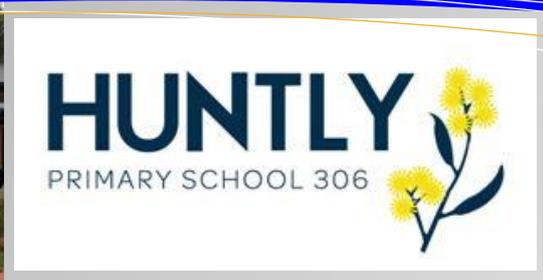


Our School Values:

RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY



ANZAC Day Memorial Service

28TH APRIL, 2021.

101 BRUNEL STREET
HUNTLY VIC 3551
PHONE (03) 5448 8866
Email: huntly.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
PRINCIPAL **MR JASON LEE**

Dear Parents,

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing for students resumes in 2021 after being cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic. On Thursday 29th April, students in years 3 & 5 will be given a cover letter outlining the NAPLAN testing process. Accompanying the letter will be a Department of Education information/fact sheet. Please read the information carefully. Should you need to seek clarification please contact your classroom teacher or me.

ANZAC DAY

THANK YOU to our school captains Tahlia and Logan for representing Huntly Primary School at the ANZAC day Huntly Memorial Service on Sunday. They did a wonderful job of respectfully placing the school wreaths at the memorial statue. It was also great to see so many of our students attending as representatives of the school and marching into the service together. *See photos on front page of this newsletter.*

STUDENT ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY

We value student voice as a means to improving student engagement, wellbeing, and quality instruction, and are conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks of our school.

The AtoSS is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist our school to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, bullying and life in general.

Students from Year 4 to 6 at our school will participate in the survey. Your child will complete the survey online during school hours using a purpose built secure online survey tool. It is important to note that we are not in any way "testing" your child. Your child has the right to refuse or withdraw from the survey at any time.

Your child will be provided with a unique login to complete the survey. The student login is an assigned identifier that may be used to link data for statistical and research purposes only. All responses to the survey are kept anonymous in the response file. Personal identification data will not be recorded in the survey response file. This ensures that the confidentiality of your child's responses is protected at all times.

This year the Attitudes to School Survey will be conducted at our school over the period Monday, 3rd May to Friday, 4th June. The survey takes around 20-45 minutes to complete and occurs during your child's class time.

The survey results will be reported back to the school in an aggregate form throughout the survey period. All survey data that is made available in reports are for groups of students only so that no individual student can be identified. Data suppression rules are used for schools with low student numbers per year level.

Survey results will be discussed with students and shared with School Council. A summary is also provided in the Annual Report. Our staff will use these results in two main ways:

- 1) *To capture what is working really well so that we can keep doing it.*
- 2) *To make changes that better support our children and their experience at our school.*

If you would like more information, please speak to your child's teacher or myself.

Note: A parent information and consent letter was sent home on Tuesday 27th April.

EDUCATION WEEK – SUNDAY, 23RD MAY TO SATURDAY, 29TH MAY

Now in its 77th year, Education Week aims to positively profile and celebrate the strengths and achievements of Victoria's government education sector.

Education Week 2021 will run from 23rd to 29th May and the theme is 'Building Connections'. The theme celebrates the connections between schools and local communities and strengthens bonds with families and carers.

Education Week is a time when prospective parents, family and community members are formally invited to come and visit our school. It encourages current family members to participate in the activities that their child participates in at school.

Activities occurring during the week include:

- Tuesday 25th May:** * Morning tea with the principal and student leadership team from 9:15am-9:45am
* Foundation (Prep) information session from 6:00-7:00pm. Please share this date and time with families who plan to enroll at Huntly P.S. or are considering their options, as it will be an opportunity to be provided important information about our school and ask questions.
- Friday 28th May:** * Grandparents/Special Friends Day: Classroom visits between 10:00am - 11:00am. Followed by sharing lunch from 11:00am-11:45am.

See flyer attached to this newsletter.

MOTHERS' DAY BREAKFAST—FRIDAY 7TH MAY 8.00AM IN MPR

Last year we were unable to run our Mothers' Day breakfast due to the pandemic. I'm pleased to announce that we will be once again holding our Mother's Day Breakfast. It was a popular event in 2019 and is a fitting way to celebrate this special occasion. An invitation for Mothers or Special Friends and order form was sent home with students yesterday.

These attendance notification and order form must be returned to school by Tuesday 4th May. If you did not get an invitation and would like to attend please contact the office.

Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL

DIARY DATES

Thursday	29th	April	Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Thursday	29th	April	School Lunch Orders close 10.00am <i>Reminder to please update your child's grade</i>
Thursday	29th	April	Supported Playgroup - 9.00am to 10.30am in OSHC Room <i>every Thursday</i>
Friday	30th	April	School Lunch Orders start again for Term 2 (<i>New Menu Items -see newsletter article</i>)
Mon - Wed	3-5	May	Book Fair at school in Multi Purpose Room- (<i>see newsletter article</i>)
Tuesday	4th	May	Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Tuesday	4th	May	Return Mother's Day Breakfast order slip to school office.
Wednesday	5th	May	Food Share Program - every Wednesday
Wednesday	5th	May	Division Cross Country - qualifying students from grades 3 to 6
Wednesday	5th	May	Book Club orders close
Wednesday	5th	May	Year 7 Secondary College Information Night at your selected school (<i>see flyer attached</i>)
Friday	7th	May	Mothers' Day Breakfast 8.00am at school in MPR (<i>see newsletter article</i>)
Friday	7th	May	Mothers' Day Stall (<i>see newsletter article</i>)
Monday	10th	May	Foundation Mothers' Day Pamper Session 2.45pm at school. <i>Invitations home soon.</i>

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

School Council participated in a extraordinary meeting on Monday night to review the Annual Report for 2020. As we all know, 2020 was a really different year for our students and their families, but we were able to look at the way our teachers adapted their program to the online delivery method, and consider how our goals to improve student achievement, engagement and wellbeing were achieved despite the challenges we all faced. There was no NAPLAN testing conducted in 2020, so this meant there wasn't as much data to analyse, plus once again there were only a small number of responses to the Parent Satisfaction Survey so it was hard to draw conclusions from this information. We are going to try some new strategies this year to encourage you all to fill out and return this survey, because this really would be valuable information for us to use to understand our community and make positive change.

We also participated in Child Safe Training. This is something we do annually to ensure we understand our own responsibilities as School Councillors, and also how our school is implementing the mandatory requirements through its strategies, promotion and accessibility of Child Safe Standards and information.

The main thing was that it was great to meet face to face with all School Councillors for the first time in a really long time.

*Kathryn Stanislowski,
School Council President.*

SPORTS NEWS

DIVISIONAL CROSS COUNTRY

This event will be held at the Bendigo Race Course (Rohs Road, Epsom) on Wednesday, 5th May. Students from grades 3 to 6 who qualify at the School Cross Country will participate, travelling to the venue by bus. Parents and families are most welcome to come along to support the runners.

Further information will be sent home with permission notes which were sent home today.



SWIMMING PROGRAM

This year the whole school Swimming Program will take place at Gurri Wanyarra Indoor Facility in Kangaroo Flat. The program begins on Monday 31st May and continues for 9 days, concluding on Friday 11th June (please note: no swimming on Monday 8th June). Total cost per student will be \$62.00. Permission forms will be sent home this week.



*Jess Monteath,
Physical Education & Sports Co-ordinator.*

BOOK FAIR

We have our first Book Fair for 2021 coming up. All students will have the opportunity to view the Book Fair beforehand and they can complete a wish list that they will bring home for parents/carers to have a look at. Book Fair opening times are:



Monday 3rd May- 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:00pm
Tuesday 4th May - 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:00pm
Wednesday 5th May – 8:30am-9:00am **only**

MOTHERS' DAY STALL - Friday 7th May

It will be wonderful to have the students to participate in a Mothers' Day Stall this year. Children are asked to bring a bag to take their gifts home in. Gifts will range in price from \$1.00 to \$5.00, please send money to school in an envelope clearly marked with child's name and what money is for. This helps prevent children from losing their stall money.

Helpers Needed—If you are available to help out on the day please leave your name at the school office by Wednesday 5th May.





SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulation to all the students who participated in the Huntly Primary School Cross Country last Friday. A big thank you to those families who came along to support the students and cheer them on. Well done to the following students who ran 1st, 2nd & 3rd in their age group.

- Under 12 Girls - Sophie, Lill, Scarlett
- Under 12 Girls - Hudson, Logan, Rhys
- Under 11 Girls - Maleah, Alice, Kyah
- Under 11 Boys - Cash, Trey, Ryan
- Under 10 Girls - Ava, Emily, Elle
- Under 10 Boys - James, Hugh, Callum
- Under 9 Girls - Evie, Lesley, Ellie
- Under 9 Boys - Nathan, Nash, Marshall

- Under 8 Girls - Skyrah, Hannah, Ebony
- Under 8 Boys - Austin, Mitchell, Kyran
- Grade 1 Girls - Sally, Miriam, Jada
- Grade 1 Boys - Zander, Marcus, Charlie
- Foundation Girls - Dakota, Xayli, Eve
- Foundation Boys - Jensen F, Sam S, Carter S



SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS—BACK FOR TERM 2

School Lunches Online is an online ordering platform. Huntly Primary School have partnered up with Goldfield Catering and after a trial late last year we are now going to start supplying lunch orders to school students. At this stage it will be on a weekly basis with lunches delivered every Friday's.



There are some new items on the Menu: Cheesy Mac, Pasta Bolognese and Ham Pizza

Lunch orders for Friday 30th April are available. Orders will need to be placed via the website <http://www.schoollunchonline.com.au/> and close at 10.00am Thursday 29th April.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK (presented this week)



BOOK CLUB

Issue 3 of Book Club has now been distributed. All orders must be placed via LOOP no later than 3.30pm on **Wednesday 5th May**. Thank you



HEADLICE

Parents are reminded to be vigilant regarding checking their child's hair regularly for head lice. If head lice are found, **please report it to the school office or Mrs Van Riet** and treat hair before your child returns to school.



HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP

Our next Supported Playgroup will be held tomorrow **Thursday 29th April** 9.00am to 10.30am in the Outside School Hours Care room. We will then continue to meet every Thursday.

Everyone is welcome to come along and join in on lots of play based activities. This is a great opportunity for parents to catch up and children to play.

This Supported Playgroup is run by Shine Bright and facilitated by Selena Van Riet at Huntly Primary School. If you have any enquires please contact Selena at the school on 54488866.

WEEKLY STUDENT AWARDS

*These awards reflect our school values of: **Respect, Resilience, Community and Collaboration.***

Congratulations to the following students, Mr Lee will present them with their Student Recognition Award at assembly on Monday at 3.10pm.

FLA - **Dakota Y:** for her hard work during independent writing time.

FM - **Bailey B:** for always being a kind and caring member of our classroom.

- **Kaina M:** for displaying great resilience when she is feeling sad.

1/2M - **Marcus T:** for his great work in Mathematics. Well done Marcus!

1/2C - **Charlie B:** for coping well in a new school environment.

1/2H - **Gianni D:** for confidently sharing his ideas and listening to others during class discussions.

3/4D - **Trystan W:** for making positive choices in the classroom and being a good role model to others.

3/4LP - **Christopher W:** for an excellent beginning to the term and positively applying feedback to improve his narrative writing.

3/4B - **Ryan S:** for showing respect and kindness to others by helping a classmate in need.

5/6G - **Lincoln C:** for adding a selection of persuasive devices to enhance his writing tasks.

5/6M - **Ryder M:** for persisting with his writing and incorporating a variety of persuasive devices into his work.

5/6OT - **Talin G:** for having a positive mindset towards his classwork.

Visual Arts - **Dakota G (3/4B):** for using her resilience to stick at a task until it is complete.

Performing Arts - **Manix K (3/4D):** for being helpful and always listening.

Physical Education - **Blake M (3/4LP):** for following instruction and demonstrating a good understanding of basic



EDUCATION WEEK – 23RD TO 29TH MAY

Tours

School Tours (please call the school office to make a booking)

Breakfast Club

Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th May: 8.10am

Morning Tea with the Principal and Student Leadership Team

Tuesday 25th May: 9.15am-9.45am

Grandparents/Special Friends Morning

Friday 28th May: 10.00am-11.30am

Grandparents/Special Friends are welcome to visit classrooms to share in student learning between 10.00am - 11.00am. They are then invited to stay and enjoy some lunch with their special student from 11.00am.



FOUNDATION (PREP) INFORMATION

Information Evening

Tuesday 25th May: 6.00pm-7.00pm

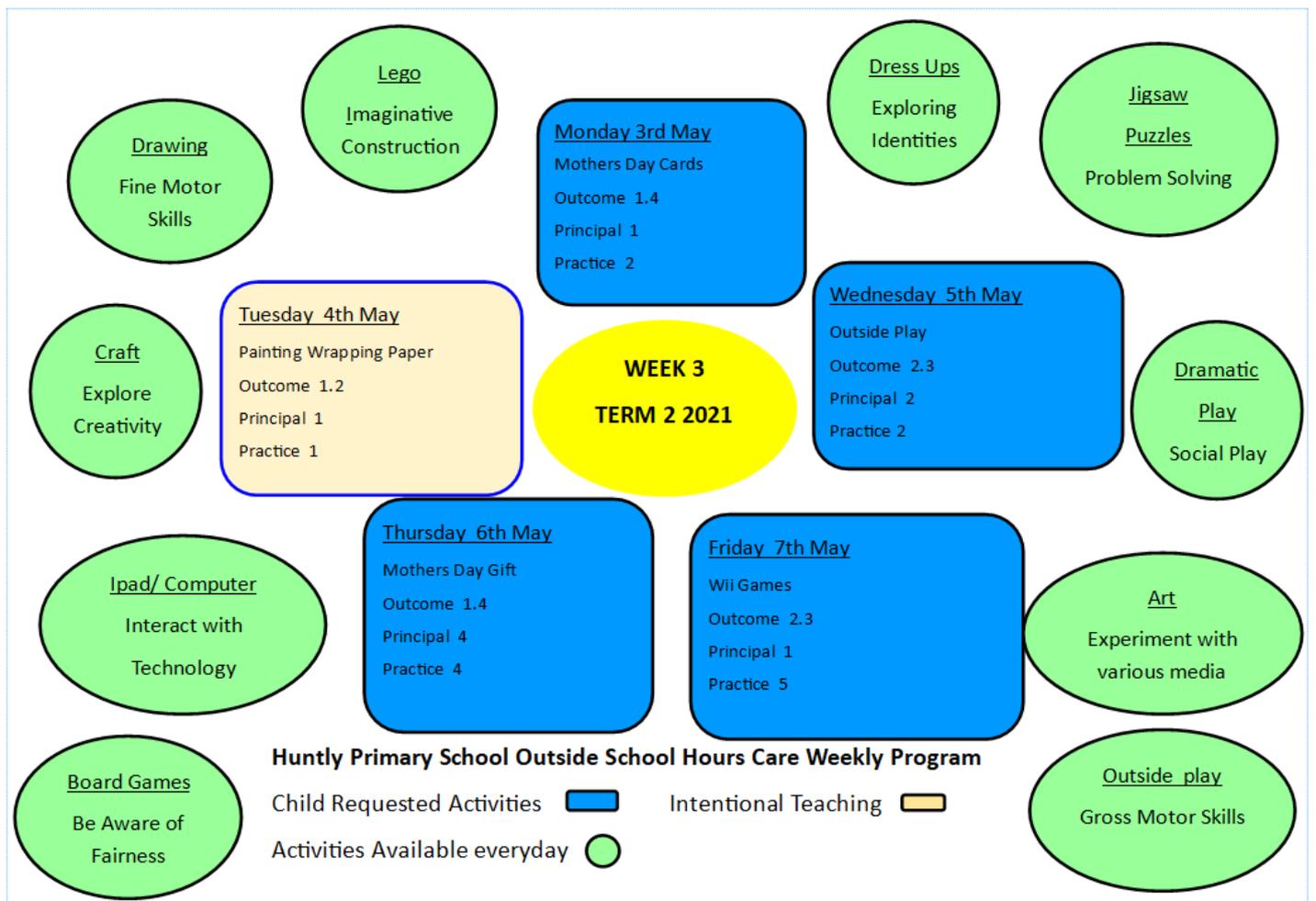
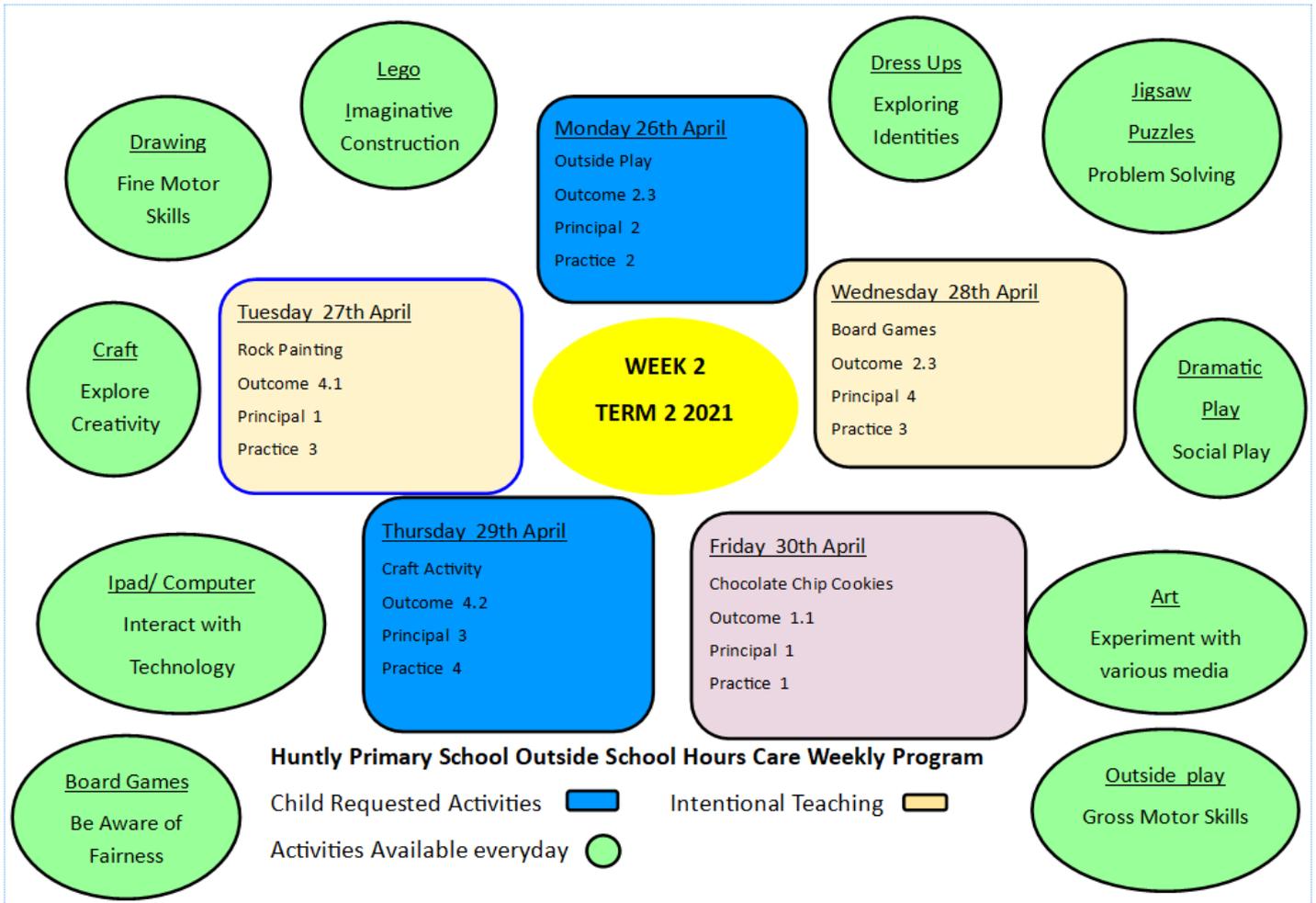
2021 Road to Foundation Transition Program

Road to Foundation Program is available to enrolled students. Please contact the school office for more information.

Further Information

Phone the school office, send an email and/or visit our webpage for details on our school zone and all 2022 enrolments.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE



2021 Information Evenings

Year 7 Information Sessions and Tours at the following Colleges
Wednesday 5th May starting at:



6pm
Location: Lola Miller Gymnasium

5446 8099
eaglehawksc.vic.edu.au



6:30pm and 7:00pm
Location: WCB Gymnasium

5443 2133
weeroona.vic.edu.au



5pm
School Tours: Ellis Street Car Park

6pm
Information Sessions: BSE Stadium

5443 4522
bse.vic.edu.au



6:30pm and 7:00pm
Location: JB Osborne Theatre

5447 7722
crusoecollege.vic.edu.au





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