

## Our School Values:

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



Dear Parents,

### **PUPIL-FREE DAY**

A reminder next Friday the 26th May, is a pupil free day. Students will therefore not be required to attend school on this day. Our OSHC program will run a full program on this day should we have enough families express interest, please see newsletter article.

### **COVID UPDATE**

With an increase in Covid-19 cases occurring across the community, I thought it worthwhile providing the Department of Education guidelines as to what the expectations are if a child has Covid-19 or symptoms.

#### **1. Infection prevention and control:**

All staff, students and visitors to schools should practise good hand hygiene, particularly on arrival to school, before and after eating, after blowing their nose, coughing, sneezing or using the toilet. Staff should direct or supervise young students where required.

#### **2. Management of suspected cases of COVID-19 in schools**

A 'suspected' case means a person who displays [any COVID-19 symptoms who has not yet tested positive for COVID-19](#). The staff member, student or visitor who is symptomatic should be recommended to undergo testing for COVID-19. Parents of students who are symptomatic should be asked to collect their child from school and to keep them home until they are no longer symptomatic.

#### **3. Management of confirmed cases at school**

The Department of Health recommends that a person who tests positive to COVID-19 report that result to their employer, school and household.

*Where a student or staff member is identified as a positive case, the following steps should be taken:*

#### **Principal actions: identification and notification**

1. Parents/carers should complete the Student COVID-19 COVID Test Portal if a student tests positive to COVID-19 (via a PCR or rapid antigen test). Where a parent/carer informs the school by phone or written notification, the school should complete the Schools COVID Case Management Tool.
2. Students who report a positive result are recommended to isolate for a minimum of 5 days and not attend school until their symptoms have resolved. Students who isolate as a result of a positive COVID-19 test should be supported in the same way as students with an extended absence due to illness or injury, with learning materials provided to support their continued learning.
3. There is no longer a requirement for principals to inform the school community of a positive case associated with the school.

### **STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

The school continues to look at ways to support our students and as an extension, our parents and carers in relation to school attendance. Our Wellbeing Team is focused on supporting families where, for whatever reason there are barriers effecting the attendance of the children/child. Mr. Gillies (as our Wellbeing Co-ordinator) will check-in with families and if necessary offer the initial support to ensure regular attendance.

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**19TH MAY, 2023**

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PRINCIPAL **MR JASON LEE**

## DIARY DATES

Tuesday	23rd	May	<b>Breakfast Program</b> - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Tuesday	23rd	May	<b>Outside School Hours Care Bookings for Curriculum Day close 9.00am</b>
Wednesday	24th	May	<b>Food Share Program</b> - every Wednesday
Wednesday	24th	May	<b>National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS)</b> ( <i>see newsletter article</i> )
Thursday	25th	May	<b>Breakfast Program</b> - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Friday	26th	May	<b>School Lunch Order Day</b> - No lunch orders
<b>Friday</b>	<b>26th</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Curriculum Day - Students do not attend school on this day.</b>
Monday	29th	May	<b>Cluster Athletics</b> - selected students from senior school.
Monday	29th	May	<b>Nude Food Day</b> ( <i>see newsletter article</i> )
Thursday	1st	June	<b>Cookie Dough Fundraiser orders close</b>
Monday	5th	June	<b>Dress Up Day</b> - Junior School Council Fundraiser ( <i>see newsletter article</i> )
Monday	12th	June	<b>King's Birthday Public Holiday</b> - school closed

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## SCHOOL COUNCIL MAY GENERAL MEETING

At our latest school council meeting some of the key discussion included:

- *Providing a summary of the school's progress, preparing for the school review*
- *Completing section 2 of the Child Safety school council training*
- *The need to increase awareness of our Community Connections team (Parents Group) and look at increasing parent involvement.*
- *Term 2 reporting to parents and 3-way conferences (date to be announced next week)*
- *The literacy professional learning currently being undertaken*
- *Availability of car parking spaces at school and more specifically the issue of parking and leaving at the end of the day.*

## UNIFORM REMINDER

As the weather becomes a lot cooler moving into winter, students are starting to wear jackets and tops that are not school uniform. It is acceptable to wear a jacket, scarf or beanie (that are not school uniform items) to and from school to stay warm, but once school starts, students need to have a school hoodie or jumper and be in school uniform. Although it shows a great sense of pride, football and netball hoodies (and shorts) are not school uniform.

## MOTHER'S DAY STALL

A special mention to sincerely thank Purtill's Nursery for the donation of all the plants for the stall. Every year for the past 20+ years, Purtils generously support the school for the Mothers' Day stall and it is greatly appreciated.

## SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIME (REPEAT)

As mentioned in previous communications, the school yard is supervised from 8:30am for students arriving early. At 8:45am classrooms open for students to prepare for the start of the school day.

Prior to 8:30am no staff are on duty. If a situation arises where your child needs to be dropped off early (for example parent work commitments) please contact the school and ask for information in relation to our Before School Care program. Our Before School Care program operates 5 days a week and opens at 7:00am. The only exception to this is Tuesday and Thursday when we run our breakfast program. On these days students can arrive from 8:10am to enjoy breakfast with other students.

## GRANDPARENTS/SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

*We hope everyone enjoyed their morning at school today. Further information and more photos will be published in next week's newsletter.*



Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL



## OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

### CURRICULUM DAY

*Students do not attend school on this day*

**FRIDAY 26TH MAY**  
**7.00AM TO 6.00PM**

**Outside School Hours Care will be operating a full day program of fun activities on Friday 26th May.**

If you wish to book your child/children into the program (they do not have to be attending the whole day) **please make booking online using OSHC booking system Xplor.** Booking close 9.00am Tuesday 23rd May. If you have any questions please contact the school

***Please note that if we do not get enough bookings for the day the program will not run. Parents will be notified before hand so they can make other arrangements. Cancellations on the day will have to be charged.***

## JSC FUNDRAISER - DRESS UP DAY

The JSC would like to run a **Dress Up Day Fundraiser on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June!** The JSC are still deciding what they would like to put the money towards, but we promise to notify you next week in the newsletter!

**The theme of the dress up day is:  
'YOUR FAVOURITE COLOUR!'**

Students are asked to wear their favourite colour to school. Everyone who dresses up will receive 10 house points!

Instead of a gold coin donation, we will be running a silver coin trail competition! Students are asked to bring in as much silver coin as they can to add to their house line!

The amount raised in each line will reflect how many points their house wins, eg. \$123 is raised for Eppalock would mean they win 123 house points. The house with the longest coin trail will win a bonus 100 house points!

*Thank you, Mrs. Trahair & JSC*



## NUDE FOOD DAY

JSC will be running a Nude Food Day on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

Students are asked to bring a lunchbox containing no rubbish.

Each student with a Nude Food Lunchbox will receive 10 house points each! The house with the most points will receive a reward!

Our goal is to see less rubbish at our school and polluting our yard, so we hope to see nude food lunchboxes become a normal everyday thing.

*There may even be a surprise Nude Food Day competition later in the term...* 😊

Thank you, Mrs. Trahair & JSC.



## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

Only two weeks to go to order through our cookie dough fundraiser with orders close on Thursday 1st June. Ordering will be online and the portal is now open for orders. Please see information sheet further in today's newsletter.



### FACEBOOK PAGE!!!!

Did you know we have our own facebook page. This is a great place to get reminders, find out if we need volunteers to help or be involved in discussions about upcoming fundraising events. If you have a facebook account, please take the time to add our page to your favourites and be connected to our parent/carer fundraising community.

[Huntly PS 306 Community Connections](#)

## **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**



## NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Next week on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May**, our students will be participating in National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS). NSS is an annual event organised by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) where people across the country simultaneously read a picture book written and illustrated by an Australian author. This year at 11am, students and children from across the nation will be reading *The Speedy Sloth* by Rebecca Young.

The Library Leaders and Mrs. Trahair will be holding a colouring competition in celebration of this event. Colouring sheets will be handed out by their classroom teacher on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>, where they are to be completed at home. Anyone who wants to enter the competition must have it submitted in the office trays by the following Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The Library Leaders and Mrs Trahair will then vote on a junior and senior winner who will receive their own copy of the *Speedy Sloth* book. All entries will receive 10 house points for participating.

*Thank you, Mrs. Trahair*



## **BULLYING. NO WAY!**

On Monday classes participated in activities based around the awareness of bullying.

Students were able to identify that bullying occurs when an unwanted behaviour happens more than once. That is can be physical, verbal or online. That one off incidents, although unpleasant and need to be acted upon, are not bullying.

Classes discussed several strategies that might be of assistance.

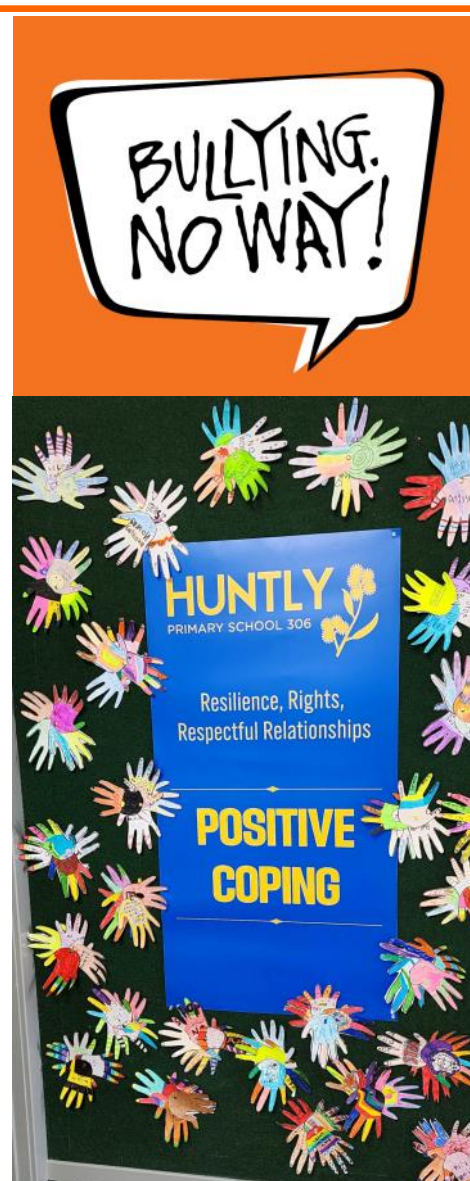
These include:-

- *If you are being bullied - Telling the person to Stop! Telling a trusted adult.*
- *If you see someone being bullied - Keep Calm! Tell them to stop. Ask if they are ok? Walk away with them to another spot. Tell a trusted adult.*
- *If bullying happens online - Tell them to stop. Leave the game. Tell a trusted adult. Block them, report them.*
- *If you need help - Tell someone, make sure they can get help or support for you.*

For more information see:-

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/bullystoppers/Pages/what.aspx>

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/bullystoppers/Pages/cyberbullying.aspx>



or call [Kids Helpline](https://www.kidshelpline.com.au) 1800 55 1800



## 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.

### **Grade F/1Mac:**

This week in RRRR, we focused on Calm Time by playing The Listening Game, which offers a range of meditation strategies. Students close their eyes and breathe in and out, focusing on sounds that are close, then progressing to sounds that are far away. This activity offers students strategies to relax and feel calm when they are tired and worried.

## 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, 9.05pm on Friday 2nd June, 2023.

F/1A - **Kate B:** *for taking ownership of her learning and striving to challenge herself.*

F/1M - **Katelyn W:** *for always completing work tasks to the best of her ability*

F/1C - **Beau C:** *for following success criteria to strive to do his best in all learning areas.*

F/1Mac - **Gaige K:** *for the excellent effort he has put into his work on positional language in mathematics.*

2H - **Mackenzie V:** *for a positive attitude towards all learning activities.*

2T - **William R:** *for using his time well during writing to produce excellent responses.*

3/4 GT - **Harrison S:** *for his enthusiastic and insightful participation during Number Talk discussions.*

3/4 D - **Jack O:** *for confidently sharing his multiplication strategies with the class.*

3/4 L - **Heidi C:** *for her enthusiasm for learning and her desire to improve her work.*

5/6 BP - **Kuku M:** *for participating and giving everything a go.*

5/6 L -

5/6 M - **Thomas S:** *for the attention to detail he puts into his writing pieces each week.*

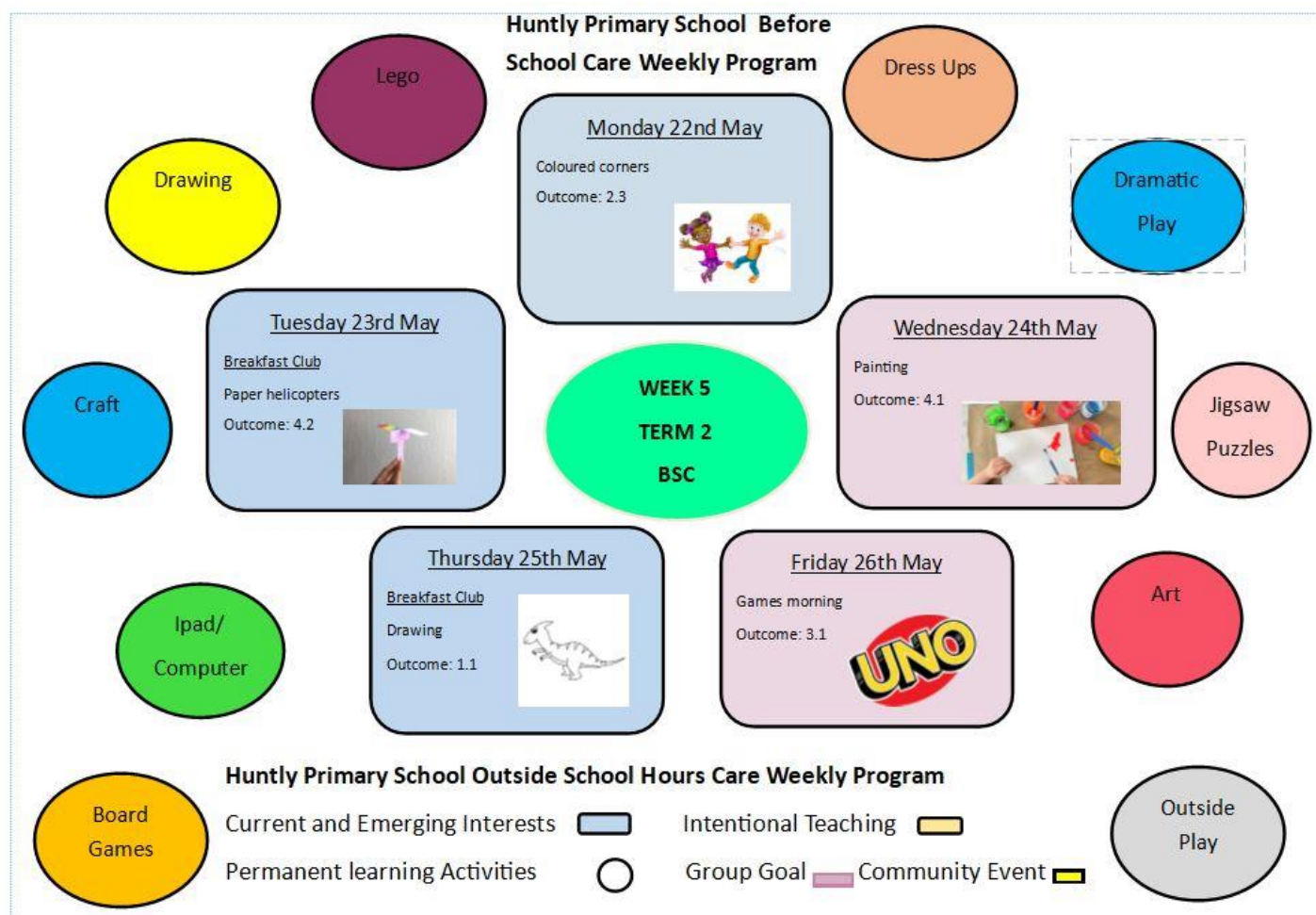
ART - **Harvey F:** *for his interesting use of natural materials in a collage*

- **Kiera-Lee H:** *For helping other students set up their projects*

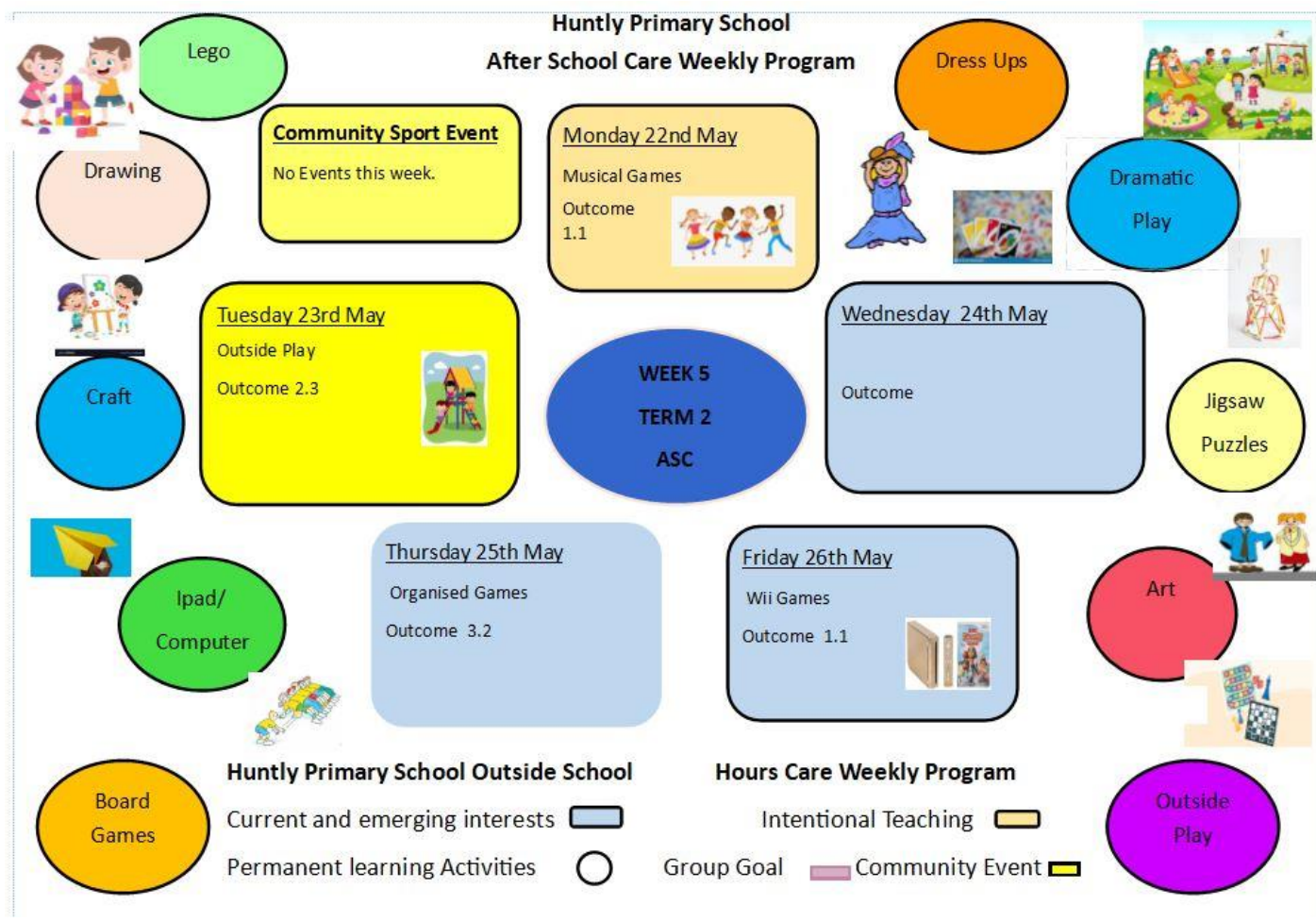
Chinese Language: **Emily A:** *for her neat writing of Chinese numbers.*

# OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

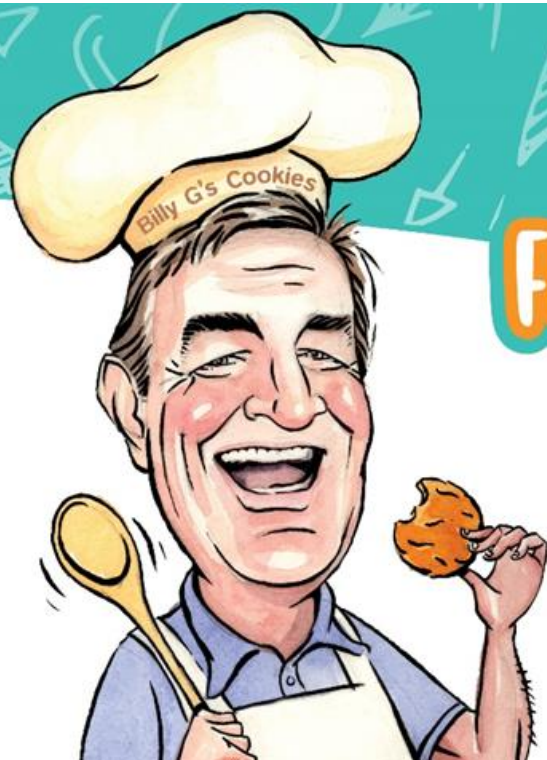
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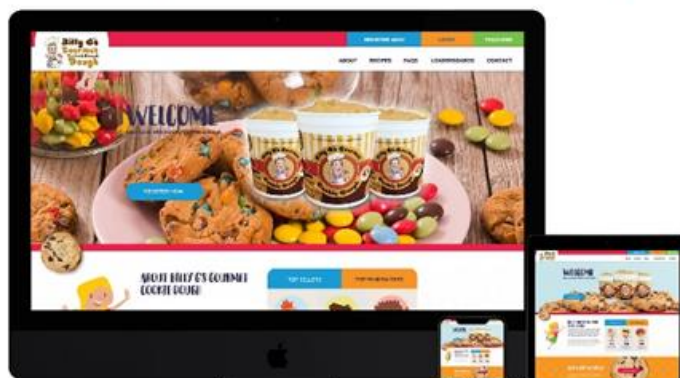
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# START FUNDRAISING TODAY



Dear Parent/Guardians,

Thank you so much for continuously supporting our **HUNTLY PS COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**, especially through fundraising. We are excited to announce we are holding a **Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough** drive as a major fundraiser this term.

Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough is an exciting fundraiser, made by an Australian, family owned and operated business. There are ten (10) dough-licious flavours to choose from, including the most popular **Choc Chunk** and **Caramel White Choc**. You can also create your own cookie magic with the Golden Classic flavour – the base of the Billy G's secret family recipe. Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough is exclusive to fundraising, so stock up!

## How Do We Fundraise?

Families/Students will need to create their own Fundraising Page (as detailed below). No paper order forms will be sent home only online ordering is available. Follow the instruction below and if you have any questions please contact Kate Ruedin at school or leave message at the school office.

**Start Date: 01/05/2023**

**Final Orders Due: 01/06/2023**

**Estimated Delivery Date: 15/06/2023**

**How do we create a Fundraising Page?** Creating a fundraising page is easy!

Visit [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au) and click the "Cookie Dough Login" button on the home page.

Then click the register button to fundraise on the cybersafe, Billy G's Cookie Dough platform.

Choose your goals and create a unique avatar!

Place your order using the "Order Now" button and share your fundraising page with your family and friends via the "Share" section so they can start buying some yummy cookie dough. Easy!

**How do prizes work?** Every student who sells a tub will receive an incentive prize for their efforts! But why not aim higher? The more tubs you sell the more prizes you will receive! There are 12 prizes available, so set your own fundraising goal and aim for them all! Prizes are automatically ordered at the end of our fundraiser based on the number of tubs you have sold.

**You can win BIG!** Our highest tub seller will go into a draw to win a \$10,000 JB Hi-Fi Shopping Spree OR Play Station 5 Gaming Bundle. Plus, every student that achieves all online virtual badges will win a Billy G's Cookie Scented Plush Toy.

Want to aim even higher? Australia's highest tub seller will scoot away with a Razor Prize Pack valued at \$3,000. How exciting!

Thank you in advance for your participation. Happy fundraising!

**COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS - HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL**







# Greater Bendigo Climate Summit

Be inspired, collaborate and commit to climate action in our region



Saturday May 27, 2023 • Ulumbarra Theatre, Bendigo

## Day session program highlights

- **The Great Transport Debate** – Zero Emissions by 2030 – hosted by **Natasha Mitchell**, to be broadcast on Big Ideas on ABC Radio National
- Opening remarks from **Lily D'Ambrosio**, Victorian Energy Minister
- Watch **Damon Gameau's** Regeneration movie
- Hear from Bendigo local youth on climate action
- Create your own 2030 climate roadmap
- Have your say on the Draft Greater Bendigo 2030 Zero Emissions Roadmap
- Join practical workshops with Bendigo Sustainability Group, Bendigo TAFE and others
- Explore the trade stalls, have your questions answered, see e-bikes, electric cars, climate art and local musicians
- Take a look at the City's new Draft Biodiversity Strategy

## Evening session

### Electrify Everything Greater Bendigo

#### Keynote Speaker Saul Griffith

Man of the moment, Saul Griffith, will make the case for an Electrification Revolution in Greater Bendigo that will reduce our power bills, switch our buildings to renewable energy, create healthier homes and make the biggest wealth transfer in history. Hear a response from a panel of Bendigo leaders.



REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL



Day session 9am – 5pm  
**Free**

Ensure your place by registering early online <https://tinyurl.com/2xkt27bd>



Evening session 6pm – 8.30pm  
**\$5 per person**

Electrify Everything Greater Bendigo, with Saul Griffith  
<https://tinyurl.com/2h5krkf4>

Hosted by the Greater Bendigo Climate Collaboration

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