



# NEWSLETTER

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## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### **Welcome back to school.**

The holidays have finished and the 2015 school year has begun. I hope all students had a fantastic break with lots of sleeping, playing, eating and of course reading. I was extremely lucky over the holidays to spend every day with my two boys Alex and Ben while my wife was hard at work. We went to the movies, swam in the pool, read books together, visited friends, went to the beach, watched lots of cricket and most importantly watched Australia qualify for the final of the Asian Soccer Cup. As a staff we have worked hard to get the classrooms ready for learning as well as planning engaging, stimulating and meaningful learning experiences for all students. I would also like to welcome all the new students to our school, we all hope you have a positive learning experience at HPS

A special Welcome to our 2015 Prep students and their families to Healesville Primary School and look forward to developing a productive partnership with you to ensure all children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day's learning experience
- 2) Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- 3) Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life

### **Updating Medical Information**

It is important for families to consider any changed medical needs of their children and ensure that we have up to date records regarding asthma, anaphylaxis, allergies or other conditions that may impact on the children at school. Please contact the office to discuss these or any other related medical notifications.

### **Student Illness and Accidents**

At this time early in the school year it is a good idea to remind parents about the necessity to keep us up to date with phone numbers and emergency contact details. If your child is ill at school, or suffers an accident, then staff will give immediate care and appropriate first aid. However, it is necessary on occasions to contact parents and we are often frustrated by out of date information that delays this process. **Please make sure you notify the office of any changes to yours or your Emergency Contact details.** Obviously in extreme cases we may also deem it necessary to call an ambulance before consulting parents and you need to be aware of this. Please also keep the office informed of any change in medical issues faced by your children as this helps us to make the best choices for their welfare.

Parents and guardians should also be aware that they are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any ambulance transport costs. Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may also be able to claim transport or other expenses from the fund. **The Department of Education and Training (DET) does not hold accident insurance for school students.**

### **Is other Insurance available? Yes.**

There are commercial providers of insurance for students and they can be found online or through your Insurance Broker.

### **Students, Teachers, Parents & Staff Personal Property**

On a similar topic, personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises.

Please note the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it will generally not pay for any loss or damage to such property.

### **Pupil Packs**

Thank you all of the families who have collected their pupil Packs. If you are yet to do so please make arrangements via the school office. Please remember this is a new process and we are working through issues as they arise. Some items are on back order and OfficeMax will deliver these as soon as possible. I have attached a clarification and break down of the 2015 Parent voluntary contributions of \$140 in the body of this newsletter.

### **Newsletter**

In an effort to improve our sustainability practices we are moving towards electronic copies of our weekly newsletter. If you still require a paper copy they can be collected at the school office every Thursday afternoon.

If you would like the newsletter emailed please provide your email address to the school office. You can also view each newsletter issue online at [www.hps.vic.edu.au](http://www.hps.vic.edu.au) or receive it on TiqBiz. (Simply download the App)

My best wishes to everyone for a very successful and productive 2015. If you get the opportunity before our Parent Teacher Interviews later this month (with more information about this in next week's newsletter) please make yourself known to your child's teacher, as well as to Rebekah Clarke and myself. As always, we look forward to working together with you to best meet the needs of your children.

I remind all members of the community that my door is always open to hear any cares, concerns or compliments. Rebekah and I are keen to hear feedback on processes designed to improve efficiency (such as the distribution of Pupil Packs) or issues of a student nature – with our number one priority the care of all students at Healesville Primary School.

Regards, Cameron Heath – Principal

## CANTEEN

**FEBRUARY 2015**

<b>Mon &amp; Tues</b>	<b>CANTEEN CLOSED</b>	
<b>Wed 4th</b>	Tash Bassett	
<b>Thurs 5th</b>	Donna Kennedy	Sharee Anderson
<b>Fri 6th</b>	Charlot Dekkers	Sarah Nugent

### Literacy and numeracy at home- TOP IDEAS



Check the weather each day – on the news, in the paper or on the internet. Learn to read the temperature correctly (eg. 20 degrees celsius). Find out if it will be warmer or cooler each day

### ABSENCES

PLEASE let the school know if your child is absent. A phone call, a note on your child's return or notification on Tiqbiz would be appreciated.

## SCHOOL EVENTS

**FEBRUARY**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup>**

School Council Meeting

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Camp Quality Incursion Puppet Show

FREE

### TIQBIZ

**TiqBiz** is a FREE app that you can download for any smartphone and is a great communication tool. Once you have the app, just select Healesville Primary School. The Newsletter is posted every week along with other general activity notifications ie excursions, camp arrival back to school times etc.

If you have any problems downloading this app, please see the office staff who will be able to assist you.

**Also make sure if you already have the app, please upgrade your child's grade.**

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**Technical Support 9am-5pm Mon-Fri (AEST)**

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## ***2015 Parent Voluntary Contributions and School Material Charges, \$140***

**Just a reminder that due to Government Funding changes there will be no EMA payments in 2015**

Healesville Primary School requires some additional funding from the parent community if it is to provide the best possible education for all the children at our school. We need resources so that children have access to up to date reading material, maths equipment, text books, computers, sports equipment, music equipment etc.

The School Council and Parents' Association do raise a considerable amount each year, but extra funds are still needed to provide the additional quality programs we provide at Healesville Primary School and to support the curriculum needs for our students.

We are calling on your support so that our school can purchase the resources essential for your child's education. School Council has carefully assessed students' needs to keep our curriculum contribution to a minimum that provides the following materials and services:

- **The Voluntary Contribution** includes access to class sets in Reading, Language, Maths, Science etc., exercise books, pens, pencils, paper, Art materials, Music equipment, Physical and Sport Education equipment, Library supplies, Computer Software and consumables, photocopy costs, paper supplies and other supplies required for compulsory educational programs of the school.

Each year, we request school contributions be paid and have always endeavoured to keep such costs as low as possible. These contributions help our ability to provide a high quality curriculum. There are other areas of expenditure besides curriculum, which also require funding. These are met by a combination of Government Grants, Fundraising and Parent Contributions.

If due to financial circumstances you would like to make an alternative payment arrangement, please contact the Principal, Cameron Heath, to discuss this in confidence.

### **Voluntary Contribution 2015**

Student Supplies (Pupil Packs)	\$30
Classroom Supplies	\$10
Art Levy	\$15
Physical Education Levy	\$15
Music Levy	\$15
Paper Levy	\$10
ICT Levy (Subscription including Mathletics, Reading Eggs)	\$15
Library Levy	\$10
Curriculum Resources	\$10
Other	\$10
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$140</b>

# Healesville Primary School - Canteen Price List - Term 1 - 2015

**\*Canteen Closed on Monday and Tuesday\***

**How to make a Lunch Order - please see back of price list:**

SANDWICHES & ROLLS			
FILLING		SANDWICH	ROLL
Plain buttered	A	\$1.65	\$1.85
Vegemite	A	\$2.05	\$2.25
Cheese	G	\$2.55	\$2.75
Cheese & Vegemite	A	\$2.65	\$2.85
Ham	A	\$2.85	\$3.05
Ham & Salad	G	\$3.45	\$3.65
Salad	G	\$3.05	\$3.25
Egg	G	\$2.85	\$3.05
Tomato	G	\$2.55	\$2.75
Tomato & Cheese	G	\$2.65	\$2.85

WHOLEMEAL TOASTED JAFFLES		
Cheese	G	\$3.10
Cheese & Tomato	G	\$3.30
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	G	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese	G	\$3.30
Baked Beans	G	\$3.00

For  
Tomato  
Sauce or  
Soy  
Sauce  
please  
add 5  
cents  
extra

BE A  
CANTEEN  
VOLUNTEER  
If you would  
like to help out  
in the canteen  
see Vikki

Paper  
Bags  
Cost 10c

Drinks & Frozen Items	
Juice	G \$2.00 (Apple, Orange or Apple & Blackcurrant)
NIPPY'S Milk Drink	G \$2.00 (Chocolate or Strawberry)
Oak Milk (Choc or Straw)	G \$2.00
Milk Shakes 200ml	A \$1.50
300ml	A \$1.80
HOT MILO	G \$1.50
Bottled Water	G \$1.00
YOGURT (Vanilla or Berri)	G \$2.00
<b>BLIZZARD FRUIT SLURPIE</b>	
Large	A \$2.00
Small	G 1.00c
Frozen Orange Piece	G 0.05
Frozen Pineapple Piece	G 0.30
Fruit Tube	G 0.50
Frozen Yogurt Stick	G \$1.00
MOOZIE	G \$1.00
Paddle pop (Choc/Banana/Rainbow)	A \$2.00
FROZEN ITEMS, BLIZZARDS, AND MILKSHAKES MUST BE PICKED UP BY CHILDREN AT LUNCHTIME	

**G = Green, Choose anytime**  
**A = Amber, Choose sometimes**

HOT FOOD		
PASTA DISHES		
Lasagna	G	\$4.00
Spaghetti	G	\$4.00
Fried Rice	G	\$4.00
Yoodle Noodles (Chick/Beef)	A	\$3.00

MORE HOT FOOD		
HOT CHICKEN ROLL	G	\$3.60
Steamed Corn	G	\$1.00
Hot Dogs	A	\$3.50
Steamed Dim Sims	A	\$1.00
Pizza singles (ham & pineapple)	A	\$3.50

PASTRY ITEMS		
Healthy Choice Meat Pie	A	\$4.00
Vegetable Pastie	A	\$4.00
Sausage Roll	A	\$3.60
Party Pie	A	\$1.50
Cheese, Caulie & Broccoli Pie	A	\$5.00
Cheese & Spinach Sausage Roll	A	\$3.80

**HOT TOMATO SOUP**  
**AVAILABLE TERM 2 & 3 ONLY**

Half Cup \$1.00  
Full Cup \$2.00

SNACKS & NIBBLES			
Pikelets	G	.10ea	Carrot Stick G .30c
Popcorn in bag	G	.10c	Popcorn in cup G .60c
Hard Boiled Egg	G	.70	Fruit (Apples or Oranges) G .70c
Sultanas	G	5/.05c	Dry Banana G .05c
Vege Chips	Gluten Free	(Sweet & Sour, B.B.Q)	A 1.00
Ovalteenies	A	1.00c	
Strawberry Nuggets	A	80c	Sesame Snaps A .80c
Muffins	A	\$ 1.00	Choc chip cookie A \$2.00
Licorice Twist Full	A	.30	Licorice Twist 1/2 A .10

ALL ITEMS THAT COME IN A RE-USABLE CUP  
HAVE HAD A 10C SURCHARGE ADDED - 10C  
WILL BE REFUNDED ON RETURN OF THE CUP