



Hallam Happenings

30 October 2025

Term 4 / #2

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



Smart Schools

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS



CCTV in operation

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.

Future New Buildings for Hallam PS

Leadership are currently in discussion with the VSBA and AOA (an architect firm) about some future building projects planned for HPS. AOA intend to come to our next School Council meeting to consult about ideas and designs with its members. There are some exciting ideas considered, and once funding has been confirmed, plans will be shared with the HPS community.

LAAK Early Learning Victoria

Laak ELV is open for business, with a beautiful new sign on their building. Staff are on site preparing for the 2026 kinder year. We look forward to liaising and sharing some events with Laak over the year. The existing kinder next door will be demolished in January to make way for our new oval. Laak ELV sits on our previous play space/oval.

Temporary fencing will be placed to ensure the safety of our students during the demolition.

Permanent high cyclone fencing will be installed on the Harmer Road side of the oval once the oval is graded, seeded and established. Goal posts for both AFL and soccer, will be placed for our students' enjoyment.

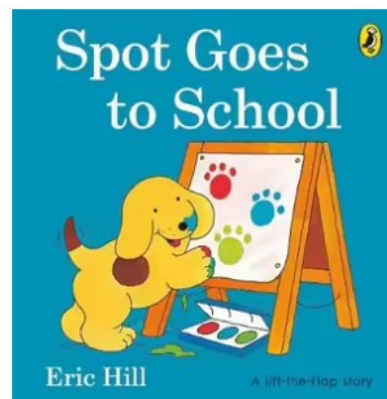
Staffing for 2026

There will be several staff changes next year. HPS

will have some teachers on leave, new personnel employed and we have a few more classes due to increased enrolments. We have very strong Prep enrolments at the moment and 9 students joining us from NPELS (Language School). The wonderful thing about HPS families is that they make new students feel very welcome.

FOUNDATION (PREP) TRANSITION SESSIONS

We met 50 of our 2026 Foundation students on Monday when they attended our first Transition program for this term. Our new littlies met staff, sang some songs and participated in an activity based on the story of *Spot Goes to School*. Some of our senior students helped out in the classrooms... and everyone had big smiles on their faces...



COLOUR FUN RUN FRI 7 NOV 2.30PM
COME AND JOIN US ON THE OVAL!!
STUDENTS WILL BE 'COLOURED'
NO ASSEMBLY THIS DAY.

Shirley Fletcher
Acting Principal

IF YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE ATTENDING HALLAM PS IN 2026 PLEASE LET US KNOW

STUDENT NAME	2025 CLASS	2026 SCHOOL
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World Teachers Day

This Friday 31 October, as well as being Halloween in some countries... and Spooky Dress day for Hallam PS...communities across the country will come together to honour the remarkable difference teachers make. We wish all staff a wonderful World Teachers' Day and commend your dedication and passion in giving Victorian learners the best possible education. We are having a special morning tea for our hard working teachers, as a thank you for all your efforts.



Teacher?
I prefer
the term
Educational
Rockstar

audreylovesparis

Can we officially
make the day
after Halloween
“National Bring
Your Teacher a
Coffee Day”?



YOU CAN'T SCARE ME
I'M A
TEACHER

DIVISIONAL GALA DAY



**HALLAM SPIRIT
SHINING BRIGHT!**



ABOUT SPORTS



OUR YEAR 5 AND 6 STUDENTS
REPRESENTED HALLAM
PRIMARY SCHOOL PROUDLY
AT THE DIVISIONAL GALA
DAY. IT WAS A DAY FULL OF
ENERGY, TEAMWORK, AND
GREAT SPORTSMANSHIP.

TEAMWORK



IN WEEK 2, YEAR 5 AND 6 STUDENTS FROM HALLAM PRIMARY SCHOOL PARTICIPATED IN THE BASKETBALL AND SOFTBALL COMPETITIONS. THE STUDENTS HAD A FANTASTIC TIME, DEMONSTRATED GREAT TEAMWORK, AND SHOWED EXCELLENT SPORTSMANSHIP THROUGHOUT THE DAY.



GLENEAGLES CUP

2025



Last week, our Year 3/4 students represented our school with enthusiasm and pride at the annual Gleneagles Cup! Students competed in Netball, Volleystars, Basketball, and Soccer, showing fantastic teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the day. It was wonderful to see everyone supporting their teammates, trying their best, and having fun. Congratulations to all our players for their effort and positive attitude, and a big thank you to the teachers, organisers, and helpers who made the day possible!



CHORES BY AGE

AGES 2-3

Pick up toys

Wipe up spills

Dust

Clear place at meal time

Help put away groceries

Sort recycling

Put dirty clothes in the laundry

AGES 4-6

Make their bed

Sort laundry and put away clothes

Feed pet

Make a small snack

Set the table

Pull weeds

Water plants

AGES 7-9

Get themselves up in the morning with an alarm clock

Make their own school lunch

Manage an allowance

Fold laundry

Cook simple foods (yes, this means using a knife)

Load and unload dishwasher

Vacuum

AGES 10+

Operate the washer & dryer

Mow the lawn

Basic home repairs

Family budgeting
(Help plan for school clothes or family vacation)

Take an extra job for spending money

Cook a complete meal

Wash the car



What chores do you do?





HALLAM
Community Learning Centre

OPEN DAY



- Face Painting
- Kids Activities
- Live Animal Show
- Garden Workshop
- Food Stalls
- Coffee Van

8TH NOVEMBER 2025

10AM TO 2PM

56 Kays Ave Hallam

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@HallamCLC



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Instagram



www.hallamclc.com.au



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Changes to digital device use

From 2027, the Victorian Government is introducing changes to the use of digital devices for students from Prep to Grade 6.

Under the new guidelines, schools:

- will no longer invite families to purchase or bring their own digital devices to use at school for Prep to Grade 6
- will follow new recommended digital device times, including minimal device time for Prep to Grade 2; and a maximum of 90 minutes per day for grades 3 to 6.

These changes are intended to support families by reducing cost-of-living pressures. They will also support students by reducing screen-time which can reduce the risk of eye strain, sedentary behaviour, and reduced peer interaction. These reforms complement Victoria's nation-leading mobile phone restrictions, ensuring an integrated approach to addressing digital distraction and the inappropriate use of technology.

What this means for our school

As you know, we already provide school-owned digital devices for student learning, so there is no impact on our school's computer programs.

Students with disability who use a digital device as a reasonable adjustment are exempt from these changes.

These changes are intended to support families with cost-of-living pressures and reduce student screen time.

You can read more about the changes on the department's website: [Digital Learning: Policy](#).



TEXTILE, E-WASTE & SOFT PLASTICS DROP-OFF DAY



**LET'S GIVE OUR TEXTILES, E-WASTE
AND SOFT PLASTICS A NEW LIFE!**

This National Recycling Week you can drop off your old textiles, electronics, and soft plastics for free for free so they can be recycled. Bookings are essential.



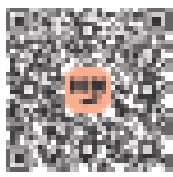
SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER
9.00 AM – 2.00 PM
30 VESPER DRIVE NARRE WARREN 3805

FREE

TEXTILE, E-WASTE AND SOFT PLASTICS DROP-OFF DAY

Got old clothes not suitable for the opp shop, linens, soft plastics or unwanted electronics cluttering your home?

City of Casey is partnering with Textile Recyclers Australia, Ewastec, and APR Plastics to make recycling them easy!



Please read the list of accepted items closely. Bookings essential, scan here.

Please note this event is for City of Casey residents only.

We will only be accepting drop-offs in household quantities - no businesses or large quantities.



**GREEN
LIVING
IN CASEY**



Tel: 131 422 (Planning and Interpreting Service) 03 9592 4444 03 9592 4444 03 9592 4444

CASEYVIC@CITY.CA

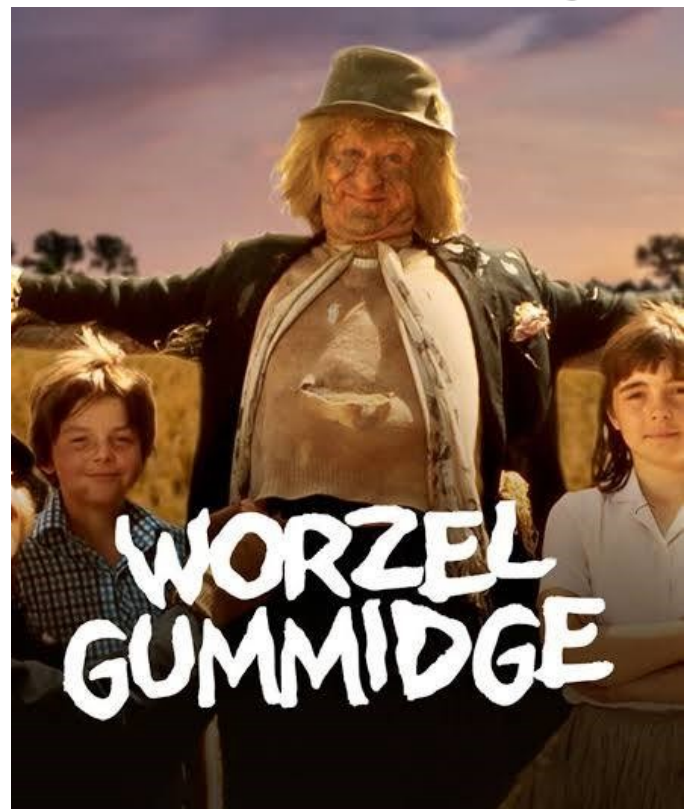


Welcome to Spooky Dress Day!!

Gold coin donation...

Wear spooky dress or
just free dress...

Come along and see
Worzel in the office
behind Kerry!!



Bookings required | Visit our website

FREE



MR MARVELS MAGIC SHOW



Find out
more here

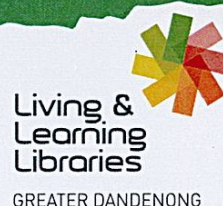
Join us to celebrate the Big Summer Read launch with special guest Mr Marvel. Mesmerising crystal balls, dazzling diabolo, unicycling stunts, comedy juggling routines and mysterious magic are rolled together to create a highly entertaining show for all ages.

Saturday 22 November | 2pm
Dandenong Library

Suitable for ages 4-12 years old. **Bookings required.**



Public Libraries
Victoria



GREATER DANDENONG

libraries.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/bigsummerread



LET'S GO TO THE

DANDY SHOW

ALL WEEKEND
8TH-9TH NOVEMBER

DANDENONG
SHOWGROUNDS
GREAVES RESERVE



DANDYSHOW.COM.AU/TICKETS

KIDS' CORNER

RIDES & FIREWORKS

FOOD STALLS & TRADE SPACE

EXHIBITORS & COMPETITIONS

WIN PRIZES

ANIMAL COMPETITIONS

OUR SPONSORS



Coffey Ford





Hallam Primary School

Uniform Price List

Price as at: 01-10-2025

All Year Round	Colour	Logo	Size	Price(\$)
1100271 Open Hem Rugby Windcheater	Bottle_Gold	NHI	4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	45.45 49.45
1100261 Bomber Jacket- Stripe Rib	Bottle_Gold	NHI	4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	55.45 59.45
1100295 Open Hem Windcheater	Bottle	NHI	4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	39.95 44.45
Summer	Colour	Logo	Size	Price(\$)
1100514 Safety Slouch Hat	Bottle	NHI	8-XL	20.45
1100105 G/S Pique Plain Polo Shirt	Gold	NHI	4-14/XS 16/8-L	31.95 34.95
1160330 Rugby Shorts - Drawstring	Bottle		4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	25.45 28.45
1110355 Gaberdine Zip Pocket Shorts	Bottle		4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	27.95 30.95
1100375 Skort	Bottle		4G-18G/12L	27.45
1103068 Semi Fit Darted Dress	Bottle/Gold/White Check - 288		4G-18G/12L	55.45
Winter	Colour	Logo	Size	Price(\$)
1100155 Long Sleeve Polo Shirt	Gold	NHI	4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	33.95 36.95
1110423 Trackpants - Double Knee - Rib Cuff	Bottle		4-14/XS 16/8-18/M	33.95 37.95
1110465 Classic Pant	Bottle		4G-12G 14G-12L	36.95 38.95
1100468 Bootleg Pants - Cotton Elastane	Bottle		4G-16G/10L	36.45
1104001 Box Pleat Skirt	501-Bottle/Black/Gold Winter Check		12G/6L-18G/12L	61.45
1104002 Box Pleat Tunic	501-Bottle/Black/Gold Winter Check		4G-10G	61.45
2513000 Girls Tights	Bottle		4-6-11-14	16.45
Accessories	Colour	Logo	Size	Price(\$)
1160200 Raincoat	Bottle		4-6-12-14	48.95
1160380 Arsmock with Print	Ink		8-XL	24.45
8360396 Scholar Bookbag	Bottle	NHI	ALL-ALL	17.95
8362220 Trek Junior Backpack 20L	Bottle	NHI	ALL-ALL	52.45
Socks	Colour	Logo	Size	Price(\$)
2511050 Crew Sock - 3 pack	White		9-12-8-11	20.45

Your School Uniform is
available at PSW Hampton Park Retail Outlet
Unit 1 9-11 South Link
Dandenong South VIC 3175
03 9768 0343
Shop online at www.psw.com.au
ABN 52 007 423 627

Trading Hours
Mon to Fri: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm
*Store hours subject to change





REMEMBRANCE DAY

TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

Pillars of Freedom *Clow St Dandenong*
Service commences 11.00am

Donate to our Poppy Appeal:



 **DANDENONG** RSL

03 9792 1535 | <https://www.dandenongrsl.com.au/>

Poppies are on sale at school:

Pins... \$1 Poppy badges ... \$2 Wristbands ... \$3

Our SLT are selling these at lunchtime outside Ms Kong's room 10.

\$100 Power Saving Bonus – Community Outreach Program

Power Saving Bonus Program

The Power Saving Bonus is a \$100 payment providing real help to address the cost of living and drive down energy bills for Victorians in need. Victorian households with an eligible concession card can visit the Victorian Energy Compare website - compare.energy.vic.gov.au - to apply online or apply through the Community Outreach Program.

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible, households will need to:

- Have a recent residential electricity bill
- Hold one of the following concession cards:
 - Health Care Card
 - Pensioner Concession Card
 - Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card
 - Veterans' Affairs Gold Card
- Only one payment per household is available.

Applications open on 25 August 2025 and can be submitted on this website, over the phone, or through a participating community organisation.

For more information visit— <https://compare.energy.vic.gov.au/psb-outreach>





We are supporting Food For Families. Help us help others.



Visit
foodforfamilies.org.au/schools

To our wonderful Hallam PS community:

Please donate non perishable food items, household cleaning, personal hygiene essentials to this year's appeal. Check the back of this notice for ideas...

Boxes have been placed in the corridor just outside the office... We will be collecting from now until the end of November..

Over the past few years we have been so very impressed and sincerely grateful for the support given to Food for Families... thank you!!



Uniting is the community services organisation
of the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania.



Uniting

Food For Families. Thanks to you.



Shopping List.

Food:

- ☐ Pasta, rice and noodles
- ☐ Flour, polenta and couscous
- ☐ Tinned tomatoes, pasta sauces
- ☐ Dried or canned beans, chickpeas and lentils
- ☐ Tinned tuna, salmon and ham
- ☐ Tinned soups, curries and vegetables
- ☐ Baby food, nappies and formula
- ☐ Spreads – e.g. jam, Vegemite
- ☐ Long life milk
- ☐ Tea, coffee, Milo and sugar
- ☐ Stir fry sauces and soy sauce
- ☐ Long life coconut milk and coconut cream
- ☐ Breakfast cereal and muesli bars

Household cleaning:

- ☐ Laundry powder or liquid
- ☐ Multipurpose cleaning products – sprays, toilet cleaner, etc.
- ☐ Dishwashing liquid, scrubs/steel wool
- ☐ Environment bags
- ☐ Bin liners

Personal hygiene:

- ☐ Deodorant (men and women)
- ☐ Shaving cream
- ☐ Razors (men and women)
- ☐ Sanitary items
- ☐ Shampoo, conditioner and soap
- ☐ Toothpaste and toothbrushes

Please remember to:

- ☒ Give undamaged, packaged, non perishable items
- ☒ Check the expiry date
- ☒ Make sure food is sealed
- ☒ Make sure the label is visible
- ☒ Get friends and family involved
- ☒ Share on social media
- ☒ Check drop off locations

Call us
1800 668 426



School Student Broadband Initiative

An Australian Government initiative
powered by nbn

Are you eligible for free nbn broadband at home until December 2025?



Scan the QR for more information.

You might be eligible if you:

- have a school-aged child
- have no active nbn broadband connection or have not disconnected in the last 14 days. Having the internet on a mobile phone is ok
- live in a premises that is serviced by the nbn network

To check your eligibility, or to get help using your voucher:

- Contact the National Referral Centre
1800 954 610 (Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm AEDT)
- www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet
- Callback, webchat, translating and interpreting services are available.



School Student Broadband Initiative

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Dari

آیا تا دسامبر 2025 واجد شرایط nbn براد بوند رایگان در خانه هستید؟

شما ممکن است واجد شرایط باشید اگر:

- یک طفل در سنین مکاتب داشته باشید
- اتصال nbn براد بوند فعال نداشته باشید یا در 14 روز گذشته قطع نشده باشید.
- در داشتن اینترنت در تلفن موبایل مشکلی نداشته باشید.
- در محلی زندگی کنید که توسط شبکه nbn خدمات ارائه می شود

برای بررسی واجد شرایط بودن یا دریافت کمک با استفاده از
سند مصرف:

با مرکز ملی ارجاع 1800 954 610 (دوشنبه تا جمعه،
10 صبح الی 6 بعد از ظهر AEDT) تماس بگیرید
www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet

خدمات تماس، گفتگوی اینترنتی، ترجمه شفاهی و
ترجمه کتبی در دسترس است.



برای معلومات بیشتر کد QR را اسکن نمایید.

OCTOBER—DECEMBER 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
27 Prep Transition— Classroom Session #1 (bookings required)	28 Playgroup—Hall 9-11am 	29	30	31 Free Dress Day - Spooky theme (Gold coin donation)	01 NOV	02
03 PUPIL FREE DAY Report writing day for staff.	04 Melbourne Cup Holiday	05	06	07 Colour Fun Run	8	9
10 Year 5/6 camp Prep interviews Prep Transition— Classroom Session #2 (bookings required)	11 Year 5/6 camp Prep interviews Playgroup—Hall 	12 Year 5/6 camp Prep interviews	13	14 Library borrowing finishes	15	16
17 Year 1/2 Swimming Prep interviews Prep Transition— Classroom Session #3 (bookings required)	18 Year 1/2 Swimming Prep interviews Playgroup—Hall 	19 Year 1/2 Swimming Prep interviews	20 Year 1/2 Swimming Prep Mini concert 3.30—4.00pm approx School Council	21 Year 1/2 Swimming 	22	23
24	25 Playgroup—Hall 	26	27 MILK AND MUFFIN MORNING Year 1/2 mini concert 3.30—4.15 approx	28 PREP TRANSITION HALF DAY 9AM—1PM Compass parent Info sessions 9-10 (Dari) 12.15pm (English)	29	30
01 DEC	2 Playgroup—Hall 	3	4	5 YEAR 6 GRADUATION	6	7
8 Prep swimming	9 Prep swimming YEAR 6/7 Orientation Day	10 Prep swimming YEAR 6 MOVIE OUTING	11 Prep swimming FREE DRESS DAY	12 Prep swimming	13	14