



Harcourt Valley Primary School
Newsletter
Friday 4th September 2020

Diary Dates

Note: below details may change

September

Thursday 10 th September	“R” you OK Day
Friday 18 th September	Last Day of Term 3 2.30pm Dismissal

October

Saturday 17 th to Friday 23 rd	Book Week - rescheduled
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School Banking each Tuesday morning 9am

Cancelled till Term 4 due to remote learning

Flexibuzz – decommissioned

Please do not use, delete app from your device.

Student Absences

How to notify the school if your child is absent:

School website: <http://hvps.vic.edu.au>

Click on forms and notices, fill in absent form and this will be emailed to the school.

Email: harcourt.valley.ps@education.vic.gvo.au

Phone the school from 8.30am: 5474 2266

HVPS Art Gallery

<https://sites.google.com/education.vic.gov.au/harcourt-valley-p-s/home>

Castlemaine Secondary College (CSC) Enrolment Forms

A friendly reminder to our Grade 6 families that Castlemaine Secondary College enrolment forms are now due. If you require another enrolment form, please contact CSC directly on 5479 1111.

CSC have requested that enrolment forms are directly mailed to the school at the following address:

Castlemaine Secondary College

PO Box 57

Castlemaine 3450



Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

I hope you have all had a good week. Please find listed below relevant information for this week.

KINDERGARTEN UPDATE

A new kindergarten is on its way to Harcourt Valley Primary School!

We are excited to announce that our school community will be growing as we welcome the addition of Harcourt Pre-School Play Centre later this year. The kindergarten is currently located on Buckley St and is operated by the YMCA. The double-room kindergarten will operate onsite and be located on the Mills and Bingham's Rd corners, with additional parking and a dedicated playground provided.

Fencing will soon be going up as we prepare the site. The best news is that the kindergarten will be constructed offsite – minimising disruption! Please find attached to the newsletter an updated site plan for your perusal.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with me if you require further information regarding the new Harcourt Kindergarten.

SCHOOL FEES

A reminder notice to families with outstanding school fees relating to Essential Student Learning Items and Netbook Leases will be issued next week. As all camps have been cancelled, these invoices will be credited to family accounts. Additionally interschool sports invoices will also be credited to family accounts.

If you have further information relating to fees, please contact the office.

GRADE 4, 5 & 6 STUDENT ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY

This year, the annual Student Attitudes to School Survey will be offered in a slightly different format and take on a more personal approach to include and gauge student's perspectives on remote learning. **A letter of consent was sent via email yesterday** for you to **read and respond** to if you **DO NOT** wish your child to participate in this year's survey.

Student login details will be sent out via email to parents prior to the opening of the survey on Monday 14th September.

Parents must opt-out of the survey if they do not want their child to participate. The survey remains open until the 18th September.

Thursday 10th September is "R" you OK Day

In the crazy world that we are living in at the moment now is the time more than ever to look after ourselves our neighbours and friends. For more information on how click on the link: <https://www.ruok.org.au/how-to-ask>



BREAKFAST PACKS

Families requiring a free breakfast pack are welcome to contact the school.

Keep the good work going and enjoy your weekend!

Regards
Andrew

Remote Learning Term 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

There are two helpful new resources to help you support your children during remote and flexible learning.

Raising Learners podcast

The Department of Education and Training has funded a 10-episode podcast series through the Raising Children Network called 'Raising Learners'. It features parenting experts from organisations including the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Career Education Association Victoria, as well as the Australian eSafety Commissioner, Julie Inman-Grant.

Raising Learners provides parents with practical advice, tips and ideas for supporting children's health, wellbeing and engagement at school and at home. Topics include how to connect with your child's school and community, how to best support your child's learning, what to expect for VCE and VCAL students and how to keep your child safe online.

These topics were drawn from common questions that parents raised with the Department's coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline and Parentline.

The first three episodes will be available on 1 September, and the rest throughout terms 3 and 4. Raising Learners can be accessed via podcast apps and [Raising Children Network website](#).

Managing the Coronacoaster webinar

Renowned child psychologist Dr Michael Carr-Gregg is back by popular demand to repeat his Coronacoaster webinar.

On 15 September, Dr Michael Carr-Gregg will again present Managing the Coronacoaster – Tips for building resilient families in the coronavirus era. His first webinar in August booked out in three days, with more than 12,000 registrations.

In this webinar, Dr Carr-Gregg provides tools and strategies for parents and carers to help manage the lockdown period and remote learning. Topics include:

- your supportive role
- setting the emotional tone
- focusing on what you can control
- how to deal with disappointment
- more resources and where to get help.

Webinar details

When: 7.30pm, Tuesday 15 September

Duration: 45-minute presentation, followed by a 15-minute question-and-answer session

Format: online via live stream

Cost: free

[Register for the Managing the Coronacoaster webinar via Eventbrite](#)



Isa's Fun Friday activity – building a pirate ship



Harry building a burglar system using an electrical system



School Bank Account Details:

Account Name:

Harcourt Valley Primary School

BSB: 063 509

Account Number: 1004 2656

Reference: eg: Surname/(Fees or Uniform)

School Uniform

Families that are in need of new or 2nd hand uniform please email or ring the school office to order.

	Size:	Price:
Short Sleeve Polo in school colours	6-16	\$31/Adult \$35
Long Sleeve Polo in school colours	6-16	\$32/Adult \$36
Long Sleeve Jumper in school colours	6-16	\$39/Adult \$44
Cargo Shorts – dark navy	4-16	\$17/Adult \$22
Cargo Pants – dark navy	4-16	\$21/Adult \$25
Skorts – dark navy	4-16	\$16
Fleecy Track Pants – dark navy	4-16	\$17/Adult \$22
Blue/white check Dress	4-16	\$17
Winter Pinafore	6-10	\$51
Yellow Skivvy	4-16	\$10
Surf Hats S, M & L		\$10
Polar Fleece Beanie One Size		\$4.50
Sunglasses – Silver (Cancer Council)		\$16.95
Sunglasses – Blue (Cancer Council)		\$19.95

Payment is required prior to sending home uniforms with students.

Head Lice

Just a reminder to keep checking your child's hair for lice, hopefully we can eradicate them while in Iso 2.0.

Book Week October 17th – 23rd 2020



Phone: 1800 55 1800
Cybersmart Helpline:
1800 880 176