



# Harcourt Valley Primary School Newsletter



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WELCOME TO  
2024 AT HVPS

**Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> of October 2024**

## TERM 4 DATES TO REMEMBER

MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

FIRST DAY BACK T4

THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

GRADE 1/2 SLEEPOVER  
PREP TWILIGHT CAMP

FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

GRADE P/1/2 BENDIGO  
MINE TOUR

WEDNESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup>  
OCTOBER

SCHOOL COUNCIL

MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

STUDENT FREE DAY

TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

MELBOURNE CUP DAY  
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

P/1/2 SPORT DAYF

MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

GRADE P/1/2/3  
GLASSES FOR KIDS  
PROGRAM

MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER

CHOIR EXCURSION

WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
DECEMBER

SCHOOL COUNCIL

THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

COLOUR RUN  
ICE CREAM TRUCK !!!

MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

GRADE 6 GRADUATION  
AFTERNOON TEA &  
DINNER

TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

GRADE 6 BIG DAY OUT

THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

END OF YEAR  
EXCURSION TO  
CINEMAS

FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

LAST DAY TERM 4  
1:30PM FINISH

## INSIDE THIS WEEK'S NEWSLETTER

- Principal's Report & Meet Ash!!
- Students Of The Week
- Office News



**ITS NOT TOO LATE TO ENROL  
AT HVPS**

## 2025 PREP TRANSITION

We are looking forward to greeting the 2025 Preps this term!

Dates for Prep transition are listed below:

- Tuesday 19th November  
9:00-10:00 am
- Tuesday 26th November  
9:00-10:30 am – Prep Family  
Info session
- Tuesday 3rd December  
9:00 – 11:00 am
- Tuesday 10th December  
9:00 – 12:00 pm

Before and After School Care available at  
HVPS through OSHClub.

Child Care Subsidy [BOOK HERE](#)



## **Welcome back!**

Welcome back to all our students and families for Term 4. I hope that everyone had a safe holiday break and students found some time to rest and recharge for the busy term ahead. Please take the time to review the calendar at the front of our newsletter for any upcoming events that are relevant to your children.

## **Term 4 Curriculum Day (Student Free Day)**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November is a School Council approved curriculum day and students are not required at school on this day. Please note, Melbourne Cup on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November is a public holiday and students are not required at school on this day.

## **Prep Twilight Camp and Grade 1-2 School sleepover- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

A reminder to Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 families that permission and medical forms are now due to be returned to school. All Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students will be travelling to the Central Deborah Gold Mine on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October which will be a great experience for all involved. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Turner or Ms Norris if you require further information relating to camp.

## **Sun Smart Hats**

A reminder to families that all students are required to wear a broad brimmed school hat when outdoors.

## **Thank you**

I wanted to take the opportunity to thank all of the families, students and staff at Harcourt Valley PS who have made me feel extremely welcome as Acting Principal over the past week. As mentioned by Andrew last term, I have come from Carisbrook PS where I'm Assistant Principal and will be in the Acting Principal position for Term 4 while Andrew enjoys some well-deserved long-service leave.

A little about me: I live in Bendigo with my wife, Ella (who is also a teacher!), our 6-month-old daughter, Greta as well as two Golden Retrievers, Frank and Tilly (who is my School Wellbeing Dog at Carisbrook PS) who keep us on our toes! When I'm not at school, you will often find me at the cricket, at the gym, riding my mountain bike or watching my beloved Carlton Blues!

I'd love to get to know everyone in our school community over the next few weeks, so please feel free to drop by my office or catch me around the school.

Thank you in advance for your support and enjoy your weekend!

Ash Harvey

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK 1 T4 –10/10/2024

### PRINCIPAL – MR HARVEY

**Jayla** - Who was spotted helping a friend off the monkey bars when they were unsure how to get down! What a great friend

### PREP/1 – MRS TURNER

**Ollie** - For using a number line to model addition number sentence.

**Micheal** - For using a number line to model addition number sentence.

### GRADE 1/2 – MS NORRIS

**Ravi** - For being a focused and dedicated learner in all learning tasks. Ravi's focus on the floor this week has been a standout.

**Gus** - For sharing his insightful knowledge of footnotes when discussing text features with the class.

### GRADE 3/4 - MR WALTER

**Ayla** - For showing leadership when organising groups for Readers Theatre.

### PE – MRS STEARNE

**Ravi** - For excellent participation in PE this week. Your positive attitude and the effort you put into each activity was wonderful. You also did some amazing kicks in kickball!

**Kaiya** - For finding a way to safely participate in PE despite a broken arm. Your modelled resilience and a positive attitude. Well done!



## 2024 Voluntary Contributions HVPS

We appreciate each family paying the voluntary contributions so we can cover the cost of purchases for our school.

We are not funded for items such as books, stationary, online learning subscriptions, iPads/Netbooks etc. We also will not be able to continue to provide these subscriptions, iPads and Netbooks without the contributions of each family.

Please come into the office to pay for your child's voluntary contributions to ensure our wonderful school doesn't run into a deficit.

Please feel free to come ask about setting up a payment plan whether it be weekly, fortnightly or monthly contributions, any contribution helps support our school.

You can also pay via Direct Deposit:

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BSB- 063 509

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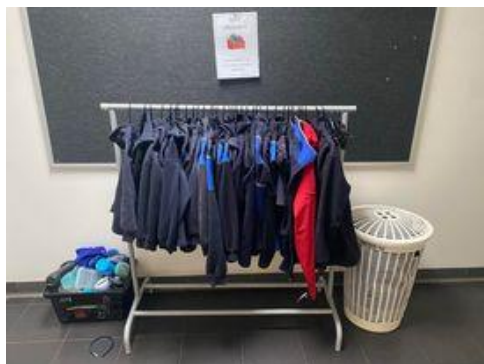
Amount per student - \$420 or set up weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments.

**BREAKING NEWS**  
HVPS NOW HAS  
EFTPOS

### FROM THE OFFICE

- **LOST PROPERTY** is OVERFLOWING!!

Please come and check it all if you are missing anything – like your entire child's school uniform collection!!!



- **SCHOOL UNIFORM** must be labelled clearly with your child's name.

***Mrs. Simpson***

Thursday 2.45pm – Assembly via Webex

School Assembly Webex:

Meeting number :

2653 371 2854

Meeting password: Thyn33i83D4

## School Office Information



### XUNO FAMILY

XUNO Family is the school's communication portal for families. All our correspondence is sent through the app. Weekly newsletters, attendance, absence's, teacher communication, school information, all done through our family portal. We encourage all families to use this portal moving forward to ensure all our school community is always up to date with everything happening at HVPS. If you can't seem to get the app working or are unsure on how to use it just give the office a call or pop in at any time and we can assist you.

### Student Absences - How to notify the school if your child is absent:

**Xuno** – Parent Web Portal or Family App

1. Log in to your XUNO parent portal or XUNO Family app.

2. Via the **XUNO web portal**: From the **School** menu click on Attendance, or on the dashboard, click the **Attendance Today** tile.

Via the **XUNO Family app**: From the main menu, tap **Attendance**

3. If you have more than one child at the school, select the name of the child you are reporting an absence for.

4. Click/tap on the **Send absence note** button

**Email:** [harcourt.valley.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:harcourt.valley.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

**Telephone 5474 2266**, the school, from 8.30am

### School Bank Account Details:

Account Name: Harcourt Valley Primary School

BSB: 063 509

Account Number: 1004 2656

Reference: e.g.: Surname

### School Uniform

Over the Christmas break, we transitioned the school's uniform to the local uniform shop in Castlemaine, called Beleza. Beleza Uniform Shop will stock all our uniforms moving forward. Pop in and say hello to Kerry and she will help you with all your child's uniform needs.

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School visits coming in TERM 1

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