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Education for a Sustainable Future

School Newsletter
Friday 27th July 2018



Diary Dates

Student banking each Tues 9am

Lunch orders each by Wed 9am

Parent Coffee 9am Thursdays
at Goldfield Tracks Cafe

Assembly each Thursday 3pm

Breakfast club each Friday 8.30am

Note: below details are subject to
change

August

- 2nd Assembly Grade 6
- 8th School Council Meeting
7.30pm
- 9th Assembly Grade 2
- 14th Grade Prep visit to
Harcourt Pre-school
- 16th Assembly Grade Prep
- 20th Book Week
- 20th Grade P-2 ASQ visit
- 23rd Assembly Grade 1
- 23rd Hot Shots Tennis -
Grade 3/4
- 24th Hot Shots Tennis -
Grade 5/6
- 28th Student Led
Conferences
- 30th Assembly Grade 5
- 31st Father's Day Breakfast

September

- 4th Student Led
Conferences
- 6th Assembly Grade 3
- 10th Road Safety Education
week 1
- 12th Grade Prep visit to
Harcourt Pre-school
- 12th School Council Meeting
7.30pm
- 13th Assembly - Choir
- 17th Road Safety Education
week 2
- 20th Assembly - Andrew B
- 21st Grade 5/6 Oak Forest Ride
- 21st Last Day of Term 3

Principals Report

Mr Watkins

Congratulations to Mr Watkins and his wife, Kate
on the safe arrival of

Charlotte (Charlie) Kate Watkins.

Charlotte was born at 11:02 am on
Monday 23rd July weighing 7lb10.

Please be advised that Mr Watkins will be now
taking 6 weeks leave.

During Mr Watkins' absence, Mrs Nelms will be
teaching the Grade 5/6 class.



2018 Parent Opinion Survey

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.

Please be advised that all responses to the survey are anonymous.

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.

Randomly selected families will have additional information relating to the Parent Opinion Survey sent to their email account.

University of New South Wales (UNSW) Science Competition

Last term, 6 of our senior students sat the ICAS UNSW Science competition. Having received the student results this week, I am very pleased to report that Rachael, Beatrice, Edward, Charlotte, Piers and Ruben all received very good results and should be proud of their achievements. It is worth noting, that to achieve strong results in this competition our students were required to demonstrate strong reading and analytical skills and have a solid understanding of scientific concepts.

BOOK WEEK (20th -24th August)

To celebrate Book Week this year, all students and staff are invited to dress up as their favourite book character on Wednesday 22nd August. All students will have the opportunity to discuss their book and associated book character at 09:00 in the open learning space.

Regards

Andrew Blake

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep:

Hector - for your great enthusiasm and engagement in Guided Reading sessions.

Grade 2:

Amy - for working hard and listening carefully at all times. Keep up the great effort.

Khye - for always wanting to challenge himself in Maths. Great job.

Grade 3/4:

Alicia - for her positive attitude and approach to her schoolwork. Impressive.

Grade 5/6:

Megan - for showing strong leadership and helping to organise various activities throughout the week.

Heath - for applying himself to his work consistently throughout the week.

Francais:

Moirah - An excellent start to term 3! Keep up the enthusiasm.

Fraser - Excellent start to term 3! Enthusiastic participation during French in the flag activities.

Art:

Maddison - for her beautiful vase of flowers drawing.

Isaiah - for persevering with his painting and developing brush skills.



Reminders:

Student portfolios due back to school by Friday 27th July, please return asap.

| Friday Lunch Orders | | | | |
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| Weekly orders due by 9am each Wednesday | | | | |
| DATE | MAIN \$3 | DESSERT \$1 | WED VOL. | FRIDAY VOLUNTEERS |
| 3 Aug | Baked potatoes – EF/GF | Chocolate and coconut cake – EF [Nat Mc] | Nat B | Annie O and Nat Mc |
| 10 Aug | Irish Stew w/bread – EF / DF / GF | Gingernut cookie – EF [Nat P] | Helen S | Rebecca E and Helen S |
| 17 Aug | Sushi – Tuna or egg – EF (tuna)/DF/GF | Apple muffin – EF [Veronica] | Lynda Q | Lorella B and Nat P (TBC) |
| 24 Aug | Hot chicken rolls – EF/DF | Blueberry and almond cake – EF [Sharon] | Nat B | Elsa H and Nat B |
| 31 Aug | Pizza – ham, cheese, pineapple – EF | Choc chip cookie – EF/ DF [Nic D] | Helen S | Stacey T and Kelly W |
| 7 Sept | Mild chicken curry with rice – EF/DF/GF | Banana and coconut muffin – EF [Jason] | Lynda Q | Jason M and Ange F |
| 14 Sept | Spaghetti bolognese – EF/DF | Carrot cake – EF [Jacob/Sandra] | Nat B | Andrea B and Dimity M |
| 21 Sept | Two sausages in bread – EF/DF | Lemon cake – EF [Rachel B] | Helen S | Lynda W and Lynda Q |

How to notify the school of your child's absence:

Schools website:

<http://hvps.vic.edu.au> - click on forms and notices

Flexibuzz: click on absence icon.

Phone the school from 8.30am:

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Send in absent note prior to the day of absence - for all absences other than illness.

Camps

Grade Prep

Sleepover

25th Oct

Grade 5/6

Melbourne Camp

9th - 12th October

School Bank Account Details:

Account Name:

Harcourt Valley Primary School

BSB: 063 509

Account Number: **1004 2656**

Reference:

Surname/Fees

