

## Our School Values:

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



### AFL COMMUNITY VISIT

It was a highlight for our grade 3-6 students (and some staff) to be able to meet some stars from the Carlton FC. The students had an opportunity to ask a range of questions to understand what a day in the life of an AFL footballer is like.



**16TH FEBRUARY, 2024**

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PRINCIPAL **MR JASON LEE**

Dear Parents,

**CURRICULUM DAY - FRIDAY 8TH MARCH:**

*Students do not attend school on this day.*

Outside School Hours Care will run a full program on this day.

Please see booking information in today's newsletter.

**STUDENT LEADERSHIP**

This week our students had an opportunity to run for various leadership positions. Positions included House Captains & Junior School Council. I would like to congratulate all of our middle & senior students who nominated for the below positions.

The teachers were very impressed with the thought that went into the speeches and how each student confidently expressed themselves. Some students will be disappointed in not obtaining one of the leadership positions but in saying that they should be proud of themselves. It is very pleasing to know we have so many students wanting to make a difference at our school. It's also a great learning opportunity, working through the student election process.

At Huntly Primary School we have purposefully created a number of leadership roles beyond the ones just mentioned. Our aim is to try to cater for the different skills and passions of our students. The additional positions will be filled over the course of the next 2 weeks. The expectation is, all students in leadership roles will voice their views (considering the views of all students) regarding how we can continue to enhance the school programs, expand our extra-curricular activities and improve the school environment. I look forward to listening to and working with all of our school leaders.

Congratulations to the following students who have been voted into leadership roles by their peers.

School Captains	
<i>Ellie B</i>	<i>Nash C</i>

House Captains		
<b>Eppalock</b>	<i>Austin M</i>	<i>Hannah M</i>
<b>Laanecorrie</b>	<i>Mitchell F</i>	<i>Jed H</i>
<b>Loddon</b>	<i>Marshall M</i>	<i>Evie N</i>
<b>Campaspe</b>	<i>Rex E</i>	<i>Skye M</i>

Junior School Council Representatives		
3/4 L	<i>Aveah M</i>	<i>Pippa M</i>
3/4 BM	<i>Bailey B</i>	<i>Alannah H</i>
3/4 PG	<i>Evie M</i>	<i>Heidi C</i>
3/4 GT	<i>Aiden S</i>	<i>Lara-Jane L</i>
5/6 L	<i>Sahrii A</i>	<i>Daisy B</i>
5/6 T	<i>Hope D</i>	<i>Emily R</i>
5/6 D	<i>Kass M</i>	<i>Madeline P</i>

**UPDATE STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS**

Parents and carers are reminded it is important to inform the school office of any updates to a student's current personal details (eg. change of address, contact phone numbers or change of emergency contact person, etc.). A form is available from the school office or from the school website to update these details. Office staff can then make sure your child's enrolment information is correct and up to date. This will make it easier for staff and first aid to be able to contact you in an emergency.

As asked earlier this term please also make sure your child's medical details are up to date and reported to both the classroom teacher and the school office, especially if your child has a new medical condition or changed medications.

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## **'WELCOME TO 2024 PICNIC NIGHT'** **TUESDAY THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY**

Families are invited to come along and share in a byo picnic tea school from 5.00pm-6.15pm

*Please see flyer attached to this week's newsletter.*



### **SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills and a range of experiences and knowledge that can help inform and shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

School Councils have three main responsibilities:

- **Finance** – *overseeing the development of the school's annual budget and ensuring proper records are kept of the school's financial operation.*
- **Strategic Planning** – *participating in the development and monitoring of the school strategic plan.*
- **Policy Development and Review** – *developing, reviewing and updating policies that reflect a school's values and support the school's broad direction outlined in its strategic plan.*

In 2024 school council elections **must be completed by March 31<sup>st</sup>.**

This year there will be THREE parent and TWO DET employee (Department of Education and Training) vacancies.

Retiring Councillors are:

Parent Members - *Alycia McDonald, Amy Lawry and Ann Archer*

DET Members - *Matt Lehane and Marijke Harrison*

I would like to express our gratitude and thanks to the above listed School Council members for their valuable contributions to our school. Their work and commitment has been greatly appreciated.

### **School Council Nominations**

The following timetable outlines our school election procedure. Nomination forms can be collected at the school office from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February

<b><u>SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION PROCESS AND TIMETABLE</u></b>	
a) Notice of election and call for nominations	Monday 12th February, 2024
b) Closing date for nominations & deciding if a ballot is required.	Monday 19th February, 2024
c) Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Wednesday 21st February, 2024
d) Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed.	Monday 26th February, 2024
e) Close of ballot	Monday 4th March, 2024
f) March School Council Meeting First council meeting to elect office bearers	Monday 18th March, 2024

*Jason Lee, PRINCIPAL*



# *Picnic Tea and Games Night*

PLEASE NOTE  
CHANGE OF  
DATE

TUESDAY 20TH OF  
FEB 5:00-6:15PM  
AT HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

BRING ALONG YOUR  
PICNIC TEA AND JOIN IN  
GAMES AND  
ACTIVITIES FOR  
EVERYONE!





## DIARY DATES

Monday	19th	February	<b>School Council Meeting</b>
Tuesday	20th	February	<b>Breakfast Program</b> - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Tuesday	20th	February	<b>"Welcome to 2024 Picnic Night"</b> from 5.00pm BYO picnic tea
Wednesday	21st	February	<b>No School for Foundation Students</b> - on Wednesday's for the month on February
Wednesday	21st	February	<b>Food Share Program</b> - every Wednesday
Wednesday	21st	February	<b>Zooper Dooper Day</b> - during second lunch \$1.00 each ( <i>see newsletter article</i> )
Thursday	22nd	February	<b>Breakfast Program</b> - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Friday	23rd	February	<b>School Lunch Order Day</b> ( <i>orders close 10am on Thursday 22nd February</i> )
Wednesday	28th	February	<b>No School for Foundation Students</b> - on Wednesday's for the month on February
Friday	1st	March	<b>Conveyancing Allowance</b> applications close
Friday	1st	March	<b>Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund</b> Application Forms due back
Monday	4th	March	<b>Smile Squad</b> will be at the school seeing students with <b>completed consent forms</b> .
Friday	8th	March	<b>Curriculum Day</b> - <i>students do not attend school on this day.</i>
Monday	11th	March	<b>Labor Day Public Holiday</b> - School Closed
Wednesday	20th	March	<b>School Photos</b> - whole school

### SPORTS NEWS

#### **GYMNASTICS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Unfortunately, we need to postpone our gym program at this stage. Increased cost of the program (which has just been confirmed), the short turnaround to when payment is required and other school commitments make it not viable at this time.

*Jess Monteath*

*Physical Education and Sports Coordinator*

### SMILE SQUAD IS COMING

The Smile Squad team from Bendigo Health are coming to our school from Monday 4th March 2024. Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program.

This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

All students should have received their free dental pack last week.

#### **How to access free dental care**

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian. Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic> Or collect a hard copy of consent form from the school office.



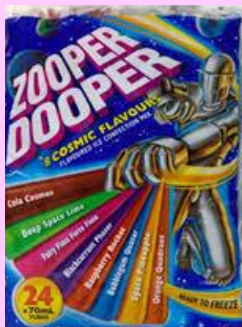
### ZOOPER DOOPER DAY

#### WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

Will be for sale every Wednesday during second lunch beginning next Wednesday the 21st February. Cost will be \$1.00 each with a limit 3 zooper doopers per student.

Please remember to put your rubbish in the bin.

*Thank you, Miss Phegan & JSC*



### OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

#### BOOKING INFORMATION

Due to the overwhelming number of children who are enrolling in our OSHC program we have put together an information sheet to help you with your bookings. Please information flyer (3 pages) attached to today's newsletter.

#### CURRICULUM DAY—FULL DAY PROGRAM

Outside School Hours Care will be operating a full day program of fun activities on the school **Curriculum Day, Friday 8th March.**

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 as soon as possible.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK (presented today)



**SUN SMART HATS  
MUST BE WORN WHEN  
OUTSIDE.**

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD  
HAS THEIR SUN SMART HAT AT  
SCHOOL.**



## 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 mornings at 9.10am.

F/1C -

F/1B - **Latysha M:** for her consistent effort in class and positive attitude towards her schooling.

F/1M - **Mia C:** for having the courage to share her thoughts during morning circle.

F/1A - **Bill L:** for his seamless transition into a new year and showing responsibility.

F/1D - **Addison M:** for making a positive start to her first year of school and getting herself "Ready to Learn".

2H - **Willow W:** for consistently trying to challenge herself with place value in Mathematics.

2R - **Beau C:** for his collaboration with his peers this week in math showing excellent teamwork.

3/4L - **Bili A:** for the effort and planning she undertook for her JSC speech.

3/4BM - **Alannah H:** for her excellent narrative during writing sessions.

3/4GT - **Ivy F:** for her enthusiastic and thoughtful participation during class discussion.

3/4P - **Evie F:** for her resilience and positive start to the year.

5/6L - **Nate O:** for applying himself in Maths.

5/6D - **Evangeline N:** for working extremely well in class and producing an amazing persuasive piece of writing.

5/6T - **Will S:** for showing resilience by going above and beyond to solve a mathematics question.

## THE SUSTAINABILITY TEAM

It's already a few weeks of school, and the Sustainability Team are hard at work in the garden. Lots of eager students have signed up to help Sam and Matt in the garden and chook pen. We have begun clearing some of the garden beds, and planting new plants for the months coming ahead. Well done to those students who have signed up to help in the garden; those who are assisting with the green waste; and our recycling helpers – we couldn't do it without you!

We have a request to any Huntly PS families out there – our Bird Bath has been damaged over the school holidays, and we are in much need of another one. If anyone has a bird bath they no longer need – we would love to have it in our garden. Please let the office know if you have one to donate.

*Thankyou kindly.*



## KEYBOARD LESSONS

Private Piano lessons will be available at Huntly P.S. again this year. These lessons take place during or after school at reasonable rates. For more information, please contact Tricia McNaulty on 0418 595 990



## HEADLICE

Parents are reminded to be vigilant regarding checking their child's hair regularly for head lice, particularly in the warm weather.

If head lice are found, please report it to the school office and treat hair before your child returns to school.



# **Huntly Primary School Outside School Hours Care Service.**

## **Booking Information**

Due to the overwhelming number of children who are enrolling in our OSHC program we have put together an information sheet to help you with your bookings. Please see below to help with your bookings.

### **Huntly OSHC uses the Xplor Home app for bookings.**

Parents/ Carers are required to submit an enrolment form for each child. The enrolment form can be found on the Huntly Primary School Website in the Outside School Hours Care tab.

<http://www.huntly-ps.vic.edu.au/wordpress/>

**Please remember to include you and your child's CRN number as without this information you will not receive Child Care Subsidy and will be charged full price.**

Once the enrolment has been received a staff member will need to activate the enrolment and you will receive an email outlining how to set up the Xplor Home app to link your child with our service. Once linked you will be able to use the app to make casual bookings, check your child's bookings, notify absences and to see your account information.

Permanent bookings can be requested via email [oshc@huntly-ps.vic.edu.au](mailto:oshc@huntly-ps.vic.edu.au) .Permanent booking requests do not guarantee a place on your preferred days.

When using the app available spaces can be booked immediately, however if a session is full your request will be placed on a waitlist. The waitlist is activated once a space becomes available and children are placed in order of receiving the requested booking.

If you have a booking that you no longer need you **must** submit an absence request via the Xplor app as soon as possible so that we can activate the waitlist if required. Permanent booking changes need to be requested via the email above.

If your booking is sent to the waitlist, you will be placed in order of the request being received. This is the same order they will be processed in. If you have submitted a request but will no longer require that space on the waitlist, please notify via email [oshc@huntly-ps.vic.edu.au](mailto:oshc@huntly-ps.vic.edu.au) and staff will remove the request by rejecting it.

If you send a booking request for a public holiday or school holidays your request will be rejected because this service only runs on School Days and School Council approved pupil free days.

We ask that you regularly check your bookings in the app to confirm your bookings and check if your waitlist request has been accepted.

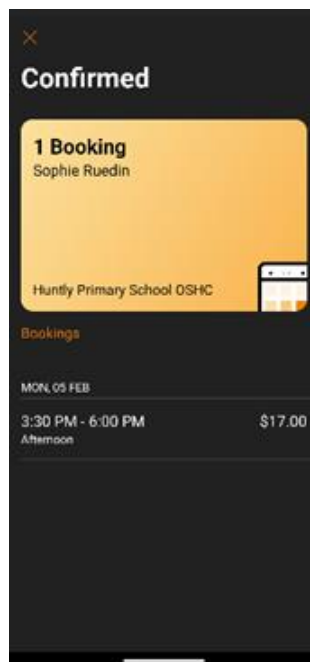
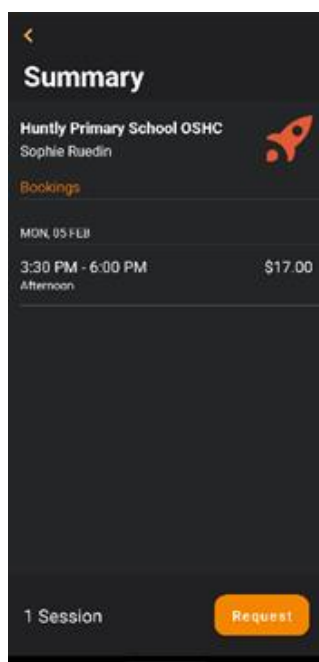
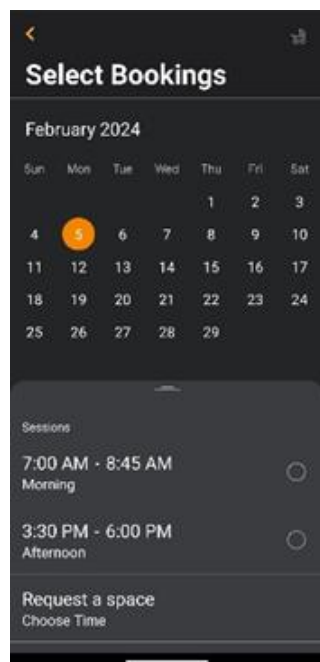


How to create a booking or notify an absence in the Xplor Home App.

## Bookings Request

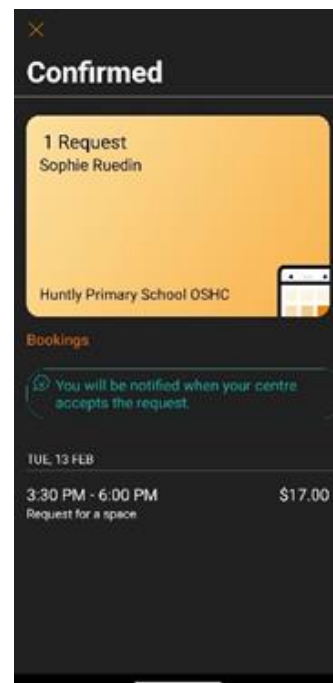
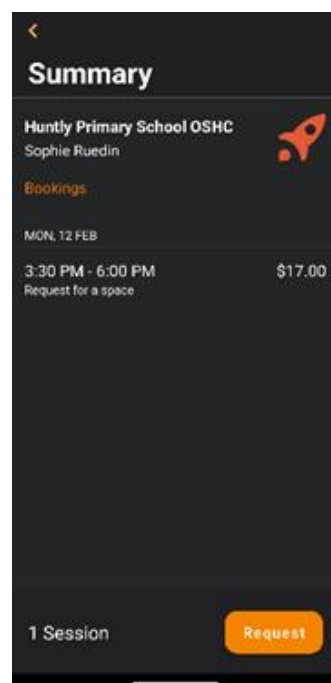
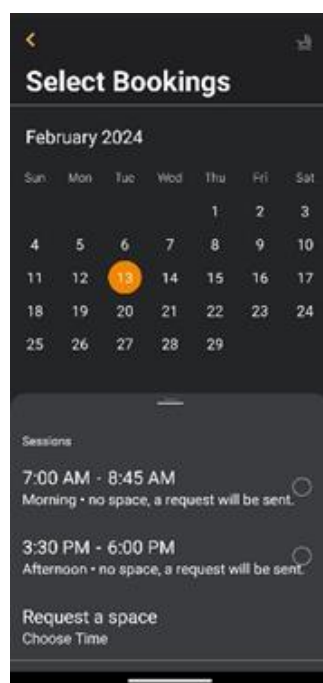
When requesting a booking, Parent/Guardians will navigate as follows:

1. **Bookings**
2. **+New** to the top right corner of the screen
3. **Bookings**
4. Select the **child** the request is being placed for
5. Select the **date**
6. Input **time range** or select **all day/anytime**
7. Place a **comment** for the administrators at the centre to view
8. Select **Save** (*Note: Repeat process for each additional request*)
9. Once completed, navigate to the **cart** to the top right of the screen
10. Select **Request**
11. Done

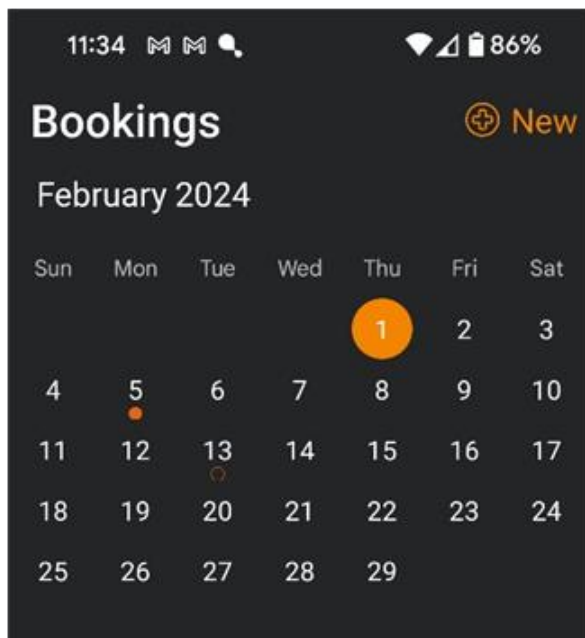


These pictures show that a space is available in both sessions on that date. One the session is picked the cart will look like picture 2. Once you press request your screen will look like picture 3 and say Booking.

These pictures show that the session is fully booked and that a request for a space will be sent. The centre will receive a booking request, once actioned the Parent/Guardians will receive a notification that the booking has been made.







This picture shows the calendar after the booking and the request have been made. The booking is indicated with the solid orange dot under the date. While the request is indicated by the dull orange incomplete circle.

Parent/Guardians can click on the date and the menu will populate to the bottom of the screen. This menu will outline:

- Child/ Children's names
- The Room the session is booked for
- The Centre they are booked in
- The session start and end time

## Notification– Absence or Holiday

To notify of an absence or holiday.

1. Through the bookings calendar, select the **day/date**
2. From the menu at the bottom, select the **session**
3. Select **Absent**
4. In the menu, select **Absence or Holiday** and pop in a comment if needed
5. Select **Request**
6. Done

# HUNTLY FAMILY FUN DAY



Proudly sponsored by Agnico Eagle Fosterville

**FREE  
ENTRY**

**SUNDAY  
FEB 25, 2024**

**10AM  
TO 1PM**

#### FREE ACTIVITIES:

THE ZONE JUMPING CASTLE AND INFLATABLE WATER SLIDE  
WATER FUN WITH HUNTLY CFA • ART AND CRAFT  
SPORTING ACTIVITIES • FACE PAINTING • FREE GIVEAWAYS!  
RENEGADES FAN VAN - INFLATABLE CATCH MAT

*Don't forget  
a towel!*

#### FOOD/DRINKS:

BBQ (MEAT AND VEGETARIAN OPTIONS) AND DRINKS  
- ALL \$2 EACH • FREE FRESH FRUIT • COLIBAN WATER  
REFILL UNIT (BYO DRINK BOTTLE)

*Limited shade - bring  
along your hat and chair.*

**STRAUCH RESERVE  
14 GUNGURRU ROAD, HUNTLY**



## PLAYERS WANTED



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