



Hughesdale HAPPENINGS

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Principal's Report

August 30th 2018 Issue 25

2018 Parent Information Evening and Annual General Meeting

I take great pleasure in formally inviting you to the 2018 AGM on **Monday 17th September 2018**.

Our teachers and our students have worked tirelessly to research, develop, and immerse themselves in a whole school approach to the teaching and learning of Writing. Now it is your turn!

We have invited Mr Danny Hyndman, expert literacy consultant and educator, to speak to our parent community about how we teach Writing, and how you can support your child through this process. Danny has kindly made himself available to us by supporting this unique opportunity, as we work to ensure all members of our community (students, teachers and parents) have opportunities to learn about this important work.

The evening will commence at 6:00pm with a brief AGM, followed by Danny's presentation. As I expect that this will be a popular event, we do ask that you RSVP so we can ensure the numbers attending can be accommodated. Please register your attendance in *one of three ways*;

1. Online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9RNWJPP>
2. Via email on hughesdale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
3. Or by phone - (03) 9570 4808

Teamwork

This week I am proud to be sharing an exciting example of our teachers immersing themselves in a learning environment, and embracing the opportunity inherent in our school value of *Teamwork*. As we round out our review and development of a rigorous whole school Writing approach, our teachers are working collaboratively with broader networks to lead work in this area.

We are part of a FISO network, consisting of 5 schools all working to develop and enrich teaching and learning in the area of Writing. FISO stands for "Framework for Improving Student Outcomes", and last Wednesday we hosted all five schools as we analysed research, compared current practice and refined the use of student learning goals to meet the needs of all learners. It was a great privilege to host this inaugural learning opportunity, which has paved the way for further collaboration in Term Four and beyond.



Term 3

Friday 31st August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L4 Polly Woodside & Captain Cooks Cottage Excursion • Junior School Assembly • Father's Day Twilight Event
Monday 3rd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Athletics
Friday 7th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Early Start • Junior School Assembly
Saturday 8th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working Bee and Senior school Football Game
Thursday 13th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VSSS (Victorian State School Spectacular) Full Day Rehearsal
Friday 14th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VSSS Full Day Rehearsal • Senior School Assembly
Saturday 15th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VSSS Performances Hisense Arena
Monday 10th - Friday 21st September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F-2 Intensive Swimming Program
Friday 21st September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior School Assembly • Last of Term 2.30 finish

Term 4 Dates

Tuesday 16th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L3 Aquarium Excursion
Friday 19th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L1 Late Stay
Thursday 25th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jump Rope for Heart
Friday 26th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandana Day • L2 Sleepover
Wednesday 31st October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L2 MCG Excursion
Wednesday 7th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L3 Star Lab Incursion

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Principal's Report cont:

Thank you

I would like to thank the many families who responded to our Survey Monkey, asking you to share your opinion on the Student Led Conferences (SLC) and our school's Newsletter. I would like to update you on how this has influenced our decisions so far.

We were given a great deal of quality feedback on the booking process for SLC's and as a result, have decided to overhaul our data management system. This work will support a more streamlined approach, eventually replacing our push notification program (Flexibuzz), and our SLC bookings. Importantly, it will facilitate the introduction of online payments and parent permission forms in 2019, as well as SMS notifications for student absences. Other benefits will also be gradually rolled out, with additional functionality added over the following 12 months.

We also appreciate the comments and data provided on our Newsletter, and from today will be moving to a fortnightly publication. Mrs Breeden-Walton and I are working to avoid replication in our articles, while we will continue to use this form of communication to share news and events with the community. It seems that the dates on the first page have also been well received.

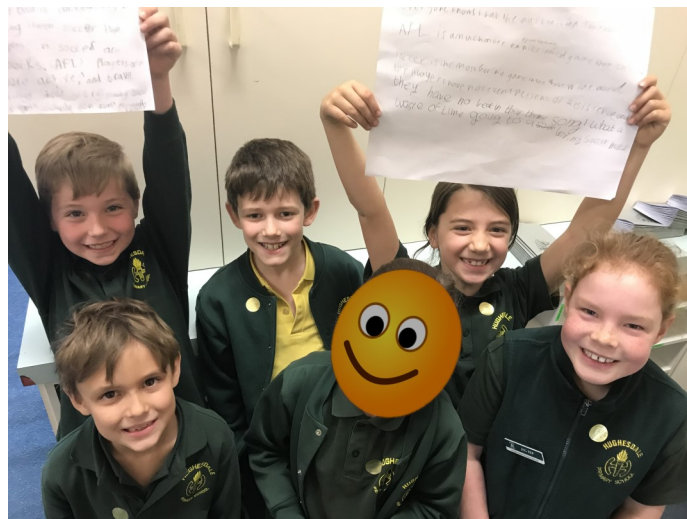
As we continue to unpack the information you have provided, I will update you with further refinements as they are made.

Parent Opinion Survey Reminder

Please forgive me a brief plea to families who were randomly selected to participate in the Hughesdale Primary School Parent Opinion Survey in 2018. We have had a very low response rate so far, and would so deeply appreciate your response. Please contact Bridene or myself if you have deleted this email and would like it to be resent.

Learning shared with me this week.

Simon, Wan, Ashwin, Alex, Vyom, and Vivan from 4A came to share their great team work when brainstorming ideas for excellent word choice.



Sarah, Ned, Alyssa, Zoe, Rafael and Harley from 2A explained the "We do it together" part of our Gradual Release of Responsibility Model when demonstrating teamwork. They collaboratively wrote amazing introductions to Persuasive writing topics.

April from 1C shared her success at soccer on the weekend.

Mauve, Amelia and Zoe from 4C visited me to share their application of our school values, using *Teamwork to learn about BODMAS*.



Jae from 2D demonstrated a thorough understanding of Number Sentences, Groups Of, Repeated Addition, Skip Counting and Arrays.

Kindest Regards,

Lisa Gough

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Assistant Principal Report

Level 6 Production - 'Mate'

What a wonderful opening night!

Congratulations to the level 6 students for their creativity and enthusiasm in writing and compiling this years show 'Mate' focusing around the theme of friendship. The evidence of your teamwork and personal best certainly was on show when you stepped on stage. We wish you all the best with your final show tonight.

Pre Show entertainment was by the amazing level 3 students who sung a wonderful collection of songs with great enthusiasm. "You truly did warm the crowd". We are looking forward to watching the level 4 performance this evening.



Working Bee - Next Saturday 8th September 9 - 1

We warmly welcome all families to join together with the Hughesdale community to achieve some of the following tasks:

- Construct edging around new play space along the side of the netball court
- Distribute soft fall around playground and new edged off area of playground.
- General gardening / weeding
- Mowing nature strips and tidy up around outside perimeter and footpaths.
- Spray weeds in carpark
- Using the blower and leaf sweeper to tidy up around artificial grass
- Weed garden
- Put together and place Admiral Play boats in playground
- Sift sand
- Repair of garden beds / sleepers
- Top up in long jump pit and sand pit.
- Weed around new plantings / tree guards
- Green garden seating to be placed in new garden area.
- Tape all padding back onto poles around the school.
- Reduce tan bark level around the electrical cabinet at the front of the school
- Place stickers on new "Take Home Readers"
- Remove shower screen and aluminium frame from shower in First Aid Room

All equipment will be supplied.

Upon arrival, please ensure you sign in in order to record your attendance.

For catering purposes, could you please e-mail and indicate how many adults and children will be in attendance for our "Down tools and socialize" sausage sizzle at 1 pm.

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Looking forward to seeing you all on **Saturday 8th September.**



Jump Rope for Heart - October 25th

Jump Rope for Heart is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for 35 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since Jump Rope for Heart started in 1983, schools have been skipping to raise awareness and funds toward heart health.

Students will be skipping on Thursday 25th October from 9.10 - 10am, and are encouraged to bring along a gold coin donation on the day.



Community Youth Group for Level 6 students

Please see the information flyer following about an exciting program for our students in level 6 who are transitioning to Secondary School. As we know moving to Secondary school can be a exciting time, but also one that can be a little overwhelming as well. This program has had some wonderful reviews and best of all it is free.

TRY Monash Youth in the Hood Friendship, Wellbeing, Resilience



Free Community Youth Group for students transitioning to high school

Together we will:

- Connect young people with their local community
- Build peer friendships and develop social skills
- Have fun doing a variety of activities that promote wellbeing and resilience
- Provide strengths based mentoring (by TRY staff and volunteers) and increased developmental assets

Details:

Tuesdays (during school terms) 4:00-5:00pm

Commencing October 9th

Mackie Road Neighbourhood House

Enrolments:

Group size is limited. We are currently inviting referrals of year 6 students who would benefit from extra support. Please contact us to discuss the referral and enrolment process.



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premiers' reading challenge

Dear Parents,

Just a reminder that The Premiers' Reading Challenge is ending soon so if your child is participating in this, please ensure all of their data has been entered before the closing date of September 7th 2018. Books that have been completed need to be entered in order for teachers to do the final verification on the 7th. No data can be entered by parents or teachers after September 7th.

In October: The Online Honour Roll featuring a congratulatory video will be published on the Challenge website at www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

In November: Certificates will be issued to school principals for distribution.

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any queries regarding the challenge.

Caulfield Little Athletics invites all boys and girls aged between 5-15 years to join our 2018-2019 Season!



Welcome to Caulfield Come and Try:
Saturday 15 September
OR Saturday 22 September
Time: 9:00am to 11:00am

Location:
Duncan Mackinnon Reserve,
Cnr North & Murrumbidgee Rd,
Murrumbidgee

Registration and Information Day:
Saturday 8 September
Time: 2:00pm to 4:00pm

More information:
caulfieldlac.com.au
Come and Try & Registrations
- email Donna at
registrar@caulfieldlittleathletics.org.au

All new members who join before 4 October will go into the draw to WIN a CLAC sports bag and uniform!
Register by Thursday 4 October. Drawn at the track on Saturday 6 October.



Parents + Friends News

Fun Father's Day Event TOMORROW!

Our special event for children and their dads/guardians is on Friday 31st August from 4.30pm – 6.00pm. There will be some fun sporting activities and a sausage sizzle. The coffee van will also be coming so don't forget some money. Come along and join in the fun!

Fun at HPS for children and dads/guardians/special people - Friday 31st August

We are having a special event for children and their dads/guardians! On Friday 31st August from 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm come and join in the fun with some sporting fun and a sausage sizzle (pre-ordered vegetarian option available). Save the date in your diaries now!

Volunteering opportunities for Father's Day – WE NEED YOU!

As always we appreciate the time that you donate to making our events a success. If you are able to assist, opportunities for Father's Day events are as follows:

Friday	2 pm – 3.30 pm:	assist with collecting sausages, drinks, bread
	3.45 pm – 4.30 pm:	assist with setup
	4.30 pm – 5.30 pm:	assist with BBQ
	5:30 pm – 6:30 pm:	assist with BBQ and pack up

Please email hps_pf@yahoo.com.au to let us know when you can assist.

Thank you all in advance!

Father's Day Gift Purchases

A big **thank you** to Dora who organised, packed and distributed the gifts for Father's Day this year. What an amazing effort - thank you Dora for all of your planning and time!



Annual P&F Brainstorming Meeting – Friday 7th September, 9.05 am in the staffroom

This meeting involves coffee, morning tea and sharing of ideas as we plan events and activities for 2019!

Please come along and contribute any ideas that you would like to see at HPS in 2019. We are also looking for volunteers that may like to join the P&F coordinating team in 2019. If you need more information, please don't hesitate to contact Rozelle or Camille on HPS_PF@yahoo.com.au

We look forward to hearing from you!

SAVE THE DATE - our next Bunnings BBQ is approaching - Saturday 13th October

We welcome your help for this event! Please email: hps_pf@yahoo.com.au if you'd like to help us cook, serve and sell.

Join us!

We are also looking for volunteers interested in joining the P&F coordinating team in 2019. For more information, please don't hesitate to contact Rozelle or Camille on HPS_PF@yahoo.com.au

We look forward to hearing from you!

Rozelle and Camille
2018 P&F Coordinating Team

CARNIVAL 2019!!!

Can you believe it is that time again? As you all know the biennial carnival is a highlight for our school and we are on the lookout for a main coordinator and additional volunteers to join the 2019 team! If you would like to coordinate the carnival or be part of the committee we would love to hear from you. Please email P&F on hps_pf@yahoo.com.au and let us know.