# **Our School Values:**

# RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY



Dear Parents,

## **WEEK 10: END OF TERM - REMINDER**

Monday 3rd April the children will be involved in an Easter Hat Parade which will be enjoyable and a highlight for all. Following the Easter Hat Parade, we will be drawing the Easter raffle as part of our Monday *morning* assembly (rather than in the afternoon).

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April we will be holding our school cross-country (last day of term 1- Friday is the Good Friday public holiday). <u>Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm</u>, please make sure you sign out your child/children before taking them home if you leave earlier. Term 2 begins on Monday, 24th April, with Tuesday, 25th the ANZAC Day public holiday.

#### ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Huntly Primary School will once again proudly take part in the ANZAC Day memorial service to be held at the Garden of Remembrance in the grounds of the Huntly Memorial Hall. Details of the service and student involvement can be found in today's newsletter.

### **HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS**

It is apparent we may have some cases of gastroenteritis and a potential case of hand, foot and mouth disease. The following information provides advice on both health issues and importantly when students can return to school following diagnosis.

*Key message*- As viral gastro is very infectious, people with symptoms should not go to work or attend schools until 48 hours after symptoms have stopped.

Key messages- Hand, foot and mouth disease school exclusions do apply. Hand, foot and mouth disease is not related to foot-and-mouth disease, which infects animals. The greatest incidence is in summer and early autumn. Outbreaks occur frequently among groups of children in childcare centres and schools. For primary school children exclusion is required until all blisters have dried.

#### SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

The school cross country will take place Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April. The event will start at 1.00pm and conclude prior to the end of the school day. The top 5 place getters, of their age group from grades 3 to 6 will go through to the divisional cross-country held at the Bendigo Racecourse next term.

## WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

World Autism Awareness Day is observed on April 2. The day recognizes and spreads awareness for the rights of people with autism. The condition typically starts during childhood and continues into adulthood. Autism Spectrum Disorder is a developmental disorder characterized by behavioural and communicational affections that impact a person's ability to navigate social interactions and also causes repetitive and restricted behaviour. World Autism Awareness Day celebrates the resilience of those affected by the disorder and supports causes that promote awareness of it.

Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL

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Sunday	2nd	April	World Autism Awareness Day
Monday	3rd	April	Easter Hat Parade 9.10am and Easter Raffle Draw
Tuesday	4th	April	Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Wednesday	5th	April	Food Share Program - every Wednesday
Thursday	6th	April	Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Thursday	6th	April	Zooper Dooper Day - cancelled due to cross country
Thursday	6th	April	School Cross Country (see newsletter article)
Thursday	6th	April	End of Term 1. Students dismissed at 2.30pm
TERM 2			
Monday	24th	April	Start of Term 2
Tuesday	25th	April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday - School Closed.
Tuesday	25th	April	ANZAC Day Memorial Service 9.00am at Huntly Hall (more information to come
Mon-Wed	1-3	Mav	Book Fair (see newsletter article)

## **SPORTS NEWS**

## **CROSS COUNTRY**

On the last day of Term 1, <u>Thursday 6th April</u> we will host our annual school cross country event. The whole school participates in this extra curricula activity. Students can attend school on this day dressed in their sports team colours (see below). New students will be informed of their team before the day.

CAMPASPE - Blue EPPALOCK - Green LAANECOORE - Yellow LODDON - Red

All families are welcome to come along and support the runners. The event will be held in the afternoon **starting at 1.00pm**. The running will begin with the Foundation students and consecutive grades will follow. We look forward to seeing you there.



## ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

On Tuesday, the 25th April, there will be an Anzac Day Ceremony held at the Huntly Memorial Hall and Garden of Remembrance next to the Huntly Hall.

It is a tradition for Huntly Primary School to attend as a group so we would love to have as many kids as we can to represent our school. We will meet out the front of the school at <u>8.40am sharp wearing school uniform</u>, we will then walk down to the ceremony as a group with the march.

Huntly is fortunate to have this as one of their community traditions. It is a wonderful way of showing

some of our school values with respect for those who have gone before us and our appreciation for our community and all that we now have.



## **EASTER HAT PARADE & FUNDRAISER**

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, the JSC is running an Easter Hat Parade to raise money for the Good Friday Appeal.

The parade will be from 9:10am – 9:30am and family members are welcome to stay and watch. Students are encouraged to bring a gold coin to donate to the cause. Any student who wears an Easter hat in the parade will have their name placed in a raffle to win 1 of 4 prizes!

\* Please note this is not an out of uniform day.

Thank you, Mrs Trahair & JSC

# **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

#### **EASTER RAFFLE**

Our annual Easter Raffle will be drawn on Monday morning at the Easter Hat Parade.

Thanks to your generous donations we have some wonderful prizes for be won.



Tickets should have been returned to school to be in the draw.

Raffle will be drawn at the end of the Easter Hat Parade on Monday 3rd April.

#### **MOTHERS' DAY STALL**

Our Mothers' Day Stall will be held on Friday 12th May, third week of term 2. 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 a envelope clearly marked with child's name and what money is for. This helps prevent children

from losing their stall money.



<u>Helpers Needed</u> - If you are available to help out on the day please leave your name at the school office.

#### 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.



Students in 2H were practising their listening and selfregulation skills. They identify the importance of listening as a key skill for learning.

the classroom, gymnastics, giving instructions to an activity and assembly.

Students participated in an activity called 'Traffic Lights'. In this activity, students are given a set of actions that they need to complete when given a colour. Green - walk up and down on the spot, Red - freeze and put their hand up in a 'stop signal' and Orange - turn around on the spot. Students used the skills such as listening, concentrating, remembering, controlling themselves and reacting quickly during this activity. We discussed the need to do this during classroom activities and remain focused. They were then asked to think of some more times when the skill of listening is very important and answered things such as: when the teacher tells us it is a fire drill, rules of





## **BILI'S SHAVE**

On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, Bili shaved her head and raised \$5147.00 for the Kids with Cancer Foundation.

Her hair is on its way to a salon who make wigs for people who suffer with alopecia.

We are all so incredibly proud of this selfless, kind and brave act!

Bili, you are a superstar!

#### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



#### ABSENCE LETTER

Student Absence Letters have been sent home.

Only those children who have an unexplained absence will receive a letter.

Please complete this form, sign and return to the school office as soon as possible, preferably before the school holidays.

If you have any queries regarding your child's absence letter please contact the school office. This is a Department of Education requirement and any unexplained absences are reported to them.

#### 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 - Lahni J: for always being ready to learn and putting in her best effort.

F/1M - Sara LA: for always displaying great manners.

F/1C - Amelia C: for always showing kindness to others.

F/1Mac - Hailee A: for the effort and care she puts into her writing every day.

2H - Lachlan W: for persevering with challenging tasks and showing growth in Mathematics.

2T - Memphis P: for modelling the school values and making excellent choices for his learning.

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3/4 D - Aiden S: for his determination to succeed on the balance beam at gymnastics this week.

3/4 L - Ajay K: for completing an outstanding persuasive text and using evidence to support his argument.

5/6 S - Riley P: for an improved focus on completing his set tasks.

5/6 L - Ezra A: for her ability to work with all students and do so in a positive, respectful manner.

5/6 M - Sophie R: for working collaboratively with her group during a co-ordinate activity.

## **BOOK FAIR**

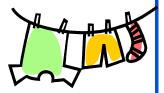
We have our first Book Fair for 2023 coming up in second week of term 2. All students will have the opportunity to view the Book Fair beforehand and they can complete a wish list that they will bring home for parents/carers to have a look at. Book Fair opening times are:

**Monday 1st May**- 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:00pm **Tuesday 2nd May** - 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:00pm **Wednesday 3rd May** - 8:30am-9:00am only

Thank you, Morgan Bamford.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

Our lost property bins are overflowing with misplaced clothing and items. Please take the time to come in and have a look.



## **SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS**

# NO LUNCH ORDERS NEXT WEEK

#### **ZOOPER DOOPER DAY**

There will be no Zooper Doopers on sale next week due to Cross Country.

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Zooper Dooper this term, the JSC will be deciding on what to put the profits towards and will notify you of their decision. Zooper Doopers will be back on sale later in the year.

Thank you, Mrs. Trahair and the JSC



# **SUSTAINABILITY TEAM**

This week twenty-six members of the Sustainability Team pulled out the last of the weeds in the vegie garden. It was fantastic to see everyone working well as a team. Next term we will be busy testing the soil, digging over the garden beds and planting up the Autumn/Winter crops as well as a big crop of sunflowers.



END OF TERM 1 - THURSDAY 6TH APRIL

STUDENTS DISMISSED AT 2.30PM

