

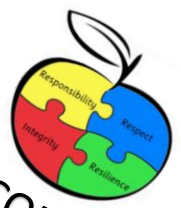


Harcourt Valley Primary School Newsletter

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WELCOME TO
2024 AT HVPS

Friday 2nd of February 2024

TERM 1 DATES TO REMEMBER	
WEDNESDAY 7 TH FEBRUARY	SWIMMING SESSION 1
THURSDAY 8 TH FEBRUARY	SWIMMING SESSION 2
FRIDAY 9 TH FEBRUARY	SWIMMING SESSION 3
MONDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY	SWIMMING SESSION 4
THURSDAY 15 TH FEBRUARY	ASSEMBLY GRADE 5
FRIDAY 16 TH FEBRUARY	SWIMMING SESSION 5
THURSDAY 22 ND FEBRUARY	WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ
THURSDAY 22 ND FEBRUARY	ASSEMBLY GRADE 3
MONDAY 26 TH FEBRUARY	CURRICULUM DAY STUDENT FREE DAY
THURSDAY 29 TH FEBRUARY	ASSEMBLY GRADE 6
THURSDAY 7 TH MARCH	ASSEMBLY CHOIR
FRIDAY 8 TH MARCH	SWIMMING SPORTS
MONDAY 11 TH MARCH	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
THURSDAY 14 TH MARCH	ASSEMBLY GRADE 2
SUNDAY 17 TH MARCH	RUN 4 THE KIDS 2024 #MACKATTACK
THURSDAY 21 ST MARCH	ASSEMBLY TBA
THURSDAY 28 TH MARCH	LAST DAY TERM 1 2:30PM FINISH
THURSDAY 28 TH MARCH	ASSEMBLY PREP
FRIDAY 29 TH MARCH	GOOD FRIDAY



#MACKATTACK



On Sunday the 17th of
March 2024
The staff at Harcourt
Valley Primary School
will be running/walking
for Mack!

Herald Sun | Transurban
RUN for the KIDS
SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

Before and After School Care available at HVPS
through OSHClub.

Holiday Program also available!
Child Care Subsidy – [BOOK HERE](#)



Every Thursday @2.45pm – Come in or
watch via Webex!

School Assembly Webex:
Meeting number : 2653 371 2854
Meeting password: Thyn33i83D4

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to the 2024 school year! A special welcome to our new families that have commenced at HVPS this year.

We have had a very smooth start to the term and all students have transitioned into their classrooms very well.

BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY EVENING

A welcome back to school family evening will be held on Thursday 22nd February from 5:00 -6:30 p.m. All families are very welcome to attend this very popular event and enjoy a barbecue dinner and catch up with families of HVPS.

COMMUNICATION TO FAMILIES

Now that most of our school communication is via our school Facebook Page and Xuno, for Term 1, we will be trialling the publication of a school newsletter, every second week on a Friday rather than weekly. Approaching the end of Term 1, we will be seeking feedback from the school community relating to the trial of a fortnightly newsletter.

HARCOURT VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL IN ON THE BUSHFIRE AT RISK REGISTER

What does this mean for our school?

Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 3 school.

Our school, and bus route will close on a day forecasted as Catastrophic fire danger rating in the North Central, fire weather district. Please read the attached document for further information relating to our school operations in the event of a forecast Catastrophic fire danger rating in the North Central, fire weather district.

Please see the attached document on XUNO for any further information.

WATER AWARENESS PROGRAM

Our water awareness program commences next Wednesday 7th February. Lessons held over the next 2 weeks will focus on a range of water safety and stroke skills. Please note, all swimming groups accommodate the competency skills of all students and there is no expectation that students have had previous swimming experience.

Permission forms will be issued today via Xuno.

SUNSMART

A reminder to families that all students are required to wear a rash vest or old shirt that covers their shoulders during swimming sessions. Students will travel to the pool via bus and return to school at the completion of the swim sessions.

CURRICULUM DAY- PUPIL FREE DAY

Please note, Monday 26th February is a School Council approved pupil free day. Staff will be off site attending a seminar this day. Families are welcome to make a booking with the OSHClub on this day.

BREAKFAST CLUB

We are very fortunate to have a Friday morning Breakfast Club run by a small group of dedicated volunteers. Breakfast Club is free, and all students are most welcome to attend. Breakfast commences at 08:20 a.m. and concludes at 08:50 a.m. Families interested in helping on Friday mornings are most welcome to stay on, enjoy some breaky with the kids and catch up with new and existing families. Our first Breakfast Club for the year will be held next Friday 9th February.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Asides from next Thursday 8th February due to swimming, school assembly is held each Thursday afternoon at 2:45 p.m. Assembly provides the opportunity to celebrate our weekly achievements and enjoy a particular grade showcase their learning achievements. Term 1 dates for class presentations are shown below. All families are most welcome to attend our assembly either in person or via Webex. Log in details for Webex are shown on the front page of the newsletter.

GRADE 6 STUDENT LEADERSHIP SPEECHES

The Grade 6 student leadership speeches will be held on Friday 23rd February commencing at 2:30 p.m. Grade 6 families are most welcome to attend this event. 2024 leadership positions will be announced at school assembly on Thursday 29th February.

I look forward to working with you all this year.

Enjoy your weekend!

Andrew

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:

Account Name – Harcourt Valley Primary School

BSB- 063 509

Acc No: - 1004 2656

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

BREAKING NEWS
HVPS NOW HAS
EFTPOS



HARCOURT APPLEFEST SATURDAY 9TH MARCH 2024



Our school stall at the annual Applefest in Harcourt is nearly upon us. Each year we rely on parent and community helpers to make this day a success.

How can you help us raise funds for our little school?

Donate your time to help make apple pies at school in the weeks leading up to Applefest, it's a great chance to get to know other parents. Keep an eye out in the newsletter and our Facebook page for baking days. You just need to bring yourself – aprons and hair nets supplied, no experience necessary!

Make homemade goodies to donate to our stall. Cakes, biscuits, jams, rumballs etc. (these would need to be brought to the school the day before, with a list of ingredients so we can package them, price them and label them with our school labels). Please, nothing that needs to be refrigerated on the day.

Donate items for apple pies – Blocks of butter are the most needed item for baking! We need people to be on the stall to sell all our amazing goodies—even an hour would be a great help, and you will have other people to help and support you on the stall, no experience necessary.

APPLE PIE BAKING

Thursday 8th February 9am.

We are also needing donations of eggs, butter & icing sugar please!

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, 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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Benefitting the health
and wellbeing of our
Bendigo school children

School visits coming
in TERM 1

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Australia
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