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NEWSLETTER - TERM 1 - 22ND MARCH 2017

DIARY DATES			
25/03/17	JAPANESE PERFORMANCE – AT MARION CELEBRATES 4:45 PM		
31/03/17	2:15 PM ASSEMBLY 6AN & 5W		
3-7/04/17	STUDENT LED DISCUSSIONS		
10/04/17	HOUSE 9 EXCURSION TO BELAIR NATIONAL PARK		
13/04/17	SPORTS DAY		

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE 17thMARCH HARMONY DAY 21st MARCH

Friday 17th March was the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. Like all schools, HCEPS is not immune to bullying but there are some strategies we can put in place to prevent incidences and impacts of bullying.

One of the strategies is ensuring all students know about the critical role that bystanders can play in bullying prevention. Bystanders can either respond to bullying behaviours that support bullying or help to prevent or diminish bullying. **Bystanders** who instigate, join in or do nothing about bullying they have witnessed are hurtful bystanders - they contribute to the bullying incident. Helpful bystanders however help through direct intervention or by knowing when, where and who to go to, to get help. You can help your child become a helpful bystander by talking to them about how their actions can make а positive difference. It is important that they know they have an adult that will support them in taking action. Listen to your child when they approach you about bullying and then take action by contacting the school.

HARMONY DAY

All Australia, schools around and organisations celebrate cultural diversity on Harmony Day on Tuesday 21st March. Harmony Day coincides with the United International Nations Day for the elimination of Racial Discrimination. At HCEPS we will be celebrating Harmony Day by participating in some activities run by Simone Green, Kirsty Gray, Joey Traeger, Evie Donoghue and our Social Workers - Carly and Taylah. This year we

are making a link with KidsMatter. In weeks to come you will see a banner which every student was able to contribute to – understanding that we are all different and we all belong. The KidsMatter mantra of "Every Face Has a Place" fits nicely with the message of harmony day - "everyone belongs".

Special thanks to Evie Donoghue for providing this summary about Bullying – No Way! Day, and, Harmony Day. Thank you also to Simone Green parent volunteer and Kirsty Gray who also worked with Evie to deliver activities on Harmony Day.

SOCIAL WORK STUDENTS WORKING AT HCEPS

Hello! Our names are Carly and Taylah. We are both currently studying a Bachelor of Social Work at the University of South Australia. We are in our third year of study and have recently commenced our first placement at Hallett Cove East Primary School. We will be at the school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from mid-February to the end of term 2 in July. On placement we will be working with the students and staff of the school and the wider community, including organisations and programs that are connected to the school. We look forward to getting to know everyone, gaining more experience and expanding on our knowledge on our placement at Hallett Cove East Primary. Feel free to come speak to us if you see us in the yard or if you have an issue you may like to discuss.

RIDE BIKES SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY 17th MARCH

Last Friday 17th March was National Ride to School Day. We had about 180 students ride their bike to school which was fantastic! During the day 200 students from Reception to year 2/3 spent 30 minutes with 5 police officers from Sturt Police Station. They had two practical lessons where they learnt how to cross a road - stop, look, listen, think - and learnt how to ride safely near roads. At lunch time the older students got their chance to ride their bikes, with about 60 students riding their bike around the yellow playground. What a great atmosphere it was with so many students being active. Carrie from Sturt Police ended the day by urging all of us to be extremely careful near roads, and to help keep an eye out for our younger members of the community so we can all stay safe. Thanks for a great day.





Nick Marks PE TEACHER

Special thanks to Nick Marks for organising this event and for this report.

GOVERNING COUNCIL 2017

Congratulations to our new Governing Council for 2017. We met for our first meeting this week. All the office bearers and sub-committee representatives were chosen.

Congratulations to the following office bearers and representatives:

Chairperson – Jo Wigg Deputy Chairperson – Jenny Brown Secretary – Simon Gierke Treasurer – Victoria Gorton Assets and Grounds – Gary Kupke Canteen – Kylie Barnes-Sparks Education – Simone Green Fundraising – Victoria Gorton OSHC – Melody Thompson Sport – Jessica Chaplin Uniform – Gaylene Clark Other reps – Sally Matthews, Jenny Walker, Amanda Maple

Any issues or queries regarding Governing Council can be raised with Jo Wigg via the front office.

FRONT OFFICE UPGRADE

We have finally completed all the upgrades to the front office and meeting room that were started during the holidays. Our aim was to make the office look more professional but also be more inviting and accessible for students, families and visitors alike. One important change we have made is lowering one section of the front desk and positioning student seating away from visitor seating to enable office staff to better address student need. This has been working very well. We have had much positive feedback from families and visitors regarding the changes.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jenny McFadyen who has liaised with the different contractors both during the holidays and since, in order to complete the upgrades as efficiently as possible.

I would also like to give a big thank to the fundraising committee which donated \$1000 towards the upgrade. This funding has been used to help pay for the new black chairs that are in the office and meeting room. So thank you to all parents for supporting fundraising activities that enabled this donation.

PUPIL FREE DAY IN TERM 2

Our next Pupil Free Day will be held on Tuesday 13th June (which is the Tuesday after the June long weekend in Term 2). All staff will be participating in a training program called "Play is the Way". This is a program that supports positive social and emotional development of students. The OSHC will be open for child care that day. Please contact Lissy or Sally to book in.

COMING EVENTS

STUDENT LED DISCUSSIONS

We will be holding our annual Student Led Discussions starting on Monday 3rd April and going through to Friday 7th April in Week 10. By now you should have received an invitation to book in a time for a meeting with your child's class teacher. I encourage all parents to make a meeting time as this is an important component of the school's assessment and communication processes with parents.

SPORTS DAY

Don't forget Sports Day is coming up in Week 11 on Thursday April 11th and that this is the last day of term. There will still be an early dismissal time of 2:05pm as it is the last day. We look forward to seeing everyone at Sports Day.

READING CORNER

Each Newsletter the Early Years Team will provide you with strategies to help support and encourage your child to read at home. These ideas have come from the website <u>http://www.readingrockets.org/</u>. This is a very useful site offering ideas to get children reading from a very young age. *You can also check out the Parent section of our website.*

Talk, talk, talk

Talk with your Child every day about school and things going on around the house. Sprinkle some interesting words into the conversation, and build on words you've talked about in the past.

EARLY YEARS TEAM

PE NEWS

PE News week 8

What a busy, busy term! Ride to School day was amazing with 180 students riding to school. We are in the middle of the Premiers Be Active Challenge so don't forget to help your children be active after school and on the weekends - they should be doing 1 hour a day. Cross country trainings have continued on Thursday mornings with students showing improvement already. The team to go to Thalassa Park in Term 2, Week 1 will be soon. **Sports Day** is picked fast approaching with students having their first house meeting last week, sprint try outs this week and starting to practise tabloid events ready for the day.

Students have been out competing at **SAPSASA** swimming and tennis, and try outs for district AFL and netball teams are happening soon. Our school knockout netball and soccer teams will start trainings soon – if there is a parent who has the necessary checks and would be interesting in helping out with coaching, please come and have a chat.

Nick Marks PE TEACHER

Anne Rathjen - PRINCIPAL

Well done to Bradley, Alex, Tehya and Dylan who recently represented our school in SAPSASA swimming.



FUNDRAISING NEWS FEBRUARY 2017

Disco Helpers – 24th March

Don't forget to buy your child's disco ticket – on sale from the front office. In order to run this event we need volunteers to help. The disco will run from 6pm til 7pm for Years R-2 and 7.15pm til 8.30pm for Years 2-7. Therefore the help needed is as follows:

Set up from 5pm

Year R to Year 2 – 6pm til 7pm

Year 2 to Year 7 – 7.15pm til 8.30 pm

Tidy Up from 8.30pm.

Please can you contact Victoria on vicgorton@gmail.com or on 0433152021 if you can help.

Mother's Day Stall Helpers

In order to run this event we need volunteers to help. The help needed is as follow:

Set up the stall - Wednesday 10th May 2pm til 3pm

Run the Stall - Thursday 11th May 1.30pm til 3pm (note change of time due to NAPLAN in the morning)

Run the Stall - Friday 12th May 8.45am til 11am.

Please can you contact Sarah on sarahhole073@gmail.com or on 0488282779 if you can help.

UPCOMING EVENTS School Disco Mother's Day Stall Term 2

Father's Day Stall Term 3

More exciting events to be announced soon....

Dates For Your Diary

Thursday 11th & Friday 12th May – **Mother's Day Stall** Thursday 31st August & Friday 1st September – **Father's day Stall** Thursday 9th March 2.30pm – **Fundraising Committee Meeting TBC** – Boardroom in school office

Help Needed!!

The Fundraising Committee is in need of volunteers; please don't think that if you volunteer you will be asked to do everything, this will not happen. We just need a few people who can spare the time to come to the meetings twice a term, normally half an hour before school pick up. Also to help with the organisation of the events, for example purchasing the decorations for a disco or buying the food or putting up posters around the school advertising the fundraising events. It's a lot of small jobs that need doing and as they say many hands make light work!!

If you would like to volunteer to help on any of the upcoming events this year please contact Sarah Hole on 0488 282 779 or <u>sarahhole073@gmail.com</u> for more information.

THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

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EASTER SPECIAL LUNCH

WEDNESDAY 5th APRIL 2017

NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY

Please refer to the order form at the end of this Newsletter.

Hot Cross Buns will be available for purchase directly over the counter at recess time at a cost of \$1.00.



JOEY'S JOURNAL

Harmony Day

We had such fun celebrating Harmony Day on Tuesday 21st of March. Classes

participated in activities in the pavilion and many people wore something orange. Despite orange being far from my favourite colour it was still so exciting to see everyone getting involved in the day whether it was an entire orange outfit or a strand of orange in a friendship bracelet.

A highlight for many was the awesome scavenger hunt, where partners went around solving riddles, looking at how much we have in common with other people and how we can embrace our differences. Other activities included orange origami, drawing and colouring, word searches, friendship bracelets, and loombands.

I encourage you to come along to assembly in week 9 to see a display of the wonderful artwork that the students created. I'm sure that some of the creations made their way home, and I hope that you had a chance to talk about them with your child.

In my activity, we made bracelets using the colours of a flag. There were so many great discussions about the countries that people were born in, or where their families are from. I enjoyed witnessing people's curiosity about all different flags, some simple and some intricate, some similar and others very unique. We decided the combination blue, white and red is the most common.

Overall, the day was such a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the diversity that exists within the school (and the world) and to learn from each other.

Joey, PASTORAL CARE WORKER at HCEPS on Mondays and Tuesdays





JAPANESE

Japanese News - Marion Celebrates Festival On Saturday the 25th March, The City of Marion council will hold its Marion Celebrates Festival. This family friendly event will be held at the Marion Cultural Centre from 4-9pm. (Please see flyer attached for more information)

As part of these celebrations our school been invited to participate and showcase Japanese Culture. We have a dedicated group of 10 students who will perform our 2016 End of year concert dance item Odoru Ponpokorin at the festival. They are scheduled to perform at **4.45pm** on the main stage outside the Marion Cultural Centre.

Gray Sensei & Wallis Sensei JAPANESE TEACHERS



Calling for volunteers – we need your help!



We are considering participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to get this program running we need your help.

The program requires a volunteer School Banking Co-ordinator to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week and the Commonwealth Bank will provide support in how to run the program. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

School Banking day can be selected to suit your own schedule.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please let in the Finance office.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further information.

- WARRIPARINGA YOUTH EVENT Come & Try Parndo. Fri 21st April 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Living Kaura Cultural Centre, Warriparinga Way (off Sturt Rd) Bedford Park. Ages 10-22. Free lunch included. Bookings essential. 28 8357 5900
- UNITING COMMUNITIES HOMELINK SA transform your family life and join us. Stepping in when life gets busy. Discover the Respite possibilities.
 202 5291 <u>homelink@unitingcommunities.org</u> or visit <u>www.unitingcommunities.org/homelink</u>
- SPIKEZONE New Come & Try sessions. The Hub I Recreation Centre. 28th Mar, 4 & 11 April from 4:00 – I 5:00 pm. Ages 4-7. <u>www.volleyballsa.au/spikezone</u> or I ☎ 8363 1265
- WARRIPARINGA YOUTH EVENT Kumangka Paringa Wed 19th April 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Living Kaurna Cultural Centre. Ages 10-22. Free lunch included. Bookings essential. 28357 5900
- FREE YOUTH SWIM & SLIDE Marion Outdoor Swimming Centre. Sat 1st April 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.
 Free entry for ages up to 25 years. 28276 4939
- SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE | Make a French connection & bring part of France | home and experience French culture. Host a short stay | French exchange student during May. For further info |
 1800 500 501 or visit www.scce.com.au
- TWITCHING WHISKERS EASTER HOLIDAY FUN Fri 21st April 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Hallett Cove Uniting Church. Ages 4-12 years. ☎ 8322 1702 or visit www.hcuc.org.au
- NEXT GENERATION TAEKWONDO Self-defence & character development programme specifically designed for primary & secondary children. Single sessions or 6 week course, mixed or single groups.
 1300 656 065
- WARRIPARINGA YOUTH EVENT Fri 28th April 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Living Kaurna Cultural Centre. Ages 10-22, free lunch included. Bookings essential.
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NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY

We require one order form per child.

Please place your order via the QKR app or enclose the correct money and return your order to the Canteen or Finance Office by no later than Monday 3rd April 2017.



Pulled Chicken & Lettuce Slider Or Veggie Burger Easter Biscuit & Chocolate Egg

Juice box



Please note that Hot Cross Buns will be available for purchase directly over the counter at recess time at a cost of \$1.00.

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EASTER SPECIAL LONCH					
WEDNESDAY 5 th APRIL 2017					
CHILD'S NAME:			HOUSE NO:		
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