



Hallam Happenings

21 March 2024

2024 Term 1 #6

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



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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.

PARENT INVITATION-PARENT FORUM

HALL - MONDAY 25 MARCH 2:30-3:30PM

As part of the review process, **parents are being invited to come into the school hall on Monday 25 March from 2:30-3:30pm to speak with members of the Review Panel. Tea and coffee will be available.**

We have asked Mrs Razia Mouradi to be available to assist with translating questions and comments, as required. This will provide the Review Panel with a way of gathering parent opinion about the school in person. This information will be considered as a component of the review process.

REVIEW UPDATE

Validation Day-Tuesday 3 March 2024

The Review Panel, comprising an independent Reviewer, Senior Education Improvement Leader, Challenge Partners (two Principals from local schools) and members of the Hallam PS Leadership Team, discussed the purpose of the review, roles, responsibilities and the context of the school. Hallam PS's performance data was reviewed and discussed, and the Review Panel members walked through the learning spaces to see teachers and students at work. Wellbeing and learning challenges in relation to achieving goals and targets were discussed. Members of the panel met with students to discuss their experiences of teaching and learning at Hallam PS.

At the end of these research activities and discussions, two Terms of Reference (ToR) were developed as the basis for the Fieldwork Day.

Fieldwork Day-Monday 25 March

The Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Fieldwork Day will inquire into teachers' knowledge and understanding about their students and how this informs the planning for teaching and learning, as well as how students at Hallam PS are supported to thrive. There will be a more comprehensive inquiry into all

aspects of the wellbeing, teaching and learning programs and practices at Hallam PS, as well as seeking feedback from students, parents and staff.

The Final (Panel) Day is Tuesday 26 March. A review report, based on all the information gleaned during the Review process, will be developed and provided to School Council next term. Improvement goals and targets, developed on the Final Day, will underpin the school's new 2024-2027 School Strategic Plan (SSP) and 2024 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP)

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The first meeting of the new School Council is tonight at 7:00pm. The new Executive will be elected first, followed by the School Council Meeting.

2024 NAPLAN

The 2024 NAPLAN schedule has concluded, with the only make-up sessions for students who may have been away. 2024 NAPLAN Reports usually arrive at the school for distribution in Term 3.

STEM WILDLIFE INCURSION

Ms Amy Kong has organised an amazing incursion for all year levels next week. This will enable students to interact with a range of animals, such as reptiles, under the supervision of the wildlife carers during STEM sessions as an extra-curricula experience to the Science program.

END TERM 1 2024 Thurs 28 March - 2:30pm

Students and parents are reminded that Hallam PS will finish Term 1 on Thursday 28 March with dismissal at 2:30pm. Please ensure arrangements are in place for your child/ren to be collected at the earlier dismissal time.

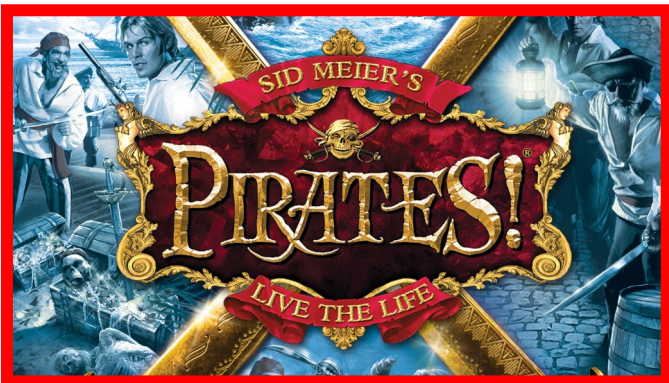
START TERM 2 2024

Tuesday 16 April - 8:45am

Monday 15 April is a student-free day. **Students commence on Tuesday 16 April at 8:45am.**

Julie Macfarlane

Pirates & Fairies FREE DRESS DAY



Ahoy me hearties!!



Hallam PS raised \$250 for State Schools' Relief... a great effort!! Thank you to all those who supported the fundraising for SSR.



Aussie Wildlife Incursion



Payments for the Aussie Wildlife Incursion are due by **TOMORROW Friday the 22nd of March.**

This incursion will cost **\$8.00** and can be paid through **Compass**. Forms have also gone out to students who have not paid. The incursion will occur between the **26th to 28th of March in STEM classes.**

Animals visiting Hallam Primary School include a blackhead python, a pygmy python, a blue tongue lizard, a shingleback lizard, a bare-nosed wombat, a squirrel glider, a redtail black cockatoo and a saltwater crocodile!

This incursion can be paid with CSEF if eligible.

Miss Amy Kong

STEM Program Coordinator



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This certificate is awarded to

Coles at Spring Square

Thank you for your wonderful support
of our Breakfast Club!



On Friday the 22nd of March, our school will be participating in the Nation-wide Ride 2 School Day. Ride 2 School Day promotes a healthy and active lifestyle.

Students can enjoy riding to school on a bike, scooter or skateboard with a helmet! Those who ride or scoot to school will receive a sticker and fruit to start the day. Raffle prizes will be handed out at assembly and throughout the day. Bikes etc will be stored safely behind locked gates during the school day. Students can take their helmets into class.



Prep buddy grades

The Prep students met their Year 3/4 buddies this term and have been busy getting to know each other. They have done reading, get-to-know you activities and have eaten lunch together. They are looking forward to spending more time with their buddies next term!





Beautiful Bee-Bots!

In STEM this term, 1/2 students have been learning about living things and their basic needs. We have learnt about different animals including the saltwater crocodile, the wombat, and the cockatoo. Students planted beans to observe their growth throughout the term.

Students have also been learning to use Bee-Bots to navigate to different locations and create algorithms and sequences to get there.





Junior Development Programs

Please contact for any enquiries



5 to 7 year olds

teagan@caseynetball.com.au



8 to 14 year olds

danielle@caseynetball.com.au

SAFE AROUND SCHOOLS



NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY

Friday 22 March 2024

IT'S SO FUN!



**RIDE2
SCHOOL**

ride2school.com.au



PEDESTRIAN OPERATED SIGNALS

Removal of Supervisors

The City of Casey regularly reviews its school crossing service to identify improvement opportunities to benefit Casey's growing community and Council staff. While the crossings are operated by Council, the rules around how they operate are set by the *Road Safety Act (1986)* and apply to all crossings across the State.

Under the State Government's School Crossing Subsidy Program, and to meet the VicRoads standards for the management of a school crossing supervisor at pedestrian operated signals, it must cross more than 20 primary school children both morning and afternoon to qualify as a designated crossing site.

On major roads where working traffic lights already exist, the *Road Safety Act (1986)* lends no authority for School Crossing Supervisors to stop or direct traffic. Research shows that at these sites, pedestrian operated signals provide the highest level of safety for pedestrians when used correctly.

Following recent pedestrian counts at pedestrian operated signals located on Clyde Road, Princes Highway and O'Shea Road all in Berwick as well as Frawley Road in Hallam, these locations do not qualify for a School Crossing Supervisor. School Crossings Supervisors will no longer operate at these locations from the beginning of term 2, 2024.

While there will no longer be a Crossing Supervisor at the site, we encourage the community to use the existing pedestrian lights as the safest point to cross the road in that location. To assist students and the school community through this change, we encourage you to view and share the VicRoads educational video on the importance of using pedestrian operated signals correctly. You can view the video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=B-Tc0X-9_Xw.

Please share this information, the video and attached flyer with your school community to ensure anyone that uses these pedestrian operated signals are aware of the removal of school crossing supervisors and how to cross the road safely.

In addition, we have a range of educational information that can be located at <https://www.casey.vic.gov.au/safe-around-schools> and share with your school community addressing a range of road safety matters.

The City of Casey will continue to advocate to the State Government for reduced speed zones, better pedestrian sequencing (time allowed for pedestrians to cross an intersection) as well as red and speed light cameras where there are large numbers of school student pedestrians.

Contact the City of Casey:

Web: casey.vic.gov.au
Email: casey@casey.vic.gov.au
Phone: 03 9705 6200
Post: PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805
NRS: 189 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

Customer Service Centres:

Narre Warren: Bunjil Place, Patrick Northcut Drive, Narre Warren
Cranbourne: Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne
ABN: 48 990 285 749





Moonlit Sanctuary

the best way to see Aussie animals

GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!



JUNIOR KEEPER CLUB

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE

Includes feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities.

Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment.

For ages 7-14 years.

WEEK ONE - Tuesday 2nd - Friday 5th April | WEEK TWO - Monday 8th - Friday 12th April

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

>> Inclusive Keeper Club

Thursday 11th April | 2:00pm start - 4:30pm finish | Cost \$99 per day. Price includes one caregiver for each child.

The Inclusive Keeper Club program provides an opportunity for children who love animals but are unable to attend our mainstream Keeper Club program due to specialised learning or physical needs, and who may require additional support from a parent, guardian or carer. For ages 9-18 years.



Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935
www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au
Open daily between 10am and 4pm.



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SO, MY CHILD IS STARTING SCHOOL...



DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES

By the age of 5, children can usually...

- ◆ Follow three part instructions (e.g. put on your shoes, get your backpack and line up outside)
- ◆ Understand time related words (e.g., 'before', 'after', 'now' and 'later')
- ◆ Begin to recognise some letters, sounds and numbers
- ◆ Use well formed sentences to be understood by most people
- ◆ Take turns in conversations
- ◆ Tell simple, short stories with beginning, middle and end
- ◆ Use past and future verbs correctly (e.g. 'went', 'will go')
- ◆ Use most speech sounds, but still may have difficulties with 's', 'r', 'l' and 'th'



SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME

You can support your child's development at home by

- ◆ Talking to your child about experiences
- ◆ Naming things within your environment
- ◆ Talking about the names of objects and how they're used
- ◆ Listening/reading to stories and nursery rhymes
- ◆ Encouraging play
- ◆ Encouraging the use of full sentences
- ◆ Modelling the correct production of sounds

EXTERNAL SUPPORT SERVICES



General development:
Paediatrician



Cognitive development:
Psychologist



Speech and Language:
Speech Pathologist



Motor Skills:
Occupational Therapist



Hearing:
Audiologist

How to support your child's oral language development

- Take time to talk with your child
- Talk about the names of things in your environment
- Talk about the functions of every day tools/items
- Share stories, rhymes and songs on different topics
- Use pictures to retell or make up stories
- Encourage imaginary play
- Praise turn taking and active listening
- Encourage your child to talk about their thinking 🐝



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/



Year 7 2025 Open Night

Wednesday
27th March
5-6pm



Hallam Secondary College invites you to an Open Night for prospective 2025 Year 7 students and their families.

Please join us on Wednesday 27th March where we will be presenting important transition information and provide prospective parents, carers and students with an essential overview of our college structure, programs and values from a range of perspectives.

Registration is essential. To book your place please visit our website or call 9703 1266.

📍 Frawley Road, Hallam VIC 3802
✉ hallam.sc@education.vic.gov.au
🌐 www.hallamsc.vic.edu.au 📱

At Hallam Secondary College, we utilise a multiple pathways approach provides opportunities for all students. Whatever the next step, students finishing at Hallam will have formed a clear sense of what they want to achieve and the pathway to this outcome.

So come along and see how everything we do is focused on identifying and maximising individual potential, through the use of the very best tried and tested teaching and learning practice within a supportive and caring environment.

Our mission is to provide a comprehensive and guaranteed high quality education program that ensures 'Success for All'.



Open Evening

Wednesday 24 April
5:00pm - 7:15pm

All new and prospective families welcome!

5:00pm Welcome Sausage Sizzle	6:45pm Music Performance,
5:30pm Information Session <small>River Gum Performing Arts Centre</small>	to 7:15pm Food Samples/Tea & Coffee. Q&A with School & Domain Leaders
5:45pm Student Led School Tours	



Scan QR code to book

Open Day School Tours

Led by our College Principal and Student Leaders
9:30am & 12:00pm





End Term 1 Thursday 28 March

Start Term 2 Monday 15 April

Tuesday 16 April

Thursday 25 April


Dismissal 2:30pm

Student Free Day

Students commence Term 2 8:45am

ANZAC Day Holiday

MARCH / APRIL 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
18 1-2 SPTC	19 Playgroup 9:00am-Hall  1-2 SPTC	20 1-2 SPTC	21 1-2 SPTC School Council 7:00pm	22 1-2 SPTC Movie Night Y5 & 6 HALL 5:30-8:00PM	23	24
25 SCHOOL REVIEW Fieldwork Day PARENT FORUM HPS Hall 2:30-3:30pm	26 SCHOOL REVIEW Panel Day Playgroup 9:00am-Hall  STEM Wildlife Incursion	27 STEM Wildlife Incursion	28 Year 6 Student Leadership Team Conference Bunjil Place STEM Wildlife Incursion End Term 1 2:30pm Dismissal	29 EASTER & SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	30	31
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