

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 | 15th December 2021

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Principal – Suzanne Armstrong

KEY DATES

- **Friday 17th December 2021**
Last Day of Term 4 – 1:30PM finish
- **Saturday December 18th 2021 – Thursday 27th January 2022**
School Holidays
- **Tuesday 25th January 2022**
Hamlyn Views School Office Opens
- **Wednesday 26th January 2022**
Australia Day (Public Holiday)
- **Friday 28th January 2022**
Term 1 2022 Starts
Student Free Day
- **Monday 31st January 2022**
Student Free Day
- **Tuesday 1st February 2022**
First Day of School for 2022



Family Picnic and Santa Visit



Sunny weather and excited students ensured our picnic and Santa visit was a hit! A big thank-you to Santa for coming to our school and for the presents you brought.





PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Principal News

It is hard to believe we are now in the last week of term 4. I hope everyone enjoyed the opportunity to come along to the family picnic and Santa visit yesterday, something we didn't even think would be possible several weeks ago. It has certainly been a year like no other again! Let's hope our return to school in 2022 is a new start for us all, and we can return to a more normal schooling experience.

Year 12 Graduating Students



On Monday we were treated to a wonderful musical performance by our Later Years students as part of the special last week activities farewelling our three graduating students – Ruby, Maddison and Zufiqar. Many thanks to Mim, Mel Murphy, Kay, Jessie and co., for facilitating this activity. Last night a special Graduation Dinner was also held at a local restaurant, with the event attended by graduation students, their families and staff.

It was lovely for everyone to be able to come together and share this special time in their lives.



Student Leadership Award

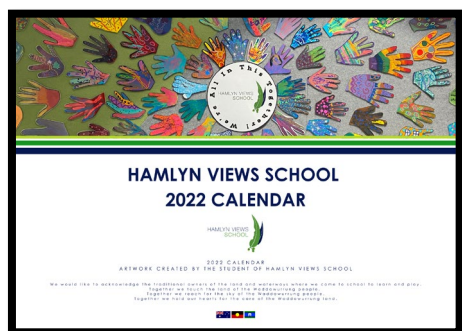


Tomorrow Jaunty Soe will be presented the prestigious Secondary Student Leadership Award by Richard Marles MP. This award acknowledges a secondary student who exemplifies the qualities of *courage, kindness and humility*. Along with the certificate he also receives a \$100 Office Works Voucher.

2022 School Year Book

Our Annual Year Book will be shared on SeeSaw for families later this week. It is a great momento of the year that was, and the many highlights that took place despite the disruptions caused by Covid-19. Many thanks to Olivia Couch for coordinating this year's Year Book.

2022 School Calendar



This year we have created a 2022 Calendar for our families as a special token of our thanks for all your support across the year. It contains artwork from students they did during their Visual Arts program with Mim Papainniemi. These will come home with students on Thursday. We hope you like it!

PASS Award Winners



Last Friday I joined Ranelle McNamara and Claire Thomson at PASS Forum at Marvel Stadium,

Melbourne where they received their PASS Awards. It was a special moment for them to be acknowledged for this outstanding achievement with their special education peers.

Grant Success



We were delighted to learn on Tuesday that our school has been successful in receiving a \$200,000 Inclusive Schools Grant that will be used for an inclusive playground development. A big thank-you to Dave Rittinger who led this grant application. A fantastic effort.



Recently Judy Crowe, a Bank First Director, attended our school to present a \$1,500 cheque for a successful Grant that will support our Kitchen Garden program. She was so impressed by what she saw when she visited us that she has written an article about our school that will be published in a future Bank First ebulletin to members.



We have been fortunate to receive a very generous donation of \$5,000 from the Lions Club, Hamlyn Heights toward a communication device.

Recently members of the executive team Jenny Miller, Linda and Wayne Bickerdike attended school to present the cheque. We are very grateful for their support of our us.

Staffing



We have undertaken a large staff recruitment agenda in preparation for next year however we still have several positions to fill so staff selection processes will continue during the school holidays. Due to the need to add a third Foundation class and further late enrolments there has been a need to make changes to class groups announced last week. Parents/carers of groups affected will be contacted and an updated Social Story sent home Thursday for classes where changes have been made.

An updated Staff | Classes | Roles list will now be shared at the start of term one next year. A number of our current staff have been reappointed for next year, whilst some new staff joining us include;

Teachers: Amy Page, Kaleesha Verdichizzi, Monique Laven, Kate Cole, Jacqui Chalmers and Jacqueline Robinson

Classroom Education Support |

Alice Ainsworth, Kylee Coleman

Trainee: Isabella Bennett

Office Admin: Tina Castillo **Student**

Wellbeing/Allied Health: Jessie

Francis, Anchi Sherpa and Bingyao

Liu.



We also have several staff leaving current roles for a variety of reasons – Mollie Stirton, Cassidy McFadden and Dr. Mel Murphy. I want to thank these staff for their fabulous contribution to our school during their time with us, and wish them all the very best.

Organisation



At the start of term one, 2022 staff we will be undertaking planning, preparation, training and professional learning prior to **all students returning to school on Tuesday 1st February.**

Entry to school at the start of the year for students will be at the Gym door, with new Foundation students using the Foundation gate.

TIMES

8:50 – 8:55am Gym Door: Secondary Students

9:00am Gym Door: Primary Students

9:00am Bus Bay: All bus travellers

9:00am Foundation Gate: Foundation Students

I will be on Long Service Leave tomorrow Thursday 16th and Friday 17th December to travel interstate. Warren Dawson will be Acting Principal during this time.

School staff are very appreciative of the many thanks expressed by families for their efforts during this most challenging of school years. We want to wish all students moving onto post-school life or new school settings next year all the very best for their future and hope all families have a very Merry Christmas and New Year. Please keep safe and well over the holiday period.



Regards,

Suzanne Armstrong

Principal

Christmas Raffle Winners



Congratulations to the following winners of our term four Christmas Raffle:

Prize 1: Handmade Quilt valued at \$350 - Alyssa L

Prize 2: ORFA Cosmetics Holiday Makeup Sets valued at \$118 - Fiona B

Prize 3: Serenity Skin & Body Care Voucher valued at \$100 - Hedley G

Prize 4: Wine & Chocolate Hamper valued at \$86 – Mollie S

Prize 5: Studio Machiya Shiatsu Massage valued at \$75 – Laura T

Prize 6: Move to Music Pre-School Music Passes valued at \$60 – Maan J

Prize 7: De Grandi Voucher valued at \$40 – Amanda F

Prize 8: Café Botticelli Voucher valued at \$40 – Jenny D

Prize 9: Bath Bomb pack valued at \$25 – Rebecca A

A big thank-you to everyone who sold tickets for this fundraising effort. We raised a total of \$2,014 with all proceeds going towards our bus fundraising campaign. It is very much appreciated. Thank-you to everyone who generously donated items for the Raffle. Thank-you also to fellow members of the School Council Fundraising Committee – Diana, Marty and Elise who helped organise the Raffle, along with coordination support from office staff Carolyn, Steph and Amanda.

Bus Time Changes for Last Day of Term

This **Friday 17th December** is the last day of Term 4 and we will be finishing at **1:30PM**.

Please find the amended bus drop off times below.

Please contact the office if there are any changes to your students travel arrangements.

Blue Bus

Time	Stop
1:42PM	92 Ballarat Rd, North Geelong
1:48PM	81 Corinella St, Bell Post Hill
1:54PM	211 Anakie Rd, Bell Post Hill
2:02PM	37 Princess Rd, Corio
2:06PM	Bacchus Marsh Service Rd, Corio
2:13PM	159 Purnell Rd, Corio
2:36PM	680 Midland Hwy, Batesford
2:50PM	43 High St, Bannockburn
3:05PM	2714 Hamilton Hwy, Inverleigh



Red Bus

Time	Stop
1:55PM	97 Kansas Ave, Bell Post Hill
2:00PM	52 Donnybrook Rd, Norlane
2:03PM	28 Donnybrook Rd, Norlane
2:08PM	22 Sparks Rd, Norlane
2:10PM	32 Swallow Cr, Norlane
2:25PM	Cnr of Gertrude St and Pakington St
2:50PM	105 Wilsons Rd, Newcomb
3:00PM	749 Portarlington Rd, Leopold
3:06PM	56 High St, Drysdale
	100 Jetty Rd, Clifton Springs



Yellow Bus

Time	Stop
1:52PM	1 Lumeah Crt, Norlane
1:55PM	46 Forster St, Norlane
2:00PM	45 Cabernet Rd, Corio
2:03PM	18 Moreland Ave, Corio
2:08PM	98 Hendy St, Corio
2:12PM	37 Sharland Rd, Corio
2:24PM	37 Benjamin Dr, Lara
2:28PM	37 Patullos Rd, Lara
2:34PM	20 Young St, Lara



School Office



Our school office will be open from Tuesday 25th January, 2022 (9:00am to 3:00pm).

Normal office hours resume on Tuesday 1st February, 2022. (8:30am – 4:00pm).

