

Hallam Primary School's learning and teaching programs support and promote the principles and practice of Australian democracy, including a commitment to elected government, the rule of law, equal rights for all before the law, freedom of religion, freedom of speech and association and the values of openness and tolerance.

Hallam Primary School has a zero tolerance approach to child abuse.

## Start of Term 3

Term 3 commenced on Monday 12 July 2021. The recent resignations of two teachers necessitated re-configuration of classes in the 5-6 and 3-4 Modules. Parents of students in these classes have been advised and students are now settled with their new teachers.

Ms Lara Monk is now the class teacher in 12E. She has been supported by Mrs Farrar and Mrs Way this week prior to them both being reallocated to support roles before taking Family Leave. Parents of students in 12E were advised at the end of Term 2.

## Personal Mobile Phones & Devices Policy

The full policy is available on our school's website

Students and parents are reminded of the Department of Education and Hallam PS's policy in relation to mobile phones. For the purpose of this policy, "mobile phone" refers to mobile phones and any device that may connect to or have a similar functionality to a mobile phone, such as smart watches.

This policy applies to:

- All students at Hallam Primary School and,
- Students' personal mobile phones [and other personal mobile devices] brought onto school premises during school hours, including recess and lunchtime.

At Hallam Primary School inappropriate use of mobile phones is **any use during school hours**, unless an exception has been granted, and particularly use of a mobile phone:

- in any way that disrupts the learning of others
- to send inappropriate, harassing or threatening messages or phone calls
- to engage in inappropriate social media use including cyber bullying
- to capture video or images of people, including students, teachers and members of the school community without their permission

- to capture video or images in the school toilets, changing rooms, swimming pools and gyms
- during exams and assessments

At Hallam Primary School:

- Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school must have them switched off and securely stored (Administration Office) during school hours
- Exceptions to this policy may be applied if certain conditions are met (health and wellbeing-related exceptions)
- When emergencies occur, parents or carers should reach their child by calling the school's office.

## Complaints Policy

The full policy is available on our school's website

Concerns, in the first instance, should be directed to your child's class teacher or the year level Team Leader. Where possible, school staff will work with you to ensure that your concerns are appropriately addressed. Where concerns cannot be resolved with the class teacher or Team Leader, parents or community members may wish to direct their concerns to the Assistant Principal or Principal.

**Under no circumstances should a parent approach any student or parent about their concerns Inside or outside of the school.**

Hallam Primary School encourages parents, carers or members of the community who may wish to submit a complaint to:

- carefully consider the issues you would like to discuss
- remember you may not have all the facts relating to the issues that you want to raise
- think about how the matter could be resolved
- be informed by checking the policies and guidelines set by the Department and Hallam Primary School

## **E**nrolment Inquiries for 2022

Enrolments for all year levels at Hallam PS for the 2022 school year are now being accepted.

To be eligible for enrolment in Prep for 2022, children must turn 5 before 30 April 2022. Parents will need to provide proof of date of birth in the form of a birth certificate or passport. Visa information will also be required for children born overseas.

Prep Transition Coordinator, Ms Louisa Carey, will be organising school tours, compliant with DFFH (DHHS) CovidSafety protocols and the Department's safety requirements for schools.

Please contact the school for information or check our website. Parents are reminded to check the Find My School website prior to any enrolment inquiry.

## **C**ovidSafety: Current Requirements

Face masks are again mandatory indoors, except at your home. Face masks are recommended outdoors where you cannot maintain 1.5 metres from others.

QR check-in everywhere you visit, no matter how long you spend at that location.

If you have any symptoms, no matter how mild you must get tested for COVID-19. The symptoms to watch out for are:

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss or change in sense of smell or taste.

Some people may also experience headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea.

**If your child has any symptoms they must not come to school. You should make an appointment with your medical practitioner, who may require your child to have a Covid test.**

**You will need to provide a negative Covid test result and/or a medical certificate when your child is well enough to return to school.**

## **S**tephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

Prep and Years 1-2 students are working in the garden and kitchen this semester. This is a very exciting program and provides students with food knowledge and preparation skills.

## **C**ovidSafety at Hallam PS

Restrictions in relation to access to Hallam PS will continue this semester as Victoria continues to respond to the Covid-19 situation. **Parents and visitors are required to wear masks and to register by QR code if they need to enter the Administration Office, or any school building for a Student Parent Teacher Conference.**

Hallam PS continues to monitor DFFH advice and is required to implement the necessary protocols.

## **D**riving and Parking

Parents and drivers are reminded that there are clearly signed parking restrictions along Harmer Road. It has been pleasing to see so many parents and drivers more regularly observing these restrictions.

**The School Crossing requires additional consideration.**

Vehicles must not be parked or stand in prohibited standing places in accordance with the provisions of the Road Rules - Victoria such as:

- on a children's crossing; or
- on the road within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing unless signed otherwise; or
- at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line.

Photos will be taken of any offending vehicles and reported to Victoria Police. This may result in a significant fine.

The safety of our students, families and the Crossing Supervisor are our priority.

## **N**otices

Students and parents are reminded that notices from school need to be checked and actioned within the timeframes advised. Despite the disruptions created by Covid-19 restrictions, Hallam PS staff are trying to plan as many learning experiences for students as is feasible during 2021. This includes swimming, camp and incursions.

## **S**tudents' Semester 1 Reports

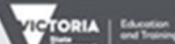
The Department of Education extended the reporting period for schools following the most recent lockdown period. Consequently, students' reports have now been prepared and will be distributed tomorrow, Friday 16 July.

Please read and discuss your child's report with them. Student Parent Teacher Conferences (SPTC) are currently being organised so there will be an opportunity to discuss your child's report with their class teacher. Please ensure you book an appointment.

*Julie Macfarlane*



I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.





**START TERM 3: MONDAY 12 JULY**

**END TERM 3: FRIDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2:30PM**

**HALLAM  
PRIMARY  
SCHOOL**

<b>JULY</b>						
<b>12</b>  <b>START TERM 3 8:45AM</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  <b>5-6 Resuscitate a Mate  End Chocolate Drive</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>5-6 Resuscitate a Mate  1-2 In- cursion: Responsible Pet Ownership</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>  <b>3-4 Swimming</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>3-4 Swimming</b>	<b>21</b>  <b>3-4 Swimming</b>	<b>22</b>  <b>3-4 Swimming</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>  <b>5-6 Swimming  P-2 SPTC</b>	<b>27</b>  <b>5-6 Swimming  P-2 SPTC</b>	<b>28</b>  <b>5-6 Swimming</b>	<b>29</b>  <b>5-6 Swimming</b>	<b>30</b>  <b>1-2 Incursion: RACV Road Safety</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>01 AUG</b>
<b>02</b>  <b>Years 3-6 SPTC</b>	<b>03</b>  <b>Years 3-4 SPTC  Years 5-6 SPTC</b>	<b>04</b>  <b>Years 3-4 SPTC  Years 5-6 SPTC</b>	<b>05</b>  <b>Years 5-6 SPTC</b>	<b>06</b>  <b>P-6 Meet a Lifeguard</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>09</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>District Aths (1)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>District Aths (2)</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>