

NEWSLETTER

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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Anzac Day – 25 April – is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. 100 years ago the Gallipoli campaign started and Australian soldiers landed on the Gallipoli beach. Australia lost over 8000 soldiers in an eight month campaign which in that time and for ever more our lives changed. World War 1 and particularly Gallipoli continues to have a profound impact on all Australians, and 25 April is the day on which Australians remember the sacrifice of those who died in the war.

To remember the lives of all soldiers that have served and died in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations Healesville Primary School will be participating in the following events throughout this week.

Date	Time	Venue	Organisation
Thursday 23 rd April	All Day	Shrine of Remembrance	Legacy Service for Schools Students Year 6 School Leaders
Friday 24 th April	2.30pm	School Hall	Members of the RSL and the School Captains are leading us in an ANZAC service. All Welcome
Saturday 25 th April Dawn Service	5.45am	Healesville RSL	Our School Captains will lay a wreath on behalf of our school.
Saturday 25 th April	9.30am	Healesville ANZAC day Commemorative March	Students are invited to march in the Healesville ANZAC day parade wearing full school uniform. Students are to meet Mrs Williams and HPS staff 9.30am at Cnr of Church Street and Main Street. Our Violin students will be playing as part of the ceremony

In classrooms this week teachers have been talking about the importance of ANZAC Day to all Australians. If your family has any links to wars, conflicts or peacekeeping operations that Australians have been involved in please keep the memory alive by telling your children about the people who fought for us as a Nation.

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SCHOOL EVENTS

APRIL

Thursday 23rd – Friday 1st

Grades 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday April 24th

Sovereign Hill Instalment Due

Saturday 25th

Anzac Day March 9.30am

Wednesday 29th

Parent and Friends Get-Together 1.30pm

MAY

Friday 1st

Bookclub Orders Due

Final Sovereign Hill Instalment Due

Thursday 7th

Mother's Day Stall

Friday 8th

Mother's Day Stall

Monday 11th

School Council Meeting

Friday 15th

Canberra Camp Instalment Due

Friday 22nd

Curriculum Day

NO PUBLIC HOLIDAY

There is no public holiday on Monday 27th April for Anzac Day

CURRICULUM DAY

Our Next Curriculum Day is scheduled for

Friday May 22nd

STUDENT AWARDS

PC:	Kayden M	PP:	Zaviar A
	Sarah C		Maddison S
1K	Riley B		Lachlan S
1D:	Chloe W	1/2A	Riley F
34L:	Joel D	4C	April A
5K:	Aaron M	5/6G:	Charlotte E
6S:	Jack H		Allie W
6W:	Lewis D	PE:	Billy C - PP

Performing Arts: Rebecca J – 2R

CANTEEN

APRIL/MAY 2015

Mon & Tues	CANTEEN CLOSED	
Wed 29th	Jenny Daniels	
Thurs 30th	Marilyn Caldicott	Kersten Newman
Friday 1st	Rochelle Potter	Lisa Clements

Parents & Friends Club

Sunday May 10th is Mother's day. Our gift stall will be held on Thursday May 7th & Friday 8th. All students will get a chance to visit the stall during school hours, to buy a present for their Mum. All gifts that we will be selling are \$5.00 each. Helpers are needed for a couple of hours on each day to help sell gifts, set-up and pack-up. If you would like to help, please call the office and leave your name and contact details.

We will also be holding a Mother's Day raffle and at this stage are sourcing prize donations. If you know someone who would be able to provide us with a donation of goods or vouchers we would love to hear from you.

Thanks for your support,
Maidi Mitchell and Kylie Short

BOOKCLUB NEWS

Issue 3 of the Scholastic Bookclub is out now. Please return orders with payment to the school no later than **Friday May 1st**. No late payments will be accepted.

CHAPLAINCY FORMS

Please return the Chaplaincy forms to the office as soon as possible. If you haven't received one, please see the office ladies for another copy.

ACTIVE APRIL

Dear Parents,

With such lovely sunny days let's consider the importance of exercise and some time in the great outdoors. I have registered myself and our school for the Premier's ACTIVE APRIL challenge. Take some time to read the information below and check out the website for some great sporty fun. If you join our school team and record your activities you can get lots of benefits such as discounts in selected sports stores and free entry to various places in Melbourne including the Aquarium and Melbourne Sports Centre. This term there will be a running club before school on Monday, Wednesday and Friday starting from about 8:30 so if you want to work on your fitness meet outside the hall.

To register go to activeapril.vic.gov.au and log in with the Username hps321 and password Healesville1. Our team name is HealesvillePS and our team ID is Healesville-ps2.

Thanks everyone and happy exercising !

Tanya Dale (Phys Ed teacher)

Literacy and numeracy at home TOP IDEAS

Talk about the how scoring works for sports that your family is interested in. Talk about the score from a recent game.



Footy Fever has hit our service with the children colouring in footballs and jumpers for their favourite teams. Footy tipping has started well with one getting 9 winners (Pure luck – me) and a few getting 8.

Next week we will be looking at books and reading and trying to encourage everyone to have a read, even drawing their favourite book or character. Should be interesting.

We are having plenty of time outside while the weather remains good, footy, kick to kick and tiggly on the playground equipment. They are all keeping us fit.

Looking forward to next week.

Thanks

Bob, Michelle, Stacey, Nicola and Abby from Camp Australia

GRADE 4 CAMP

Just a reminder if you were making a one off payment for the Grade 4 camp this payment was due on 17th April.

The final instalment of \$45.00 is due on the 1st May, 2015.

ABSENCES

Please advise us when your child is absent. You can do this either by phoning the office on 5962 4053, thru the Tiqbiz app or call in and advise us at the office directly. Please note that all absences need to be accounted for whether they are sick, have a medical appointment, on holidays or other.

HEALESVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAY GROUP

Where: Healesville Primary School Library
When: Every Monday during school term
Time: 9:30 – 11:00am
Cost: FREE, please bring a piece of fruit to share

Come along to our casual yet fun group! Arts/crafts/painting, open ended play (sand, water, playdough etc.), outside fun, group times, books, music, and a chance to get together with other parents for a coffee and chat.

Ages - newborn to preschool

Life Education Victoria 2015 Visit

As part of our drug and health education this term we are having the Life Education mobile classroom visit our school from Tuesday 26th May to Wednesday 3rd June.

Life Education has been visiting our school for many years and is always a highlight of the children's year, and helps to facilitate the development of the life skills in students to prevent and minimise the harm of drug misuse.

Lessons are always age appropriate and the children will be covering a wide range of drug and health related topics. The sessions are always fun, interactive and really extend and develop the children's understanding of the topics covered.

We are offering you the opportunity to visit our Life Education mobile classroom, while it's here at our school. The parent information session in the mobile classroom will be on Tuesday 26th May at 9:10am in the van.

Notices went out to every child yesterday. The cost will be \$6.00 per child.



THE LONG WALK TOGETHER 2015

SATURDAY 30 MAY, 2015
FEDERATION SQUARE TO DREAMTIME AT THE 'G

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

COMMUNITY EVENT	12 NOON - 6PM
WELLBEING CONCERT FEATURING ARCHIE ROACH MC SEAN CHOOLBURRA	2PM - 6PM
THE LONG WALK TO DREAMTIME AT THE 'G	6PM

Come TOGETHER for free fun family activities, workshops, community stalls and food vendors.
Sing and dance TOGETHER with performances by some of Australia's best entertainers.
Then walk TOGETHER with Michael Long for the annual walk to the 'G for the Dreamtime AFL game.

Limited Dreamtime Walker packages now on sale.
Adults \$120, children 11-17yo \$80



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Managing your Asthma and Allergy: An Expert Panel Q&A

An opportunity for you to ask your asthma and allergy questions to Victoria's top physicians.

Panellists include:

A/Prof Sarath Ranganathan *Director of Respiratory Medicine, Royal Children's Hospital*

Dr Jo Harrison *Respiratory Physician, Royal Children's Hospital*

Prof Jo Douglass *Head, Immunology and Allergy Department, Royal Melbourne Hospital*

Dr Joanne Smart *Clinical Allergist & Immunologist, Royal Children's Hospital*

Date: Sunday 28 June 2015

Time: 4pm - 6pm

**Venue: Ella Latham Auditorium,
Royal Children's Hospital**

To register visit asthma-and-allergy.eventbrite.com.au or contact the Asthma Foundation Victoria on advice@asthma.vic.gov.au or 03 9326 7088



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Attitudes to School Survey - Student Survey

This week we conducted a survey to find out what the Year 5 & 6 children think of our school. The 'Attitudes to School Survey' is an annual student questionnaire for Year 5 to Year 12 students offered by DET (the Department of Education and Training) to assist schools in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Our school will use the survey results to plan programs and activities to improve your child's schooling experience. The results also help us to judge the effectiveness of the programs and initiatives that we have implemented as part of our Strategic Plan 2015-2018.

Staffing

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Felicity Black to our amazing teaching staff. Felicity will be teaching Physical Education to our Year 5 and 6 students. If you see her around please make her feel welcome.

Smoking Ban

As of the beginning of the new school term on April 13th, the Victorian Government introduced smoking bans across a range of areas. Included in these bans is a 10m exclusion zone around playgrounds and sporting fields and a 4m exclusion zone from any entrance to primary or secondary schools. School Council will soon review our own policies in line with this, but the new legislation effectively makes smoking around our school a fineable offence. Thanks for your assistance.

School Uniform and Being SunSmart

Wearing the Healesville Primary school uniform instils recognition that each student is an integral part of the school community and encourages pride in representing our school. With the start of a new term it has been pleasing to notice that the vast majority of students have been wearing their correct school uniform. This has helped to:

- Enhance and maintain a positive image of our school throughout the local community
- Promote equality amongst all students
- Allow all students to identify with our school community and feel a sense of pride in representing Healesville Primary School
- Promote consistency in the appearance of our students with a uniform that is easily recognisable during whole school and interschool excursions and events

I would like to thank all parents and students for their efforts in ensuring that the correct school uniform is being worn.

Cameron Heath, Principal

The Yarra Ranges Children's Writers Festival

MAY 2015



David Walliams & Andy Griffiths
headline

Stories Up High

Featuring author talks, exhibitions, movies, storytelling, competitions, cooking, writing, gardening, reading and train rides.

Other exciting events include: First ever exhibition of Andy Griffiths' "Secret Stuff", Creative writing and cooking at Shannon Bennett's The Piggery, Storytime on Puffing Billy, Opera Australia present Hansel & Gretel... and much more!

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