Our School Values:

RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY



Dear Parents,

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Across the world we celebrate World Teachers' Day on Friday 27th October (our curriculum day!) It's a day to recognise and appreciate the hard work and contributions our teachers make in educating and shaping the future of our students. If you have an opportunity leading up to next Friday to acknowledge your child child's teacher, I'm sure they would appreciate it.

CURRICULUM DAY: FRIDAY 27th OCTOBER —PUPIL FREE DAY (Repeat Reminder)

Just a reminder that our Term 4 Curriculum Day will be held on Friday 27th October. Students do not attend school on this day. Outside School Hours Care will run a full day program for the day, if enough families require it. *Please see newsletter article*.

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SLAPPED CHEEK

We are still having a number reported cases of slapped cheek at Huntly Primary School. Slapped cheek is a viral infection which usually affects students between the age of 4 and 10. Symptoms can include red cheeks (which is where the infection gets its name from) as well as fever, headaches, skin rashes, aches and pains. While there is no need to keep your child home from school if they have a rash from slapped cheek disease we do ask you to watch for symptoms and keep your child at home if they're feeling unwell with symptoms like fever.

2024 FRIENDSHIP REQUESTS (Repeat Reminder)

We understand friendship groups are important and they are always considered when planning classroom groupings for the following year. However, it is equally important to recognise the need to establish productive environments that support learning, as well as maintaining or building new friendship groups. For this reason, students will not complete friendship group lists for 2024. Each year this causes significant difficulties when we attempt to create a balance of social, emotional and academic need (for all students) across our classrooms. Teachers and Education Support Staff are best placed to determine the 'classroom balance' which will support your child.

That said, we acknowledge as parents / carers, you may (for a variety of reasons) like to make a request in relation to friendship placements for your child in 2024. I invite you to let me know in writing by 5pm today, Friday 20th October. Please forward the letter in person to the office or email to huntly.ps@education.vic.gov.au ensuring the subject line reads 2024 Friendship Request. (This is the same process we have used for the past 3 years). Whilst we will take all requests into consideration, we do not guarantee that these can be implemented for the reasons mentioned above.

Please note, it is not possible for parents to request specific teachers. Classroom groups will be formed and then teachers will be matched with a classroom.

FOUNDATION (PREP) 2024 ENROLMENTS (Repeat Reminder)

A reminder to all our families... If you have a child who will begin Foundation in 2024, please collect an enrolment form from the school office and return completed as soon as possible. The information that we gather from the enrolment forms helps us to organise our transition activities and plan class sizes for 2024.

Note: If your child will not be attending Huntly Primary School next year could you please advise the office as soon as possible.

Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL

PRINCIPAL MR JASON LEE

DIARY DATE Monday 23rd October **School Council Meeting** Mango Fundraiser Orders Close. Last Chance!! (please see newsletter article) Monday 23rd October Tuesday 24th October Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome. 24th October Tuesday Grade 5/6 Cricket Tournament - selected students participating Wednesday 25th October Food Share Program - every Wednesday 25th October **OSHC Bookings Close for Curriculum Day Program** Wednesday Thursday 26th October Breakfast Program - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome. 26th October Road to Foundation - enrolled Foundation 2024 students Group 1 9.15am Group 2 10.15am Thursday Thursday 26th October Zooper Dooper Day - available second lunch \$1.00 each Friday 27th October **CURRICULUM DAY -** students do not attend school on this day 30th October **Orders Close for Early Bird Offer - School Magazine Sales** Monday Monday 30th October Halloween Colouring Competition Entries Close (please see newsletter article) Wednesday November Bendigo Cup Day Public Holiday - School Closed 1st 2nd November Road to Foundation - enrolled Foundation 2024 students Group 1 9.15am Group 2 10.15am Thursday Wed-Fri 8th-10th November Grade 3/4 Coastal Forest Lodge Camp at Anglesea 13th November Monday Nude Food Day (please see newsletter article) Mon-Wed 13th-15th November **Book Fair** (please see newsletter article)

HALLOWEEN COLOURING COMPETITION

A couple of Grade 6 students are running a Halloween colouring/drawing competition for the school. The Grade Foundation-3 students have a colouring sheet to complete and the Grades 4-6 students are doing a Halloween drawing competition. If you require a spare colouring sheet, speak to your child's teacher or ask at the office. All sheets are to be submitted to the front office by Monday 30th October.

A winner from F-3 and 4-6 will be announced on October 31st and will receive a prize

Thanks, Mrs. Trahair.

2023 HPS MANGO FUNDRAISER

ORDERS EXTENDED TO MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER

DON'T MISS OUT!!!

\$25.00 PER BOX DELIVERED NOVEMBER/EARLY DECEMBER

See flyer attached to this newsletter for further information.



BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair will be back this term in the MPR! This is a great opportunity to pick up some Christmas gifts.

- Monday 13th November:
- 8:30am 9:00am & 3:30pm 4:00pm
 Tuesday 14th November:
- 8:30am 9:00am & 3:30pm 4:00pm Wednesday 15th November: 8:30am 9:00am

There will be a guess the pages competition when a purchase is made (1 guess per student) and the closest guess will win the books!

Happy Reading, Mrs. Trahair.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE CURRICULUM DAY—FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER

Outside School Hours Care will be operating a full day program of fun activities.

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 Wednesday 25th October. 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.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE EARLY BIRD PRICE of \$15!!

Order forms have been sent home with students to order the inaugural Huntly Primary School Magazine at the special early bird price of \$15.00. Don't miss out on this amazing magazine contributed to by staff and students that will be an amazing keepsake of your child's primary school memories for the

year. The magazine will feature images and recounts of dozens of school activities undertaken during 2023. Orders will increase after October 30th to \$20, and can not be guaranteed afterwards, so get in now to secure your copy.

NUDE FOOD DAY

On the 13th of November, the JSC will be running a Nude Food Day. Students are asked to bring a lunchbox containing no wrappers. If their lunchbox is wrapper free, their name will go in a draw to win 1 of 4 prizes. The winners will be announced at assembly on Friday 17th November.

Thank you, The JSC & Mrs. Trahair.

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.

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

RRRR 3/4L

EXPLORING GENDER NORMS THROUGH LITERATURE

Students were describing and comparing the roles commonly given to male and female characters in books from the past. They then described and compared the roles given to male and female characters in modern children's literature. From this they identified gendered messages presented in texts.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK (presented this week)





ZOOPER DOOPERS

Zooper Doopers are back! Every Thursday at second lunch, until the end of term, students can purchase a Zooper Dooper for just \$1.00 Limited to 3 Zooper Doopers per student.

Regards, The JSC and Mrs. Trahair

BOOK CLUB

Thank you to everyone who placed an order from Issue 7 of Book Club.
Orders have now been closed.
There is only one Issue left for the year and this is usually filled with lots of Christmas gift ideas!

Thank you, Mrs. Trahair.



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 20th October at 9.05pm.

F/1A - **Judd W**: for his positive start to Term 4 and for working well with others.

F/1M - **Katie A:** for always being a kind and caring member of our class and helping others.

F/1C - Spencer V: for applying himself to all learning tasks.

F/1Mac - Jamie L: for working hard on expanding his ideas in writing.

2H - Kaina M: for being a respectful member of our class.

2T - Ker Ker M: for consistently engaging in classroom discussions and sharing her thoughts and ideas with her peers.

3/4 GT - Bella S: for the detail she was able to provide when writing compound sentences.

3/4 D - Jackson O: for taking on feedback and trying really hard with his writing.

3/4 L - Mitchell F: for his consideration towards others and for always being willing to help anyone.

5/6 BP - Jessica D: for the respect shown to her teacher

5/6 L - **Hugh A**: for always making a positive contribution to class discussion.

5/6 R— **Hayley M:** for the respect shown to her teachers and her learning.



annual mango fundraiser!

\$25 per 4.5kg tray

HOW TO ORDER:

Email your name, phone number, order (number of trays), and details of your payment to: mangohuntlyps@gmail.com

(Payment is due when ordering)

Please make payment direct to the school:

HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

BSB: 063 679 ACCOUNT: 102 511 25 and include "mango/surname" as your reference.

Updates will be posted on the Facebook page: "Mango Fundraiser Huntly Primary School 2023" Please note: Facebook orders will not be accepted.







Tuesday 31 October 2023 (public holiday next day)

EPSOM HUNTLY RECREATION RESERVE

(353 Midland Highway, Huntly)

First Competition starts at 6.30pm



CATEGORIES



- Birth to Kinder 6 winners
- Grade 4 to Grade 6 6 winners
- Open Age 2 winners
- Best THEMED Family 1 prize
- Best Dressed House 1 prize

- Prep to Grade 3 6 winners
- High School 2 winners
- Best THEMED Couple 1 prize
- Best Pet 1 prize

- · Every child who enters will receive a lolly bag
- Please make sure the couple and family enteries are THEMED

SPONSORS

Our Sensory Life • Huntly Hotel • Integra Group • Huntly Newsagency • Bellami Hair • Huntly IGA • Bendigo Building Repairs • Dukey & Co • Cake Crumbs & Smiles • Georges Bakehouse • Bendigo Bookmark • Kristy's Creative Keepsakes • Is Booked

If you would like to hand out lollies, please text Erin your address on 0418 472 165 and she will add you to the Huntly Halloween 2023 Facebook Page on the day. Houses in Huntly, Ascot and Epsom welcome.







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FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Saturday October 28, 11am to 2pm Hargreaves Mall and Williamson Street

Face painting

Skateboarding workshops

Airbrush tattoos

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Cultural performances

Purchase a sausage or vegie burger for \$2

Circus activities

Laser



Animal farm



...and much more!

Join us to celebrate Children's Week with a range of **FREE** fun activities and live entertainment for children and families to enjoy!

Scan the QR code for more information and to follow this inclusive event on Facebook.

















