

01.11.2024

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— Monday 04th November—Friday 8th November	
https://hepburnps.vic.edu.au/	
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum Day—reporting and assessment Hepburn Springs Playgroup 10:15-11:15am
Tuesday	* Melbourne Cup—Public Holiday
Wednesday	
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Works excursion
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Club General Store lunch orders Assembly 3:00pm
Dates for the calendar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 4th November, Curriculum Day—Assessment and reporting Tuesday 5th November, Melbourne Cup public holiday Thursday 7th November Science Works excursion Monday 11th November, Remembrance Day Monday 18th November, Glasses for Kids visit Monday 9th December, Grade 6 Graduation Tuesday 17th December, HPS Concert

Principal Report

What a fabulous term it has been already!
The feedback from our students about swimming has been overwhelmingly positive .
They thoroughly enjoyed every session, learning

lifelong skills to be safe around water and to be confident swimmers. Each achieved new skills and confidence which they were more than happy to share as they returned to school. A highlight for all was of course the giant inflatable slide and playground on the last day.

It was very exciting to have Jenna Oldaker, Wadawurrung Traditional Owner and Visual Artist join us again. She led a canvas session with our students to design beautiful pieces that will form the back piece for our Acknowledgement to Country. She will be back next week to guide us through using some of the designs to paint the totem poles within the yarnning circle. I cannot wait to see how these will enhance the space. All going well, we will host our assembly outdoors next week!

The Trivia Night was a huge success with costumes, fun, laughter and connection. We proudly raised \$3,500! A huge thank you to the generous businesses that continue to support our wonderful school, everyone who was able to attend and our hard working School Council, you are all amazing!

I hope you all have a terrific weekend.

Chat soon,

Matt



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Now taking enrolments

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Science Works Excursion

To further enhance our students' understanding of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), classes 1-6 will be visiting Science Works on Thursday, November 7th, 2024.

Science Works is Melbourne's premier destination for inquisitive minds, where students can explore interactive exhibits and experiences to discover the principles of science. Our students will experience the Very Cool Liquid Nitrogen Show, featuring demonstrations that showcase the properties of solids, liquids, and gases. Changes of state, expansion and contraction are all demonstrated using lots of fog, froth and fun.

The goal is to inspire and engage our students while motivating more of them to consider careers in science and mathematics.

Students will be transported to and from Science Works by hired coach. We ask that students arrive at **8.45am for a 9.00am departure with a return to Hepburn Primary School of 3:30pm**. Mrs Shannon Graham, Mr Barkley Jackson, Mrs Emily Smart, Ms Blackburn and Mrs Kellie McDonald will be in attendance.

Items to bring/wear:

Packed lunch, including recess

Water bottle

School bag

School uniform



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Newsletter



The HPS Experience— Swimming 2024



I learned to do a compact jump
-Kobi

Switching from freestyle to backstroke without stopping
- Ollie

I am already getting better at freestyle, and I
learned how to float!
-Zayne

I liked collecting the slinkies from
the bottom of the pool
-Riley



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The HPS Experience— Murrup Art

We proudly welcomed Jenna Oldaker back this morning. Jenna is a Wadawurrung Traditional Owner and Visual Artist. She worked with our students this morning on a canvas session to design pieces to compliment our Acknowledgement to Country. She will return next week for the totem pole painting session. We are all very excited to have the opportunity to be guided by her. Watch this space for photos!



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The HPS Experience— Visual Arts

The students exhibition is up and ready for viewing in the hallway. The students have learned about different cultural backgrounds, uses and styles of masks and made their own amazing designs. They also followed Henri Matisse by using cut paper to create landscapes and added some favourite drawings.



Student of the fortnight

Mrs Smart— Max, for the committed and determined attitude displayed towards your reading. You have continued to persevere when challenged and it has been terrific to see your confidence skyrocket. I'm so proud of you, Max!

Mr Jackson— Hugo, for demonstrating our value of Kindness. He always is willing to help his peers, and is able to listen and problem solve respectfully when there is a disagreement. Keep it up, Hugo!

Mrs Graham— Rose, for demonstrating our value of Kindness in her daily interactions with both staff and peers. She is a wonderful friend and a courteous classmate. Congratulations Rose on being such a wonderful role model in all that you do.

Mr Beechey— Heath, for demonstrating our value of Kindness. You demonstrated this throughout the week with your interactions with friends and looking out for peers by picking up and returning their jumpers from the yard. Outstanding, Heath!

Christmas Raffle 2024

We are edging closer to that time of the year where all things turn to tinsel, baubles, trees and decorations!

We are getting in early this year and asking for any donations for our annual Christmas Raffle. Donations can be dropped off at the front office. Any items that we can bundle up in baskets and boxes. Examples include, soaps, biscuits, chocolates, beverages etc.

Ticket books will be heading home in the coming weeks. We really appreciate your support. HPS School Council.



Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

Respectful relationships education is part of the Victorian Curriculum and delivered by all Victorian government schools. It supports students to develop the knowledge, attitudes and skills needed for respectful relationships, and helps to build respect and equality across the entire school community.

Research tells us that providing respectful relationships education at school can lead to positive impacts on students' academic outcomes, their mental health, classroom behaviour and relationships.

Our school uses the Department of Education's evidence-based teaching and learning resources to teach our students about Respectful Relationships from Foundation to Grade 6.

The Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships resources have 8 topics that teach students about emotional literacy, personal and cultural strengths, resilience, problem-solving, stress-management, help-seeking, gender norms and stereotypes and positive gender relations.

<https://www.vic.gov.au/respectful-relationships>



In primary school, some students **miss** on average **3 weeks** of school **per year**. That's **half a year** of school by the end of **year 6**.



EVERY DAY COUNTS

Primary school attendance

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.

"Day off" – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts.

Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.

- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an Infringement Notice.

If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit:

www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx

Department of Education and Training



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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
[13 92 76](tel:139276)

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!



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

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JUNIOR TENNIS BEGINS
SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2024



Hot Shots Aged 8 and above 9AM till 9:45
Hot Shots Aged 5 to 8 9:45 AM
JUNIOR PLAYERS 9.15AM ARRIVAL PLEASE

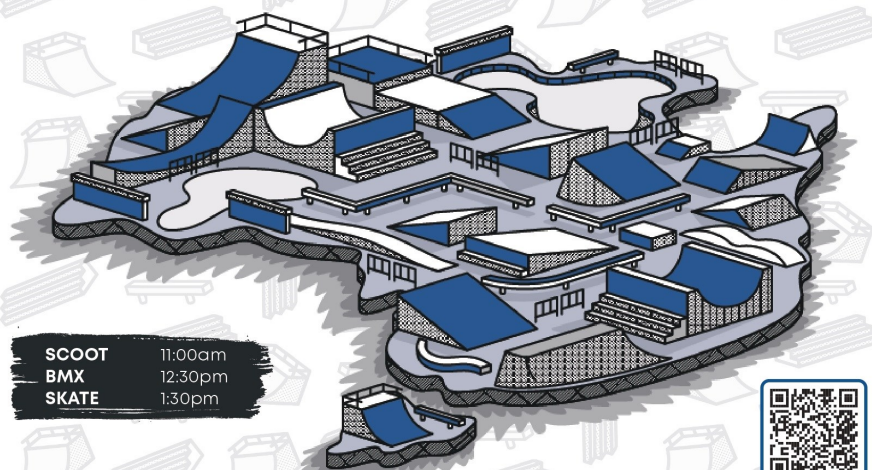
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VIC 2024

WESTERN REGIONAL SERIES

SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER
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SKATE PARK COMPETITION



SCOOT 11:00am
BMX 12:30pm
SKATE 1:30pm



REGISTER HERE
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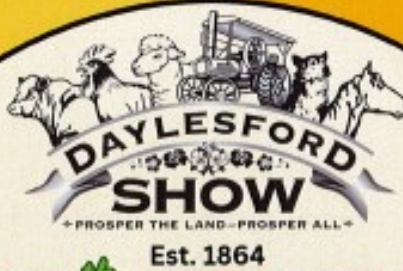
33 Duke St, Daylesford
Free entry, all ages and abilities welcome.

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Family \$25
Adult \$10
Child/Conc \$5
Under 5 Free



150th SHOW

Saturday 23rd Nov 2024

9am - 3pm

- Free Children's Activities •
- Free Petting Zoo •
- Showground Rides •
- Sideshow Alley • Food & Drinks •
- Ag Show Comps • Animals •
- Flowers & Plants • Stalls •
- Wine & Cider Tasting •
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