

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 | 27th May 2022

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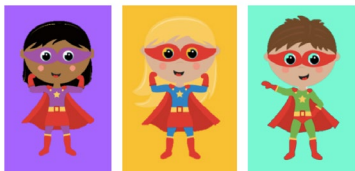
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Principal – Suzanne Armstrong

School Council President – Ingrid Jennings

2022 KEY DATES

- **Friday 27th May 2022**
National Reconciliation Week
- **Friday 3rd June 2022**
Student Leader Badge Presentation
@ 2 pm
- **Friday 10th June 2022**
Common Professional Practice Day
- **Monday 13th June 2022**
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- **Tuesday 14th June 2022**
Staff Curriculum Day
- **Friday 17th June 2022**
Mid-Year Reports sent home
- **Wednesday 22nd June 2022**
Learning Conversation's Day (SSG's)
- **Friday 24th June 2022**
Last day of Term 2 – 2:30pm finish
- **Sunday 3rd July 2022**
NAIDOC Week
- **Monday July 11th 2022**
Term 3 begins



Education Week 2022

It was so lovely to have families onsite again on Monday for Education Week and Biggest Morning Tea. We opened our classrooms and for many parents this was their first visit so there was much anticipation in the air. Students had the opportunity to share their work and staff could chat about all the wonderful learning that's been taking place.

Thank you to everyone who attended and also came along for the Biggest Morning Tea. It was cold outside, so the warm cuppa hit the spot for many. Our senior students did a fabulous job in Monty's Café serving tea, chai, coffee and hot chocolates. We look forward to seeing you all again soon!



Cancer Council
Australia's Biggest
Morning Tea

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Principal News

Dear parents and carers,

This year's 'Education Week' celebrates the milestone of 150 Years of Public Education, and marks 109 years of Specialist School education. A big thank-you to everyone who was able to come on-site this week for our Open Classrooms and Biggest Morning Tea Cancer Council fundraising event. Our students and staff enjoy providing the opportunity for families to visit classrooms with their child, and I know our Senior Secondary students were very proud to be wearing their smart "Monty" aprons and caps whilst they served drinks for attendees and assisted with the catering for the morning tea.

We were also pleased to hold a Prospective Parent Information night on Tuesday evening for possible future parents and carers to hear about our school and its programs, and undertake a tour of our facilities.

Education Support Staff Day

Last Monday we acknowledged our hard working and dedicated Education Support Staff with a special Morning tea to say a big thank-you for all that they do for our students, families and colleagues.

Our school couldn't function without their amazing contribution.

Volunteers

Many thanks for the school volunteers who attended the OH&S Induction last Friday. We really appreciate the support of volunteers and thank-you for undertaking this important process as part of our Volunteers Policy.

Building Project



As you will be aware we were surprised and delighted to be informed we will receive \$1.274 million for the Victorian State Government to assist us to upgrade and modernise our school, including playgrounds and basketball court covers. We are currently preparing an Asset Management Plan for the Victorian School Building Authority as the first stage of the building project and I encourage you, if you have not done so, to complete a short Survey Monkey so we can gather feedback from families to assist this plan. Thank-you for the contributions we have received to date. **You can access this survey by scanning the QR code below.**



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Student Leader Badge Presentation

On Friday 3rd June we will be hosting the Hon. John Eren (MLA), member for Lara, and candidate elect Ella George for a Student Leaders' Badge Presentation.

Staffing Update

I am pleased to announce we have appointed Cara Stansfield as the teacher to replace Ranelle McNamara who is now on Parental Leave. Due to her current employment arrangement she will join our staff from term three. Michael Radoslav will remain as the classroom teacher until this time.

Zola Lawry our Speech Therapist from this week will be working four days per week and can be contacted Monday to Wednesday, and Friday. We have also advertised for an additional Allied Health Assistant to support our Allied Health team. Please share this with any qualified candidates you may know.

May Principal Conferences

Over the next two weeks Warren and I will be attending the Principal's of Specialist Schools Conference and State Principal's Conference either in person or online. These events are an important opportunity to learn about the latest evidence-based practices in educational leadership. We are looking forward to sharing our learnings with staff upon completion and are grateful



for members of the school leadership team for leading the school community in our absence.

Days to note this term

A reminder that on **Friday 10th June** and **Tuesday 14th June** there is **no school for students** due to a Common Professional Practice Day for teachers and a Curriculum Day that will have a Wellbeing focus.

Wednesday 22nd June is also our **Learning Conversations Day** where parents and carers along with students can attend onsite for Student Support Group (SSG) meetings. During these meetings students Individual Education Plan goals will be reviewed and information shared. **Regular classes do not operate on this day**, with students attending for the SSG scheduled meeting time.

Yours sincerely,
Suzanne Armstrong

Principal

School Council Update

At the last School Council meeting the following items were discussed;

- Car parking issues at Hamlyn Reserve
- VSBA School Upgrade funding
- Dogconnect program
- Review of School Council Code of Practice and Standing Orders
- Whoosh excursion subsidy

If you would like to contact any of our School Council parent representatives about any School Council matters, this can be facilitated through the school office.



Parent Payment Arrangements

A reminder to families that we no longer send home statements for parent payments. The contribution we are requesting this year is \$160 towards curriculum resources and \$40 towards attendant care and hygiene resources. A **total of \$200 for the year**. All contributions paid to the school are voluntary and tax deductible. Full details can be found on our website, using the following link <https://hamlynviews.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/7.-2022-Parent-Payments.pdf>

If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn by calling the office.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF at our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

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If your child is a new enrolment at our school this year, including if they have transferred from another school, you will need to complete a new application form. **Forms must be submitted by the end of this term.**

Please contact any of the office staff to obtain an application form or to check if you have received CSEF funding for your child.

Crossing Supervisors



The City of Greater Geelong are currently experiencing a shortage of school crossing supervisors due to covid, flu etc.

They are currently recruiting additional School Crossing Supervisors if anyone in our school community is interested in becoming a School Crossing Supervisor.

For more information about the job, or you would like to apply, scan the QR code below.



Speech Therapist



Hi Everyone,

My name is Zola, I am the new Speech Pathologist at Hamlyn Views. I started at the beginning of this term, and I have been really enjoying getting to know your children. I have worked in Department of Education schools for the past nine years, both in Mainstream and Special Education, and I'm really excited to be part of the Hamlyn Views Allied Health Team!

I believe that every student deserves a voice, and to be able to say what they want to say. I am passionate about supporting students with complex communication needs to develop their skills to express themselves, be that through verbal speech, Key Word Sign, or use of an AAC Communication Device.

If you would like to discuss your child's communication or feeding needs, please feel free to contact me.

Garden Club



This term we have started a garden club program during break and lunch times. Students have been learning how to maintain our garden bed by watering the plants, using our compost for soil, planting new seeds, turning the soil, and taking out the weeds.

We have a lot of exciting projects coming up for our garden program so watch this space.



Donation Announcement

We would like to thank Zac Dekun and his family for donating various boxes of scrapbooks and project books to our school. Well done, Zac!



POSITIVE START 2022



"I am having fun hanging out with friends at camp. We have explored nature and cooked out in the bush!"
– Ellie

"This is my first holiday camp. All the kids have been nice and friendly. I have been making heaps of new friends." – Bodhi



Through Positive Start, eligible Victorian students can access free holiday camps during school holidays in 2022!

At a holiday camp, kids will get outside, make new friends and create memories that last a lifetime. Eligible families can browse an exciting menu of world-class camp experiences.

All Positive Start holiday camps meet COVIDSafe requirements. Talk to your school today to check student eligibility. Find out more:
www.vic.gov.au/positive-start-holiday-camps

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



FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT!

We're very excited to let you know that we've received \$1.274 million in the recent State Budget to upgrade and modernise the school, including playgrounds and basket court covers.

We'll now develop an Asset Management Plan to help us plan for this upcoming project.

We'll keep you updated as we work to deliver exceptional outcomes for our school community as part of the Victorian Government's record investment in education.

BE BRAVE. MAKE CHANGE.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2022 **#NRW2022**
27 MAY - 3 JUNE



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2022

TERM 2

Queens Birthday
Monday 13th June

Common Professional Practice Day
Friday 10th June

Staff Curriculum Day
Tuesday 14th June

Learning Conversation's Day (SSG's)
Wednesday 22nd June

TERM 3

Learning Conversation's Day (SSG's)
Wednesday 7th September

TERM 4

Geelong Cup Day
Wednesday 19th October

Staff Curriculum Day
Monday 14th November

Learning Conversation's Day (SSG's)
Wednesday 30th November



Lara Giants Basketball Club MIGHTY GIANTS ALL ABILITIES

FREE COME & TRY SESSIONS

**All Abilities Basketball
The Mighty Giants**
Lara Lake Primary
Saturday Mornings
9am for 9:15am start



for more info email us at enquiries@laragiants.org.au

www.laragiants.org.au/mightygiants

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.



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.

PROTECT

Protecting children & young people from abuse is our responsibility



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
- ⊗ Violence
- ⊗ 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**.