



Hallam Happenings

14 December 2023

Term 4 #6

<http://www.hallam-ps.vic.edu.au/>



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Schools

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.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land where we work and live, the Bunurong People of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

2024 Student Stationery List

Parents and students are reminded that if you intend to purchase **2024 stationery requirements through KAKA Kids**, your order needs to be placed **on or before Wednesday 20 December 2023**. Your child's stationery order for 2024 will then be delivered to Hallam PS and available when your child commences

Orders placed after this date incur a \$14.95 surcharge fee per child.

Please use the QR code to place your order and process payment.



Semester 2 2023 Student Reports-Parent Portal

Parents are reminded of the importance of loading the COMPASS app onto their phone. Your child's academic reports will be published through the parent portal. **Semester 2 2023 Student Reports should be available through the parent portal on Friday 15 December 2023.**

Assistance with loading COMPASS is available at the Hallam PS Administration Office.

Enrolment in 2024

We have continued to receive enrolment inquiries for the 2024 school year. Please contact the office if you require further enrolment information or wish to arrange a school tour.

If your child is moving to a new school for the start of the 2024 school year, please complete the form at the bottom of this page and return it to the school, as soon as possible, to assist with staffing and structuring arrangements next year.

Year 6 Farewell - Friday 15 December 2023

We look forward to the Year 6 Farewell and celebrating students achievements during their primary years with family and friends. We wish all departing Year 6 students a relaxing break and a positive commencement in Year 7 at their various secondary colleges in 2024.

2024 Staffing and Classes

On the last day for student attendance for this year, Tuesday 19 December, students who will be at Hallam PS for 2024 will visit their new learning space, and in most cases, will meet with their new teacher/s for an hour. Not all staff commencing with us in 2024 will be available for the *Meet this Teacher* session due to current teaching commitments at other schools.

Please note that dismissal on Tuesday 19 December is still 3:30pm as it is not the last day of term.

Julie Macfarlane

MY CHILD WILL NOT BE ATTENDING HALLAM PS IN 2024

Student Name	2023 Year Level	Transferring to (School Name) for 2024
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date:

Brekkie Club '23



Croissant Christmas today... delicious croissants with jam and butter ... what a festive way to start the school morning...

Thank you to our wonderful staff who have helped out in Brekkie Club all year under the watchful eye of Mrs Charlotte Cox... and with the valuable assistance of our Brekkie club monitors. All teachers are rostered to assist cooking toast, serving spaghetti, shuffling cereal into bowls, pouring milo and helping clean up. Your support is appreciated. Thank

Brekkie Club... open M—F

Come along... 8.30am—8.45am
Have some fun and join in...
Milo Mondays ...

6638 breakfasts provided this year.... That's a lot of toast!





GINGER BREAD DOUGH.

INGREDIENTS.

1 kg plain flour	360 gm butter (softened)
600 gm golden syrup	250 brown sugar
2 table spoons ginger	$\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon cinnamon
$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon bi carb soda	

METHOD.

Soften the butter
 Place all of the ingredients into the bowl of a mixer.
 Using the k beater bring them all together to form a dough.
 Allow to rest for 15 mins.
 Push the dough into the ginger bread mould and place on a flat tray.
 (Alternatively roll out the dough and cut out shapes).
 Bake in a moderate oven until just firm to the touch.
 18 -20 mins
 The dough hardens as it cools.
 Note: it is better to slightly over cook than under cook as we need the dough to be rigid to build the house.

Royal Icing.

Ingredients.

500 grammes pure icing sugar
 1 egg white (or 5 tablespoons of meringue powder)
 Squeeze of lemon juice

10 tablespoons of water.

METHOD.

Put all of the ingredients into a bowl and mix until smooth.
 If the mix is too runny add a bit more icing sugar.
 If the mix is too dry add a bit more water.
 It should be of a smooth consistency with a soft dropping texture.
 Use to decorate and build your house.





A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES WHO DONATED TO OUR RECENT **FOOD FOR FAMILIES** APPEAL FOR UNITING. OUR STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM HELPED CARRY THE BOXES TO THE VAN TO BE TAKEN TO THE UNITING FOOD DISTRIBUTION CENTRE.

Thank you!



Disability Inclusion Profile



From 2024 Hallam Primary School will transition to the Disability Inclusion Profile (DIP). The Disability Inclusion Profile will further assist us to identify strengths, needs and educational adjustments we can make to assist students with disability and additional learning needs. During 2023, key personnel have been developing knowledge and skills through professional development to support the introduction of the DIP at Hallam Primary School.

Disability Inclusion will enhance our procedures and processes to support students' learning and participation at school. It involves:

- a new Disability Inclusion Profile and school funding model to strengthen support for students with disability
- more resources, training and coaching for our teachers and school staff about the best ways to support students with disability.

The Disability Inclusion Profile replaces the Program for Students with Disabilities (PSD) application process. Over the coming years, families of students who are currently part of the PSD, and other students with disability and additional learning needs, will be invited to participate in a meeting to complete a Disability Inclusion Profile. Hallam Primary School, in partnership with parents, looks forward to continuing to support students to learn and thrive.

If you have any questions about your child's learning or Disability Inclusion, or need translation or interpreting assistance, please contact the school.

Phone: 9703 1536

Email: hallam.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Thank you to Woolworths in Hallam.... What a lovely surprise!!!
Staff received two terrific hampers to share. Woolies have acknowledged the hard working staff here at Hallam PS.

Keeping children safe online during summer holidays

During the summer break, children often spend more time online. Help them to have fun and keep them safe from online risks like inappropriate contact, online grooming and sexual extortion. Here's how:

1. **Stay involved** – regularly check their online activities and connect with them by playing online games together.
2. **Set family rules together** – decide which devices and apps are okay and when to use them.
3. **Teach consent** – Use holiday photos to discuss why asking people before taking or sharing their picture is important. These everyday opportunities to talk about consent can make it easier to say no to an online request that makes them feel uncomfortable.
4. **Stay informed** – A [new joint resource](#) with Crime Stoppers NSW and the ACCE includes tips on signs to look out for and ways to protect your child online. eSafety also has several [resources for parents](#) on how to keep your child safe online.
5. **Know where to get help** – If your child is under 18, the best way to get help on inappropriate contact is to report it to the [Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation](#).

For reporting to eSafety, [learn what you can report and how to report](#).

Keep your child safe online and enjoy the holidays!



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The Holiday Program

Week 1

15 - 18 January
10:00am - 3:00pm
South/East Students

Week 2

22 - 25 January
10:00am - 3:00pm
North/West Students



Activities Include:

Life Saving Club
Football Training/Matches
Futsal Tournament
Bowling & Laser Tag
Football Tournament

JOIN NOW

For more information contact
community@mvfc.com.au



FREE AND OPEN TO ALL SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Holiday Program, funded by the Department of Education and delivered by Melbourne Victory, is on during January 2024. Week 1: 15, 16, 17, 18 January (South & East Schools). Week 2: 22, 23, 24, 25 January (North & West Schools). Participants will join in football, education, and employment sessions, as well as join in on excursions around Melbourne. With spaces in the programs limited, registration is essential. Sign up now!



Moonlit Sanctuary

the best way to see Aussie animals

GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT MOONLIT SANCTUARY KEEPER CLUB

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.
The day includes interactions with dingoes, pythons, feeding animals and food prep, and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment.

For ages 8-14 years



Summer 2024 School Holiday Program Dates:

8:45am sign in – 9:00am start, 2:00pm finish

JANUARY DATES

Week 1: Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Thursday 11th and Friday 12th

Week 2: Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th, Thursday 18th and Friday 19th

Week 3: Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th

Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 9:00 am start - 2:00pm finish

Bookings are essential as spaces are limited to 16 per day

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 | www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au



Victorian Government's Little Anglers Initiative...

At the 2022 State election, the Victorian Government committed to providing Little Angler Kits to students via schools. Year 5 students has been selected to receive these kits based on the Victorian curriculum area of focus, movement and motor development and safety considerations.

The kits will include a fishing rod, reel with line, tackle box with some hooks, sinkers, swivels and a lure as well as a **Kids Guide to Fishing**—ALL FREE! (**a few fishing hooks are provided)

The Government is keen to get more children outside and active, connecting with nature and enjoying time in the great outdoors. Fishing is a great way to do that, which is why the state government is investing \$96m to improve fishing, boating, piers and aquaculture.

[Little Angler Kits - VFA](#) check out the website for further information.

**If you do not wish your Year 5 child to receive a free fishing kit, please contact school.

Kits will be distributed to all Year 5 students on Friday 15 December.



The Library is now closed for stocktake. Please check all your bookshelves at home to see if there are any Library books still loitering in your homes.

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Ms Gomes will be handing out overdue notices for students who have borrowed and not returned their library books...

Please have a careful look around... books cost money.... And we'd love to

have them back on the shelves for others to share.



CASEY 360 SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAY VISITS



**YOUTH
SERVICES**



**SCAN THE QR
CODE TO FIND
THE CASEY
360 BUS.**

**CONNECTED
LIBRARIES**



Doveton Library Summer School Holiday Program



Monday 15 January- Monday 22 January
Doveton Library



connectedlibraries.org.au



Pirate's Cove Eye Spy Room. All ages

Monday 15 January - Friday 19 January, during opening hours
No bookings required

Scratch Art: Coding with Scratch 3.0. Ages 8-14

Wednesday 17 January, 4pm - 5pm
Bookings essential

Drama Games. Ages 7-14

Thursday 18 January, 3pm - 4pm
Bookings essential

Beach Party Toddler Time. Ages 3-7

Friday 19 January, 10:30am - 11am
No bookings required

Summer Storytime with Author Emma Bowd. Ages 3-7

Monday 22 January, 10:30am - 11:30am
No bookings required

Please remember to send your children to school with their **named** SunSmart bottle green broad brimmed hats! The UV is currently high...usually around 11...
NO HAT NO PLAY!!

** When **named** hats are found, we hand them back!



Slip



Slop



Slap



Seek



Slide

We also have some Balino children's sunglasses for sale from *The Eyewear Company*.... High sun glare reduction...good UV protection... in small sizes only for younger students... There are a few snazzy colours left.....
\$10. If interested please see Kerry at the office.



GET ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER PROGRAM ROUND 7 IS NOW OPEN.

Hello

GET ACTIVE KIDS IS excited to announce that **Round 7 of the Get Active Kids Voucher Program** is now open!

In this round, applications for a voucher or a reimbursement will close when the allocation has been exhausted. Vouchers expire 30 April 2024 so members of your community can use their voucher for a summer sport, winter sport or term-based activity.

IMPORTANT DATES

Round 7 opens for applications for a voucher or reimbursement: 10:00 am Tuesday 10 October 2023 until allocation exhausted

Reimbursement expenditure dates: from 8 May 2023 until allocation is exhausted

Vouchers expiry date: Tuesday 30 April 2024

Portal open for Activity Providers to redeem vouchers: Tuesday 10 October 2023 to Tuesday 21 May 2024.

Eligible families can apply for \$200 vouchers and use them at a registered Get Active Kids Voucher Activity Provider without having to worry about upfront costs.

The vouchers can help pay for sporting equipment, uniforms and memberships in a range of activities from club cricket to dance. There's also an opportunity to enrol toddlers in a range of activities including important learn to swim classes.

To be eligible, kids need to be aged 0 to 18 years, a Victorian resident, named on a valid Commonwealth Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card and on a valid Medicare Card at the time of application.

A special consideration stream is also available to support children residing in Victorian Care Services, temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants and international students up to 18 years at the time of application. More information on the special consideration stream is available on the website.

For more information about the program visit getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers

or email us at getactivekids@sport.vic.gov.au

Kind Regards

Get Active Kids Voucher Program Team
Sport and Recreation Victoria

121 Exhibition Street, Melbourne, Victoria Australia 3000
www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/





LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS: Tuesday 19 December 2023 3:30pm Dismissal
END TERM 4 2023: Wednesday 20 December 2023 (Student Free Day)

TERM 1 2024:

Administration Office Opens 24-25 January 2024

Australia Day Public Holiday

Pupil Free Teacher Induction Day 29 January 2024

Pupil Free Professional Practice Day 30 January 2024

YEARS 1-6 Commence/PREPS DO NOT ATTEND



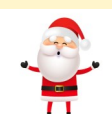
Enrolments/parent payments

Friday 26 January 2024

Students do not attend

Students do not attend

Wednesday 31 January 2024

DECEMBER 2023						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
18 3-4 Gunns Reserve	19 NO PLAYGROUP LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS Dismissal 3:30pm	20 2024 PLANNING DAY (STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND) END TERM 4 2023	21 	22	23	24 Xmas Eve 
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
25 Christmas Day 	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30	31 NY Eve
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						

HAPPY NEW YEAR
2024!

JANUARY 2024						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
22 JANUARY	23	24 ADMIN OFFICE OPEN 	25 ADMIN OFFICE OPEN 	26 AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY	27	28
29 STAFF INDUCTION DAY Students do not attend	30 STAFF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY Students do not attend	31 Back to School  YEARS 1-6 COMMENCE 8:45AM PREPS DO NOT ATTEND	01 FEBRUARY 8:45AM PREPS COMMENCE 	02 PREPS-6 ATTEND 8:45AM	03	04