



WELCOME

The last week of term is here. It has been a very busy one and I am sure you are all looking forward to the holidays. The Easter Bunny is not too far away!

Well done to the year 6 class for participating in the T20 Blast Cricket Carnival last Friday. It was terrific to hear how well our students played and for the outstanding sportsmanship that was displayed. Congratulations to the girls and boys Cricket team from Morley PS for taking home the trophies on the day.

AFTER SCHOOL CONVERSATIONS:

Do you find yourself on the way home from school in the afternoon listening to every moan and groan about your child's school day? Sometimes we can unintentionally develop a pattern where the question, "So how was your day?" is met with negative responses, whinges and complaints.

On a daily basis, this not only makes you feel concerned and worried about how your child is going at school, but also pretty frazzled! Most often, your child's day has not been bad at all, but as their safe and trusted parent/carer, they are saving the worst stories of the day for you.

Listening to your child's worries is important, but it's equally important that we teach them to focus on what has gone well in their day.

Try starting the trip home with some of these questions instead and notice the difference it makes.

- What was the best thing that happened today?
- Give me the two top things you did at school today
- What made you laugh today?
- What did you learn today that you didn't know yesterday?
- What made you smile today?

MOBILE PHONES

We encourage all students to leave mobile phones at home – we do however accept that some parents give their children mobile phones to enable them to be contacted OUTSIDE of school time. Any student bringing a mobile phone to school is required to turn it off on arrival at school and to hand it in to the school office. Students can collect their phone from the office at the end of the school day.

Life Education Van - Parent Information session

The Life Education caravan will be open from **8:15 to 9:15 on Friday 28th April**. This is an opportunity for you to find out about the topics your children will be covering during their visit to the Life Education Van, and to meet the Educator for an informal chat. You are welcome to visit the van at any time during this session.

IncurSION permission forms will be going home with students today.

MOVING FORWARD AIMING HIGH

1. **ERG Committees:** The five committees have continued with their meetings, priority plans and forward planning for term two. Here are some of the highlights.

Teaching and Learning: The school's Assessment Schedule (over the various curricula areas) was revised, added to and updated. The staff had input into our Literacy and Numeracy Frameworks and these have been utilised this term, with the committee ensuring whole school consistency from K-6. The teaching staff has continued to receive collaborative sessions with our curriculum advisor, Mel Jennings.

Learning Environment: The committee has continued their work on policies relating to Behaviour Management, Students At Educational Risk, Individual Education Plans, end of the year Hand Over plans and incorporating the school's Virtues, Choose Respect and Friendly Schools programmes.

Leadership: Mr Paul Heenan will visit our school next term to continue with training on performance management and peer observation/collaboration formats. Lisa Gibson will continue to visit all classrooms.

In the next newsletter the Relationships and Resources committees will be featured.

2. **NQS:** Miss Francis and I will meet with K-2 staff early next term to reflect upon our school's ongoing improvements in the National Quality Standards.
3. **On Entry (PP-2):** Some of the K-2 teaching staff attended a course on the "On Entry Data Analysis" and all K-2 staff then had the opportunity to collaborate last Friday.
4. **PBS:** The team met last week and began discussing behavioural definitions for our school matrix. We also discussed ideas for term two including our motto and logo planning.
5. **POL:** On Monday afternoon, the 20th March, the Phases of Learning teams combined to experience a presentation by Diana Rigg (Educator and author). This course gave the staff opportunities to expand their knowledge and application of the Diana Rigg Spelling and Phonics programme which is utilised at our school. Ms Rigg has recently updated her reference books and these were presented to teaching staff.

Lisa Thomas-ERG Project Manager

SCHOOL COUNCIL

On behalf of the school, students and community, I wish to thank Helene Offer for her years of work on the School Council. Helene will be standing down as the council community representative. We thank her for her years of commitment to the school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This Week

Monday 3 April

- ❖ P&C Meeting 7:30pm

Friday 7 April

- ❖ ANZAC Service
- ❖ Easter Luncheon
- ❖ Last Day of Term

**LAST DAY
OF TERM
Friday 7 April**

VIRTUE OF THE FORTNIGHT - Compassion

Congratulations. You are practising Compassion when you

- Notice when someone is hurt or needs a friend
- Imagine how they must be feeling
- Take time to show that you care
- Ask how they are and listen patiently
- Forgive others when they make mistakes
- Do some service to help a person or an animal in need

The students who will be receiving a Virtue Award or a Merit Certificate this fortnight will be presented with it next term as our last assembly for term is our ANZAC service.

NATURE PLAY PASSPORTS

This week your child will be bringing home a Nature Play “Passport to an amazing childhood”. This passport links to a website which delivers ‘missions’ kids can do whenever they have a bit of free time. The missions are free, age-appropriate outdoor activities like, ‘climb a tree’, ‘build a cubby’ or ‘ride your bike’ - the kind of stuff most of you did as kids. While the passport missions are designed to be fun, they are also an important tool for boosting your kids’ development. A bit like hiding the veggies, they are a sneaky way to help get them to increase their dose of exercise and free-range, imaginative play.

Helping to bring unstructured outdoor play back into your children’s lives, you’ll be building their cognitive, emotional and physical development and boosting their resilience. So the next time the kids start the “I’m bored” routine, why not log on to the Nature Play passport website (www.natureplay.org.au/passport) and help them register their passport? Each time your child completes a mission, you can place a sticker on the appropriate mission page. In fact, the idea is to collect as many stickers, stamps or drawings per page as you like to make the passports fun. They also earn points and can enter cool competitions!



P&C NEWS

Easter Luncheon

Please have your Easter lunch orders in by Thursday 6 April. Order can be left in the canteen box in the P&C Block.

P&C Meeting

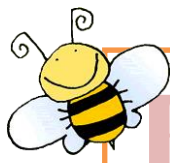
The last meeting for the term will be tonight at 7:30pm in the staffroom. The agenda for the meeting has been posted on Facebook. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Scholastic Book Club

Book Club orders are going home with students today.

Kindy Nature Playground

The Playground Committee met for the first time last week to discuss the initial plan for the Kindy Nature Playground. Stage one will begin with a busy bee on Monday 10 April from 9am in the Kindy area. Please pop by if you are able to spare a couple of hours.



BUSY BEE

Your help is needed at school on

MONDAY 10 APRIL

9am

We are starting Phase 1 of the new
Kindy Nature Play Area.

We will be:-

Digging up the grass

Laying down woodchip/mulch

Making painted tyre grass beds

Making our own concrete slabs with river stones

Decorating the fence with recycled art

Making teepees out of timber pallets

Bring tools if you have them. The kids are welcome!!



EASTER RAFFLE

Tickets for the year 6 Easter Raffle will be on sale until lunchtime on Thursday 6 April. Tickets are 1 for .50 or 3 for \$1.00. All money raised will go towards the Year 6 activity week at the end of the year.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Hampton Senior High School
Invites you to our

PROSPECTIVE PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Attention: Parents of Year 3, 4, 5 and Year 6 Students

Wednesday 26 April 2017 @ 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Eric Strauss Performing Arts Centre

Information provided on the evening will include:

- ~ Starting High School: Year 7 at Hampton Senior High School (Curriculum and Pastoral Care)
- ~ Processes, timeline and information regarding enrolment
- ~ Enrichment Programs: Specialist Cheer Dance, Specialist Information Technology (ICT), Specialist Performing Arts, Gifted and Talented Dance, Applied Science, Athletics Academy and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

Refreshments will be provided and there will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions following the information presentation.

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