

Our School Values:

RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY



Dear Parents,

TERM 3 CURRICULUM DAY- CANCELLED

Next Wednesday 1st September we were to run our curriculum day. The curriculum day will be cancelled, allowing students to continue with their remote learning routine without a break in the school week.

REMOTE LEARNING- THURSDAY 2ND (FINAL DAY)

Class teachers have started planning for next week's program. Based on the current advice that remote learning ceases on Thursday 2nd September, the final date of remote learning is being loosely termed 'Thankful Thursday'. Remote programs will only require students to catch up and finish any tasks that have not been completed over the past week (that teachers required to be handed in). Otherwise students can spend the day with family re-energising for a return to onsite learning.

REMOTE LEARNING SUPPORT

By now class teachers will have reached out to all families to check-in and discuss the remote learning program for this extended period. I hope the conversation assisted in clarifying the expectations for learning remotely and eased some of the anxiety that may have built as we entered lockdown again. As we progress through this remote learning period, should you have any queries or concerns please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance as they have the ability to modify your child's program should this be required. Dianne our wellbeing officer is also available should you need her support. You can also contact me should you feel it necessary.

SUPERVISION (MONDAY 30TH AUGUST THROUGH TO THURSDAY 2ND AUGUST)

If you would like to request onsite supervision for any of the following days Monday 30th through to Thursday 2nd August please complete the Onsite Attendance form and return it to the office or email huntly.ps@education.vic.gov.au by 2pm Friday 27th August. Onsite attendance forms can be picked up from the office. Please adhere to the government guidelines regarding student supervision.

If you need your child supported through After School Care please use the above email address to indicate the days of care your child requires.

REMINDER: SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENTS

Based on advice from the Victorian Chief Health Officer, Regional Schools will run remote and flexible learning until Thursday 2nd September, except for students in the following categories:

Children where both parents and or carers are considered authorised workers who cannot work from home, work for an authorised provider and where no other supervision arrangements can be made:

Where there are two parents/carers, both must be authorised workers, working outside the home in order for their children to be eligible for on-site provision. For single parents/ carers, the authorised worker must be working outside the home in order for their children to be eligible for on-site provision.

Note: Authorised workers are required to produce an authorised worker permit to be eligible for onsite supervision. A copy of the permit must be submitted as soon as practical. The Department of Education & Training guidelines state that your actual hours of work are entered rather than the company /business indicating generic hours.

Children experiencing vulnerability, including:

- *in out-of-home care*
- *deemed vulnerable by a government agency*
- *identified by the school*
- *where a parent/carer indicates that a student with a disability is vulnerable because they cannot learn from home, and/or informs the school the student is vulnerable due to family stress.*

25TH AUGUST, 2021.

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PRINCIPAL **MR JASON LEE**

DIARY DATES

Thursday 26 Aug to 2nd Sept	REMOTE LEARNING (see newsletter article)
Friday 27th August	Book Club orders close 3.30pm on LOOP
Monday 30th August	Book Week Dress-Up (POST PONED) and Activity Day (see newsletter article)
Wednesday 1st September	Food Share Program - every Wednesday. All welcome.
Wednesday 1st September	Curriculum Day (POST PONED)
Thursday 2nd September	'Thankful Thursday' Last day of Remote Learning (see newsletter article)

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TEACHER HOURS OF DUTY

Teachers will endeavour to respond to any parent or carers inquiries during the course of the school day (9.00am – 4.15pm). Outside of these hours teachers may respond to your questions, however it is not an expectation. During the course of the day teachers have many roles to undertake. For example; follow up on student learning concerns, plan and collaborate with other teachers remotely during and after hours, correct and assess student work and attend online meetings. For this reason, I ask you to be patient if a class teacher does not respond immediately to your messages.

PARENT SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

At the moment it would be fair to say we are in somewhat of a repeating pattern of onsite learning and remote due to the persistent lockdowns. Many children cope okay in this situation (some even prosper in remote learning). There are however students who find it difficult for a range of reasons. The Department of Education has a number of resources to support families. This link has a lot of information and additional links that you may find useful. [Looking after your child's mental health \(education.vic.gov.au\)](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/looking-after-your-childs-mental-health)

TERM 3 ACTIVITIES-CURRENT STATUS

- **Swimming Program (23rd to 27th August)** - postponed and unclear whether the final 4 days will be possible.
- **Grade 1/2 excursion to Science Works (Tuesday 14th September)** - postponed and looking at the option of regional excursion in Term 4 as a substitute.
- **Grade 2 Sleepover (Thursday 16th September)** - to be confirmed

Jason Lee, **PRINCIPAL**

BOOK WEEK:

Monday 30th August to Friday 3rd September

MULTI-AGE ACTIVITIES & DRESS UP DAY!

Monday 30th August

Due to our current lockdown situation, we have decided to postpone the Dress Up Parade and Multi-Age Activities until a later date.



We understand that not all families would have had time to get organised with costumes and felt this was the better option.

Classroom teachers are going to prepare a book week activity for students to complete on Monday 30th and we ask that students bring along their favourite book to share to their Google Meets.

If you would like to send through a photos of your child completing their book week activities for inclusion in the school newsletter, please email to huntly.ps@education.vic.gov.au by 9.00am Wednesday 1st September.

Thank you for your understanding.

FOODSHARE PROGRAM EVERY WEDNESDAY

This is open to our school families, every Wednesday in the school library. Parents will be notified on Compass and Facebook when delivery has been made. Covid regulations apply to enter. Please bring your own bag to put goods in. *All Welcome.*



BOOK CLUB:



Please remember to submit your orders for Book Club via LOOP by Friday 27th at 3:30pm. Hopefully we will all be back at school before the orders arrive to be submitted, if not, we will organise a pick up time. *Thank you.*

SMILE SQUAD - SCHOOL DENTAL VAN

The School Dental Van student check ups have been postponed until further notice.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Families are reminded to continue to monitor the school Compass App to keep up to date with important information as it becomes available.

If you have any issues accessing the Compass App please contact the school office.



MAKING MATHS COUNT!

As we are faced with yet another stint of Remote and Flexible Learning arrangements we are aware of the pressure and strain that can put on families trying to support students to continue to learn. Often Maths becomes a great source of frustration. This week we wanted to share some information with you about Growth Mindset. This is an attitude which you can help foster and will help students approach the challenges of learning in a more positive manner. It has also been shown to lead to improved results and outcomes.

Growth Mindset in Math

In general, a growth mindset is the belief that intelligence and 'smartness' can also be learned and that the brain grows from experience and effort. The opposite, a fixed mindset, is the idea that you are smart, or you are not. In math, that translates into "some people are good at math, and some are not." Did you know that praising efforts rather than intelligence or results can impact your child's ability to persevere in challenges?

The goal is to have children thrive on challenges and see failures, not as a sign of low intelligence, but as a learning opportunity. Brain research tells us that making mistakes actually wires more connections into the brain! When a person has a growth mindset, they accept challenges, see their efforts as worthwhile, and are open to learning from mistakes. Students with a growth mindset achieve at higher levels than those with fixed mindsets.

How can you help? Some simple ways:

- Adding "yet" when they claim they are "not good at this" (Respond: "You are not good at this yet.")
- Ask questions that focus on their effort and choices and get them to reflect on satisfaction of that effort (e.g. *What did you learn today? What mistake did you make that taught you something? What did you try hard at today?*)

Model this yourself as you share about your day



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**Bendigo Northern District Community Enterprise
Milestone Celebration
National Tree Day**

**Goldleaf Wetland Reserve
Pasley Street, Huntly**

**Date: Sunday 12th September, 2021
Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm**

Support your local community

Celebrating Bendigo Northern District Community Enterprise milestone of providing \$300,000 in community grants over the past 15 years

Supported by City of Greater Bendigo and Northern Bendigo Landcare Group

**BYO Gloves, Trowel, Drink Bottle, Suitable clothing and footwear.
Site entrance/parking at 154 Pasley St, Huntly. Disabled parking available at Airey St, Huntly
Please consider walking or cycling to the site.**

**Free community event, including BBQ
All are welcome!**

**Current COVID safe requirements and QR code registration will be required on the day.
Please register at: <https://treeday.planetark.org/site/10024857>**



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