

20.09.2024

Hepburn Primary School acknowledges the Dja Dja Wurrung of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, play, learn and grow. We pay our respects to all First Nations people and their Elders, past and present. We are grateful, to be surrounded by the plants, land, animals, waterways and natural springs, the Djarra people created, protected and cared for, over thousands of years, as we continue to do so.



The Week Ahead—	
<b>Monday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepburn Springs Playgroup 10:15-11:15am</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breakfast Club</li> <li>General Store lunch orders</li> <li>Assembly 3:00pm</li> </ul>
<b>Dates for the calendar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday 7th October, Term 4 commences.</li> <li>Friday 11th October, Assembly</li> <li>Monday 14th October, Curriculum Day— Victorian Curriculum 2.0</li> <li>Wednesday 16th October, 2025 Family Information Session</li> <li>Monday 21st October, National Water Week, Swimming starts</li> <li>Friday 25th October, Day for Daniel, Assembly, Swiss Italian Festa</li> <li>Monday 28th October, HPS Art Exhibition opens</li> <li>Monday 4th November, Curriculum Day—Assessment and reporting</li> </ul>

be really excited to welcome everyone back after a well earned break. Congratulations everyone on a wonderful term.

I hope you all have a terrific break.

Chat soon,

Matt

### 2025 Foundation Transition

We are very excited to welcome our families commencing in 2025. Please find below the times and dates for the sessions and please pass them along to families who might be attending in 2025.

Family information morning, Wednesday 16th October at 9:30am. The purpose of the morning is to induct our new families into our school. Provide an opportunity to meet some of existing families, ask clarifying questions and gain a greater understanding of the processes of our school.

Transition sessions—

October

Wednesday 23rd and 29th

November

Wednesday 20th and 27th

### Principal Report

Well there it is, term three, done and dusted! What a magnificent term it has been. We have achieved and learned so much. I could not be prouder the way the students have engaged and embraced every opportunity.

We have many exciting opportunities and events booked for next term, including Science Works, HPS Art Exhibition, Daylesford Art Show, Swiss Italian Festa, HPS Trivia Night, an art installation, swimming and so much more! I will



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## Now taking enrolments



## The HPS Experience— Lantern making

What an amazing way to kick off the first part of the Swiss Italian Festa 2025!

It was great to have Judy guiding us through the purpose of the Festa and the lantern parade. Plenty of beautiful colour, smiles and laughter!



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## The HPS Experience— R U Ok? Day

Fantastic to see our students embrace the 'splash' of yellow! It is such an important question to ask and one that should be asked frequently, R U Ok?



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## The HPS Experience— 3-6 Camp

It is fair to say everyone had a spectacular time! Thank you to our families for getting everything organised, packed, transported and collected. Your assistance is crucial in making it a success. A huge thank you to Mrs Graham, Mr Jackson, Kellie and Andrea for stepping away from their families to provide the opportunity for our students.



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## Student of the fortnight

Mrs Smart— Kobi, for a consistently reliable and focused approach displayed towards your learning. You complete pieces of work with care and attention to detail, and seek help when unsure. Well done, Kobi!

Mr Jackson— Lucian, for his enthusiasm for learning. He is always eager to work on any project or activity we are working on, recently designing a creative and fun Dream House. Keep it up, Lucian!

Mrs Graham— Jacqueline, for your positivity and the way you apply yourself to everything you do. You always give 100%, support those around you and set yourself up to achieve your goals. Keep reaching for the stars!

Mr Beechey— Lexi, your enthusiasm and creativity during the lantern making was outstanding! You always uphold our school values and lead with a smile and determination through your role as School Captain. I am so proud of your efforts, Congratulations!

## Swimming

It is with great excitement that this year we are able to offer swimming free of charge. Students are encouraged to take up the great opportunity to engage in five lessons. The lessons will take place at Federation Aquatic Centre, Ballarat, Mount Helen campus. A form will be sent home early term four containing all the details. If you choose to opt out of the swimming lessons, there will be an offering of learning onsite at school.



## Around the Grounds

We have had some significant vegetation removed from the yard and further removal of weeds and shrubs will occur over the break. Also, over the break we will have the gutters and storm water pits cleaned, soft fall and sand topped up and a few running repairs on the playground equipment. I have had a full playground and tree audit completed which ensures we are compliant and our equipment is safe as well as being prepared for the upcoming bush fire season.

## Child safety and wellbeing at Hepburn Primary School: information for families and the school community

Hepburn Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe. We have a zero tolerance for child abuse and are committed to protecting children from harm.

Our comprehensive child safety framework outlines our school's strategies to support student safety and wellbeing. The framework includes the following policies, codes and procedures:

Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy

Child Safety Code of Conduct

Child safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedure

Complaints Policy

Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy

Bullying Prevention Policy

Volunteers Policy

Visitors Policy

Digital Learning Policy

Yard Duty and Supervision Policy

The above can be found at

<https://hepburnps.vic.edu.au/>

Our students and their families are important partners in keeping our students safe. We value feedback and ideas on how we can continuously strengthen our child safety framework.

If you have any suggestions or comments please contact Matt Beechey on 5348 2531 or [hepburn.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:hepburn.ps@education.vic.gov.au).

## Wellbeing Resources

Headspace - There are many ways we can support you in your mental health and wellbeing, and to help you navigate life's challenges. <https://headspace.org.au/>

Beyond Blue - We provide information and support for anxiety, depression and suicide prevention for everyone in Australia. <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>

Kids Helpline – Anytime. Any Reason, Kids Helpline is Australia's only free (even from a mobile), confidential 24/7 online and phone counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25. <https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

Dolly's Dream— is committed to changing the culture of bullying by addressing the impact of bullying, anxiety, depression, and youth suicide, through education and direct support to young people and families. For further information <https://dollysdream.org.au/>

eSmart— an initiative of the Alannah and Madeline Foundation helps schools maintain a supportive and connected community to reduce online bullying, and increase wellbeing. <https://www.esmart.org.au/>

13Yarn - 13YARN provides free and confidential crisis support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. You can contact 13YARN from any mobile or pay phone anywhere in Australia 24/7 to talk to a crisis supporter.

[enquiries@13yarn.org.au](mailto:enquiries@13yarn.org.au)  
13 92 76

## Hepburn Springs Community Playgroup

Each Monday morning throughout the school term, 10:15-11:15am in the school hall. Follow the school's Facebook page for updates. We look forward to seeing you all there!



## Calling All Primary School Artists!

Exciting news for young artists! This year's Daylesford Rotary Art Show, held at Stanbridge Hall and Church, has introduced a brand-new category specifically for primary school students. We're inviting all budding artists to get creative and submit their masterpieces by 9th October. There is a \$10 entry fee per submission, which will go towards supporting next year's show.

The categories for the prize are:

- Portrait
- Still Life
- Animalia
- Abstract
- Seascape/Urban Landscape

We have 4 x \$50 Daylesford Trading Co vouchers up for grabs for the winning entries.

To participate, simply hand in your entry fee at the front office. This is a fantastic school holiday activity—get involved and let your creativity shine!

The final opening show will take place from 31st October - 5th November (The Melbourne Cup Long Weekend).

# DAYLESFORD ROTARY ART SHOW



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OVER 250 ARTISTS: LOCAL, REGIONAL & BEYOND!

**1ST PRIZE  
\$2,000**

**31 OCT - 5 NOV 2024**

STANBRIDGE HALL & CHURCH

54 Central Springs Rd, Daylesford

[www.daylesfordartshow.com.au/howtoenter](http://www.daylesfordartshow.com.au/howtoenter)

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**BLOOMS THE CHEMIST OPENING NIGHT 6.00PM 31 OCT - ALL WELCOME**

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SWISS ITALIAN  
FESTA

# INVITATION Lantern Parade

FRIDAY SEPT 21<sup>st</sup> 2024

GATHER

from 5.00pm @ Soldiers Memorial  
10<sup>th</sup> St, Hepburn Springs - Sausage Sizzle  
Lantern lighting and musicians

LANTERN PARADE

6.15pm to Springs Reserve

FIRESIDE STORYTIME

Approx. 7pm


Springs Reserve

Entertainment and activities

Including Fire Twirlers

Conclude approx. 8pm

Free event. Gold coin or card tap donations welcome.  
BYO Lantern if possible. Some supplied.



We walk together  
with gratitude on the  
traditional lands of the  
Dja Dja Wurrung people

Hepburn Primary School invites you to our...

# Trivia Night

**DRESS UP THEME: TV SERIES OR  
CHARACTER**

**FUN GAMES-SILENT AUCTION-PRIZES**

**Saturday 26th October 7pm-11pm**

**HEPBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL**

TICKET  
**\$25**

Tickets via Humanitix

<https://events.humanitix.com/hepburn-primary-school-trivia-night-2024>

or contact the school on (03) 5348 2531




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**\$10 YOGA AT  
RADIUS ART**

76 MAIN RD HEPBURN

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**TUESDAY**

**5.30pm – FLOW**

**7.00pm – RESTORATIVE**


**FRIDAY**

**9.00AM - GENTLE FLOW**

**To book your spot please call Clare on 0405265122**

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**Please bring: Own mat if preferred however, mats will be provided. \$10 cash payment at the door.**





## Daylesford Autism Parent Connection

**The Daylesford Autism Parent Connection Group is a friendly, relaxed group of parents and carers who come together for information sharing, social connection, and peer support.**

The group is for parent/guardian carers of children (0 - 18 yrs) with an autism diagnosis or who exhibit significant traits of neurodiversity or ADHD. It is a great opportunity to share your knowledge and experience and to gain new information about local services and events. Guest speakers may be invited attend. New members warmly welcomed.

The group will be meeting at 10am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at The Mill Cafe & Larder in the Amazing Mill Markets, Daylesford

The Pinarc Parent Support Program is supported by the Victorian Government.



P: 1800 PINARC (1800 746 272) | E: [admin@pinarc.org.au](mailto:admin@pinarc.org.au) | [www.pinarc.org.au](http://www.pinarc.org.au)

**Dates:** June 20      Sept 19  
July 18            Oct 17  
Aug 15             Nov 21  
Dec TBC

**Times:**  
10.00 am – 11.00 am

**Venue:**  
The Mill Cafe & Larder  
The Amazing Mill Markets, Daylesford  
105 Central Springs Rd, Daylesford

**How Much Does it Cost?**  
Coffee, tea, etc. at café prices.

**How do I register:**  
Contact Rebecca Paton,  
Parent Support Program Coordinator  
Phone: 0493 765 542  
Email: [rpaton@pinarc.org.au](mailto:rpaton@pinarc.org.au)  
or  
Group leader, Kim Maloney  
Phone: 0421 206 875  
Email: [thinkwareglobal@gmail.com](mailto:thinkwareglobal@gmail.com)