

Our School Values:

RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY



Dear Parents,

STAFFING UPDATE

I would like to officially welcome Nathan Grace to our school. Mr Grace is replacing Mr. Lehane for term 3, who has taken on the Acting Principal role at Goornong Primary School.

INTER-SCHOOL NETBALL

Well done to all of the students who participated at the interschool netball tournament on Wednesday 19th July. Throughout the day the girls and boys participated with great team spirit. The girls won their section and the boys were tied for first, but pipped at the post on a countback! Importantly, they had a great day and represented the school with distinction.

KEEP WELL THIS WINTER

In Victoria, influenza (flu) and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) infection numbers are high among children aged 5 to 11 years, particularly in those in their first few years of school. The Victorian Department of Health expects more respiratory infections over Term 3. Most children with flu or RSV have a mild fever, runny nose or cough. Some children, particularly babies and children with underlying medical conditions, may have more severe illness.

Keeping our school community well

Parents, carers and students are encouraged to:

- *wash and sanitise their hands regularly*
- *avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands*
- *cover their nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing*
- *stay at home if unwell and consult a general practitioner (GP) or NURSE-ON-CALL as needed*
- *stay up to date with flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.*

Our school has masks for staff, students and visitors if they want to wear them.

Flu vaccinations

Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and your family from getting the flu.

Annual flu vaccination is recommended for everyone aged 6 months and older. As part of the National Immunisation Program, it is free for: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and older, children aged 6 months to under 5 years and people aged 6 months or older with underlying medical conditions. Flu vaccinations can be booked through GPs, pharmacies or your local council immunisation service.

Find out more

For more information about staying safe this winter, refer to:

Stay well this winter on the Better Health Channel, translated into 16 languages

Influenza and immunisation on the Better Health Channel

Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) on the Better Health Channel

Getting vaccinated against influenza.

STUDENT SAFETY AT PICK UP TIME

As a school staff we work really hard to ensure the safety of all children at Huntly Primary School, and as always, we need your help! At pick-up time, I would ask our parents to please use the school crossing when walking students across Gungurru Rd. This ensures other students do not get mixed messages as to what is expected at the end of the day when walking to their family cars. Your support with this safety issue is greatly appreciated.

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PRINCIPAL **MR JASON LEE**

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BIO-CATS GRADE 5/6 SCHOOL EXCURSION

I was lucky enough to attend the Bio-Cats excursion with a group of grade 5/6 students on Monday 17th July. An early start and late finish, but the experience the students were part of at GMHBA Stadium in Geelong was worth the effort. A range of activities highlighting how maths, science, & technology are linked to AFL football were undertaken by the students. All the activities were fun and engaging with a tinge of competitiveness to go with it! Thanks to Miss Bennett and Kerrie for supporting the students throughout the day. Grades 5/6M and 5/6L will be attending Bio-Cats this Monday 24th July.



Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL

DIARY DATES

Monday	24th	July	BioCATS Excursion Geelong - Grade 5/6M & 5/6L
Tuesday	25th	July	Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Tuesday	25th	July	Grade 2 Sleepover Information Session 5pm in LC13 (see newsletter article)
Tuesday	25th	July	Football Girls Carnival - selected senior school girls participating.
Wednesday	26th	July	Football Boys Carnival - selected senior school girls participating.
Wednesday	26th	July	Food Share Program - every Wednesday
Thursday	27th	July	Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Friday	28th	July	School Lunch Order Day - (orders close Thursday July 27th at 10.00am)
Friday	28th	July	Disability & Inclusion Audit of 'Fun Loong Fun Day' selected 5/6 students.
Friday	28th	July	Book Club Issue 5 orders close (see newsletter article)
Mon-Fri	31-4	July/Aug	Swimming Program for Grades 3 to 6 - (see newsletter article)
Tuesday	1st	August	School Magazine Front Cover Art Competition closes (see newsletter article)
Friday	4th	August	"100 Days Brighter" - Foundation/1 Students (see newsletter article)
Mon-Fri	7-11	August	Swimming Program for Grades Foundation to 2 - (see newsletter article)
Monday	14th	August	School Council Meeting 7.00pm
Friday	18th	August	Swimming Program \$20.00 payment due (see newsletter article)

GRADE 2 SLEEPOVER

The information night about the Grade 2 Sleepover will start at 5.00pm on Tuesday 25th July in LC13 (Mrs Trahair's classroom). This session will explain all the details about the event and allow parents and children to answer any questions they may have.



If you cannot attend the session, all information will be sent out via Dojo so that you do not miss out. Any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Harrison or Mrs. Trahair.

Thank you

BOOK CLUB

Just a reminder that book club closes next Friday at 3pm. All orders must be placed via LOOP online.

Thank you, Morgan Bamford

FREE BOOK GIVEAWAY

PLACE YOUR ISSUE 5 ORDER and select up to 3 FREE BOOKS!

SPEND £70 = 3 FREE BOOKS
SPEND £50 = 2 FREE BOOKS
SPEND £30 = 1 FREE BOOK

LOOP online only. See schoolastic.com.au/LOOP for terms and conditions. *Must pay with funds from school. More details on signs.

ART ROOM NEWS

2023 SCHOOL MAGAZINE - FRONT COVER COMPETITION

Call all young artists at Huntly PS to design a front cover for our 2023 school magazine. See flyer attached to today's newsletter for further information. Entries must be submitted by 1st August, 2023.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR ART!

We need your help to re-stock our crafting and building materials. Items such as cardboard boxes, cereal boxes, plastic containers, newspaper. Magazines and clean hard plastic recyclables would be greatly appreciated. Please leave at school office.

Mr O'Toole, Art Teacher.

SWIMMING PROGRAM 2023

This year's School Swimming Program will be run a little different from previous year. The program will run every day for a week with the Grades 3 to 6 students attending from Monday 31st July to Friday 4th August. Followed by the Grades Foundation to 2 attending the following week Monday 7th to Friday 11th August. Students will again travel by bus from school to the Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre in Kangaroo Flat. Program timetable will be as follows:



Grades 3 to 6: Monday 31st July to Friday 4th August

Grade	Leave School	In the pool
5/6BP & 3/4L	10.30am	11.15 - 12.00
5/6M & 3/4GT	11.15am	12.00 - 12.45
5/6L & 3/4D	12.00noon	12.45 - 1.30

Grades Foundation to 2: Monday 7th to Friday 11th August

Grade	Leave School	In the pool
F/1C & F/1Mac	10.30am	11.15 - 12.00
F/1A & F/1M	11.15am	12.00 - 12.45
2T & 2H	12.00noon	12.45 - 1.30

The cost for the swimming program this year will be \$20. We have subsidised the program to keep costs down. Acknowledging the short notice regarding cost and timing of the swimming program, final payment is not required until Friday 18th August. If you would like to organise a payment plan for this event and/or other upcoming events, please contact the school office.

Permission forms have been sent home with students this week and must be returned as soon as possible.

Foundation students need to have a Level Assessment Form completed online before they can start the program. The link for this form will be sent home to Foundation families via Compass next week. If you have any issues completing this form please contact the school office.

Jess Monteath, Physical Education

NATIONAL PJ DAY

Thank you to everyone who participated in National PJ Day by wearing their pyjamas and donating to this amazing cause. Thanks to you, we raised \$288 to support children living in foster care.



*Thank you,
JSC & Mrs. Trahair.*

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD



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 Friday morning at 9.05pm.

F/1A - **Xavier F:** *for his persistence to improve and learn new skipping skills.*

F/1M - **Mia S:** *for her persistence to learn new skipping skills.*

F/1C - **Will S:** *for the kind and compassionate way he helps out his classmates*

F/1Mac - **Addison S:** *for working hard on her strategies to read tricky words.*

2H - **Lachlan W:** *for being creative with his narrative writing*

2T - **Eliza Mc:** *for her active engagement in whole-class discussions by asking and answering questions.*

3/4 GT - **Kyran:** *for the relevant information he was able to find for his information report about kangaroos.*

3/4 D - **Trinity H:** *for being a helpful classmate.*

3/4 L - **Mason D:** *for his detailed information reports.*

5/6 BP - **Tyler H:** *for listening well and showing respect towards his teachers and peers.*

5/6 L - **Ashlee-Rose C:** *for 100% effort with all the tasks given to her throughout the week.*

5/6 M - **Logan R:** *for the persistence he has demonstrated to improve his skipping skills*

Art - **Addison S:** *for creating an emotional colour monster.*

Dress Up For Days Brighter!

Dear Parents,

On Friday the 4th August the Foundation students will be celebrating 100 Days Brighter. The Grade 1's are invited to help our Foundation students celebrate this achievement.

As part of our celebration, we invite children to dress up in bright colours and bring along their own special snack/treat to eat at our celebration. During the day the children will be participating in Literacy and Numeracy activities involving the number 100.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to celebrate the learning they have done.

Kind Regards

Alicia McGrath, Ashlea Bowles, Lisa Clohesy, Andrew Macdonald and Laura Murdoch
Foundation, Grade 1 Teachers

ARTISTS WANTED!

FRONT COVER COMPETITION

2023 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Mr O'Toole is calling upon every young artist at Huntly Primary School to design a front cover for our 2023 school magazine. The magazine will be a collection of photos, work samples and great memories from 2023. Your artwork must show something unique about our school and community. The artwork can be completed using any medium of your choice, pencils, crayons, paint, or even digitally! Including the school name or houses are not a must, but it could be a starting point, but remember **CORRECT SPELLING!**

Submit all your entries to Mr O'Toole by August 1st



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to announce that we are participating in Jump Rope for Heart this year – a fantastic fundraising and physical activity program by the Heart Foundation.

By participating in Jump Rope for Heart at the beginning of term 3, we are expecting to get our students moving. We'll have ropes available on the school grounds and encouraging everyone to help raise funds for lifesaving research and support programs. Over the first 5 weeks of term your child will learn new skills, increase their physical activity, and learn about heart health. The program will end with our school wide 'Jump Off Day' where your child gets to show off their new skipping skills to their friends.

The first job is to register your child online. This will give you access to additional skipping resources to help give your child a great reason to get away from the screens and get outdoors. Register and create your own secure webpage at **jumprope.org.au/parents**

By signing up online, you and your child can:

- Easily raise funds online
- Track skipping skills progress and earn virtual badges along the way
- Post updates to your page so family and friends can follow their progress
- Access additional skipping resources

By the end of this week, your child should have a 'fundraising guide' flyer to take home, which includes further information on the program. If you didn't receive this, visit **jumprope.org.au/parents** for all the information that you need.

Thank you for getting involved in Jump Rope for Heart!



MONDAY



LADIES NETBALL ASSOCIATION

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW
TEAMS OR INDIVIDUALS WHO
WANT TO PLAY SOCIAL NETBALL.**

**JOIN
US!**



Monday Mornings
School Terms Only



Red Energy Arena
91 Inglis St, West
Bendigo VIC 3550



Free Crèche



**WE CATER FOR ALL
GRADES OF
NETBALL AND
INCLUDE WALKING
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