

Our mission is to create a safe, respectful evidence-based learning environment where a diversity of student learners feel: Valued, actively engaged, challenged and supported to achieve success and maximum independence post-school.



HAMLYN VIEWS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 29th October, 2020

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School Council President – Jess Harriott

KEY DATES

Friday 30th October

- Book Week: "Curious Creatures, Wild Minds" Dress-Up Day
- World Teacher's Day

Monday 2nd November

- Student Curriculum Day

8th -15th November - NAIDOC Week

Wednesday 11th November

- Remembrance Day

Friday 13th November

- World Kindness Day

Tuesday 17th November

- Walk for Wheels

Friday 27th November

- Virtual School Concert

30th Nov -4th Dec – SSG's

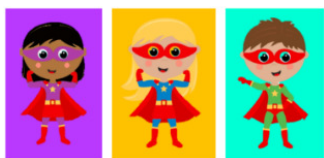
Thursday 3rd December

- International Day for People with Disabilities

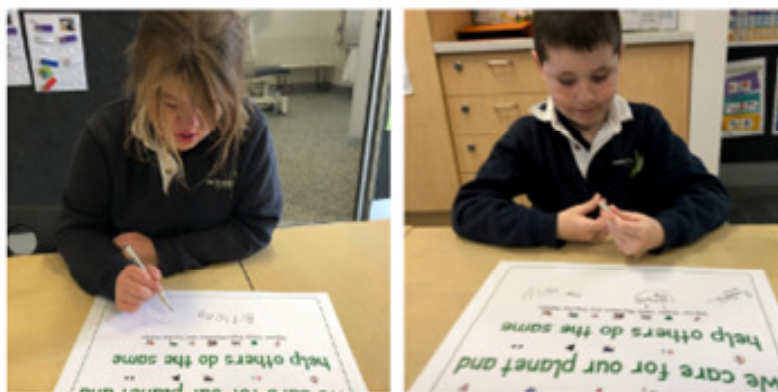
Friday 18th December

- Last day of the year with early finish and staggered pick up:

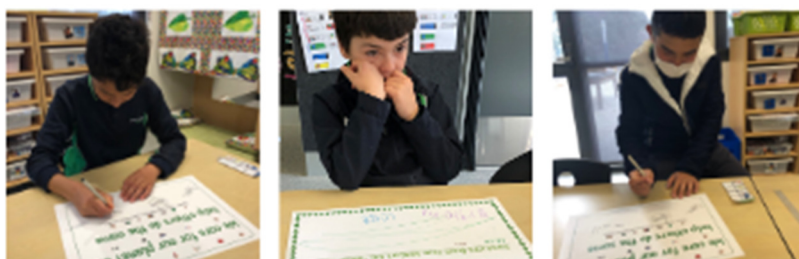
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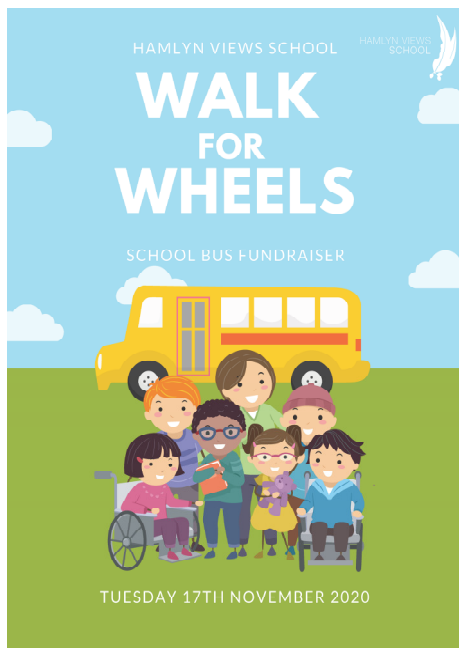


The Hamlyn Views Green Team



"We care for our planet and help others do the same" is the slogan that has been developed to embed across Hamlyn Views and for the Green team members to know what it means to be part of the team and that the main purpose of this group is to care and help. Our Green Team members include Britney, Zulfiqar, Hadi, Adnan, Will and Cambrie. They have been working on ways we can reduce our water waste at home and school as this is our school focus this year. Here are some pictures of some of our members signing the pledge.





Walk for Wheels

On **Tuesday November 17th 2020**, Hamlyn Views School will be holding our **Walk for Wheels Fundraiser**.

Pledge sheets have been sent home with all money raised being put towards a bus for our students to access the community through a range of excursions and camps. Thank you in advance for supporting the students and our school.



2020 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 all parents.

It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents have been invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 12th October** to **Friday 13th November**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 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. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Please speak to your child's teacher or our office staff if you would like more information, or if you did not receive your invitation.



2020 Virtual Concert

We're All In This Together

In a year like no other, all of us have experienced a year of challenge and change, impacting us all in different ways. Like many community events - our concert is unable to be live in 2020.

So, we are grateful the show can still go on and can present to you Virtual Concert 2020 - 'We're All in this Together'. Our theme hopes to reflect the challenges faced - while working together as a School community to adapt and help each other and stay connected.

Our concert includes Dance and Movement performance items from all students, including dance and drumming from our Middle Years students, and some additional live music performances from our Later Years students. A special whole school item and a whole staff dance are also included in this year's concert.

Our Early Years students have also worked with enthusiasm, participating and rehearsing their class concert items through Terms three and four.

We have been fortunate to have the contributions of students working along with their Classroom and Performing Arts teachers, our Music Therapist and a Student Dance therapist to provide their creative input in collectively teaching and guiding this year's concert items. We have the wonderful service of a Deakin University Media student on board, assisting the professional filming and editing of this year's concert.

Our concert will be released in week 8, on Friday November 27, as a link to be sent to families. Thank you to our students and families for supporting this year's concert - we hope you enjoy watching your children performing, working together with their friends.

Regards,

Annie Malesic & Mim

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Performing Arts

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

The term is flying by and we are in Week 4 already! I really enjoyed my recent Long Service Leave, helping to care for my gorgeous new grandson Oscar, and am very appreciative of Michele and other school leaders for their leadership during my leave.

COVID-19

We continue to operate within Covid-19 Safety Plans which means staggered starts/pick-ups remain until further notice. It is comforting to know case numbers state-wide have reduced significantly which should enable more school and community based activities in the future. Excursions have now been planned for our secondary students as part of the ADVANCE program.

A special thank-you to Turi foods who recently donated face masks to the school.

Christmas 2020

Our Christmas celebrations will look somewhat different this year. Our concert performance will be virtual, our surprise visitor (Santa) managed internally, and our market stalls cancelled. We will still hold a number of exciting events prior to the end of the year however as we strive to have a fantastic final term.

Principal of Specialist School

Awards (PASS)

This year we have nominated six staff in the annual PASS Awards program. Good luck to the following nominees:

- Graduate Teacher – Justin Bennett
- Primary Teacher – Lacey Pietsch, Claire Thomson
- Specialist Teacher – Marty Duffy
- Education Support – Carolyn Haskett
- Allied Health – Dave Rittinger

Yours in educational partnership,

Suzanne Armstrong

Principal

School Council Update

At the October meeting several school policies were reviewed;

- COVID-19
- Camps and Excursions.

Topics discussed included;

- Child Safe Standard 6
- OH&S – COVID1-9 Safe Plan
- Endorsement of Student Free Days – Jan 27th & 28th 2021 and early finish last day of term four - 18th Dec.
- Approval for Rivenleigh Border Collies to run a raffle fundraiser for the school's benefit and
- Approval to establish a School Council Fundraising Committee.

Hamlyn Views School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people and has zero tolerance for any form of child abuse

