



Hughesdale HAPPENINGS

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

Principal's Report

Week 2 Term 1 2020 Issue 1

Happy New Year !

Welcome to the first Newsletter for 2020. We are overjoyed to reconnect with our existing families, and warmly welcome families that are new to Hughesdale Primary School. I am sure that the sunshine and more relaxed routine over the January holidays results in growth spurts for our children, they look so much older than just seven short weeks ago.

I was able to spend some lovely time with my family before returning to set up for the new academic year. We spent Christmas in New Zealand, recharging batteries and catching up on hugs and time together (it doesn't matter how old your children are, their hugs are always therapeutic).

This year, we have 27 classes and a team of 49 staff to support our students.

Foundation/ Prep	Alice Bigwood, Kim Black, Natalie Giacotto, Jason McDonald
Year One	Sharon Amiet, Katrina Dowler, Matt Iaconesso, Erin Wilson, Belinda Trevaskis
Year Two	David Cooper, Nay Fuller, Sandie Kinnear, Robyn Meier, Danielle Peters
Year Three	Kate Ferguson, Michael Irvine, Gail Winada
Year Four	Jessica Daly, Adam Greene, Morgan Ray, Madison Runchey
Year Five	Ashley Carey, Dave Meier, Elisha Park, Sarah Pincus
Year Six	Rebecca Kharsas, Tom Margary, Amy Mulcahy, Mandy Schmidt
Specialist Subjects	Aaron Richards, Annie Wylie, Leonie Anglim, Rachael Strauch, Gina Xing, Yue Wang, Megan Lillingston
Learning Support	Rachel Biddle, Taleisha Hill, Loretta Conheady, Anna Polihros-Sevastis, Deb Mc Intyre
Additional Staff	Helen Kraloglou, Gretel Holmes, Leah Hale, Deb Round, Bridene Forrest, Graeme Renshaw, Amanda Seach (AP), Lisa Gough (P)

Term 1

Friday 7th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Lightening Premiership L5 & L6 • Senior Assembly
Monday 10th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic Book Club Orders due
Friday 14th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole School Assembly
Monday 17th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1A & 1C Excursion to Como House
Tuesday 18th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1B & 1D Excursion to Como House
Monday 17th – 20th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L5 Beechworth Camp
Thursday 20th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L2 Billy Cart Incursion
Friday 21st February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Assembly
Monday 24th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L3-6 House Swimming Carnival
Thursday 27th & Friday 28th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L4 Hands on Science Incursion
Friday 28th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Assembly
Thursday 5th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Photo Day
Friday 6th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole School Assembly
Monday 9th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labour Day Holiday

Past *Hughesdale Happenings* can be found on **COMPASS** in **Community** under **School Documentation**

HOW TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL

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Foundation Welcome

Always an exquisite moment for our community, we have welcomed 89 young people to our school within Foundation this year. Often a bittersweet moment for parents, I must congratulate each of you on the way this cohort has settled so readily, so quickly.

Worth highlighting is the fabulous support being offered by our Year 6 students, your parents should also be commended for helping you become the caring young men and women I see working with our younger learners this year.



Hot Day Flipped Timetable

This year we have implemented a flipped timetable for days of extreme heat. We shift to this schedule to ensure that students spend time outside prior to the heat of the day, with careful inside play for a shorter time in the afternoon. We have deployed this new schedule on two occasions thus far, with very very positive outcomes. It is pleasing to see children getting an opportunity to play outside, while removing exposure to the peak heat times. A decision to flip the timetable is made based on the forecast, with the expectation that on days predicted to be warmer than around 35 degrees, staff will be informed prior to 8:45am that a flipped timetable will operate.

Lunch Orders

A really brief reminder; I have noticed that a number of lunch orders are being delivered to the wrong year level. Please check that you have updated your child's class within your QKR settings so that your child's lunch is delivered to the correct classroom.

Uniform

Thank you for the feedback received about the increased ease of accessibility provided by having uniform available at a retail store. We have also been asked about Second Hand Uniform.

We will continue to collect second hand uniform, and when sufficient stock is available, a Sale will be advertised, enabling purchase of these items at a ridiculously reduced cost.

I am pleased to share that we are having our first Second Hand Uniform Sale after our Whole School Assembly on Friday 14th of February.

If you have items that you no longer require, and you wish to donate them back to the school, please feel free to drop them off in Mrs Breeden-Walton's office (near reception).

Cyber-Aware Learning

I came across a resource that may appeal to parents just commencing the cyber-safety journey with their young children.

With the use of Big Ted, Jemima and other well known characters from *Play School*, materials have been designed to help families with young children kick off good online safety habits.

The Family Tech Agreement is the first of eSafety's newly developed Early Years resources, being rolled out in 2020 to support children under 5 and their families.

“Our new Family Tech Agreement is designed to make it easier for parents and carers to set boundaries around the use of digital devices like tablets, smart TVs and gaming consoles. Our trusted friends from Play School will help young children understand each rule. “

Big Ted to the rescue! Good online habits start early in 2020

https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/children-under-5/family-tech-agreement?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Family%20Tech%20Agreement%20%20Consultation&utm_content=Family%20Tech%20Agreement%20%20Consultation+CID_6a061e05d55c02cda0acb5b1564b35e1&utm_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm_term=DOWNLOAD%20YOUR%20FAMILY%20TECH%20AGREEMENT

Travel Safety

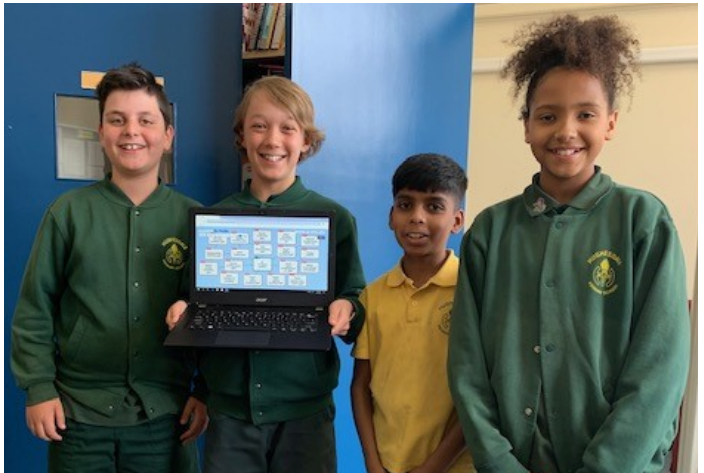
The *Safe Seats, Safe Kids* program run by Kidsafe Victoria and Neighbourhood Houses Victoria, provide free car seat fittings and safety checks in every local government area across Victoria. With alarming data (70 per cent of child car restraints are not fitted or used correctly), I believe that parents and carers can register their interest to attend a child car seat safety check session at kidsafevic.com.au/road-safety/free-child-car-restraint-checking-program/

“At these events, professional fitters will inspect child car

seats to make sure they’re installed and being used correctly. Parents and carers will also be provided with information on how to check if their precious cargo is travelling safely.”

Learning Shared With Me.

- Emerson from 5A shared her successful certification in First Aid attained over the holidays
- Akshaya, Cleo, Evan and River from 6C shared their inquiry work exploring the prefix “re”.



Warmest Regards,

Lisa Gough

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Assistant Principal's Report



It is with great excitement that I write my first newsletter article at Hughesdale Primary School. I have been warmly welcomed by staff and had the pleasure of meeting some parents. The students have demonstrated the value of respect showing kindness to me with a smile, a hello and even stepping aside politely to offer me doorway entry. My Assistant Principal role is leading Curriculum and Pedagogy. I have most recently come from a Leading Teacher role in the North East Region of the Education Department. I worked in partnership with school middle leaders to develop collegiate collaboration that continually improves literacy teaching practices in response to student needs. Prior to this I was a Classroom Teacher, of all year levels, at a school in the outer eastern suburbs where 70% of the students had a language background other than English. It was a rewarding experience and helped me learn so much about literacy learning and teaching. This year I will continue as a Monash network course facilitator for Literacy Leaders at Bastow Institute of Educational

Leadership. I look forward to learning more about your children and working with the fantastic teachers here to further strengthen the rigorous learning environment provided for all students to reach their potential.

Curriculum Day 1

Each year four days are set aside at government schools where students do not attend and the staff engage in professional learning together. We started the year with all the staff engaged in learning to ensure we have a great start to the 2020 school year. Topics covered included:

- Respectful Relationships – managing disclosures. Victoria’s Respectful Relationships initiative supports school leaders, educators and our school communities to promote and model respect and equality – and to teach our children how to build healthy relationships, resilience and confidence


- Our Annual Improvement Plan – teachers worked closely with the outcome statements which identify the expected changes in knowledge, practices, mindsets and behaviours that will be observed for students, teachers and leadership as a result of implementing our key improvement strategies
- Our Guiding Statements – Hughesdale’s Philosophy, Mission, Vision and Values (here for you to read)
- First Aid & Anaphylaxis – keeping all of our students safe and well
- Occupational Health and Safety – keeping everyone safe and well
- Professional Learning Team meetings – English, Mathematics & Science, Assessment & Reporting and Engagement & Wellbeing

Being an educator brings me great joy as does being a mother, spending time laughing and exploring the world with family and friends, reading, going for walks, cheering for Carlton and the view of the city skyline at sunset.

Please come and say hello when you see me at school and tell me about your family.

Kind regards,

Amanda Seach



Hughesdale Primary School

“Aim High”

Philosophy

1. We are a community of lifelong learners.
2. Students are at the centre of all that we do.
3. Research, data and agreed whole of school pedagogy underpins teaching and learning at our school.

Mission

Hughesdale Primary School works collaboratively to empower critical, reflective learners. We foster respectful relationships that we underpin with our school’s values and personalised goals. With high expectations, we involve students, staff and the community in a positive and curious pursuit of educational excellence.

Vision

Our students should feel empowered as inquisitive, lifelong learners. They will confidently seek to contribute to our evolving global community with integrity, sensitivity and joy.

Our Values

Respect

At Hughesdale Primary School, we show kindness, empathy and compassion to ourselves and others. We look after and value our school environment, as well as celebrate our individuality.

Gratitude

At Hughesdale Primary School, we are thankful and show appreciation for the opportunities we have to learn and be part of a collaborative community.

Resilience

At Hughesdale Primary School, we show resilience by managing our emotions and bouncing back. We acknowledge feelings that may challenge us, and actively seek strategies that help us move forward with a positive, growth mindset.

Personal Best

At Hughesdale Primary School, we take pride in ourselves and everything that we do. We demonstrate our personal best by engaging in every endeavour, no matter how challenging, with a growth mindset. We identify our strengths and establish goals with a focus on ‘where to next?’.

Teamwork

At Hughesdale Primary School, we demonstrate teamwork by collaborating and supporting each other to achieve a common goal. We participate actively by attentively listening, compromising, and putting in our best individual effort to help the team.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit
www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply in 2019.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



Start the chat before someone else does



Safer Internet Day
2020 | Tuesday
11 February
Together for a better internet

Start the chat about online safety and help make every day a Safer Internet Day!

Join in the Safer Internet Day buzz

This year Safer Internet Day will be celebrated on Tuesday, 11 February 2020. The theme is 'Together for a better internet' and Australia's eSafety Commissioner is encouraging parents to mark the day by starting family conversations about online safety.

You can download our Safer Internet Day resources at esafety.gov.au/sid and use them to start the chat about online safety with your family.

Explore Australia's online safety hub

Check out eSafety's great range of advice and resources. Get started by visiting our **parents and carers** pages and reading the practical tips for kicking off an online safety conversation. You can also download our '**Parents guide to online safety**' booklet (available in 5 languages), look through **eSafety Kids** with your family or get familiar with our **step by step advice** for reporting different types of online abuse. Find out more at esafety.gov.au

Join our free parent webinar

The session will cover how to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and cyberbullying.

Helping Kids Thrive Online

12th February 2020 at 8:00 PM (AEDT)

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GUITAR LESSONS at Hughesdale

The Music School
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Term 1

The Music School is again pleased to offer **guitar lessons** at Hughesdale Primary School for students in years 1– 6. Please indicate if your child is a continuing student from last year or a new student beginning lessons for the first time.

The cost is \$17.60 per lesson and is payable at the beginning of the term.

Term 1 lessons begin on Wed 5th Feb. There are 8 lessons in Term 1 and the total cost per student is \$140.80. There is a **discount for cash** payments and the cost is reduced to \$135 for this term.

Payment of fees is required within 14 days of the student's first lesson.

As in previous years, fees paid late incur an administration fee of \$20.



(Cut here and return to Hughesdale Primary School office ASAP.)

I would like my child to have **guitar lessons** at Hughesdale Primary School for Term 1, starting on 5th Feb.

Student's full name:.....Grade:.....

My child is a **new student** / **continuing student**. (Please circle one.)

Parent's name:..... Signature:.....

Contact numbers: Mob:..... AH:

Email address:.....(write clearly please)

(We accept cheques & cash. Online banking: BSB 033-040 / Acc. 13-2519 - include student's name in the deposit details or we'll not know who it's from)

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A number of places are available for 2020

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Ms Karina Livitina

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or collect an application form from the office



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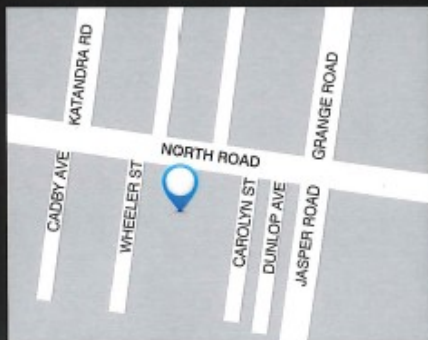


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- The App is free and available to all families to download.

Step 1 – Search & Download Qkr! & Install

On your Android phone or iPhone.

Step 2 – Sign up (Parent / or Guardian)

Follow prompts on the screen to register.

i.e email address – select sign up then follow the prompts as directed.

Step 3 – Search

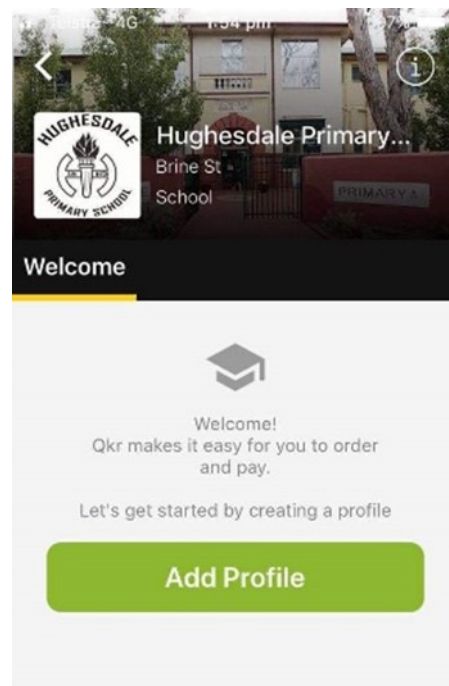
Search for **Hughesdale Primary School**

Click on link.

Step 4 – Add Profile for your child/ren

When first accessing Hughesdale you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child – **Add Profile**

Step 5 – Select Menu and Start Ordering



Orders must be placed via the App the night before. You cannot order on the same day.

Compass Update

When paying school fees, incursion/excursion fees, swimming and camp fees by the Compass App on your phone, you will need to access this through the menu. This is located in the top left hand corner (3 dashes)

Once in the menu, please select “Open in Browser”

This will take you into the payment section.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



School Banking 2020

Our School Banking program has exciting rewards to encourage children to practice good savings habits. This year, we've include some environmentally friendly and reusable rewards, plus others that encourage creativity, as well as indoor and outdoor play.

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