Our School Values:

RESPECT, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION and COMMUNITY

HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL 306

Dear Parents,

TERM 3 PUPIL FREE DAY Wednesday 19th August- Advanced notice

Our term 3 pupil free day will be held on Wednesday 19th August. Staff will be involved in a range of wellbeing & teaching and learning professional sessions. On this day students do not attend school.

NAPLAN 2026

NAPLAN results for year 3 & 5 students can now be viewed on Compass. Upon request NAPLAN results can be provided in hardcopy.

NAPLAN tests are one aspect of each school's assessment and reporting process. As they are held once every 2 years for each student, they cannot replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance. Your child's teacher will have the best insight into your child's educational progress.

e-Safety Tips for Parents: Keeping Children Safe Online

Technology plays an important role in our children's learning, creativity and social connections. While the online world offers many positive opportunities, it is also important that children develop the knowledge and skills to use technology safely and responsibly. Research consistently shows that the most effective approach to online safety is a partnership between schools and families, with regular conversations and clear expectations helping children make safer choices online.

Here are some practical ways you can support your child at home:

Keep the conversation going

Talk regularly with your child about the websites, apps, games and social media they use. Show interest in their online experiences, celebrate positive interactions and encourage them to speak with you if something online makes them feel uncomfortable, worried or unsafe.

Set clear expectations

Establish family rules around screen time, appropriate online behaviour and the types of websites, apps and games that can be used. Children are more likely to make safe choices when expectations are consistent and understood.

Use parental controls

Most devices, gaming consoles and streaming services include parental controls that can help manage screen time, filter inappropriate content and limit purchases. While these tools are valuable, they work best when combined with ongoing conversations rather than replacing them.

Know the age ratings

Many popular apps, games and social media platforms have recommended minimum age requirements. These age ratings are designed to help protect children from content and interactions that may not be appropriate for their stage of development.

Encourage respectful online behaviour

Remind children that the same values of kindness, respect and responsibility apply online as they do at school and in the community. Encourage them to think before they post, comment or share information.

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Protect personal information
Teach your child never to share personal details such as their home address, phone number, passwords or school information with people they do not know online. Encourage the use of strong passwords and remind them that passwords should not be shared with friends.

Know what to do if something goes wrong
Reassure your child that they can always come to you if they experience cyberbullying, receive inappropriate messages or see upsetting content online. Remaining calm, listening without judgement and reporting concerns early can help resolve issues before they escalate.
Creating a safe online environment is a shared responsibility. By maintaining open communication, setting clear boundaries and modelling positive digital habits, we can help our children enjoy the benefits of technology while developing the skills they need to stay safe online.

For additional evidence-based resources, practical advice and the latest information on keeping children safe online, families are encouraged to visit the Australian **eSafety Commissioner** website: eSafety Commissioner

Other Resources for Parents:
Common Sense Media

CHILD SAFE POLICIES (AND SUPPORTING POLICIES) AT HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Huntly Primary School, the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of every student is our priority. We are committed to providing a learning environment where all children are safe, feel safe, and are supported to thrive. Our comprehensive Child Safety Framework includes policies, procedures, codes of conduct and practices that guide how we promote student wellbeing, respond to concerns, and protect children and young people from harm. Working in partnership with families, we are committed to fostering a culture where every child is respected, valued and empowered.
The following policies are available on our school website : Policies - Huntly Primary School
• Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
• Child Safety Code of Conduct
• Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedure
• Complaints Policy
• Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
• Bullying Prevention Policy
• Volunteers Policy
• Visitors Policy

PREP ENROLMENTS 2027– REMINDER

Thank you to those families who have returned their enrolment forms for our 2027 Foundation year level. It is vital to have these returned as soon as possible as we get underway with the process of mailing out important information to families and begin preliminary grade structures for 2027.
We ask that if you are a current parent of a child/children at Huntly Primary School and have a child starting Foundation in 2027, please come into the school office, pick up an enrolment pack and return the completed enrolment form as soon as possible to help assist us with planning. Please pass this important information onto anyone you may know in our area who may be wanting to enrol their child for Foundation 2027.

- ***Steps to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) for the 2027 school year*:**

To start primary school in 2027, your child will need to turn 5 years old by 30 April 2027. Schooling is compulsory for children who have turned 6 years old. Importantly, your child has a right to enrol at their local school and will be guaranteed a place. The local school is determined on the basis of their permanent residential address. Before you get started please check if you are currently living in our school zone by searching your address on the department's **Find my School** website.
Huntly Primary School is required to adhere to the Department of Education's Enrolment Management Plan our student enrolment is restricted to: Students who live within the school zone, students with a sibling attending the school at the same time or students seeking enrolment on legitimate compassionate grounds.
If *Huntly Primary School is your designated neighbourhood school* (local school) please contact our school office to book a school tour and receive an information pack with a school enrolment form.

101 BRUNEL STREET
HUNTLY VIC 3551
PHONE (03) 5448 8866
Email: huntly.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Tuesday	4th	August	**Breakfast Program** - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Tuesday	4th	August	**Responsible Pet Owner Incursion - F/1**
Wednesday	5th	August	**Food Share Program** - every Wednesday
Wednesday	5th	August	**Cluster Athletics** - *Selected student sonly*
Thursday	6th	August	**Breakfast Program** - 8.10am to 8.30am. All students welcome.
Wednesday	19th	August	**Curriculum Day**
Friday	21st	August	**Pyjama Day** - *Starlight Foundation fundraising day*
Friday	28th	August	**Book Week Parade and Multiage Activity Day**
Wednesday	2nd	September	**F/1 Melbourne zoo Excursion**
Friday	4th	September	**Donuts with Dad - 8:30am**
Friday	4th	September	**Fathers' Day stall**

WEEKLY STUDENT AWARDS

These awards reflect our school values of : ***Respect, Resilience, Community and Collaboration.***

Congratulations to the following students:

F/1B	**Garvmeet I**	*Well done asking for support and sharing your feelings in your first days in our classroom.*
F/1D	**Fletcher I**	*For doing his best during writing sessions and showing pride in his work.*
F/1L	• **Alro P** • **Remi H**	• *For being a kind classmate who always helps others.* • *For trying her best in reading by working hard to sound out and blend her words.*
2H	**Mia C**	*For actively participating in our writing focus group, taking on feedback, and applying it to improve her writing. Well done!*
2G	**Ava P**	*For her amazing creativity and imagination in her narrative writing.*
2R	**Ravreet K**	*For a fantastic transition to Huntly Primary School, showing kindness, respect and a willingness to learn every day.*
3/4L	**Matari G**	*For showing great improvement on his area and perimeter work.*
3/4G	**Emily A**	*For working to include correct structure and humour into her limericks.*
3/4T		
3/4M	**Chase F**	*For being an excellent peer to his classmates by assisting others when they need help and being kind to everyone.*
5/6K		
5/6D	**Ezra A**	*For her exceptional work in Mathematics, demonstrating a strong understanding of measurement and capacity.*
5/6M	**Calvin**	*For being a kind member of our class.*
Music:	**F/1:Manreet K**	*For showing her enthusiasm with the class during our cultural dance lesson, especially when dancing Bollywood.*
	2: Charlotte C	*For showing outstanding enthusiasm and a willingness to participate in a variety of cultural dances.*
	3/4: Nahla M	*For confidently participating in a range of cultural dances and always giving every dance a go.*
	5/6: Levi M	*For showing excellent determination and collaboration when completing his 'Dance Around the World' assessment.*

Book Club:

Thank you to everyone who ordered from Issue 5 of Book Club.
All orders were closed this week and should be delivered within the next 2 weeks.
Thank you,
Morgan Trahair.

Book Week:

The 2026 CBCA Book Week runs from the 22nd - 28th August.
We will be celebrating this event on Friday 28th, by engaging in a full day of multiage activities and having a dress-up parade.
All students are encouraged to dress-up as one of their favourite book characters!
Thank you, Morgan Trahair.

After The Bell

Good afternoon, After The Bell Aus Huntly PS families,
We have been advised that Huntly PS is having a **Student Free Day, Wednesday 19/8/2026** and After The Bell Aus is hoping to run a student free day in the OSHC room from **7.30am 6.00pm**
To book this day, please email your bookings to bookings@afterthebell.com.au by **5.00pm Tuesday 11/8/2026**. We will advise all families Wednesday 12/8/2026 **if** we have reached the required numbers to operate.
The cost of the day could be as little as $ 15.50 (per child) with Childcare Subsidy. (Full rate $ 85.00 per day).
Please note that the After The Bell Student Free Day can only be run with 15 children or more attending, and therefore, once the day has been confirmed as operating, there can be no refunds, cancellations, and medical certificates do not apply.

House Shirts reminder!

We are excited to announce that our Sports Shirts are now available to order through Breach Apparel.

To place your order, simply visit the Breach Apparel website, click on **"Locker Room"**, and scroll down until you find **Huntly Primary School**. From there, select **School sport shirts** to view and purchase your child's shirt.
We encourage families to place their orders as soon as possible to ensure shirts are received in time for upcoming school events and activities.
The office also still has a number of **LODDON, LAANECOORIE, and CAMPASPE** sports shirts available for purchase. Come in and see what is left whilst stock lasts.

If you have any questions regarding sizing or ordering, please contact the school office for assistance.

Wood Raffle

Thank you to everyone who entered our wood raffle and supported us! We truly appreciate each and every one of you!
Congratulation to our lucky winners!
We hope you enjoy you load of firewood.
Thank you again to everyone who entered we couldn't have do it without your support!

FOCUS EXPECTATION NEXT WEEK:

"Making Tight Transitions in Class ."

Immune Deficiencies Foundation Australia proudly presents

2026 CIRCUS QUIRKUS

Circus Quirkus is a one-hour, animal-free, contemporary take on your favourite, traditional circuses of ages past, with an eclectic and entertaining mix of Circus acts from all over the world.

Enjoy a relaxed theatre experience with a casual attitude toward audience noise and movement in an accessible, inclusive environment where everyone is welcome and free to be themselves without restriction or judgement.

One hour show. Suitable for all ages and accessible for people...

- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible)

- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when attending the theatre (sensory and neurodiverse friendly).

- who are facing hardship.

- who are without access or opportunity to attend live theatre.

***Featuring moving and flashing lights, and upbeat, sometimes dramatic music.**

Circus Quirkus

Scan the QR Code to visit the shows website and watch highlights from previous shows...

ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.

***Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.**

BENDIGO STADIUM (RED ENERGY ARENA) 91 Inglis Street, West Bendigo, VIC	
SHOW DATE	**SHOWTIME**
SATURDAY, 8TH AUGUST 2026	**11.00 AM to 12.00 PM**

To book you complimentary tickets, please email your name and the number of tickets required to...

meredithnewman@showintent.com.au

or call / text 0404-367-782

HUNTLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

DONUTS with DAD

FRIDAY
SEPT 4TH

AT THE MULTI PURPOSE ROOM

8:30am

Join us for a warm cinnamon donut, hot coffee, and quality bonding time.

Whether you're a dad, granddad, uncle, or father figure, you're invited to share a special treat with your favourite kiddo.

There's nothing better than sweet moments and sugary smiles. Don't miss out!