



Dates for 2021

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

Principal's Report

METROPOLITAN SCHOOLS COLLECTIVE COMMUNICATION FROM PRINCIPALS

The Victorian Government has announced new arrangements for schools in Victoria from and including Friday 11 June.

Based on advice from the Victorian Chief Health Officer, schools in metropolitan Melbourne will return to face-to-face learning and teaching for all students from and including Friday 11 June 2021.

This means that students will return to on-site learning at school from Friday 11 June.

From 11.59pm Thursday 10 June, consistent with advice for the broader community, school staff and secondary school students aged 12 or older, must wear a face mask at school -

- * in all indoor spaces,
- * in all outdoor spaces when 1.5m physical distance cannot be maintained,
- * when travelling to and from school on public transport, unless an exception applies.

Visitors and parents must also observe this guidance.

Thank you for supporting your children and our school staff this past fortnight. We look forward to seeing our students back at school with their friends and teachers, with school opening at the standard time of 8:50am Friday.

The wellbeing of all our students is our priority and our school staff and teachers are here to support you and your family. Information that might be of assistance to you in talking to your child about COVID-19 is available. If you are concerned about your wellbeing or that of your child, please contact the school so we can talk with you about how we can best assist. Other sources of support include: Parent Line 13 22 89 and Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800.

A reminder that if you, your child, or a family member develops symptoms of COVID-19, you should get tested at a COVID-19 testing facility and stay home.

Each family should regularly check the <u>list of public exposure sites in Victoria</u> (where a person with COVID-19 has attended), and if anyone in the family has attended a site at the times listed, follow the instructions given.

If you are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccination, please check out the <u>website</u> for information and bookings. Like getting tested if you have symptoms, getting vaccinated goes a long way to keeping our communities safe and schools open.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or contact the school if you have any concerns.

.... and in my own words;

There was a collective sigh of relief upon hearing we could welcome all students back to school tomorrow (Friday). My appreciation is deep for the dedication demonstrated by parents, families, teachers, learning support staff, School Council and other school leaders for the collective support of students over the past two weeks.

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| Dates for 2021 | |
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| Term 2 | |
| Monday 14th June | Queens Birthday Holiday |
| Tuesday 15th – Friday 18th June | School Nurse Visit |
| Monday 21st June | School Council Meeting |
| Friday 25th June | • Last Day of Term - 2.30 finish |
| Term 3 | |
| Monday 12th July | Curriculum Day (Pupil Free) |
| Tuesday 13th July | • Term 3 begins |
| Friday 23rd July | School Disco |
| Wednesday 18th August | Book Character Parade |
| Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th August | Book Fair in the library |

HOW TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL

SCHOOL 9570 4808 OSHC 0423 940 728

www.hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au email: hughesdale.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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



We will welcome students back to school with warmth and consideration of the support they may require tomorrow.

The few key reminders from the communications sent to families earlier today (Thursday) include;

- If you have borrowed a device from the school, please send it back tomorrow (Friday). Don't forget the charger please!
- We ask that children are dropped at the external doors to their classroom building. At this stage, parents are welcome to come onto our grounds but please refrain from entering the buildings.
- If you need to enter school buildings, you must enter through the front reception area (Main Entry on the Brine Street side of the school). Anyone who enters must use the Victorian Government QR Code to sign in please.
- Sadly, we will be unable to have Volunteers within the school at this time.
- Swimming Classes (initially scheduled to commence next Tuesday) for Years 2 to 5 will not be occurring. We are working to reschedule this booking and more information will come once we have it.
- There will be no Inter-school Sports for Year 5 and 6 tomorrow (Friday)

If your child is apprehensive about returning to school, please feel free to send an email to their teacher so that we have as

much information as possible to support your child. Hopefully, by having a day at school before the long weekend, children will be more settled and ready for the final two weeks of Term 2.

Sibling & In Zone Enrolments

Just another reminder requesting that families complete an enrolment form for any siblings that may be commencing at Hughesdale Primary School in 2022. The form can be downloaded from https://www.hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au/enrolments and then either dropped in at the office or emailed to the school hughesdale.ps@education.vic.gov.au

If you know of anyone within our school's zone who is planning to send their child to Foundation/Prep next year, I appreciate you finding an opportunity to suggest that they now get their enrolment form to us.

Principal's Learning Awards;

To all of our students for their efforts, whether great or small, during remote learning over the past two weeks.

To our community, for coming back together with gusto tomorrow!

Warmest Regards,

Lisa Gough

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Assistant Principal's Report

AMANDA BREEDEN-WALTON Wellbeing and Daily Organisation

We are so looking forward to seeing students back on site tomorrow in order for them to reconnect and re-engage!

With the return to the routine of onsite learning, many students (and parents too!) can be filled with mixed emotions. It is natural that some students may experience some separation anxiety due to another change along with the ongoing worries that continue about Covid -19. It is important that we keep a lookout for any differing emotions that arise and address them with a team approach in mind.

As adults you are in a challenging position balancing the challenges presented to your families during this time and also adjusting once again to the "new, new, normal". Try to be kind to yourself and monitor your own wellbeing daily so that you are aware when you may be less resilient or tolerant than usual and take action in the form of self care to restore some balance.

If you suspect your child will struggle transitioning back to school, please let us know so that we can be best prepared to provide consistent support when they arrive at school.

School Nurse Visit

Our school nursing program has been rescheduled and will begin next week. Samantha Kottek, our visiting school nurse will be onsite from Tuesday 15th June.

Samatha will see all Foundation students whose parents have given consent.

Should you have any concerns or questions, you wish to

discuss with the school nurse, please feel free to contact me and I shall be happy to connect you.

Assemblies

Assemblies will resume as of tomorrow, but these will be for students only. Awards and achievements will be announced and certificates will be presented. Although we will miss having parents present, we feel it is important to continue this routine for the students and allow them to share and

celebrate together.

Hello from Rango

Rango, our wonderful blue tongue lizard, has missed the noise and activity in the corridors. Each day he has been making his way to the front of his



enclosure to look out for students. He will be delighted to see everyone and have some special attention tomorrow!

Take care, stay warm and healthy,

Amanda Breeden-Walton

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Happy Birthday to the wonderful staff and students at Hughesdale who celebrate their birthdays in June.



Aarushi 6B Percy 6C Claire 6A Marshall 6A Lucy 6B Sam 5B Harley 5C Georgia 5C Charles 5A Lanai 5A Jean 4B Lachlan 4B Matthew 4B Nellie 4A Asher 4C David 3D Charles 3D Cara 3C Andreas 3C Jacob 3C Oscar 3C Madison 3B Isabella 2D Hugh 2D

Luke 2D
Maximillian 1C
Lily 2C
Henry 1C
Tanvi 2B
Melody 1C
Matteo 1B
Silvie 1B
Lola FD
David FA
Tommy FC
Harry FC

Rohan FD Murphy FC Mabel FA Ellie FC Ananya FB And our staff -Miss Kharsas

Ms Wylie

Mrs Kinner

John FB

Reports and Conferences

Semester One Reports

At Hughesdale Primary we ensure there is ongoing assessment, monitoring and recording of each student's performance and provide each student and parent with access to accurate information about learning. Semester One Reports will be accessible through Compass, under the reports tab, from 9am on Wednesday 23rd June. These reports have returned to the same format and content as pre-2020. This means that student reports will include teacher judgements on a five-point scale (progression points), however as this was not the case for all subjects in 2020, some subjects will show different amounts of growth:

- In Semester Two 2020 teacher judgements were provided for English, Numeracy and Physical Education and this Semester you will see your child's growth over 6 months in these areas.
- For Specialist Subjects and all other Curriculum Areas teacher judgements have not been reported on for 18 months (since Semester Two, 2019) due to the remote learning implemented for COVID19. In this Semester's report you will see your child's growth over 18 months in these areas.

Three Way Conferences - 3WC (meetings for parents, students and teachers)

3 Way Conferences will be held for all Year levels in the second week of Term Three. These provide an important forum for students, parents/carers and teachers to come together to acknowledge and discuss learning. The 3 Way Conference purpose is:

- To build a whole school approach to the mid-year meeting that fosters collaboration and partnership amongst students, parents and teachers;
- To utilise the conference as an authentic Speaking and Listening task with scaffolded learning expectations and outcomes;
- To ensure the mid-year meeting with parents, students and teachers, is utilised to share prior achievement, future challenges and student self-reflection.

You will be able to book a meeting for you and your child to meet with the teacher on one of the following days:

Monday 19th July (until 5:30pm) All Foundation, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4, Year 6, Year 5, 2B

Tuesday 20th July (until 5:30pm) 2A, 2C, 2D,

Wednesday 21st July (until 7pm) All Classes

- Compass Conferences online will be open for bookings from Tuesday 13th July 9am until Friday 16th July 3pm.
- 3WC meetings will be conducted via Zoom, if you would like a face to face meeting please contact the classroom teacher.
- The length of the meeting is 10 minutes.
- There will be a strong focus on individual student progress and goal setting.
- It is advisable for parents with more than one child to leave a slot between meetings.

Kind regards

Mandy Prokupets

Learning Specialist: Assessment and Reporting

Level 5's Science Experiments

In Level 5 we are learning about different environments and the adaptations required of fauna and flora to survive in these environments.

To support our research and inquiry, we have been conducting experiments to understand the impact of different environments on flora and water retention.

In groups, Level 5 collected leaves in a bag and placed them in different conditions, such as on a window sill (in sunshine) or in a box out of direct sunlight.

Students recorded their **predictions** and provided **reasoning** for what they thought would happen to the leaves in the bags.





Some lucky onsite learners were able to make some **observations**, one week after the leaves were placed into the bags.

They **explained** what they had learnt.

During Circuit Breaker Lockdown Level 5 continued their inquiry and investigated water retention and the variables that influence water retention.

Students conducted an experiment where they placed water on 2 paper cloths. A variable was changed for each cloth, such as being placed in the sun/shade, the cloth colour or the surface area of the cloth.

Students monitored the changes in the weight of the cloths over time, to assess how much water was retained or lost.

Prediction – The leaves will die.

Reason – Because the leaves have no water and aren't connected to the roots.

Observe – There has been lots of water come out.

Explain – Water has come out of the leaves because it is no longer connected to other leaves and the roots.

- Zoe Easton

Prediction – I predict the leaves will die.

Reason – Because there is nothing to supply the leaves.

Observe – Some of the leaves water has come out, some of them have turned brown.

Explain – The water has evaporated, there's no nutrients left.

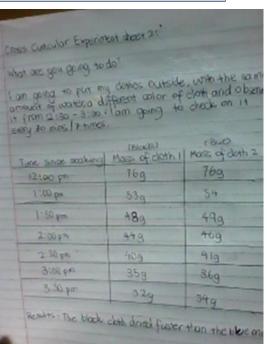
- Raphael Gnatyshin

Cheyanne changed the colour of her cloths.

She predicted "The black cloth will weigh less as it might dry faster".

Her research proved accurate as the black cloth weighed slightly less than the blue cloth.

- Cheyanne Tan





Newsletter

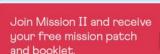




EXTRAORDINARY HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

Bookings now open for Mission II

www.campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers







A message from your Coordinator

Dear families,

Hope everyone is safe and sound. We are eager to welcome all the children back to your OSHC.

We are very excited to share that at your OSHC, we have planned an incursion by "Hands on Science". In the incursion, we would like to nurture children's scientific curiosity through lots of experiments. The incursion is currently scheduled on 24th of June 2021. This incursion is included as part of regular session, so no additional charges will be levied for this incursion. So, register your child as soon as possible for this exciting and educational incursion.

Looking forward to welcoming back all the children at your OSHC soon.

-Richa and team

Activities coming up

- Sand artwork
- Construction challenge with Lego
- · Rocking Snowman craft

What's on the menu

- · Healthy cereals with milk
- Fresh fruits and vegetables
- Yummy popcorn

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.





SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CLINICS

MONDAY 28TH & TUESDAY 29TH JUNE

@ WAVERLEY BASKETBALL STADIUM

5-7 YEAR OLDS: 9AM-10:50AM

REGISTER HERE:

HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/757276

8-11 YEAR OLDS: 11AM-1PM

REGISTER HERE:

HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/757312



Supporting ourselves and others

From time to time we may find ourselves or others around us in need of supports



1800 551 800 www.kidshelpline.com.au



131114 www.lifeline.org.au



1300 224 636 www.beyondblue.org.au



1800 888 236 www.directline.org.au



Child FIRST



FIND THE HELP YOU NEED, NOW AND NEARBY.

Food Security www.askizzy.org.au/food



Family Violence Support https://www.orangedoor.vic.gov.au