

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 | 25th February, 2021

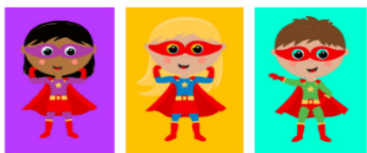
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School Council President – Jess Harriott

KEY DATES

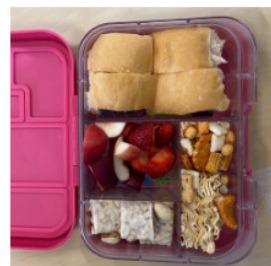
- **Friday 5th March**
Clean Up Australia Day School Clean Up
- **Monday 8th March**
Labour Day Public Holiday
- **Thursday 1st April**
Last Day of Term 1 - 2:30 Finish
- **Monday 19th April**
First Day of Term 2
- **Monday 14th June**
Queens Birthday Public Holiday
- **Friday 25th June**
Last Day of Term 2 - 2:30 Finish
- **Monday 12th July**
First Day of Term 3
- **Friday 17th September**
Last day of Term 3 - 2:30 Finish
- **Monday 4th October**
First Day of Term 4
- **Wednesday 20th October**
Geelong Cup Public Holiday
- **Friday 17th December**
Last Day of Term 4



RESOURCE SMART

Nude Food

Just a reminder from the Resource Smart and Sustainability Team about Nude Food in student's lunchboxes. It reduces plastic and is often cheaper, to buy in bulk and to place snacks into reusable containers. As a Resource Smart School, we pride ourselves on sustainable practices and minimising waste. Here some fantastic nude food lunch boxes we have food throughout the school:



Woolworths Discovery Garden



This year our school is focusing on Biodiversity. We would love to plant some plants in our school gardens and Woolworth Discovery Gardens are a great place to start. If you are shopping in Woolworths and have an opportunity to get some, we would love them!

Clean Up Australia Day



Clean Up Australia inspires and empowers communities to clean up, fix up and conserve our environment. We will be having a school clean up day at school on Friday March 5th.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

It has been a busy start to the school year as students settle into their new classes, get to know staff, classmates and establish routines. The recent circuit breaker lockdown was a sudden disruption to the term and we are grateful that it was only 3 days that school was required to close.

Drop-off and Pick-up Arrangements

Thank-you to families for adjusting to ongoing changes with our start and end of day procedures. We really appreciate it. We will continue to monitor these processes.

Return of Swimming

We are pleased to have recommenced our swimming program with Middle and Later Years the first classes back in the pool. This is a favourite activity for most of our students.

Tutor Learning Initiative

The remote learning experience in 2020 impacted the learning growth of some students and they were unable to make expected learning growth. As a result the Victorian Government is investing \$250 million in the Tutor Learning Initiative to enable schools across Victoria to engage around 4,100 teachers as tutors in 2021 to support students who need extra assistance with their learning.

At our school we will be using the expertise of Warren Dawson and Ashley Kalkandis as our Learning Tutors. Where your child has been identified for this learning initiative you will be contacted by these teachers.

Mental Health Practitioner

The Victorian Government is committed to ensuring that young people have access to the health and wellbeing supports, advice and treatment they need to reach their full potential. Specialist schools with secondary students are now part of the Mental Health Practitioner initiative. Leanne Treloar has been appointed to this role for 2021 and will provide more information to families of students 12+ as needed about how she can assist with any student mental health concerns.



National School Chaplaincy Program (NSCP)

The NSCP is a Commonwealth Government initiative that funds Chaplaincy services in Victorian Schools. We have secured this funding for our school and I am pleased to announce the appointment of a qualified Chaplain for 12 hours per week. He will commence in about a fortnight and will work within the specific government guidelines of the role.

What do Chaplains do? Chaplains support the emotional wellbeing of students by providing pastoral care services and strategies that support the emotional wellbeing of the broader community. They work closely with the school wellbeing team to support students and their educational outcomes, staff, families and the wider community.

If you have any questions about the school Chaplaincy program please ask me. We will plan an opportunity for the community to meet our Chaplain in the near future.

Staffing News

We are currently recruiting for additional Educational Support Staff and are reviewing our long term staffing needs as we accommodate new students and assess the needs of all our students.

In the past week we have appointed two Education Support on short-term contracts;

- Sheridan Ball
- Chris Purantatameri

Dezi Spathas has transferred from Barwon Valley for the term, whilst Taylah Gaskin is also working most Fridays in the office.

School Census

Today was Census Day. We now have 85 students enrolled, currently supported by 47 staff.

Attendance

Our Foundation students move to a full week from next week - March, another step for them in their transition to school.

Yours in Educational Partnership
Suzanne Armtsrong - Principal

SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE

At Wednesday night's meeting we welcomed co-opted Community Member Sharlene Gillick - Executive Manager | South West, Disability & Therapeutic Services at Bethany Community Support. We are delighted she has agreed to contribute to our School Council.

The School Council Election process for 2021 is underway. Jess Harriott was the only nominee for the parent vacancy whilst two nominations were received for the vacant DET member. A ballot for this position is currently underway with the poll closing next Monday 1st March. Our new School Council will be finalised at the March meeting, along with selection of office bearers.

Some of the key items discussed at the meeting included;

- Covid-19 Policy updates to reflect changed government restrictions
- DET funding for staff TEAM TEACH training
- National Chaplaincy Program funding and appointment of a School Chaplain
- Endorsement of 2021 Annual Implementation Plan, with the goals and priorities outlined
- A Fundraising Committee update
- Approval for a new process for conducting Parent/Teacher Interviews (SSG's) from term 2

An exemption by the Regional Director for the Student member category on School Council in 2021.

Child Safety

Child safety is a high priority at Hamlyn Views School and we have zero tolerance for child abuse. With this in mind, we have put procedures in place to ensure the safety of our students with all adults they interact with through the course of their schooling. This includes processes for volunteers, recruitment and visitors.

Volunteers are an important part of our school community and we encourage our parents and carer's to volunteer their time to participate in whole school and classroom events and activities. All volunteers will be required to:

- Complete a volunteer registration form
- Provide a current Working With Children Check
- Read and sign our Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Complete a volunteer induction

If you would like to volunteer and need some information about child safety you can view the Child Safety Policy, Child Safety Code of Conduct and Volunteers policy on the Hamlyn Views Website: <https://hamlynviews.vic.edu.au/our-school/#policies>

Michele Marcu - Assistant Principal

Supporting adolescents to make positive, safe and responsible choices online

Join our **free** one hour
webinar for parents and carers

The session will include:

online trends for adolescents
ideas to start the chat
social media and the impact on mental health
managing screen time

**Tuesday 9th March 2021
7:00 - 8:00pm**

Click [here](#)
to register



Hamlyn Views COVID-19 Guidelines

HVS COVID-19 Guidelines

**Please keep your child home
if they are unwell.**



If a child has even the mildest of symptoms at school they will be isolated and sent home for the safety of all students and staff.

Due to Victorian Government regulations, children with any symptoms of a cold including runny nose, coughing, headache and/or sore throat must remain home and be tested for COVID-19. Students are not to return to school unless a negative COVID-19 test has been received and all symptoms have resolved.

The school is able to arrange a nurse to undertake COVID-19 testing at your home, please contact Leanne for further information.

Leanne Treloar – School Nurse and Mental Health Practitioner

Being Sunsmart



Being sunsmart is important for everyone and we enlist your support to send along a hat for your child. Many thanks to parents/carers who have done so.

School hats are available from our uniform supplier Bellarine Uniforms. Order forms are available from the school office if required.

Changes to Bus Routes & Times

There will be changes to all bus route and times as of Week 7. These changes will be effective as of Tuesday 9th March.

Steph will be in contact with all families to touch base about these changes next week.

Blue Bus - Term 1 2021

These changes are effective as of Tuesday 9th March

AM Pick Up		PM Drop Off	
Time	Stop	Time	Stop
7:25AM	2714 Hamilton Hwy, Inverleigh	3:12PM	92 Ballarat Rd, North Geelong
7:40AM	43 High St, Bannockburn	3:18PM	81 Corinella St, Bell Post Hill
7:55AM	680 Midland Hwy, Batesford	3:24PM	211 Anakie Rd, Bell Post Hill
8:15AM	Bacchus Marsh Rd Service Rd, Corio	3:32PM	37 Princess Rd, Corio
8:21AM	159 Purnell Rd, Corio	3:36PM	Bacchus Marsh Rd Service Rd, Corio
8:25AM	107 Princess Rd, Corio	3:43PM	159 Purnell Rd, Corio
8:30AM	54 Princess Rd, Corio	3:47PM	107 Princess Rd, Corio
8:37AM	224 Anakie Rd, Bell Post Hill	4:06PM	680 Midland Hwy, Batesford
8:44AM	81 Corinella St, Bell Post Hill	4:20PM	43 High St, Bannockburn
8:52AM	92 Ballarat Rd, North Geelong	4:35PM	2714 Hamilton Hwy, Inverleigh



Red Bus - Term 1 2021

These changes are effective as of Tuesday 9th March

AM Pick Up		PM Drop Off	
Time	Stop	Time	Stop
7:20AM	100 Jetty Rd, Clifton Springs	3:25AM	97 Kansas Ave, Bell Post Hill
7:25AM	56 High St, Drysdale	3:30AM	52 Donnybrook Rd, Norlane
7:35AM	749 Portarlington Rd, Leopold	3:33AM	28 Donnybrook Rd, Norlane
7:45AM	105 Wilsons Rd, Newcomb	3:38AM	22 Sparks Rd, Norlane
8:00AM	Cnr of Gertrude Street and Packington Street	3:40AM	32 Swallow Cr, Norlane
8:18AM	32 Swallow Cr, Norlane	3:55AM	Cnr of Gertrude Street and Packington Street
8:20AM	22 Sparks Rd, Norlane	4:10PM	105 Wilsons Rd, Newcomb
8:25AM	7 Donnybrook Rd, Norlane	4:20PM	749 Portarlington Rd, Leopold
8:28AM	52 Donnybrook Rd, Norlane	4:30PM	56 High St, Drysdale
8:40AM	97 Kansas Ave, Bell Post Hill	4:36PM	100 Jetty Rd, Clifton Springs



Yellow Bus - Term 1 2021

These changes are effective as of Tuesday 9th March

AM Pick Up		PM Drop Off	
Time	Stop	Time	Stop
8:05AM	20 Young St, Lara	3:22PM	1 Lumeah Crt, Norlane
8:10AM	37 Patullos Rd, Lara	3:25PM	46 Forster St, Norlane
8:20AM	37 Sharland Rd, Corio	3:30PM	45 Cabernet Rd, Corio
8:24AM	98 Hendy St, Corio	3:33PM	18 Moreland Ave, Corio
8:29AM	18 Moreland Ave, Corio	3:38PM	98 Hendy St, Corio
8:33AM	45 Cabernet Rd, Corio	3:42PM	37 Sharland Rd, Corio
8:40AM	45 Forster St, Norlane	3:55PM	37 Patullos Rd, Lara
8:42AM	1 Lumeah Crt, Norlane	4:07PM	20 Young St, Lara



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.

