



Hallam Happenings

15 October 2026

Term 4/#1

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



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.



Dear Hallam Primary School Community,

How it is Term 4 already?! It has been great to welcome everyone back over the last two weeks for our final term of learning for the 2026 academic year.

School Wide Positive Behaviour System – whole school reward

We have relaunched our new SWPBS values of *Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Responsible and Be a Learner*. Our whole school SWPBS matrix hangs in all classrooms and throughout the school. Our next step is introducing a whole school reward for positive behaviour. This term, yard duty teachers will be giving tokens for positive behaviour in the yard. Students then come to the office with their token and choose which choice jar they want to put it into. At the end of week 5 we will tally the results and everyone in the school will either get a Zooper Dooper or extra lunchtime.

Attendance and extended family holidays

It is easy for attendance to slip at the end of the year. We want to keep our attendance rates high as every day matters for learning. A reminder to all families that holidays in school terms are not encouraged. If you are heading on a holiday in school term, we need as much notice as possible, ideally 6 or more weeks. An Absence Leaving Plan will be developed for you child. Without this plan, the absence is coded as parent choice: school unapproved.

2026 Awards Day

On Monday 14th December, we will be hosting an Awards Day for students in Prep to Year 5. Year 6 students will be given their awards at Graduation. Parents of awards winners will be notified in advance to attend if they are able to. I look forward to celebrating the successes of our students with you.

Colour Run

We will be hosting a colour run again this year. This year we will be asking for permission only. The school will be covering the cost this year to ensure that everyone can participate. Please watch out for the Compass event in the coming weeks to give permission.

Congratulations Setayesh

Over the holidays, Setayesh flew to Canberra to compete in the Australian Taekwondo National Championships. Setayesh was one of the Victorian athletes and won a bronze medal. Over 2000 athletes from every state and territory in Australia competed. Please join me in congratulating Setayesh on this wonderful achievement.



Stay safe and well. 'Till next time,

Laura Sammut
Principal

ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCES

Start time: 3pm

Year 1
assembly item

Friday 16th
October



Year 2
assembly item

Friday 23rd
October



Families welcome to attend

GLENEAGLES CUP 2026

On Friday 9 October, our Year 4 students travelled to Gleneagles Secondary College to compete in the annual Gleneagles Cup after being coached by Year 9 students throughout Term 3. Students participated in basketball, soccer, netball and Volleystars, showing fantastic teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the day. Our teachers were incredibly proud of the way everyone represented the school. Congratulations to our soccer and basketball teams, who were crowned Gleneagles Cup champions, and well done to all students for making the day such a success!





Uniting

FOOD FOR FAMILIES DRIVE

2026



Help fill a pantry – support our Food For Families Drive!

Hallam Primary School is taking part in Uniting's Food For Families, helping to provide food and essential items to individuals and families doing it tough. This is a great way for students to learn about kindness, social responsibility and community support.

How you can help

- Donate non-perishable food and essential items – canned goods, pasta, rice, toiletries and more.
- Drop off your donations at Hallam PS Office by Wednesday 18th November 2026.
- View the shopping list for suggested essential items.

Why it matters

Your contributions will help stock Uniting's emergency relief pantries, ensuring that individuals and families receive the support they need to put a meal on the table when it's needed most.

We can make a real impact!

- Collection Dates: Thursday 15th October to Wednesday 18th November 2026
- Drop-off Location: Hallam Primary School Office
- View Shopping List via QR code:

THANK YOU!



Term 4 Calendar

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
12	13	14	15	16 Divisional Gala Day	17	18
19 2027 Prep Transition Classroom Session #1 1:30-2:15pm 2:30-3:15pm ** Bookings required	20 Year 6 Graduation photo	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 'Spooky' Free Dress day Gold coin donation	31	1 NOV
2 Teacher Professional Practice Day No school for students	3 Melbourne Cup Day No school for students	4	5 Milk and Muffin Morning Tea	6	7	8
9 2027 Prep Transition Classroom Session #2 1:30-2:15pm 2:30-3:15pm 2027 Prep Interviews ** Bookings required	10 2027 Prep Interviews— bookings required	11 2027 Prep Interviews— bookings required	12	13 2027 Prep Interviews— bookings required	14	15
16 2027 Prep Transition Classroom Session #3 1:30-2:15pm 2:30-3:15pm 2027 Prep Interviews ** Bookings required Year 5&6 Swimming	17 2027 Prep Interviews— bookings required Year 5&6 Swimming	18 2027 Prep Interviews— bookings required Year 5&6 Swimming	19 Year 5&6 Swimming	20 2027 Prep Transition 9am -1pm 2027 Prep Interviews— bookings required Year 5&6 Swimming	21	22
23	24	25	26 Year 3 and 4 Day Camp	27 Year 3 and 4 Day Camp	28	29
30	1 DEC	2	3 Free Dress Day Gold coin donation	4	5	6
7 Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming	8 Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming	9 Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming	10 Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming	11 Year 6 Farewell Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Swimming	12	13

THE MEETUP

A GATHERING OF MEN,
FATHERS, SONS, BROTHERS AND MATES.



7PM FRIDAY
FORTNIGHT
START



HALLAM
RESERVATION
RECREATION HALL



118-126
FRAWLEY RD,
HALLAM



TEA, COFFEE
& LIGHT
REFRESHMENTS
PROVIDED



REAL CONVERSATIONS. STRONGER CONNECTIONS. BROTHERHOOD.

**JOIN THE
BROTHERHOOD**

COME ALONG TO
THE NEXT MEETUP

SCAN THE QR CODE
FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS & UPDATES

**SCAN TO
JOIN THE MEETUP!**



EASY. QUICK. SECURE.

SUPPORTED BY THE CITY OF CASEY

SPRING INTO PLAY



Free Children's Week event for kids aged 0-5 years

In celebration of National Children's Week, the City of Casey invites local families to join us for 'Spring into Play' - a **free event** boasting fun, play, music, activities, entertainment and more for children aged 0-5 years.

EVENT DETAILS:

WHEN	Thursday 22 October 2026 9.30 am - 12.30 pm
WHERE	Old Cheese Factory 34 Homestead Road, Berwick
WHAT TO EXPECT	• Animal farm • Kids football • Obstacle course • Story time • Creative activities • Water play • Sensory play areas • Live performance entertainment

Bookings are not required. Simply gather the family, pack a picnic, and head down to the Old Cheese Factory for a fun day out.



TIS: 131 450 (Translating and Interpreting Service)
المترجم الفوري 翻译 مترجم شفاهي བཤམ་མཁའ་མཁའ་མཁའ་

CASEY.VIC.GOV.AU



Bringing Up Great Kids (Narre Warren)

Bringing Up Great Kids (BUGK) is a free 6-week program designed to help parents and carers of children aged 2–12 build stronger, more meaningful relationships with their kids.

Discover mindful parenting tools to better understand your child's needs, manage everyday challenges, and strengthen family bonds.

What You'll Learn:

Understand your child's world:

Gain insights into brain development and what drives child behaviour.

Improve communication:

Learn mindful, calm ways to connect and respond to your child.

Refine your parenting style:

Reflect on what shapes your parenting and overcome daily challenges.

Prioritise self-care:

Build strategies to support your own wellbeing alongside your family's.

Please note: Open to parents/carers (50%+ custody) in Casey, Cardinia, and Greater Dandenong. To keep this a dedicated space for parents to connect and focus on themselves, children are unable to attend.



COST

Free
(Registration essential)

DATES

Wednesdays (6 sessions)
Oct 21, 28 | Nov 4, 11, 18, 25

TIME

10:00 am – 12:30 pm

VENUE

Uniting Narre Warren
55 Webb Street,
Narre Warren VIC

REGISTER HERE



<https://bit.ly/4qRWDZR>

ENQUIRIES

(03) 9704 8377
groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org

Uniting



Circle of Security Parenting™ (City of Casey)

An 8-session program designed for parents of children aged 4 months to 6 years.

Ever puzzled by your child's behaviour or unsure how to respond to their needs? Imagine understanding what your child is truly asking for - and knowing exactly how to respond.

Grounded in decades of research, the *Circle of Security Parenting™* program helps you build a stronger, more secure relationship with your child.

What You'll Learn:

Read emotional cues:

Interpret and respond effectively to your child's emotional cues.

Build emotional resilience:

Give your child tools to manage big feelings.

Boost self-esteem:

Build your child's confidence and sense of security.

Trust your instincts:

Tap into your natural wisdom and confidence as a parent.

Please note: This program is in partnership with the City of Casey and designed for parents/carers living in the City of Casey only. Please note children cannot attend the sessions, however **FREE CHILDCARE** is available for your convenience.



Uniting

COST

Free
(Registration essential)

DATES

Mondays (8 sessions)
Oct 19, 26 | Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | Dec 7

TIME

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

VENUE

Bunjil Place Library
2 Patrick Northeast Dr
Narre Warren VIC

REGISTER HERE



<https://bit.ly/3UUwiBE>

ENQUIRIES

(03) 9704 8377
groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org



Tuning in to Teens™

(Endeavour Hills)

This engaging 6-session program is designed for parents and carers of adolescents aged 10 to 18 years.

Based on an easy-to-follow, 5-step emotion coaching approach, *Tuning in to Teens™* empowers families to build stronger relationships and support their teen's emotional well-being. Join us and make a lasting impact on your family!

What you'll learn:

Understand emotional intelligence:

Learn how to nurture your teen's emotional growth and awareness.

Coach through big feelings:

Gain confidence in helping your teen navigate intense emotions.

Please note: Open to parents/carers (50%+ custody) in Casey, Cardinia, and Greater Dandenong. To keep this a dedicated space for parents to connect and focus on themselves, children are unable to attend.

Build problem-solving skills:

Equip your teen with tools to manage emotions, resolve issues, and handle challenges.

Handle conflict constructively:

Teach your teen healthy ways to manage conflict and build lasting resilience.



PARENTZONE

COST
Free (Registration essential)

DATES
Mondays (6 sessions)
Oct 12, 19, 26 | Nov 2, 9, 16

TIME
10:00 am – 12:30 pm

VENUE
Chalcot Lodge Family & Community Centre
26 Haverstock Hill Close
Endeavour Hills VIC

REGISTER HERE
<https://bit.ly/4yIPnLA>



ENQUIRIES
(03) 9704 8377
groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org

Uniting



Parenting Groups.

Join a parenting group for practical strategies and support.

We can help if you are looking for support to:

- Develop your parenting skills
- Build confidence as a parent

We offer free group programs to provide support and information to strengthen parent-child relationships and provide practical knowledge and skills development to support you with the challenges of parenting.

Our groups create a safe space for you to build connections with other parents. Engaging with others through parenting groups and sharing common issues with other parents can help to build on your support network and reduce any feelings of isolation.

These groups are available exclusively to caregivers living in the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire, or Greater Dandenong.

Further Information:

To learn more about the parenting groups we offer in the **City of Casey**, **Cardinia Shire**, and **Greater Dandenong**, and to receive updates about upcoming sessions, please click the link below or scan the QR code to register your interest.

<https://forms.office.com/r/NaLZ139cqa>



Contact us:

P: 9704 8377

E: groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org

Uniting



Parenting and Mental Health Workshops

Uniting, in partnership with Families Where a Parent Has a Mental Illness (Monash Health), is pleased to offer a **three-session Parenting and Mental Health Workshop Series** for parents who are navigating their own mental health challenges.

Together, we will explore:

- Hands-on, realistic self-care strategies that fit into family life
- Personal wellness and recovery planning
- Helpful local services, supports, and activities for the whole family

Enjoy a provided morning tea, along with plenty of take-home resources to support your parenting journey.

Enquiries:

Ph: 9704 8377 **Email:** groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org

Important details: Open to parents and carers (50%+ custody) in Casey, Cardinia, and Greater Dandenong. This series focuses solely on personal wellbeing (not parenting strategies or clinical care). To keep this a dedicated space for you to recharge, children are unable to attend.

COST

Free (Registration essential)

DATES

Thursday 22 October
Thursday 29 October
Thursday 5 November

To get the most out of the program and build connections with the group, participants are asked to attend all three sessions.

TIME

10:00 am – 12:30 pm

VENUE

Outlook Community Centre
24 Toomuc Valley Road, Pakenham
VIC

REGISTER HERE



<https://tinyurl.com/2bz5xdj8>



The Victorian FaPMI Program
Families where a Parent has a Mental Illness



MonashHealth

Uniting



POP UP PLAYGROUP

Discover Learn Play

The City of Casey free 'Pop-up Playgroup' Term 4 2026

Come along and enjoy playgroup activities outdoors with your child, music, art, reading, blocks, imaginary, sensory and active play.

You can also pick up information about Community Playgroups, Maternal and Child Health, Kindergarten and other community services.

Eddie Barron Reserve

21A Bemersyde Dr, Berwick

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/UQZmyKYUsF9GRqQy7>

Wednesday 7 October 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Wednesday 14 October 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Wednesday 28 October 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Zanda Park

216 Alexander Boulevard, Clyde North

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/WiW5p2mTHrFiUEGC9>

Wednesday 4 November 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Wednesday 11 November 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Wednesday 25 November 9:30 am – 11:00 am.

Please note Pop-up Playgroup is an outdoor event.

Please bring water, snacks, and spare clothes.

No bookings are required.



Contact the City of Casey:

Web: casey.vic.gov.au

Email: caseyoc@casey.vic.gov.au

Phone: 03 9705 5200

Post: PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805

NRS: 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

Customer Service Centres:

Narre Warren: Bunjil Place, Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren

Cranbourne: Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne

ABN: 43 320 295 742



T18: 131450 (Translating and Interpreting Service) المترجم الفوري 翻译 ॥ مترجم لفظی ॥ सहायीता ॥ সহকারী

CASEY.VIC.GOV.AU

Gardening Together

kids, dads & grandfathers



For all dads and grandfathers! Bring your children and have fun getting dirty, growing food and discovering the bugs & creatures that help us.

FREE activity

SATURDAY
17 OCTOBER

10:00AM

OLD CHEESE FACTORY,
BERWICK



Scan QR code
to register

Supported by



WE'RE
COMING TO
CLYDE!

Kids learn today.
Brighter tomorrows
together!

SAVE
SPEND
BUDGET
INVEST
GROW

CLYDE
NORTH

RAISING MONEY SMART KIDS

& BUILDING FINANCIALLY CONFIDENT FAMILIES

A fun and practical financial education event
for children, teens and parents. ❤️

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

Children, teens and families will learn practical money skills in a fun and engaging way to help build good habits and make confident financial decisions for the future.



EVENT DETAILS

Date:
Saturday, 21 November 2026

Time:
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Venue:
Ramleigh Family and
Community Centre

Address:
80 Thoroughbred Drive,
Clyde North

Audience:
Children, Teens & Families

REGISTER NOW!



**FREE
EVENT!**

**FREE
REFRESHMENTS!**

The
Money Talks
Community

Moderated by
Preeti



Contact:
0449 867 227

Ready, Set, Play!

Consultation is now open about the future of play in Casey.

+ Follow



READY SET PLAY - Help shape the future of play in Casey.

We are planning for the future of play spaces across Casey and want to hear from our community. As our community grows and changes, it's important that our play space continue to provide welcoming, inclusive, and safe places for people to enjoy. Whether you regularly visit play spaces, visit occasionally or rarely use them, we'd like to hear from your thoughts.

You feedback will help us understand what is valued, identify opportunities for improvement and support future planning for play spaces in Casey. [Ready, Set, Play! | Casey Conversations](#)
Ready, Set, Play! | Casey Conversations

Consultation is now open to help shape the future of play in Casey. Closes 19 October 2026.



October Activities for dads & kids in Casey

OCT
02/16/30

7.00 PM

*The Meetup
men's group*



OCT
17

10.00 AM - 11.30 AM

Gardening Together



OCT
18

9.00AM - 11.00 AM

Pancake breakfast



OCT
22

7.00 PM

*Jump Start
men's group*



OCT
24

1.00 PM - 2.30 PM

*First-time Dads
Community Catch-up*



OCT
26

6.30 PM - 7.30 PM

*Blokes & Bubs
Evening story & play time*



SEPT
30

6.30 PM - 8.00 PM

*Halloween BBQ and
fancy dress*



The community-led
groups are supported by:



Dads Matter
It's a family thing

SCAMS CAN HAPPEN TO ALL OF US



SCAMS CAN HAPPEN TO ALL OF US

3 steps to protect yourself and your community:

STOP.

Don't give money or personal information to anyone if unsure.

CHECK.

Ask yourself if the message or call is fake.

PROTECT.

Act quickly if something feels wrong.

HELP IS AVAILABLE



Scan for English and translated information
scamwatch.gov.au

CASEY.VIC.GOV.AU