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## NEWSLETTER

Edition 21

Friday 20th July, 2018

### A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Welcome back to all our families. We hope you had a relaxing term break. It has been lovely to see students and teachers looking refreshed after the break and ready for a terrific term three. We already have many activities planned for the term so I encourage you to regularly check the school calendar, Dojo and newsletters for upcoming events and payment dates. An important reminder is the three way conferences being held next Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> July. We do expect to see all families in attendance as this is the perfect opportunity for your children to showcase their work and talk about their accomplishments, challenges and their learning goals. This is one way that we show children that we are partners in their learning journey.

#### Update

As you are all aware over the holidays the school occurred damage due to a power surge. We sustained damage to Heaters, Air Containers, Fridges, Electrical Equipment, Safety Switches, etc. At present we have all power restored however I am talking with DET and SPAusnet to get funds to replace the heating and cooling as well as lost and damaged equipment. I would like to take this opportunity to express what enormous resilience has been shown by students and staff in the face of this drama.

Our new retaining walls have been completed and are looking great. There are a few things that need fixing before signing off the contract but that process should be done in the next few weeks.

#### The 2018 Parent Opinion Survey

The Parent Opinion Survey is completed annually by the Department of Education and Training and is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at every school in Victoria. This year, approximately 35 of our families will be invited to participate. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement and relationships. Our school will use the results to inform school planning and improvement strategies.

Selected families will be provided with a link through which the online survey is accessed. The survey is open from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

If you are selected to participate in the survey, please provide open and honest feedback and above all, please ensure that you do respond to the survey as we very much value your input. Results will be sent back to our school at the end of September.

#### Assembly change

Next week we will be having a change in day and time for the weekly assembly so we can have a grand opening of our rebound wall mural. Please be aware that next week's assembly will be Friday at 3.00pm on the bottom hard court and there is no assembly on Monday morning.

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# House Points

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31	18	16	24

## UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

### JULY

#### Tuesday 24th

Responsible Pet Ownership Preps—2  
3-way Conferences 3.45pm—7.00pm

### AUGUST

#### Wednesday 1st

Round Robin Sports  
Bookclub due back

#### Thursday 2nd

Cybersafety Workshop Yr 3-6  
Cybersafety - Parent Session

#### Monday 6th

Drumbeat & Choir Performance at Assembly



## CAMP AUSTRALIA

Welcome back to Term 3. I hope everyone had a great 2 weeks off.

In the next couple of weeks we at Healesville Primary School Before and Afterschool Care are focusing on what we do in our community.

So if you know of anyone who is part of a club or organization in Healesville we would like to hear from you and hopefully get you to come and discuss or show the children what is involved .

*Stacey and the crew from Camp Australia, where we make children smile.*

## Book Club



**Issue 5 due back**

**Wednesday 1st August**

## PRINCIPALS REPORT (continued from page 1)

### Attitudes to School Survey

This week the school received the results of the Attitude to School Survey completed by all Year 4, 5 and 6 students last term. We have outstanding results with all variables increasing in relation to our 2017 results. Congratulations to the entire school community for working hard in all areas.

	School 2017	School 2018	State 2017
High Expectations for success	97%	100%	94%
Self-Regulation and goal setting	92%	97%	88%
Effective Teaching time	89%	96%	86%
Resilience	88%	96%	82%
Motivation and interest	85%	95%	84%
Differentiated learning challenge	88%	91%	86%
Stimulated Learning	82%	85%	81%
Classroom behaviour	83%	90%	80%
Effort	87%	94%	83%
Teacher Concern	82%	84%	76%
Learning Confidence	85%	91%	82%
Attitudes to attendance	89%	93%	89%

**Note: 2018 State results not available yet.**

**Have a fantastic weekend and of course GO BLUES!**

*Cameron Heath, Principal*



## Join our Learning Community

*Currently taking enrolments for 2019*

*Contact us to book a tour.*

# Healesville Primary School

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**Term 3  
Bridges to Prep  
Sessions**

**Open Afternoons  
2.45 pm – 3.15 pm**

**Thursday July 26<sup>th</sup> &  
Thursday August 9<sup>th</sup>**

Story time and activity for  
3 and 4 year olds.

**Thursday August 23<sup>rd</sup>  
ART**

**Thursday September 7<sup>th</sup>  
Music and Physical  
Education**



### 2018 Parent Opinion Survey

## WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

## Education Week 2018 – Celebrating the Arts

Education Week is held each year and aims to celebrate the strengths and achievements of Victoria's government education sector. This year was all about celebrating the Arts. Students at Healesville Primary School have weekly access to rich Visual Arts and Performing Arts programs. There are also many opportunities for them to participate in other activities such as instrumental music lessons and performances, productions, choir and Drum Beat.

We are fortunate at Healesville Primary School to have wonderfully creative students, whose work provides a delightful ever-changing display around the school and entertains us at assemblies and at other times throughout the year. Students are also involved in performing in the local community.

To focus on 'Celebrating the Arts' this year, all of our students were given a box to decorate using a wide range of techniques. They also wrote a short piece focusing on an aspect of the Arts. The boxes were then used to create a display in the library which was viewed by many parents, students and visitors.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Austcor for donating the boxes.



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