HAMLYN VIEWS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | 25th March 2022

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Principal – Suzanne Armstrong

School Council President - Ingrid Jennings

2022 KEY DATES

- Saturday 26th March 2022
 Earth Hour [8:30pm 9:30pm]
- Saturday 2nd April 2022
 World Autism Awareness Day
- Thursday 7th April
 Easter Activities
- Friday 8th April 2022
 IEP's sent home
 Last day of Term 1 2:30PM finish
- Friday 15th April 2022
 Good Friday
- Sunday 17th April 2022
 Easter Sunday
- Monday 25th April 2022
 ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- Tuesday 26th April 2022
 First day of Term 2
- Tuesday 3rd May 2022
 World Asthma Day
- Sunday 8th May 2022
 Mother's Day







HARMONY DAY 2022

On Monday March 21 we celebrated Harmony Day with students and families across the school. It was wonderful to have families join us for a picnic, filled with food, music, and dancing.

We had lots of fun dancing and listening to a beautiful instrumental performance from our school Music Therapist Bingyao Liu, on the Chinese Hammered Dulcimer, called a *Yangqin*. Thank you to the school community for supporting this school event.



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Principal NewsDear parents and carers,

We had a glorious Autumn Day for our Harmony Day event on Monday. Thank you to all family members who came along to our first onsite activity for the year. We had positive feedback about the dances led by Annie and Mim, and the music played by our talented Music Therapist Bingyao Liu. It was great to see people wearing orange or clothing from the diverse array of nationalities at our school. Thank -you to our Family and Community Engagement team for coordinating this special event.

2022 Annual Implementation Plan

Our Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) has been endorsed by School Council and the Department of Education and Training (DET). It details our key goals for improvement for 2022 aligned to our four-year School Strategic Plan, and two new DET priority areas of Learning and Wellbeing. Our school improvement work, that includes professional development, training, and Professional Learning Community (PLC) inquiry cycles be focused on progressing achievement of these goals. The goals are;

 Learning – Support both those who need extra support and those who have thrived to continue to extend their learning, especially in numeracy.

- Wellbeing Effectively mobilise available resources to support students' wellbeing and mental health especially the most vulnerable.
- To improve student learning outcomes in English, with a focus on communication.
- 4. To increase student engagement with their learning.

2021 Annual Report Meeting

A special meeting will be held of School Council on Wednesday 27th April @ 5:00pm to share the 2021 Annual Report that will detail the school's achievements, challenges, and progress toward key goals last year. Parents and carers are welcome to attend this meeting with access via WebEx. An invitation will be sent on the first day of term two.

Bus Changes Information

Where changes to student bus arrangements are necessary during the school day these are best communicated by a phone call to the office. Teachers may miss messages sent via SeeSaw due to their focus on their teaching duties.

Staffing Update

While Warren Dawson has been on Long Service Leave (LSL) this week Ashley Kalkandis has been Acting Principal. She will also have this role in the last week of term when Warren is on LSL. Thanks for your support, Ashley.

We have appointed several new teachers to our school. Jade Ward will commence in Early Primary Green from next Monday. Lia Van Arkadie will commence next week (0.8) and teach EPB for the last two weeks of term. Sarah Dorney will be the class teacher from term two.



We welcome them to our Hamlyn Views staff team.

Many thanks to Kerrie, Rebecca and Aman who have filled the two class teaching roles while teachers were recruited. A new Speech Therapist and Education Support positions are still being finalised.

Easter Raffle

We have had a good response to our Easter Raffle so far. Tickets are still for sale. Prize winners of the Basket Hampers will be drawn and announced on Thursday 7th April.

Early Finish for End of Term One Reminder

A reminder that on the last day of term one, Friday 8th April, students will be dismissed at 2:30pm. Students who travel on buses will be at their pick-up stops half an hour earlier.

We are approaching the end of a busy first term. Everyone is looking forward to the holiday break that includes Easter, only two more weeks to go.

Yours sincerely,
Suzanne Armstrong

Principal





LEARNING | RESPECT | SAFETY

Please note the following message from DET:

- Schools are reminded that the department does not provide accident insurance for students.
- Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.
- Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

Term Dates 2026-2030

The Education and Training Reform Regulations 2017 require the Minister for Education to determine the days on which a government school is required to be open for attendance by students.

The Minister for Education has set the term dates for 2026-2030. Setting school dates well in advance assists with school planning and ensures the school community knows the days Victorian government schools are open for student instruction.

The 2026-2030 terms dates are based on these criteria:

- There are four school terms
- The school year is 200 days
- The Australia Day holiday occurs before students return to school
- The first term vacation is to coincide with Easter
- That, as far as possible, a consistent pattern be maintained from one fiveyear block to the next.

More information is on the Department's website: School term dates and holidays in Victoria (education.vic.gov.au)

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/pages/datesterm.aspx

Parking at Hamlyn Park Recreation Reserve

A reminder that from 3:00pm – 4:30pm on school days there is no entry to the parking bays alongside Hamlyn Park Recreation Reserve from the Quamby Avenue entrance.

To support the safety of all those parking here we recommend you enter from the Calvert Street entrance at both pick -up and drop-off times. Please also be mindful to travel at a reduced speed.

We ask that you please share this information with those who drop off and collect your child from school.

If you have any information or suggestions about this parking area, Ingrid Jennings the School Council President is happy for you to contact her via the school email Hamlyn.views.school@education.vic.gov.au









HVS Social Worker



Hello families. My name is Jessie Francis, and I am the Social Worker here at Hamlyn Views School.

I have been working in the Social Work field for the past 9 years in a variety of areas including Brain Injury Rehabilitation, Youth Homelessness and Child Protection.

At Hamlyn Views, my role as the Social Worker is to assist students and their families in a range of supports they may require. These supports may include social and emotional interventions, engagement and attendance concerns, as well as family transitions.

I am able to assist students and families with Food Bank, school uniform and will attend Care Team Meetings with external support providers when required.

Please reach out to me if you would like to chat further about my role or feel like there is something I could support you with.

Jessie Francis Social Worker

Food Bank



Here at Hamlyn Views School, we are fortunate enough to receive food deliveries from Foodbank Victoria to assist with our Breakfast Club Program. As a part of this program, we offer breakfast and lunch to students who need it. We understand that access to food can be difficult for some and would like to offer take home packs to families who may require them. These packs will consist of cereals, soups, tin fruit, and some snacks. Please contact Jessie (Social Worker) or the office if you would like to have your name added to the 2022 list for food box deliveries.

Student Leadership Conference

On Friday March 18th a group of our student leaders joined the Barwon Student Leadership Conference.

The session they attended focused on being an empathetic leader. They all agreed that to show empathy we can 'say' Is everything okay? And can I help you with that? That we would 'feel' how difficult things can be for people, and how we can care for others. And we can 'do' by talking to people, and ask them to join in.

It was great learning by everyone and a wonderful example of our school value of Showing Respect.



Earth Hour

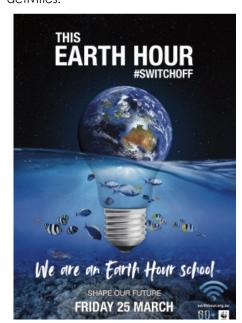
Every year hundreds of millions of people around the world in more than 7,000 cities in over 190 countries take part by switching off for 60 minutes as a symbolic gesture of solidarity to show they care about our planet's future.

This year, Earth Hour is at 8.30pm local time Saturday 26 March. We're inviting all **Australians** sign au to #ShapeOurFuture and join a worldwide community of millions supporting stronger action on climate change. Individual actions can benefit our planet, while symbolically demonstrating support for a renewable future for our country, and for the world.

You could:

- Switch to solar power.
- Switching your ride
- Or just #SwitchOff your lights for Earth Hour to show your support for greater action on climate change.

Today we are celebrating earth hour from 12pm till 1pm. We are enjoying fresh air outside and relaxing with lights off while colouring and doing craft activities.



We Need You!

Hamlyn Views School is seeking Casual Relief Teachers, Education Support Staff and Admin Staff.

If you are interested in joining the Hamlyn Views Casual Team, please send a cover letter and resume to:

hamlyn.views.school@education.vic.gov.au





School Sport

During term 1, students from Upper Primary and Junior Secondary have participated in ultimate frisbee and athletics clinic, delivered by coaches.

Students practised different frisbee skills such as throwing and catching and played lots of fun frisbee games. The students enjoyed working with coach Kelvin.

They have started with their athletics clinics, run by coaches Anula and Darren. Students loved all the fun games that coach Darren organised for them and can't wait to participate in the rest of the program.



Resource Smart

This year we are focusing on waste, and as a part of this we are encouraging all students to come with Nude Food Lunches. We know it can be hard to pack a Nude Lunchbox, but it can often be a lot cheaper to buy in bulk and split food into reusable packs.





Did you know Hamlyn Views has a blog associated with the CERES Hub? Here we show the wonderful work we are doing to become and promote sustainable practices.

You can find our Blog here: https://sustainability.ceres.org.au/grou
ps/hamlyn-views-school/

Student Awards

month!

Our student awards celebrate our school values of showing respect, being ready to learn and being safe.

These students have done a fabulous job of demonstrating these values.

Well done to all our award winners this



We are becoming **Smart**alannah & madeline foundation



An important cybersafety message

Our school has registered to take part in eSmart, a guiding framework for schools to manage cybersafety and wellbeing.

eSmart will help teachers, students and the whole school community embrace the benefits of technology and reduce our exposure to cyberspace risks such as cyberbullying, identity theft, online sexual predation and accessing or sending inappropriate images and content.

eSmart is an initiative of The Alannah and Madeline Foundation, a national charity committed to protecting children from violence.

Our work towards achieving eSmart status will involve the whole school community—for example, we'll be integrating cybersafety into our wellbeing policies, establishing clear procedures to deal with incidents, and delivering curriculum around the smart, safe and responsible use of technology.

We'll regularly update you on our progress through this newsletter. More information is also available at www.esmart.org.au



March School Council Meeting News School Council members for 2022 have

School Council members for 2022 have been confirmed.

- Parent members Ingrid Jennings,
 Diana Duffy, Aubrey de Campo, and
 Laura Tullio (Co-opted).
- DET members Elise Mascarin and Warren Dawson.
- Community member Sharlene Gillick.
- Student members Maddison Hunter and Jaunty Soe.
- Executive Officer Sue Armstrong.
- Visitor Carolyn Haskett as Minute Secretary.
- Elected Office Bearers Ingrid Jennings (President), Diana Duffy (Treasurer).
- Resignation of Neil Lynch as a Community Member. Replacement required.
- Two Sub-Committees to operate –
 Finance and Fundraising.
- A PowerPoint presentation shared from Maddison and Jaunty.
- 2022 Annual Implementation Plan endorsed.
- DET Regional approval received for the purchase of a school bus.

- Occupational Health and Safety, and Child Safe Standards updates.
- Family Engagement ideas discussed.
- Student Free Days for 2022 endorsed
 Tuesday 14th June and Monday
 14th November.

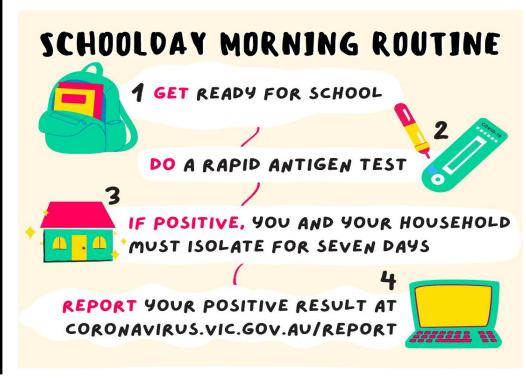
SunSmart School



Being SunSmart is important for everyone, and we thank parent/carers for your support by sending in a hat for your child.

If your child needs a new school hat, they can be purchased from our uniform supplier Bellarine Uniforms. Order forms are available from the school office. Just ask our friendly Admin staff.





HVS Chaplain



My name is Paul Tyson and for new families I would like to introduce myself as the Chaplain at Hamlyn Views School. The school has Chaplaincy funding to provide some programs to support students in their social and emotional wellbeing.

I studied a Bachelor of Applied Science in Disability Studies at Deakin University as well as a Graduate Diploma of Teaching and Learning. I have worked in a variety of settings and schools as a Carer, Teacher and Chaplain. I love coffee, the beach, musical theatre and going to the movies, Netflix and most importantly the Geelong Cats.

Hamlyn Views is very thankful to be able to implement the National School Chaplain Program. Chaplains support the emotional wellbeing of students by providing pastoral care services. They work closely with Wellbeing and Allied Health staff in schools to support students and their educational outcomes, staff, families, and the wider school community.

I work two days per week - Mondays and Thursdays. Some of the supports I hope to provide are:

- Activities that promote self-esteem and confidence
- Social skills and team building activities
- One-on-one support
- Mentoring
- Lunchtime activities
- Coffee morning for Parents and Guardians
- Food support and meals at times of crisis
- Assisting with school activities such as camps, excursions, and community access.

Please feel to email me at paul.tyson@education.vic.gov.au or through the school office.



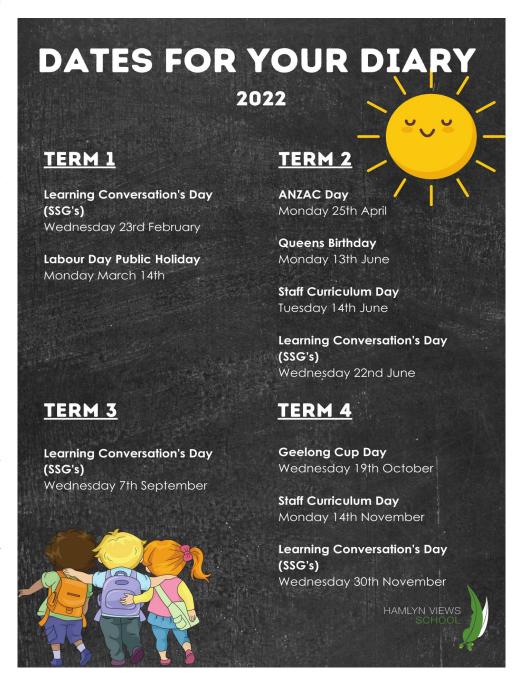
IGNITE A PASSION FOR THE GAME!

LARA ALL ABILITIES AUSKICK

Lara Sporting Club - Mill Road, Lara

Starting Friday 29th April 2022, 6:00-7:00pm Jess Harriott - 0428 129 958 auskicklara1@gmail.com

play.afl/auskick





Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

These behaviours are **not** okay in our school community:

- ▼ Threats
- ∨iolence
- Rudeness
- Harassment
- Discriminatory and derogatory comments
- Aggression
- Intimidation
- Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within** the School Community Policy.

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Education and Training

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.



We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land and waterways where we come to school to learn and play.
Together we touch the land of the Waddawurrung people.
Together we reach for the sky of the Waddawurrung people.
Together we hold our hearts for the care of the Waddawurrung land.