano which is proving to be a hit with students and teachers alike. This was part of a special music grant that Hamlyn Views was given to develop our Arts department in the school. We also purchased some new sound equipment, including microphones and speakers.

Earlier last term, I had an idea for our students to create an art installation using an antique upright piano; a large-scale, 3D sensory art piece that all students in the school could contribute to. Our Music Therapist, Mel, was kind enough to donate her piano and it now proudly sits in our art studio where students and staff alike have the pleasure of playing it. Over the coming months, we will be sanding it back and painting it with a theme in mind. Watch this space!



Mim Papinniemi



Allied Health News

Over term one the Allied Health team has been working with the Foundation and Early Years classes along with the staff to develop a play program. Play skills are fundamental in the development of many skills in young children and can assist with the development of:

- Turn taking
- Language skills
- Planning and sequencing
- Emotional regulation
- Social skills

This term these play sessions are continuing twice a week and students will be engaging in play activities including cars, making pizzas, doctors and trains. Before the sessions the students watch a video of Hamlyn Views staff modelling the play activity. Then students make their way over to the play room and choose between the two stations. Play is then supported by staff modelling play actions and the use of visual schedules, to help sequence the play actions. We look forward to seeing our Early Years students become more creative in their play!

Alice Stubbings
Speech Pathologist



Music Therapy News

The senior group has met several times now in the performing arts room for our Friday jam. In the first two weeks, we had a go at the band instruments and then last week, we started a School Song.

The students all gave ideas about what they like about the school, their favourite things to do and what comes to mind when they think about the school.

We talked about the music and it was decided that we should have something that is not too fast and not too slow and maybe music you can boogie with.

The next step is to go to all the classes and ask the other students as well as the staff for their ideas.

Stay tuned!

Mel Murphy
Bingyao Liu
Anny Lin



Middle Years Green

This week in Middle Years Green, we have been learning about the 'main idea' in a story, what it means to be an Australian citizen, and negative numbers, among other things. We've combined Science with Maths to demonstrate the freezing point of water, and this has helped us to understand negative numbers and temperatures below zero (Brrrrr, cold). It's been great being back at school.



No School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support news this week, I will be organising some information to go home for parents through the week. This will be on our school expectations matrix and a take home expectation poster.

Warren



Stars of the Week



Lily Rosenow

Lily has been a Lenny Learner by showing she is ready to learn, working with her peers and having a go when completing learning tasks.

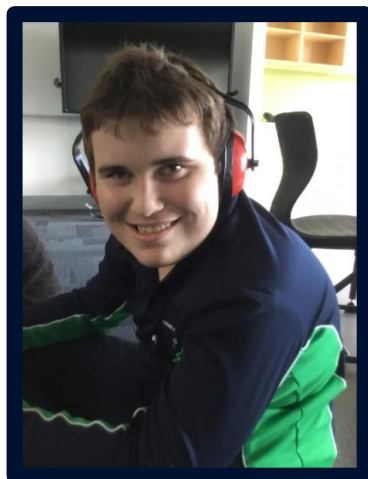
Zed Hopper

For working so hard at listening to his teachers, waiting patiently and following instructions! Great work Zed!



Herbie Taylor

This is Herbie, he is new to Hamlyn Views School. Herbie has joined the Later Years class. Herbie has been a great 'learner' this week. He has settled into the classroom very well and is eager to give everything a go. Great job Herbie!!



Overcoming some initial butterflies at the thought of getting on the public bus, Briteny bravely followed our Lenny Learner rule of 'have a go', and travelled on the bus to the Geelong & District Schools ANZAC Day Commemoration, representing HVS to pay our respects. What an amazing effort.



Principal's Address

I hope everyone has been enjoying the continuing spell of warm weather. It's made returning to school after the holiday break very pleasant. I am looking forward to the term ahead as we progress our work on our curriculum practices and School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support implementation. We will also begin preparing for a School Review that will take place in term four this year.



What is a School Review?

Every four years schools must undertake a self-evaluation of their progress towards the goals, targets and key improvement strategies that have been a priority in their School Strategic Plan (SSP) and Annual Implementation Plans. As a new school we have not yet developed a SSP and are required to undertake this review in our second year of operation.

Across the year and during several review days in term four that will be facilitated by an independent reviewer, we will reflect on our achievements since 2018 and investigate areas of focus to help set improvement goals for the next four year SSP. This will involve gathering feedback from the whole school community - families, students and staff and we ask that you consider contributing as requested to assist us to plan our future school direction.



★RESOURCE SMART STAR★

We were thrilled to have our very first Resource Smart **STAR** confirmed by CERES acknowledging the completion of the Core Module. This is a credit to Natasha McAuliffe (Resource Smart leader) and Green Team members (staff and students) that have ensured our school-wide practices for this area met expectations. We will now plan to work towards certification in another of the 5 modules.

Learn to Swimming and Aquatic Therapy Programs

Today was the final day of students' 'Learn to Swim' program for the start of the year and was celebrated with special open sessions. Marty will again provide swimming programs for all students in term four. Our intention is to commence Aquatic Therapy for recommended students shortly. We are currently reviewing staffing qualifications, and this program will begin once all requirements are met.



Education Week 2019

This year for "Education Week" we will be having **OPEN CLASSROOMS** for the entire week. Families are welcome to visit their child's class in action **any morning from 9:00 – 10:30am.** No RSVP is required. We hope you enjoy seeing your child as they undertake their morning learning programs. We will also be conducting a School Tour and Information Night for Prospective 2020 parents, carers and their support workers on Monday 20th May. School leaders - myself, Michele and Natasha will present an overview of our school, with a particular emphasis on the Foundation year, our Orientation to School Program and Program for Students with a Disability funding processes. Please encourage anyone thinking about enrolling at our school next year to contact the office to register their attendance.

Student Individual Learning Plans

Individual Learning Plans were sent home to families at the end of term one and we were pleased to be able to present them in our COMPASS reporting format. Teachers will now be focusing their learning sessions on supporting students to make progress toward achieving each of their individual goals.

Student and Staff News

We have made some changes to class groups to cater for further student enrolments. We welcome Sharon Miguel who is co-teaching with Elise Mascarin in Later Years along with new student Herbie. We also welcome Physiotherapist Camille Mewett (Monday & Thursday) and Education Support Staff - Jess Blakely (3 days) and Georgia Hermans (2 days). We will be advertising a number of positions, including four additional Education Support staff shortly. Please see updates on the school's Facebook Page.

School Community Annual Reporting Meeting

All members of the school community are invited to attend a presentation of the school's 2018 Annual Report. This will take place next Wednesday 8th May at 5:30pm at the start of the School Council meeting. Please notify the office if you plan to attend.



ANZAC Day Service

Whilst Briteny, Zulifiqar and Warren represented our school at the combined Geelong Schools' ANZAC Ceremony at Johnston Park we conducted our own ANZAC Day service here at school. It included student artwork, music and singing by Mim and students on our new digital piano, along with a formal service where students contributed. It was a special occasion that respectfully acknowledged the sacrifices made by those who have served in wars.



Yours in educational partnership,
Sue Armstrong – Principal

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Community News

Geelong Aquatic Centre is running a Water Awareness Program for children with special needs called the Swordfish club.

Some information is attached below and can be found on their website through this link <https://www.geelongaquaticcentre.com.au/swordfish-club.html>

SWORDFISH CLUB

Water Awareness Program for children with special needs

Water Awareness Program held Saturday afternoon from 12pm - 4pm

SWD squad held on Fridays from 5.00 – 6.00pm.

A learn-to-swim program in either individual or small group classes (max of 3), depending on their needs and ability.

Our dedicated staff ensure that all children achieve to their potential in a safe and fun environment.

We aim to provide your child with a learn to swim program that will give water awareness, personal safety skills and extend already acquired swimming skills, with a high level of enjoyment.

Approved Provider for:

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NETBALL LEAGUE
Information/Registration Night

Friday April 12, 2019 5.00 – 6.00pm

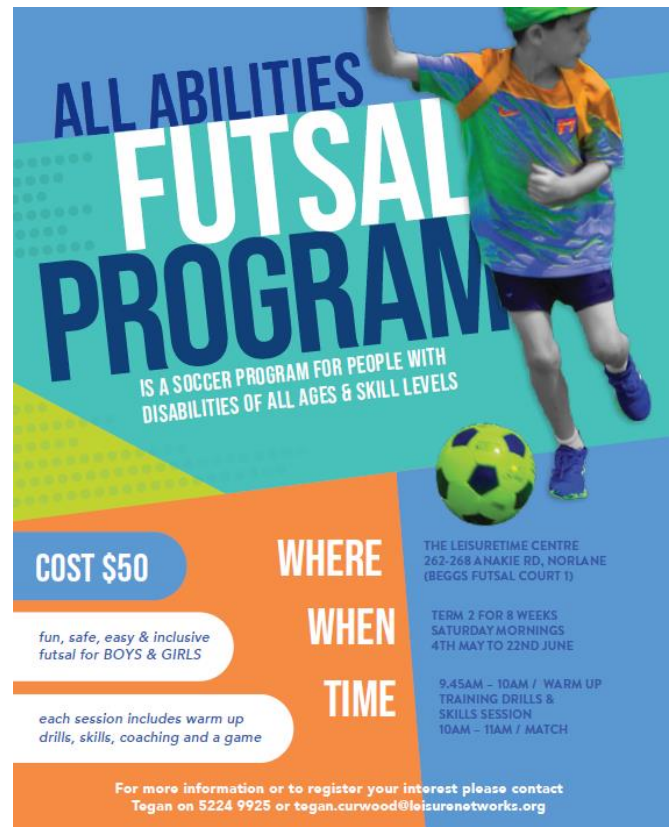
Kardinia Park Netball Courts

COST \$56

The All Abilities Netball is for females and males 14yrs+, with a disability that would like to play netball within a team and aligned to a club in a competition structured program.

- Past & new players welcome
- Make new friends, keep fit & healthy AND HAVE FUN!
- Geelong Flyers will be running a skills sessions

For more info contact Tegan Curwood on 5224 9925 or tegan.curwood@leisurenetworks.org

ALL ABILITIES
FUTSAL PROGRAM
IS A SOCCER PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES OF ALL AGES & SKILL LEVELS

COST \$50

WHERE
THE LEISURETIME CENTRE
262-268 A NAKIE RD, NORLANE
(BEGGS FUTSAL COURT 1)

WHEN
TERM 2 FOR 8 WEEKS
SATURDAY MORNINGS
4TH MAY TO 22ND JUNE

TIME
9.45AM – 10AM / WARM UP
TRAINING DRILLS & SKILLS SESSION
10AM – 11AM / MATCH

fun, safe, easy & inclusive futsal for BOYS & GIRLS

each session includes warm up drills, skills, coaching and a game

For more information or to register your interest please contact Tegan on 5224 9925 or tegan.curwood@leisurenetworks.org



**HAMLYN VIEWS SCHOOL INVITES YOU
TO**

**CELEBRATE
MOTHER'S DAY
AND
AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST
AFTERNOON TEA**

Help us raise funds for the Cancer Council to go towards vital research, prevention programs and support services.

GOLD COIN DONATION

Join us on Friday 10th May at 2pm in the Gym for an afternoon full of goodies baked by the students and staff along with our Cafe Team.

