

## Our School Values:

**RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY**



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PRINCIPAL **MR JASON LEE**



Dear Parents,

### **TERM 1 - PUPIL FREE DAY**

School Council has approved our term 1 **Pupil Free Day for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March**. Our pupil free day will focus on a number of school priorities including; the school review, Respectful Relationship curriculum and literacy and numeracy instructional practice.

### **SCHOOL REVIEW**

This year Huntly Primary School will undertake a review of our 4-year Strategic Plan (2019-2022).

The first part of the review is the school's self-evaluation, which will involve the entire school community. A parent survey will be forwarded to all families later in term 1. A parent forum will also be organised to seek your reflections on school life, discuss results of the survey and have input into our future Strategic Plan. Student groups will also have an opportunity to provide their views.

All aspects of the self-evaluation are documented and forwarded to our school reviewer. The school review which follows the self-evaluation will take place in term 2. Following the review, a new 4-year Strategic Plan will be created. The Strategic Plan will outline the school goals and targets for the next four years and the strategies to be put in place to achieve them.

### **PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGIES**

As part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour approach we encourage students to seek help from an adult at school when they are unable to solve a problem – both in the classroom and out in the yard. The adult may not necessarily be their current classroom teacher, it could be the teacher on yard duty, a specialist teacher, an Education Support staff member, or a teacher from a previous year. This is different from 'dobbing'. Dobbing is often trying to get someone else in trouble.

Whilst it is wonderful that children let their families know of any concerns, it is also important that the school knows so we can act in a timely manner. This helps to avoid the problem becoming larger and to prevent miscommunication.

Throughout the year, during our Respectful Relationships program we will focus on areas such as Positive Coping, Problem Solving and Help Seeking.

### **STUDENT ABSENCE PROCESS**

We use the Compass Student Management system to track student absences. This program allows us to send a notification to parents who have a child/children absent from school without an explanation.

The message notifies the parent that the child is absent and asks that they notify the school as to the reason why. Parents can log the absence reason on the Compass App or telephone the school on 544 88866 and leave a message on the absent line.

This Student Absence process will hopefully reduce the number of students with unexplained absences.

Days absent per semester (two terms)	
0-6 days	This is the normal range for school absence
7-10 days	This attendance is below average. This student could miss over one year of schooling from Foundation to Year 10
11-20 days	This attendance rate is poor. This student could miss over two years of schooling from Foundation to Year 10
20+ days	This attendance rate is very poor. This student could miss over two and a half years of schooling from Foundation to Year 10

If you are aware in advance that your child is going to be absent, please add it to the Compass App, or phone the school and leave a message on the absent line. If the absence is unexpected the school should be advised either via a phone call on the morning of the absence or as soon as reasonably possible. In the case where your child has unexplained absences you will receive a letter asking for an explanation of the absences.

We ask you in advance for your cooperation in this matter, as it is very important that we work together to establish good attendance patterns for your children.

### **SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIMES (Reminder)**

Students should not be arriving at school prior to 8.30am, except if attending breakfast club on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Yard duty commitments commence at 8.30am. If parents have work commitments or other family commitments which require children to be at school prior to 8.30am you will need to enrol students into Outside School Hours Care for the morning session which starts at 7.00am, or consider alternative arrangements. If you require further information regarding Outside School Hours Care please contact the school office.

*Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL*

## DIARY DATES

Monday	27th	February	<b>Gymnastics Program 5/6S, 3/4D, 5/6M, 3/4L, 5/6L &amp; 3/4GT</b> (see newsletter article)
Tuesday	28th	February	<b>Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am.</b> All students welcome.
Tuesday	28th	February	<b>Gymnastics Program F/1M, F/1A, F/1Mac &amp; F/1C</b> (see newsletter article)
Wednesday	1st	March	<b>Food Share Program - every Wednesday</b>
Wednesday	1st	March	<b>Foundation Students attend their first Wednesday at school.</b>
Thursday	2nd	March	<b>Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am.</b> All students welcome.
Thursday	2nd	March	<b>Gymnastics Program 2T &amp; 2H</b> (see newsletter article)
Thursday	2nd	March	<b>School Lunch Orders close 10.00am</b>
Thursday	2nd	March	<b>Zooper Dooper Day - second lunch @ \$1.00 each</b>
Friday	3rd	March	<b>Book Covering in Library 8.45am to 9.30am</b> (see newsletter article)
Friday	3rd	March	<b>School Lunch Order Day - Please make sure you child's classroom is correct.</b>
Friday	3rd	March	<b>Conveyancing Allowance applications close</b>
Friday	3rd	March	<b>Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund Application Forms due back</b>
Wednesday	8th	March	<b>Bookings Close 9.00am for OSHC for Pupil Free Day</b>
Friday	10th	March	<b>Pupil Free Day.</b> Students are not required to attend school.
Friday	10th	March	<b>Outside School Hours Care Full Day Program</b> (see newsletter article)
Monday	13th	March	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday - school closed</b>



**WE  
NEED  
YOUR  
HELP**

### PARENTS AND FRIENDS BOOK-COVERING WORKSHOPS

Join us In the School Library 8.45am to 9.30 am  
Every Friday!!!



No experience needed.  
Meet new friends,  
gain handy hints on book  
covering, help our children  
gain quicker access  
to fantastic resources.  
Toddlers welcome.

### ZOOOPER DOOPER DAYS

As of Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of March,  
Zooper Doopers will be back on  
sale for the rest of term.

Students can purchase a Zooper  
Dooper for \$1, at second lunch.

The limit is 3 per student.

Please remember to put your rubbish in the bin.

*Thank you, Mrs Trahair & JSC*



### SCHOOL PHOTOS (SAVE THE DATE) WEDNESDAY 22ND MARCH

This year school photos will be taken on  
Wednesday 22nd March by MPS  
Photography. Ordering will be the same  
as last year with all orders being made  
online through COMPASS. Further  
information will be published closer to the  
date.



## OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

### PUPIL FREE DAY

#### FRIDAY 10TH MARCH - 7.00am to 6.00pm

Bookings are open for a full day care program on  
Friday 10th March. If you wish to book your  
child/children into the program (they do not have  
to be attending the whole day) please use the  
online OSHC booking system Xplor. If you have  
any questions please contact the school.

**Booking close 9.00am Wednesday 8th March to  
enable staff to plan for the day. No late booking  
can be accepted.**

*Late cancellations on the day will have to be charged.*

### FOODSHARE PROGRAM - EVERY WEDNESDAY

The Food Share Program 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. Enter via the school  
library gate. Please bring your  
own bag to put goods in.



### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK (presented this week)





## SPORTS NEWS

### GYMNASTICS

Our Gymnastics program began on Monday and as you can see from the photos earlier in today's newsletter the students are enjoying this extra curricular program. Reminder: Classes will be attending a gym session on either Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays for the next 3 weeks, leaving school at the following times:



	9.00am to 11.00am	10.00am to 12noon	11.00am to 1.00pm	12noon to 2.00pm	1.00pm to 3.00pm
<b>Mondays</b> 20/2, 27/2, 6/3 & 27/3	<b>5/6S &amp; 3/4D</b>	<b>5/6M &amp; 3/4L,</b>	<b>5/6L &amp; 3/4GT</b>		
<b>Tuesday</b> 21/2, 28/2, 7/3 & 14/3				<b>F/1M &amp; F/1A</b>	<b>F/1Mac &amp; F/1C</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 23/2, 2/3, 9/3 & 16/3			<b>2T &amp; 2H</b>		

Students are required to wear school uniform. Please no dresses on these days as it makes it difficult for your child to move freely and get the most out of the program. School T-shirt and shorts are highly recommended.

Permission forms should have been returned for your child to attend. Cost per student is \$42.00. If you have applied for CSEF (see newsletter article) please let Pam in the school office know you wish to use the fund to pay for your child's gym program.

**Jess Monteath**  
**Physical Education and Sports Coordinator**

## 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 afternoon at 3.10pm.

F/1A - **Reagan O:** for being a kind and caring friend to others in our classroom.

F/1M - **Amelia P:** for displaying great resilience when trying new hand eye coordination skills during sport.

F/1C - **Spender V:** for growing in his ability to come into the classroom independently.

F/1Mac - **Emmett H:** for the resilience he demonstrated while trying new things in Gymnastics.

2H - **Matilda E:** for showing confidence when participating in class discussions

2T - **Ker Ker M:** for displaying the school values at all times during gymnastics.

3/4 GT - **Caryn L:** for the kindness and respect she shows her classmates.

3/4 D - **Jed H:** for going above and beyond to demonstrate his reading comprehension

3/4 L - **Mitchell F:** for his enthusiasm when persisting to improve his narrative writing.

5/6 S - **Frankie A:** for her fantastic work during persuasive writing.

5/6 L - **Keira-Lee H:** for being a positive member of our class community and making excellent contributions to our learning discussions.

5/6 M - **Savvy C:** for the maturity and care she demonstrated during our Reach wellbeing program.

## RESILIENCE, RIGHTS AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS (RRRR)

The Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR) learning materials have been designed for teachers to develop students' social, emotional and positive relationship skills.

Efforts to promote social and emotional skills and positive gender norms in children and young people has been shown to improve health related outcomes and subjective wellbeing. It also reduces antisocial behaviours including engagement in gender related violence.

Students will participate in weekly sessions throughout the year, covering 8 topics.

**This term our first focus will be around Emotional Literacy.**

To understand ourselves and other people. Express and manage our own emotions, build empathy and respond appropriately to the emotions of others. Building vocabulary for emotions to increase emotional literacy and build self-awareness and empathy for others.

Each week a class will share an activity via the newsletter.



In 5/6S this week in RRRR we were learning about different levels of emotions. We spoke about how similar emotions can have different levels, like angry can turn into furious. We then did an activity where we looked at the different physical reactions our bodies might have when we feel certain emotions.





FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

# Huntly Family Fun Day

Proudly sponsored by  
**Fosterville Gold Mine**

**Sunday March 5, 2023**



- Climbing Wall
- Inflatable Water Slide
- Face painting
- S.A.F.E Archery
- Animal Farm & Pony Rides
- Live Music and Dance
- Water Fun with Huntly CFA
- Coliban Water refill units – PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR DRINK BOTTLE
- Woodwork with Northern District Community Enterprise
- Airbrush tattoos



**BBQ**  
Sausages, chicken  
and veggie burgers  
all \$2 each

Drinks \$2 each &  
**FREE** fresh fruit

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**Welcome**  
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**Sunday March 5, 2023**  
**10am – 1pm**

**Strauch Recreation Reserve**  
**14 Gungurru Road, Huntly**

**Remember to BYO towel and change of clothes  
for the water slide!**



Bendigo Northern District  
Community Enterprise



CITY OF GREATER  
**BENDIGO**



**FOSTERVILLE GOLD MINE**



# GCNA NETBALL ASSOCIATION BENDIGO



## INFORMATION FOR 2023

*Season commences Saturday March 25th*

**OPEN TO PLAYERS & TEAMS OF ALL SKILL LEVELS**

### GCNA PLAYERS FEES

GRADE 3 CLINIC - \$15 pp

11/UNDER MIXED - \$50 pp

**\$80 pp for all -**

13/UNDER FEMALE

15/UNDER FEMALE

17/UNDER FEMALE

21/UNDER FEMALE

OPEN FEMALE

OPEN MIXED

*\*ages @ 31/12/2023*

+VNA \$64 Junior player \$84 Senior Player

**NET SET GO - Prep - Grade 2 - \$87**

**FULL DETAILS & ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE**



All enquiries to the Secretary 0438 636 464  
e: [info@gcnabendigo.com.au](mailto:info@gcnabendigo.com.au)





# ENTER THE DRAGON MILE

SUNDAY 9TH APRIL 2023



**Bendigo Bank**

## ICONIC DRAGON MILE

**MILE LONG FOOT RACE ON THE FAMOUS EASTER PROCESSION ROUTE**

WHERE: PALL MALL AT GOLD MONUMENT - TIME: 10:30AM STRAT

\$10.00 MINI MILE & PRIMARY SCHOOLS - \$20.00 SECONDARY SCHOOLS/ OPEN AND VETERANS

ALSO INCORPORATING GYM CUP, TEAMS OF 4 FROM YOUR FAVORITE GYM BATTLING IT OUT FOR BEST GYM!

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=48662>



WIN WITH YOUR GYM



ENTER HERE

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**FIRST SESSION IS FREE!**

CALL OR EMAIL FOR DETAILS!  
ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED!



Club: **Hockey Central Victoria**

Venue: **Bendigo Hockey Complex, 14 Ashley Street, Ironbark, VIC, 3550**

Program 1 Start Date: **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2023** Time: **9.00am to 9.50am** No. of Weeks: **6**

Program 2 Start Date: **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2023** Time: **5.10pm to 6.00pm** No. of Weeks: **6**

Price: **\$90** – (includes annual Hockey Australia and Hockey Victoria fee and insurance.)

Coordinator Name: **Dale Boyd**

Coordinator Email: **hcv.pathways@gmail.com**

Coordinator Phone: **0419 382 053**

**TO REGISTER GO TO:**



<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/hockeycentralv/events/>



## **WANTED U12, U14 and U16 GIRLS FOOTBALLERS**

**The White Hills Junior Football Club is seeking any  
girls interested in playing Under 12, 14 or 16  
Girls football.**

**If you are interested in playing, please contact  
Phil Murley on 0409 462 900 or email the club  
[whjfclub@gmail.com](mailto:whjfclub@gmail.com) for further information.**