

## Harcourt Valley Primary School

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### School Newsletter

Friday 16th March 2018



## **Diary Dates**

Student banking each Tuesday

Assembly each Thursday 3pm

### **March**

- 20th Apple pie baking day  
20th Apple pie collection day  
21st School Council AGM and meeting 7.30pm  
22nd Grades 3-6 Cross Country interschool sports  
27th Grades Prep - 2 Capital Venue excursion  
29th **Last Day Term 1  
Assembly 1.30pm  
Finish 2.30pm**

### **April**

- 16th **Start of term 2  
9am start**  
25th **ANZAC Day Public  
Holiday**  
26th- Grade 1-2 Bendigo  
27th Camp

### **Forms to be returned:**

**Grades 3-6 cross country  
permission**

**Grades 1-2 Camp  
permission and medical**

### **Overdue**

**Netbook Lease agreement  
Student information  
Returns booklet**

## **Principal Report**

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

At the close of nominations for the 2018/2019 School Council, there were three parent member nominations. As Brian O'Connor has decided to continue his role as a School Council representative, this now fills the remaining vacancy. I am pleased to announce that all School Council positions have now been filled. Congratulations to our new School Council representatives:

Jason McAinch, Natalie McCarthy and Brad Turner.

Our community representative for the 2018/2019 year is Megan Woods.

Our School Council AGM will be held next Wednesday 21st March, commencing at 7:30 p.m.

### **APPLEFEST**

At the conclusion of the 2018 Applefest, I would like to thank all families for helping with one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. Whilst we do not currently have the final total of funds raised, I am aware that all of the apple pies taken to the Applefest on Saturday were sold, and another baking session will be held to fill the large amount of pre ordered apple pies. Please be aware that pre ordered apple pies will be available for pick up, see diary dates. Additionally, the total amount of funds raised will be announced in a forthcoming edition of the newsletter. I am reluctant to thank individuals for the support they have given to the school in the lead up to and during Applefest as I am aware that many families have assisted in a variety of ways; therefore thank you to everybody for supporting our school and making this fundraising activity a successful one.

### **What are we raising funds for??**

Our goal is to raise funds for the purchase of solar panels for the school. Whilst aiming to be environmentally sustainable as a school, the funds saved on our power bill will enable additional funds to be directed towards the learning needs of students.

### **Long Service Leave**

Mr Walter is on a few days leave and will return next Wednesday. In his absence, Mrs Healy will be teaching the Grade 1 class. We also wish Mr Walter the best of luck in this weekend's A Grade cricket grand final.

**Enjoy your weekend!**

Andrew Blake

## *Applefest success!*

Last Saturday was Applefest and what a day it was! With a clear, sunny sky, lots of people came to celebrate Harcourt's apple harvest.

Our school had a fantastic result at the stall – SOLD OUT!

We sold so many pies we have to come back and bake a few (100) more to fill back orders!

**Please join us for our last day of baking next Tuesday 20th March.**

We'll bake all day so even half an hour of your time will be greatly appreciated!

**Pick-up of pre orders can be done on that Tuesday too.**

**There'll be some frozen, some freshly baked and some to be baked at home!**

Final numbers are being finalised and we'll let you know how much we raised for the school next week.

Our goal: solar panels for the school!

There are so many people to thank that we can't list them all. We are fortunate to have such a generous bunch of families, community members and school staff who, in no particular order: donated ingredients, peeled, rolled and baked, promoted, posted, made jams and other yummy things, provided us with electricity on the day, manned the stall, sold plants for us and just generally gave of their time to support our school's biggest fundraiser.

**Thank you all for a wonderful team result!**

## *Students of the Week*

### Prep:

**Tate** - for having a great week and demonstrating better concentration when working.

**Athena** - for settling into the school routine and having a great week.

### Grade 2:

**Gemma** - for her creative ideas in narrative writing and her excellent attitude to all learning tasks.

Great work Gemma!

### Grade 3/4:

**Talise** - for working hard and completing her work on time this week. Fantastic!

**Eve** - for her inventive pulley creations in Discovery Curriculum (DC). Well done!

### French:

**Jorja** - listening and demonstrating understanding.

**Makenzie** - excellent lesson. Great participation with speaking.



**Open Morning**

**Wednesday  
2nd May**

Come along with your child to find out why Castlemaine Secondary College is your best secondary education choice. Experience the school in action and learn more about:

- the innovative teaching and learning practices helping students to reach their full potential;
- broad and diverse curriculum and wellbeing services; and
- our brand new Performers' Precinct, the latest stage of our redevelopment program.

**OFFICIAL WELCOME** Engineers' Precinct 9:30am  
**TOURS** 10:00am-11:00am  
**REFRESHMENTS** Engineers' Precinct 11:00am-11:30am

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