

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.

Welcome to all new and returning families to Hallam Primary School for the 2022 school year. Staff have used the summer break to refresh and are pleased to welcome your children...our students...back to school. We hope you have also enjoyed the summer break! 2022 is looking like a much better year for students at Hallam PS.

2022 Preps: A very special welcome to our 2022 Prep students. Ms Carey, Ms Kingwell, Ms Chhen, Mrs Mui, Mrs Ebrahim and Mrs Sharp have ensured the best possible start to school for our newest students, and are here to support parents with queries or concerns. **A reminder that Prep students do not attend school on Wednesdays during February.**

Covid Update: Changing circumstances continue to influence the health, wellbeing and safety of students, staff and school communities. **Families are reminded of the protocols designed to prevent the spread of COVID-19:**

- Masks are required to be worn by Year 3-6 students indoors while at school, and outdoors when physical distancing is not possible
- Try to maintain a safe distance from others (at least 1.5 metres)
- Ensure indoor spaces are open and well-ventilated
- Practice regular hand hygiene using soap and water and/or an alcohol-based hand rub
- Cover your nose and mouth with your bent elbow or a tissue when you cough or sneeze
- Get your vaccination or 'booster' as soon as you are eligible
- Unwell? Stay home
- Symptoms? TEST or GET TESTED!

Rapid Antigen Testing
Twice-a-week testing on school days (e.g., Monday and Wednesday) is strongly recommended for the first four weeks.

Testing is conducted by the parent/carer at home.
There is no requirement to report a negative test.

Student: Positive Result on a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT)

1. The **parent/carer or student must report** the positive result to the Department of Health via the [COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form](#) or call centre on [1800 675 398](tel:1800675398).
2. The **parent/carer or student must report the result directly to the school**, preferably using the new [RA Test Portal](#) or by a written note (email) or phone call (9703 1536).

2022 Staffing: We are pleased to announce the appointment of **Ms Melissa Gurtler** to the role of **Curriculum Learning Specialist** at Hallam PS. Ms Gurtler has previously been in a Leading Teacher role at Hallam PS. We have also welcomed **Mrs Meaghan Crawford**, **Mrs Nadine Dubois-White** and **Mrs Celeste Mui** back from leave. **Mrs Jessica Farrar** will return during Term 4 to support the 2023 Prep Transition program. Each of these teachers is highly experienced and skilled in supporting the wellbeing and learning requirements of students at Hallam PS.

2022 Tutor Learning Initiative: Mrs Mui, Mrs Britten and Mrs Dubois-White will be providing Tutor Learning support within the 1-2, 3-4 and 5-6 Modules this year. Students will be included in this program based on assessment data compiled at the start of Term 1.

2022 HALLAM PRIMARY SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Principal	Mrs Julie Macfarlane
Assistant Principal (Wellbeing)	Mrs Shirley Fletcher
Business Manager	Ms Penny Moores
Administration Assistant	Mrs Kerry Fenton
TSS/Technician	Mr Vaughn Bascombe
Learning Specialist (Curriculum)	Ms Melissa Gurtler

Team	Class	Room	Staff Member
Prep	00A	07	Ms Louisa Carey (Team Leader)
	ES-Student Learning Needs		Mrs Zaheda Ebrahim
	ES-Student Learning Needs		Mrs Denise Sharp
	Prep Transition Support (T4)		Mrs Jessica Farrar
1-2	00B	08	Ms Meg Kingwell
	00C	09	Ms Annie Chhen
	12A	01	Ms Paige Dang
	Commons	02	
	12B	03	Mrs Jackie Lee (Team Leader)
	TLI Teacher Liaison	04	Mrs Celeste Mui
	Multi-cultural Education Aide		Mrs Razia Mouradi
	12C	05	Ms Stephanie Vawser
	12D	Mod5 18	Ms Sara Ong
	12E	Mod5 19	Mrs Meaghan Crawford
3-4	34A	14	Mr Rob Coxon (Team Leader)
	TLI Teacher	16	Mrs Eliza Britten
	ES-Student Learning Needs		Mrs Melissa Sullivan
	ES-Student Learning Needs		Mrs Charlotte Cox
	34B	15	Ms Amy Kong
5-6	34C	17	Mr Simon Way
	56A	10	Mr Stefan Atkinson
	56B	11	Ms Deb Nield (Team Leader)
	TLI Teacher	Creative Space	Mrs Nadine Dubois-White
	ES-Student Learning Needs		Ms Carmelita Gomes
	ES-Student Learning Needs		Mrs Deanne Ashton-Smith
	56C	12	Ms Robyn Unthank
56D	13	Mr King Tangso	
Specialists	Science & Tech	STEM	Mrs Dianne Burns (Team Leader)
	Arts	Mod4	Mrs Cheryl King
	Phys. Ed.	Hall	Mr Brendan McCarthy
Intervention	F&P LLI	BER	Mrs Jenny Karwath
	MiniLit	STEM	Mrs Lynda Morgan
	MacqLit	BER	Mrs Sarah Calderwood
SAKG/Breakfast Club	SAKG	Kitchen	Mrs Kathy Van Eck
	SAKG	Garden	Mrs Deanne Ashton-Smith
	Breakfast Club	Hall	Mrs Charlotte Cox M-F 8:30-8:45am
Playgroup	Playgroup	Hall	Jo Longo (Save the Children-Small Talk)
	ES		Zaheda Ebrahim (Tuesdays)
	MEA		Razia Mouradi (Tuesday)
Allied Health	Program	Room	Provider
	Speech	Counselling 2	Mrs Majella Booker (M/T/W)
	Psychology	Counselling 3	Mr Jonathan Parker (F)
	OT		Mrs Joyce Chan
	CNN Speech Pathologist		TBA
	CNN Psychologist		TBA

NOTICE TO PARENTS/CARERS

Reporting positive COVID-19 cases from 31 January 2022

Each student is being allocated a pack of five (5) Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs). These are being made available for **twice-a-week testing of your child on school days** (e.g., Monday and Wednesday), **which is strongly recommended** for the first four (4) weeks.

The pack will be sufficient for **two (2) tests in Week 1** and **two (2) tests in Week 2**. Another pack will be provided for Week 3 and Week 4, after a further delivery from the DET.

TESTING IS CONDUCTED BY THE PARENT/CARER AT HOME.

Information about how to do a test, including a **how-to video translated into 33 languages**, is available online at

[Rapid antigen testing in schools - information for parents and carers.](#)

There is no requirement to report a negative result.

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Students who test positive must isolate at home for seven (7) days.

Where a student is a household contact of a positive case the parent/carer or student must inform the school and isolate at home for seven (7) days.

Where schools receive a report of a positive test through a phone call or written notification, schools must enter the relevant information into the *Schools COVID Case Management Tool* and provide relevant advice to the school community. **This will be managed within the Administration Office.**

The Principal will provide general advice to the community in relation to Covid positive numbers of staff and students, including potential exposure/s.



TERM 1 2022

START TERM 4: FRIDAY 28 JANUARY 2022 (STAFF ONLY)

P-6 STUDENTS COMMENCE: MONDAY 31 JANUARY 2022

8:45AM–3:30PM

END TERM 1: FRIDAY 8 APRIL 2022

2:30PM DISMISSAL

JANUARY/FEBRUARY/MARCH 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
31 STUDENTS COMMENCE 8:4AM-3:30PM	01 FEBRUARY	02 PREPS DO NOT ATTEND	03	04	05	06
07	08	09 PREPS DO NOT ATTEND	10	11 District Swimming Trials Freeway Sport 4-5pm	12	13
14	15	16 PREPS DO NOT ATTEND	17 SCHOOL COUNCIL 7:00PM	18	19	20
21	22	23 PREPS DO NOT ATTEND	24	25	26	27
28	01 MARCH	02 Y4-6 After School Program Lacrosse (1) 3:30-5:00pm	03 Y2-4 After School Program Netball (1) 3:30-5:00pm	04 District Swimming Carnival CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY	05	06
07 Hallam PS House Cross Country	08	09 Y4-6 After School Program Lacrosse (2) 3:30-5:00pm	10 Y2-4 After School Program Netball (2) 3:30-5:00pm	11	12	13