

## Our School Values:

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



Dear Parents,

### CAMPS PROGRAM

It was pleasing to hear the grade 3/4 camp which took place at Anglesea, was such a wonderful experience for all concerned. The weather overall was great which is handy when down by the coast. This ensured the best conditions for the variety of activities undertaken. All the staff reflected on how well the students displayed our school values, no matter the challenges faced over the 3 days. A massive thank you to the staff who attended camp and supported the students. Next week our grade 5/6 students will attend the 3-day urban camp, which takes place in Melbourne. I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful experiences they have this time next week.

### ROAD TO FOUNDATION - TRANSITION PROGRAM

Yesterday was the final program of our Road to Foundation for the year. It has been fantastic to see so many of our 2024 Foundation students getting out and about around the school and becoming more familiar with our surroundings and developing relationships with the school staff. We look forward to seeing all the Foundation 2024 students over the next four weeks as we change to the Foundation 2024 Transition Program. *Please check diary dates for times, etc.*

### BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION

A reminder to all families and students, our first bell sounds at 8:45am which is when students can enter rooms and start preparing for the school day. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, we run our breakfast program which is a great way for students to start the day and catch up with friends. Breakfast kicks off from 8:10am. The breakfast program is supervised. However, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday students should not be arriving at school prior to 8:30am as the yard is not supervised. As mentioned in previous communications, if you need to drop your child off prior to 8:30am you have the option of having them attend the Before School Care Program. Finally, students when dropped off should not be waiting out the front of the school for friends to arrive. They must enter the school grounds and wait for their friends.

### PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY : MONDAY 27th November (Pupil Free Day)

A reminder to families that we will be having a Professional Practice Day on Monday 27th November. Teachers will use this day to complete end of year requirements and student reports. **Students do not attend school on this day.**

### SLAPPED CHEEK

Again we are reminding families that we have had a number of cases of slapped cheek at Huntly Primary School and in the wider community recently. 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 BOOKLIST INFORMATION

The Booklist Information & Voluntary Contributions Letter for 2024 was sent home with students earlier in the week. Due to several errors (please see Compass Note sent out earlier in week) on these lists, 2024 grades 2 to 6 booklists have been sent home with the correct information today. Our supplier offer their sincere apologies for any inconvenience this has caused. **Online orders close on Friday 8th December.** No money is required to be paid prior to the 2024 school year. If you are unable to complete your order online or have any queries on the information you have received, please contact Sharon at the school office.

Jason Lee, **PRINCIPAL**

**11TH NOVEMBER, 2023**

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## DIARY DATES

Tuesday	21st	November	<b>Breakfast Program</b> - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Wednesday	22nd	November	<b>Food Share Program</b> - every Wednesday
Wed-Fri	22nd-24th	November	<b>Grade 5/6 Urban Camp in Melbourne</b>
Thursday	23rd	November	<b>Breakfast Program</b> - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Thursday	23rd	November	<b>Foundation 2024 Transition Program</b> - 9.15am to 10.15am
Thursday	23rd	November	<b>Zooper Dooper Day</b> - available second lunch \$1.00 each
Thursday	23rd	November	<b>Outside School Hours Care Bookings Close</b> for Professional Practice Day
Friday	24th	November	<b>School Lunch Order Day</b> - <i>Orders close on Thursday 23rd at 10.00am</i>
Friday	24th	November	<b>Book Club Order close 9.00am</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>27th</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY</b> - <i>students do not attend school on this day</i>
Thursday	30th	November	<b>Foundation 2024 Transition Program</b> - 9.15am to 10.15am
Saturday	2nd	December	<b>Huntly PS Choir Perform at Community Christmas Festival</b> (see newsletter article)
Thursday	7th	December	<b>Foundation 2024 Transition Program</b> - 9.15am to 10.15am
Friday	8th	December	<b>Booklist Online Orders close</b>
Friday	8th	December	<b>Donations close for Salvation Army Christmas Appeal</b> (please see newsletter article)
Tuesday	12th	December	<b>Whole State Transition Day</b> - Grades Foundation to 5 visit their 2024 classrooms. - 2024 Foundation students visit the school 9.15am to 12.30pm ( <i>bring lunch, drink &amp; hat</i> ) - 2024 Year 7 students visit their Secondary College.
Friday	15th	December	<b>Grade Foundation/1 End of Year Celebration</b> (please see newsletter article)

### OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

#### PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

Bookings will be open soon for a full day care program on Monday 27th November. Please make booking online using OSHC booking system Xplor. Students do not have to be attending the whole day. If you have any questions please contact the school.

**Booking close 9.00am Thursday 23rd November to enable staff to plan for the day.** No late booking can be accepted.

*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*

### GRADE F/1 END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS

F-2 students will be celebrating the 2023 year with a day at the movies then lunch and a play at the Crook Street Park on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. We will be seeing the movie "Trolls Band Together", so please refrain from seeing it! Permission notes will be sent home early next week. It will be an event that must be paid in cash.



### SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Huntly PS will be participating in the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal this year. If you are able, we ask for donations of non-perishable food items. These will then be donated to families in need for this Christmas. There will be a box in the front office foyer for donations to be placed.

**This will be running until December 8<sup>th</sup>.**

See the attached flyer that provides suggestions and guidelines.

*Thank you,  
JSC & Mrs. Trahair.*



### NUDE FOOD DAY

The winners of the Term 4 Nude Food Day were:

F/1 = **Nyasha E**                      2 = **Dakota Y**

3/4 = **Alannah H**                      5/6 = **Evie N**

Thank you to all student who had a nude food lunchbox for helping our school reduce the amount of waste in the yard!



*Regards the JSC and Mrs. Trahair*

### BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who came to our Book Fair.

We were able to purchase over \$500 worth of new books for our school library!

The winner of our F-2 guess the pages competition was Amelia C and the 3-6 winner was Zara K (daughter of Dianne).

*Regards, Mrs. Trahair.*

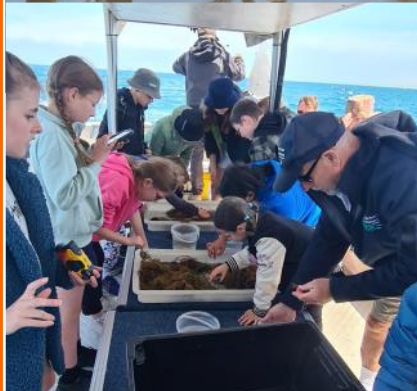


### LIBRARY

This week was our final week of library borrowing. As of next week, please start returning any borrowed books. Notices for overdue books will be distributed next week. *Thank you, Mrs. Strauch and Mrs. Trahair.*







# Grade 3/4 Anglesea Camp





## 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.

Students in 2H have been learning about positive gender relations. They have been developing an understanding of fair and unfair behaviours based on ideas about what it means to be a boy or a girl. This week, we have been discussing and identifying emotions people can have when they witness gender-based violence or are the target of gender-based violence. Students were able to express their ideas that can help them learn self-control and not resort to violence to get their own way or to deal with their frustration. Students suggested standing up for their peers, calmly walking away and being a leader, not a follower.

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



### HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL CHOIR

#### NEXT PERFORMANCE

### COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER

at Garden for the Future  
5.00pm to 8.00pm

Market, Games, Food from  
5.00pm

Christmas Carols from 6.30pm

The Huntly Primary School  
Choir will be performing two  
songs - Ngarra Burra and  
Little Drummer Boy.



### 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 24th November at 9.05pm.

F/1A - **Lahni J:** *for thanking a staff member when they helped her after an injury. You filled their bucket Lahni!*

F/1M - **Amiya S:** *for her willingness to listen to and follow any advice.*

F/1C - **Bill L:** *for working hard to complete reading and writing tasks.*

F/1Mac - **Cruz C:** *for excellent work retelling a story.*

2H - **Chelsea L:** *for consistently putting effort into her reading to help her comprehend texts.*

2T - **Nate P:** *for staying focused in class and engaging in class activities.*

3/4 GT - **Chaddy B:** *for the effort he put into the presentation of his fairy tale script.*

3/4 D - **Saxon E:** *for getting involved in all aspects of Grade 3/4 camp.*

3/4 L - **Mason D:** *for his vastly improved writing and the effort he is applying to it.*

5/6 BP - **Sahri A:** *for positively taking on feedback to edit and improve her persuasive writing.*

5/6 L - **Ella R:** *for her persistence in Mathematics.*

5/6 R - **Khloe C:** *for including specific evidence when inferring character feelings in her reading.*



## CHRISTMAS APPEAL

# GROCERY *suggestions*

Listed below are some items you might like to donate this Christmas.

### CHRISTMAS ITEMS

- Puddings, cakes, mince pies, shortbread
- Long-life cream, custard
- Snacks (biscuits, chips, chocolates, lollies)
- Table décor (bonbons, decorations, tablecloths, napkins)

### TINNED FOODS

- (Please ensure they are ring-pull tins only)
- Fruits
- Vegetables
- Soups
- Meats or fish

### MEAL BASES

- Pasta sauces
- Pre-prepared rice meals
- Curry and stir-fry sauces
- Meal kits (Mexican, Asian, Indian)

### OTHER

- Breakfast cereal
- Spreads and jams
- Savoury biscuits
- Packet of jelly
- Liquid gravy
- Sugar
- Tea, coffee, hot chocolate
- Long-life milk or juices
- Iced tea
- Baby food
- Gluten, Dairy and Nut free options

### CLEANING AND HYGIENE ITEMS

- Personal toiletries like soap, shampoo, toothpaste, hairbrush or toilet paper
- Cleaning products like multipurpose cleaner, dish detergent or washing powder
- Baby care items like nappies or baby wipes



### GUIDELINES

- Please donate all items as early as possible – November or early December, to help us ensure that all food hampers and gifts are delivered to families by Christmas
- Consider donating a supermarket gift vouchers (Coles, Woolworths, IGA etc.), as they allow the recipient the flexibility to purchase their choice of fresh produce or meat
- Please make sure all items being donated are new/unused unopened
- Please ensure items have long expiry dates and are non-perishable
- Since these will be received as gift, consider adding brand name products and some special items to help the recipient celebrate on Christmas Day
- Try packing the food into a washingbasket or shopping bag that can be reused by the recipient (it's sustainable too!)
- Consider providing food that will suit families with young children, people with allergies, the elderly and new Australians

**For further information please get in touch with your regional Salvos representative**

**Nobody should struggle alone at Christmas**



# Community Christmas Festival ✨

**SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER**

**GARDEN FOR THE FUTURE**

**5 PM - 8 PM**



**HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL  
CHOIR WILL BE  
PERFORMING**

**MARKET · GAMES · FOOD FROM 5 PM**

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS FROM 6:30 PM**



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