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# **Newsletter**

Term 1, Week 8 - 20th March 2024

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our second newsletter for 2024. We have had an interesting 24 hours in the community with the bushfires. A big thank you to all the emergency personnel for their hard work to keep the fire away from the homes and the school. I have seen images and videos from some of our staff who have had very close calls. If anyone needs any support, please contact the school. This week, we continue with NAPLAN for Year 3 and Year 5 students. I have been most impressed with the way all the students have shown great resilience and perseverance when completing the assessments. The Pre-Primary students have finished the On Entry assessments and reports will be sent home soon. The Kindy students all participated in Speech Screening and will also have reports sent home hopefully by the end of Term 1.

The Student Council has already had their first meeting. The first item of business is working out the three charities to fundraise for 2024 and to get ideas from students on how our school could be even better. I will inform everyone of the chosen charities, as soon as possible.



2024 Student Council

This week, the Premier and Minister announced the WA Student Assistance Payment on Sunday morning. It is a cost-of-living payment to provide relief to families with the costs associated with schooling. This payment is for parents and carers of students enrolled in schooling in WA. This includes home-schooled students, and students enrolled in SIDE. A full list of eligibility criteria is on the WASAP website <a href="https://www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap">www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap</a>.

Primary students will receive \$150 per student and Secondary \$250 per student. Parents can claim the money as of April 15<sup>th</sup> (Term 2). Parents will need student WASN (WA Student Number) which is on school reports and NAPLAN reports. You can contact the school on 62968200 to obtain the number if you are unable to locate it.

## **Upcoming Events**

#### THURSDAY 21ST MARCH

- Kindy Day
- Yarn & Cuppa before Assembly
- Year 2 Assembly (9am)
- Year 5/6 Guitar Lessons selected students
- Band (8am)

#### FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

- Breakfast Club
- Jump Jam (all students)
- Uniform Shop Open (8.30am-9.30am)
- Drum Corp (all students 8am)
- Faction Frozen Friday P-Y6 (\$2)
- P&C Easter Raffle tickets due (sold and unsold tickets)
- Last day for Parent-Teacher Meeting bookings

#### **MONDAY 25TH MARCH**

- Breakfast Club
- LEGO Club

#### TUESDAY 26TH MARCH

- Running Club (8.00am)

### WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- Skipping Club selected students (8am)
- Breakfast Club
- Kindy Day
- P&C Easter Raffle Drawn
- LAST DAY OF TERM 1

#### THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- Parent/Teacher Meeting (Student Free Day)

# MONDAY 15TH APRIL

- Term 2 commences for staff and students.
- "Haka & Hangi for Harmony"

It was great to see so many parents and teachers joining in on Jump Jam on a Friday morning. Parents are most welcome to join into both Jump Jam and Running Club each week.





Teachers and Parents joining in Jump Jam Friday mornings!

Can I remind parents that dogs are NOT allowed on school grounds, even if on a lead. Please keep dogs outside the school grounds.

The last assembly we had was on Thursday  $22^{nd}$  February and was conducted by our Year 6 class. It is always difficult to do the first assembly, but I want to congratulate Mrs Newport and the Year 6s on their assembly. Unfortunately, I was struck down with Covid that week, but I was treated to my own personal show when I returned to school the following week. I really enjoyed each presentation from the students about themselves and what they are looking forward to in their last year at Primary School. I am looking forward to the next assembly conducted by our Year 2 students tomorrow.



Year 6s sharing what they did for assembly with Miss Kelley

Dance is part of the curriculum, and the school participates in Edu-Dance every two years. Teachers will be assessing the students and reporting on them. The cost is normally \$39 per student. Thanks to both the school and P&C for supplementing the cost so that it is only \$25 per child. The concert in the last week is always a highlight.

We had our first School Board Meeting and each year a School Board President is elected. I would like to welcome back Anne Hauraki as School Board Chair for 2024.



We have beanies! Not that you would want one at the moment with the hot weather, but it was a School Board decision to trial beanies as part of the HHPS School Uniform Policy. We have Beanies in stock, and they can be worn in Term 2 & Term 3. They are available at the uniform store for \$11.



Nathanael and Emmanuel modelling the new beanies!

It has been a relatively short term with the last official day of term being Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. A reminder that Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March is a School Development Day (no students) where we will be holding our Parent Teacher Meetings from 11am-5pm. Bookings close this Friday. If you have not made a time, there is limited availability please go to:

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Code: 3ZE8G

Some dates to remember to start Term 2:

- Haka and Hangi for Harmony Week 15th April
- Cultural Dress Day for Harmony Week 16th April
- School Photos 23<sup>rd</sup> April
- ANZAC Day Ceremony 24thth April (9am)
- ANZAC Day Public Holiday 25th April
- School Development Day 26thth April
- Edu-Dance Commences 2<sup>nd</sup> May
- P&C Mother's Day Stall 8th May

Have a great Easter break and school holidays. See everyone back for a long 11-week Term 2 commencing on **Monday 15**th **April.** 

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#### **REMINDERS**

#### • Arrival Before School (8.30am)

Please be reminded that students are not to be on school site until 8.30am. Students are able to be on-site if attending a club before school or Breakfast Club.

For duty of care reasons, all students who have to be at school before 8.30am or finish eating at Breakfast Club must be outside the Library, seated.

#### • Items from home

There have been students bringing items from home to school. Please do not bring toys or items to school or class, unless it is for a specific reason directed by the teacher or school.

#### • Walking Through Car Park

Can you please be reminded NOT to walk through the carpark with students before and after school. It is a safety rule, particularly with staff cars reversing in and out of car bays. Thank you.

#### Dogs

Dogs are NOT allowed on school grounds, even if on a lead. Please keep dogs outside the school grounds.

#### • Birthdays

We love to celebrate your child's birthday and teachers do make students feel special on their birthday. After whole school Staff Meeting many years ago it was decided that the school won't be having any food items such as cupcakes, lollies, icy-poles or chocolates for the classroom. There are a number of reasons for the decision:

- 1. We are a Crunch n Sip school, and we promote healthy eating.
- 2. Allergies we have student that have allergies and we need to be sure of ingredients given to students.
- 3. We had a major issue at the school where a large number of students became ill after eating items brought into the classroom.

### Thank you for your understanding and support.

# • School Photos - More information on the last page of today's newsletter.

Our school photos will be taken on TUESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL with Kapture Photography. Tomorrow, ALL students will be given an information sheet with details of the following:

- 1. Individual STUDENT ID #
- 2. School Code
- Sibling Photos place your order early to avoid missing out. Last day to order Sibling Photos will be Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April (12noon). The school or photographers <u>cannot</u> accept late orders for sibling photography.
- 4. Closing date for Class & Individual photo orders will be FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY 2024.
- 5. All photo orders must be placed online at *kapture.com.au* using your unique codes.

### FROM THE DEPUTY-PRINCIPAL

#### Attendance

2024 TERM 1 ATTENDANCE							
	Wk1	Wk2	Wk3	Wk4	Wk5	Wk6	Wk7
K	100	96	90	88	100	96	93
PP	100	98	94	94	90	86	83
Yr 1	100	98	98	88	96	89	93
Yr 2	100	94	86	94	98	98	90
Yr 3	100	98	96	98	95	100	97
Yr 4	100	97	95	95	98	97	98
Yr 5	99	89	90	94	95	97	96
Yr 6	100	96	97	91	99	97	95
School	99.87	95.75	93.25	92.75	96.37	95	93.12

Please contact the school via text (0437 412 511) or phone (6296 8200) when you child is absent. **DO NOT** communicate absences through class Dojo. Thank you to everyone for texting or contacting the office when your child is absent. Great start to the year with attendance.

90-100%	Attendance is considered regular.
80-89%	Is considered at risk (80% equates to
	missing 1 day per week.
60-79%	Is considered at moderate risk (60%
	equates to missing 2 days every week.
0-59%	Is considered severe educational risk.

Special commendations to Years 3, 4 and 6 for achieving 'regular attendance' every week so far this term.

Mel O'Leary DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

# FROM THE CLASSROOM

Congratulations to the following students who received a certificate in Week 4.





Honour Certificates

Running Club Badges

# P & C NEWS

# Easter Raffle

- Thank you to all the people who have donated items for our Easter Raffle.
- Please return all tickets, sold and unsold, by this Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.
- Tickets will be drawn next WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH (last day of Term 1).

# SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

Dear Parents.

Your school photo day is coming! Approximately two weeks prior to the photo day every student will receive a personalised flyer to bring home from Kapture Photography containing your child's unique codes for ordering school photos online.

### **KEEP YOUR FLYER SECURE!**

The unique codes contained on the flyer will be issued only once.

### Order **EARLY** for sibling photography

Sibling photos can ONLY be ordered online. Once you receive the personalised flyers for your children, it is imperative that you order your sibling photo early to avoid missing out! There is a physical limit in the school schedule to how many sibling photos can be taken. Once the maximum capacity of sibling orders has been reached, no more sibling orders can be placed.

If maximum capacity is not reached, sibling orders **close 12pm midday sharp**, **one business day prior** to the first photo day.

The school or the photographers <u>cannot</u> accept late orders for sibling photography. Please do not ask as your request simply cannot be accommodated.

### Order **EARLY** for discount photo day prices

Order your photos within 10 calendar days of photo day to receive discount photo day prices. Late orders are handled separately to the school delivery and incur a \$30 custom service charge.

#### Other information

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please check the FAQ's on the Kapture website.

We request that students who are displaying signs of respiratory and / or gastrointestinal illnesses do not attend school specifically to be included in their class photo. Having students with communicable illnesses attend the photography venues puts other students, school staff and Kapture staff at risk – especially those that are already immunocompromised. Students who are unable to attend school photo day can book a studio appointment at our Malaga office to be photographed during school holidays. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Your school will notify you in a few weeks when **team and special group photos** are available to view and purchase on the Kapture website. Please note; class, individual and sibling portraits are not available to view online prior to purchase.

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group presentation available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should **NOT** be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.