



Harcourt Valley Primary School Newsletter



Friday 24th April 2026

Week 1 Term 2



TERM 2- 2026 DATES TO REMEMBER

SATURDAY 25 TH APRIL	ANZAC DAY
MONDAY 27 TH APRIL – THURSDAY 30 TH APRIL	BOOK FAIR
THURSDAY 30 TH APRIL	BENDIGO BRAVES READING PROGRAM
FRIDAY 1 ST MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GR 3-6 CROSS COUNTRY MOTHERS DAY STALL
THURSDAY 7 TH MAY	MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST
FRIDAY 8 TH MAY	GR P-2 TABLOID SPORTS
SUNDAY 10 TH MAY	MOTHERS DAY
TUESDAY 12 TH MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BENDIGO BRAVES READING PROGRAM GR 5/6 – PARLIAMENT HOUSE
WEDNESDAY 3 RD JUNE	RECONCILIATION WALK GR 5/6
THURSDAY 11 TH JUNE	SCHOOL PHOTOS
FRIDAY 26 TH JUNE	LAST DAY TERM 2 2:30PM FINISH

INSIDE THIS WEEK'S NEWSLETTER

- Principal's Report
- Students Of The Week
- Voluntary Contributions
- Meet our new PE teacher

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**FRIDAY MORNINGS
8:15AM – 8:55AM
SCHOOL KITCHEN**

3 Wilkinson Street, HARCOURT 3453
Phone: 03 5474 2266 Mobile: 0478 435 770
Email: harcourt.valley.ps@education.vic.gov.au

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope everyone has had an enjoyable break. The term ahead is a busy one, so please keep a close eye on our events calendar for the term.

ANZAC SERVICE

Yesterday afternoon, we held our ANZAC service and were very fortunate to have Mrs Simpson's father, Glenn attend the service and play The Last Post-thankyou Glenn. I would like to also acknowledge how well the Grade 5 and 6 students spoke at the service assembly-well done!

Families are most welcome to attend the Harcourt community ANZAC service tomorrow afternoon at the ANA Hall with guests assembling at 2:30 p.m.

MONDAY MORNING TENNIS

Monday morning tennis will commence next Monday morning at 08:00 a.m.

JUNIOR LITERACY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Mrs Turner will be holding a Literacy information session next Wednesday 29th April commencing at 6:00 p.m. Parents/Carers from P-2 are invited to attend the evening.

YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7 PLACEMENT INFORMATION PACKS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Grade 6 students have been sent home with a Year 6 to Year 7 placement pack on Monday. Please ensure the placement pack is completed and returned back to us (HVPS), prior to Friday May 8th.

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Attached to today's newsletter is information relating to our Mothers Day stall to be held on Friday 1st and Friday 8th May at 2:20 p.m.

MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST

Our Mothers Day Breakfast will be held on the morning of Thursday 7th May. Please keep this date open as it is a great opportunity for students to treat their Mother/Grandmother or special person in their life to a lovely breakfast.

Have a nice weekend!

Regards

Andrew

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

23/4/2026

PRINCIPAL	Bella - For starting the term very positively.
PREP/1 – MRS TURNER & MRS HOOD	Jackson - For making great connections with his letter sounds and using these to sound, blend and read words.
2/3 – MR WALTER	Jude - For sharing some of his ANZAC Day stories about his Great Grand-Father.
4T- MR TONZING	Emily - For demonstrating a strong work ethic in all learning areas and leading by example.
5/6 – MISS PASCOE	Billie – For showing a great understanding of the 1-1-1 spelling rule when adding vowel suffixes. She has confidently used it in her writing and she's making strong connections to her learning.

2026 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:

Account Name – Harcourt Valley Primary School
BSB- 063 509
Acc No: - 1004 2656

Amount per student - \$330 or set up weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments.

PE – SAM MILNER



Hey guys I'm Sam the new PE teacher at HVPS! I love holidays in Queensland, chilling out, listening to music, watching the Magpies win, eating out and being active!

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

Telephone- 5474 2266

Mobile – 0478 435 770

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.



Beleza School Uniforms
CASTLEMAINE STORE
207 Barker Street
3450 Castlemaine, VIC
Australia
Phone: (03) 5401 3483

SCHOLASTIC
Book Club LOOP
for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

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fresh fruit friday

Made possible thanks to our Foundation Partners

Delivering 1,000kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week

Celebrating 10 years

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CLTS **Victaria** **STILL** **red arena**

Woolworths **Koolhaas** **Woolworths** **PURVIS** **BRACYS** **Adroit**

Woolworths

NETSETGO!

FREE TALK PRESENTED BY BRON GRIEVE –
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE. HOSTED BY CASTLEMAINE LIBRARY



Teens & Screens Navigating Technology Together

Thursday 14 May 2026 | 5.30 — 6.45 pm
(5.15 pm arrival for a 5.30 pm start)

Learn how to connect with teens in today's digital world—this session offers insights into teen tech habits and empowers parents to guide their kids toward safe, creative, and positive online experiences.



scan for more info

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For more information contact Bron on 0439 187 051
or email bgrieve@castlemainehealth.org.au



Ready to Woolworths NetSetGo?

REGISTER TODAY & CATCH THE FUN!

Registration enquiries contact Jordan 0448 179 373

DROP SHOT
Tennis Coaching

TERM 2 TENNIS

20 APRIL - 26 JUNE 2026



PROGRAMS INCLUDE

HOT SHOTS

- RED BALL (5-8)
- ORANGE BALL (8-10+)
- YELLOW BALL (9-12+)

JUNIOR SQUADS

ADULT GROUP PROGRAMS
ADULT CARDIO
PRIVATE / SEMI-PRIVATE
BEFORE SCHOOL PROGRAMS



ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

PH 0448 009 960

INFO.DROPSHOTTENNIS@GMAIL.COM



Harcourt Preschool

OPEN DAY

Mon May 18, 2:30pm-4:30pm Cnr of Mills & Bingham Rd, Harcourt

Visit us where we learn, grow and play

For more information about Harcourt Preschool,
including kinder registration details visit ykinders.org.au



the Y Kinders



Arty Afternoons

for kids in grades 5 - 6

A gentle and supportive weekly after school program for kids to connect and express themselves through art and play.

Sessions will be facilitated by registered Art Therapist and Children's Counsellor.

Tuesdays 5th May - 16th June
3.30pm - 5pm
Castlemaine Community House

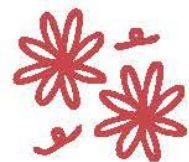
Who: Kids in grades 5-6

Book in: This program is free but registration is essential.

Please book online (scan QR code) or by call CCH on 5472 4842.

This program is delivered in partnership with Dhelkaya Health.

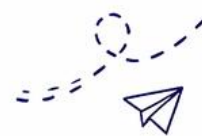
The Arty Afternoons program is supported by funding from Murray PHN through the Australian Government PHN Program and Vic Health's Growing Healthy Communities program





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OPEN DAY!

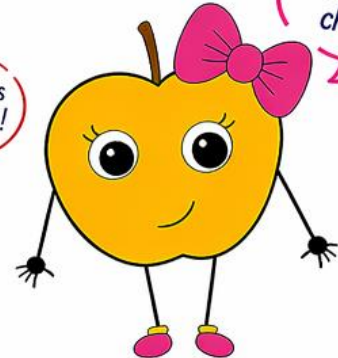
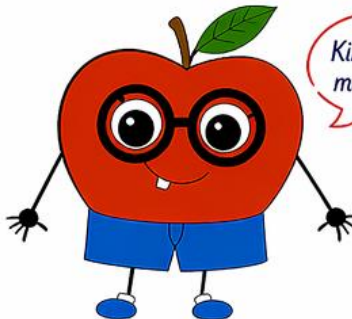
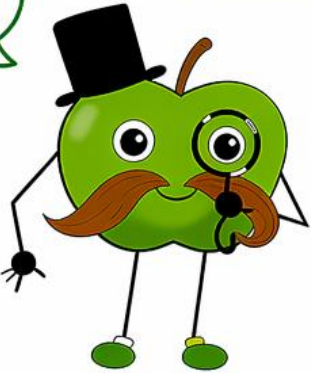
DISCOVER OUR SCHOOL. BELONG TO OUR COMMUNITY. ♥

You're invited to come and see what makes Harcourt Valley Primary School a wonderful place to learn, grow and thrive.

Let's explore!

Make great choices!

Kindness matters!



CURIOS CARLOS

RESPECTFUL ROBERT

RESPONSIBLE REGINA

We love learning

We show kindness

We make great choices

Be Curious

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

OPEN DAY



WEDNESDAY
20TH MAY 2026



9:30AM – 11:00AM



3 Wilkinson Street
Harcourt VIC 3453

OPEN EVENING



5:30PM – 6:30PM



LIGHT SUPPER
PROVIDED



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Harcourt VIC 3453

WHAT YOU'LL SEE



Classroom learning in action



Meet our dedicated teachers and students



Tour our facilities



Student-led experiences



Information about enrolments and programs



Strong focus on wellbeing



Engaging, high-quality learning programs



Inclusive, supportive community



A place where every child is known, valued and supported

WHY FAMILIES CHOOSE HVPS

We can't wait to welcome you! ♥

GET IN TOUCH

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EVERY CHILD
EVERY DAY
EVERY OPPORTUNITY!