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2022 KEY DATES

Monday 7th November 2022

National Recycling Week

Wednesday 9th November 2022

International Week of Science and Peace

Friday 11th November 2022

Remembrance Day World Kindness Day

Monday 14th November 2022

Assessment and Report Writing Day
- no school for students

Friday 2nd December 2022

International Day for People with a Disability

Monday 5th December 2022

CoastCare Week – Resource Smart

Tuesday 13th December 2022

Step Up! Day

Tuesday 20th December 2022

Last Day of Term 4







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Out of this World!







2022 School Concert

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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Principal NewsDear parents and carers

The term is proceeding at rapid rate, with November right around the corner and before we know it will be Christmas. I hope the heavy recent rains have not impacted you or your family and friends.

Senior Secondary Camp

In another first for our school, our senior students attended a threeday camp to Blackwood in the first week of term. A big well done to these students for their participation and an enormous thank-you to the staff team and volunteer for supporting students during this outdoor educational fabulous experience. I want to especially commend Marty Dufty leader) on his preparation and leadership of the camp.

'Out of this World' Concert

Congratulations to students for being part of our second ever whole school concert, and a thanks to everyone who attended the performance. 2019 was the last time we held a concert, with Covid-19 impacting during the past couple of years.

A big shout out to Annie Malesic for co-ordinating the concert, and the tremendous assistance of Mim (Arts Teacher) and Erin (Song Room Teacher), as well as all the staff and volunteers who supported the event in so many ways. We are also grateful to Clonard College who provided the use of their hall and facilities.

Professional Learning

Last week our Teacher Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) were joined by Ellie McDougall (Principal, Ararat College) as they undertook their weekly professional learning inquiry cycle focusing on Numeracy (Counting). Ellie is currently completing her Harvard University Data Wise Coaching Accreditation and we are grateful to the Victorian Teacher Academy for providing Ellie for a period of time to assist our PLC teams to do this work with fidelity.

Term 4 SSGs

Our SSG meetings this term will be held over a two-week period, either during the day during a teacher's release time, or after school commencing from Monday 28th November.

Teachers will organise meeting times with you.

Report Writing Day – Student Free

Our term four student free day will be on Monday 14th November. Teachers will use this day to prepare student's End of Year Reports that will be shared with families on Friday 25th November.

Car Parking

As you are aware there are 5 Disability Parking Bays in our Calvert Street Carpark. I would like to remind parents, carers and other visitors to our school that these car spaces are designated for cars with an authorised Disability Sticker. Please support families who need this space by only parking there if you have the Sticker. This would be greatly appreciated.

Staffing

We welcome back Teacher Mollie Stirton who returned from Parental Leave last week and is now class sharing two days per week in Early Primary Yellow.

We have a large program of staff recruitment this term to set us up for 2023, as we expect to grow our enrolments to approximately 115, and plan to operate with 18 class groups. Staff appointments made to date include three new Leading Teachers who will assist me as members of the School Leadership Team. Congratulations to Marty Dufty (Student Engagement), Jacqui Chalmers (Mental Health and Wellbeing) and Samantha Simpkin (Inclusive Practices).

We currently have a large number of job roles advertised on DET's Recruitment Online and will continue our staff selection processes across the term.

Congratulations to Rachel D'Cruz who School Council October Update has been shortlisted (last 3 in the state) At the October School Council for an Outstanding Graduate Teacher meeting Principals Association of Specialist discussion were; Schools (PASS) Award. The Awards • Night will be held at Marvel Stadium on Friday 11th November, and we wish her every success.



World Teachers' Day 2022

Friday was World Teacher's' Day in Victoria and I want to acknowledge our fabulous teachers at Hamlyn Views who provide such quality teaching, care and support to our students and families. A big thank-you to you for everything you do to for our school community.

Christmas Raffle

The Fundraising Committee are grateful for the fantastic support received from the community with donations for our Christmas Raffle. We have over \$2,000 worth of prizes. This year it will be an ONLINE RAFFLE with tickets @ \$2 each. More details will be published.

Regards,

Suzanne Armstrong **Principal**

the main items

- Warren Dawson's resignation as a School Councillor and Ashley Kalkandis confirmed to the vacant position.
- A New Child Safe Standards (Part 2) Presentation
- Change in Student Support Group meeting organisation
- Presentation by TheirCare Out of School Care provider following an Expression of Interest process. Endorsement of the service to operate at Hamlyn Views in 2023 with the support of a DET funding grant. More details will be with the shared soon community.

Resource Smart Update

Our resource smart team put our 2nd star up on the post outside of our school this week. We are now a 2-star Resource Smart school and will hopefully get our third star before the end of the year.

Last week all classes participated in the Aussie Backyard Bird count for National Bird Week. We have been working hard to improve our Biodiversity by creating Bird feeders.

Classes headed outside for 20 minutes and counted how many birds they saw and heard.

This was also a great activity in mindfulness, as we had to be calm and quiet, so we didn't scare the birds!







Concert 2022 - Out of this world!

On Thursday October 20th, 2022, Hamlyn Views School held their second ever school concert, at Clonard College.

It was a great experience for our • students to share their performances with their families and audience members. It has been wonderful to see students sharing their enjoyment in being part of a concert. We have seen students grow in confidence, in learning to perform for an audience well done! We are so proud of all Annie Malesic and students for their participation in Miriam Papiniemmi rehearsals at school and on concert night.

Thank you

We would like to extend a big thank you to all amazing staff and volunteers for their support of this event.

We would like to make some special mentions of thanks to the following people;

- Suzanne, our Principal and Ashley our Assistant Principal, for their leadership support of this event.
- Amanda, Carolyn and Tina our Administration staff, for their financial management, promotion and administration support of the concert.
- Wanda Skattebo, Education Support staff member and her husband Ben Seymour for their professional video and photography services.

- Helen Wood, Business Manager, at Clonard College, for her generous support of our school event, in coordinating use of the Clonard College Theatrette, for our school concert.
- Erin McIntosh, Music Teaching Artist from the Song Room, for her school wide support in the planning and rehearsing concert items

Thank you to our parents and carers for supporting this event.

Concert Planning Team













Halloween AAC

These days, many families in our community celebrate Halloween on October 31st.

If your family chooses to celebrate Halloween, here are some ideas for supporting your child to join in the fun!

If your child has a communication device, you can help them to use it to say "hello", "Trick or treat" and "Thank you".

Some devices will have some Halloween words and phrases programmed in already.

Here's how to find Halloween vocab on some of the more common AAC systems:

LAMP system has Halloween Vocabulary [Go to 'Make" then "Holiday" to find these words]

Proloquo2go has "Trick or Treat" [Go to "**Things**" then "**More**" then "Holiday Things"]

TouchChat has Halloween vocabulary [Go to "**Groups**" then "**Holidays**" then "**Halloween**"

If your child uses **Key Word Sign** (Auslan Signs) you can practise learning some Halloween words together from this poster.

Have a safe and Happy Halloween to the families who celebrate!

From Zola, Speech Therapist



Hamlyn Views School Choir!

Our School is starting a Choir!

The choir will be an elective, meaning students can choose to sign-up. Choir rehearsals are on Fridays in session 5.

The choir is being run by Bingyao (Music Therapist), Zola (Speech Pathologist) and Ali (Allied Health Assistant).

We are very excited and look forward to learning lots of new songs together!



Christmas Parties 2022

There currently have are two opportunities for Christmas parties for our students aged 12 years and under. The Melbourne Special Children's Christmas Party is being held on Saturday 26th November and the Variety Kids Xmas Party is on a 14th school day, Wednesday December.



This year's Special Children's Christmas Party will be held in the Grand Pavilion Melbourne Showgrounds Saturday 26th November. Entry is free and each ticket (wristband) admits 1 child and 1-2 parents/carers. Ages for entry are 12 years and under.

Our school has received a limited allocation of tickets. If you would like to receive a wristband for your child, please send email an hamlyn.views.school@education.vic. gov.au





The most exciting event of the year is back, and tickets are now available!

The Variety Kids Xmas Party is an annual event where Victorian kids, aged 0 to Grade 6, who are facing challenges with disadvantage or living with illness or disability come together to have fun in an inclusive and welcoming environment.

There are carnival rides, attractions, clowns, costumes, live entertainment, food, games and sports. To top it off, every child receives a gift!

Date: Wednesday 14 December 2022

Time: 10am - 2pm (check-in opens at

9am)

Location: Melbourne Convention and World Festival of Magic Exhibition Centre 1 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf VIC 3006

Cost: FREE, strictly by invitation only to our students and siblings aged 12 years and under. Ticket numbers are capped.

Ticket Info: if you wish to attend, please email the school as soon as possible at hamlyn.views.school@education.vic. gov.au

Include names of adults attending, children's names and ages. Registrations close 30th November

Parking: There are multiple options for car parking in the area, please check rates as some may charge by the hour.

Please note that we are unable to cater for specific dietary requests. 'No Media' stickers will be available upon request.

We look forward to seeing you at this spectacular event!





Occupational Therapy Week 2022



24th-30th October

Last week was National Occupational Therapy week! Hamlyn Views School would like to acknowledge the dedication and work of our amazing Occupational Therapist Dave, as well as our incredible Allied Health Assistants Nat and Ali.

Occupational Therapists in schools support students across a broad variety of areas including Sensory Needs and Self-Regulation, Toileting Programs, Self-care and independence, Sports Programs, Environmental modifications, Transport Programs, Gross Motor, Fine Motor, and other functional learning needs.



Getting started with parental controls in social media, games and apps



Many social media sites, games and apps now come with parental controls. The eSafety Guide has advice on safety features that can be useful for parents and carers, including how to use the settings to protect personal information and report online abuse.

Here are some examples of the parental control features included in popular social media, games and apps.

Roblox

Roblox is a game creation platform that allows users to design games, play together and chat. Using built-in parental controls, parents can manage the way their children use the game. These features include a 'restricted' mode that prevents access to chat and inappropriate games.

Find out more about Roblox safety settings in The eSafety Guide or Roblox account restrictions.

TikTok

TikTok is a social media app for creating and sharing short videos. TikTok has a feature called Family Pairing that allows parents to link their Tik Tok account to their teen's account. Family pairing lets parents set controls like how much time their child spends on TikTok, the content they can see and their privacy settings.

Find out more about TikTok's safety settings in the The eSafety Guide or TikTok for parents.

YouTube Kids

YouTube Kids is a filtered version of YouTube. Parents can create a separate profile for each child in their household. YouTube Kids uses a mix of automated filters, human review and parent feedback to limit the content that kids can see on the platform. Parents can also manually approve videos for their kids to watch, block videos and set screen time limits.

Find out more about YouTube Kids in the The eSafety Guide or YouTube Kids.

Facebook Messenger for Kids

Messenger Kids is a free video calling and messaging app owned by Facebook. Parents can monitor their child's activity and control their contact list using a Parent Dashboard. Parents can sign up on behalf of their child, and it doesn't require the child to have Facebook account. Messenger Kids does not show advertising or offer in-app purchases.

Find out more about Facebook Messenger for Kids in <u>The eSafety guide</u> or <u>Messenger Kids</u>.



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Your home wi-fi network

Some wi-fi routers and accounts with internet service providers (ISPs) come with software that allows you to set up parental controls across your whole network. However, you don't always get as much control and monitoring as you get from the tailored software installed on each device. If you would like to learn more about controlling content using your wi-fi network, contact your ISP provider.

Wearables

Wearable technology such as iWatches, Fitbits and Virtual Reality headsets can be fun and provide benefits such as being portable. Some of these new technologies have parental control options that limit use to specific times, schedule downtime or hide your child's location from others. It's worth looking at the options available before buying any wearables. Find out about staying safe while using wearables and other new technologies in the eSafety Gift Guide.

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GMHBA Healthy Heroes

This term our Early Years and Middle Years students participated in our GMHBG Healthy Heroes Program alongside Geelong Cats staff. They learnt about the importance of technology screen time, hydration, keeping active, healthy eating, wellbeing, and sleep. Our students had an amazing time participating in a variety of interactive activities. Well Done! Looking forward to another program next year. "Go CATS"

Sharon Miguel E-Learning Leader









Blackwood Camp

After Jacqui and Dave played Tetris getting all our camp gear on the bus, we were finally on our way to Blackwood Camp! First up was finding rooms, making beds and exploring the new digs. Team games followed, including protecting precious Dragon eggs and shooting Pirate Canons. Dinner was Marty's Super Special Spaghetti, a very welcome feed for our ravenous campers.







Day 2 was a busy one - yabbying, hut building, frisbee golf - phew! But high ropes were definitely the highlight!

Our campers bravely stepped way out of their comfort zones and up into the trees to navigate the course and zip down the flying fox back to earth. It was then off to the local pub for Blackwood's finest Parma's, schnitzels and burgers. The kindly publican even popped some coins in the jukebox so the kids could have a boogie. Marshmallows around the campfire and it was bedtime for our sleepy campers.



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Our last day proved to be a wet one. Not deterred, all the kids layered up and headed out to tackle climbing the High Tower. A few were lucky to make it to the top and abseil back down before torrential rain finally meant we called it a day and headed back home. A final detour to avoid flooding and hot chips back at school brought Hamlyn Views' first ever camp to a close. We are incredibly proud of the resilience, tenacity and sense of adventure our students showed - a big chookas to all involved!

Kind regards,

Lia Van Arkadie Teacher and Respectful Relationships



COVID-19 Update

As you will be aware the Victorian Government has changed COVID-19 isolation requirements. From 11.59pm 12th October, the mandatory orders around isolation for people with COVID-19 have ended and instead we move to health advice and recommendations for people with COVID-19 or COVID-19-like symptoms. Our school will continue to adhere to the Department of Health's recommendations to ensure that our school remains a safe environment for our staff and students.

The Department of Health strongly recommends that students and school staff:

- Who test positive to COVID-19 stay home and isolate for 5 days and do not attend school after 5 days if they are still symptomatic
- · Who are symptomatic but have not tested positive not attend school. This does not include students with pre-existing conditions such as hay fever.

Parents and carers are recommended to continue to report their child having COVID-19 to both the school and the Department of Health. We will, however, no longer report occurrences of positive cases to the school community.

We ask parents and carers to continue to remain vigilant in preventing COVID-19 transmission. Any student who is unwell should continue to remain at home. This is about keeping students healthy and well in our school and reducing the spread of both COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases.

Free rapid antigen tests are available at the school for those who need them. Parents and carers will be contacted if their child shows symptoms while at school. Students who wish to wear a mask should continue to do so. To keep our school as safe as possible, we will also continue to use air purifiers and other COVID-19 prevention measures.

Thank you for your continued efforts to keep our school community safe and well.



Victorian Child Safe Standards



Child Safe Standard 1 - Establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and concerns are child focused. and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.

Child Safe Standard 2 - Ensure that child safety and wellbeing are embedded in school leadership, governance and culture.

Child Safe Standard 3 - Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

Child Safe Standard 4 – Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Child Safe Standard 5 – Equity is upheld and diverse needs are respected in policy and practice.

Child Safe Standard 6 - People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice

Child Safe Standard 7 – Ensure that processes for complaints

Child Safe Standard 8 - Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

Child Safe Standard 9 - Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

Child Safe Standard 10 – Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.

Child Safe Standard 11 – Policies and procedures that document how schools are safe for children, young people and students.

Ministerial Order 1359 provides the framework for child safety in schools.



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.



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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