Dear Parents and Community members

Welcome to week 3 of Term 2. It’s hard to believe that we have already been back at school for 2 weeks since Easter, so the term is now well and truly into full swing.

SCHOOL STARTING TIME

When doing my regular morning walks around the school I have noticed some children arriving at school late for class. At Hambledon all our classes commence lessons at precisely 9:00am. A bell rings at 8:55am to inform children that they need to immediately head to their classes, or their lining up areas, at that time to prepare for lessons.

It is necessary for children to arrive at school by no later than 8:45am to ensure they are ready for learning when lessons commence. Being constantly late for class, means that children are often missing very important introductions to lessons, as well as interrupting the learning of the other children in class who are engaged in lessons.

NAPLAN TESTING – 12 to 14 MAY

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests will be held from Tuesday 12 May to Thursday 14 May, with a catch-up program to be conducted on Friday 15 May for any children who may have missed one of the tests.

With the NAPLAN Tests just 2 weeks away, children in Years 3 & 5 are busily preparing themselves for these tests. One way parents/carers can help their children is by continuing to support nightly reading. When you listen to your child read, ask them questions about the book they are reading to check they have understood the text.

NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. Even though the tests are a ‘point in time’ assessment, the results provide data to direct future teaching focusses across our school.

REMINDERS IN BRIEF

• 5 May– Mother’s Day Stall
• 7 May– Library Link Up session for parents
• 8 May– District Cross Country
• 12-14 May NAPLAN Testing Year 3 & 5
• 15 May– ICAS Digital Technologies
• 18-23 May– Book Fair
• 19 May P&C Meeting 6:30pm
• 25 June Jump Rope for Heart– Jump Off Day

REMINDERS IN BRIEF

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Jump Rope for Heart- Hey Mum and Dad

Our school is participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program. You can help your child support valuable research into heart disease by registering them online. www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumpropeforheart

Our Jump Off day is Thursday 25th June. Every class will get a chance to come and show off all the new skipping tricks they have been learning.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL
As you know, bullying has been a focus at Hambledon State School. There have been some articles in recent newsletters that can be very informative. Peter Begemann, Support Administrator Years 4-6, has authored one of these articles and it can be found on the Parenting Ideas website: http://www.parentingideas.com.au/

Types of Bullying

Bullying is about lack of power as one person is powerless to stop the teasing or physical abuse. Bullying is the selective, uninvited, repetitive oppression of one person by another person or group. It should not be tolerated or practised by the adults who inhabit their world.

Michelle Bussell, Support Administrator Prep

PB4L

As you will know, there have been some articles in recent newsletters around resilience and building the related skills in our students. Our PB4L team have identified the need to make this a focus in our teaching of behaviour and social skills. The related articles from Mrs Bussell are very informative and as a school, we will be following up on this important work with lessons in the next few weeks and months.

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As you know, bullying has been a focus at Hambledon State School this year. The work continues and we are pleased with our progress. However, bullying is an issue that affects all aspects of our society and not just school. Our work in tackling bullying will be ongoing.

Below is an extract from the Parenting Ideas website:

Bullying takes many forms and guises including physical and emotional abuse, intimidation, harassment and exclusion. Bullying should not be confused with teasing, rejection, random acts of violence or physicality and conflict. While children will often tease or fight, this bickering should not be confused with bullying.

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Peter Begemann, Support Administrator Years 4-6

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Library Activities for Term 2

Our library will host a Book Fair in Week 5 of term, Monday 18 – Friday 23 May, for those looking to build home libraries or find gifts. We need to pack up the fair on the following Monday. Parents are invited to visit the Book Fair. After 9am should be more comfortable shopping, and the last session of the day when library aides will be available to assist is also a good option for parents. Before school is usually very busy and crowded, especially on Wednesday and Thursday with buyers.

In week 6 it is Library & Information Week with the Wednesday 27 May at 11am being National Simultaneous Storytime. Our Library Assistants have begun their #loveourlibrary project with photographs of students for a special slideshow to be shown that week.

Liz Jorgensen Teacher-librarian

‘Library Link Up’ for Parents

Parents are invited to join our library staff for morning tea and a chat on Thursday mornings 9-10am during May. The focus is to showcase our services and facilities and the many activities the library offers to students to activate and engage in learning and leisure. We hope also that parents may wish to offer specific help to the library. We are very happy to teach covering skills as we are keen to process and cover expected new readers as soon as possible. Other parents may have different skills to offer. Please phone the school office or email ejorg6@eq.edu.au to advise your attendance on a particular Thursday or to offer your services.

I look forward to welcoming you to our Library Learning Centre.

Liz Jorgensen Teacher-librarian
STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Prep
Annikka, Kare, Isaac
Year 1
Kymora, Risabella, Kalilah-Lea
Year 2
Maverick, Kaylee, Xzavia, Laith
Year 3
Dylan
Year 4
Jesse

HAPPY GRAMS
Prep
Liam, Anneliese, Madisun, Levi, Brydie, Sibella, Bianca
Year 1
Deby-Melina, Olivia, Georgia
Year 2
Loren, Myco, Jordan, Darcy, Tyler, Mercedes, Miss Baker’s Spelling Mastery Class, Shayla, Ethan
Year 3
Rebecca, Carson
Year 4
Holly, Elizabeth, Jack, Zac
Year 6
Jaylin, Ben

GOOD PLAYGROUND
GOTCHA AWARDS
(Presented last week on parade)
Emma, Liberty, Janaye, Leslie, Jorja, Patrick, Kimberley, Krysyal-Lee, Aiden, Tristan, Chloe, DJ, Tameka-Lily, Shelby-Rose, Jak, Kayla, Dion, Haylie, Mykel, Alee-Anna, Maddison, Christian

HONESTY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Kayla-May, Charee, Sarah, Lilly, Sarah, Kaleisha

X-COUNTRY
Well done to Amberlee who tied for 1st in the year 3 girls race.
Children travelling on the bus to the Mulgrave X-Country Carnival on Friday need to meet in the tuckshop area at 8.20am.
Please remember Hambledon uniform, a change of clothes, drink bottle, hat, shoes, sunscreen and lunch/or money.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL IS TOMORROW!!
These are just a few of our gorgeous gifts for Mum you can get at the Mother’s Day Stall tomorrow, Tuesday 5th May!
Gifts are priced up to $8 so don’t forget your money and a bag to hide your pressie!
Raffle tickets for some awesome prizes are 50c each or 3 for $1.
Each class has an allocated time to come down to choose a gift. More gifts can be purchased at 2nd lunch. See you there.

HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED!
We have over 800 kids to serve at our wonderful stall, which means lots of manpower needed! Can you help? We’d love to see you tomorrow, come on down to help our students buy the perfect pressie!

FOOTY MAD RAFFLE!
Wow, our raffle tickets are selling like…well, MAD!!! Seems like lots of people want to win our fabulous prizes! Thank you for the wonderful support so far. Remember, return your sold books and money to receive another book at the office, and an entry to win an Apple Ipad Mini.

LIMITED TICKETS
In accordance with the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation Guidelines, tickets to this raffle are limited, so get in quick, as once they’re gone, they’re GOOOOOOONE!
If you can’t sell them, simply return unsold books ASAP.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION
TERM 2 SPECIAL
Cheeseburger
(Hamburger pattie, cheese, tomato/BBQ sauce on a fresh roll)
$4.00

FREE MOVIE NIGHT
Saturday May 16th from 6pm
Sugarworld Gardens, Edmonton
Live music from 6pm, Frozen Movie at 7pm

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
Ring by 8:00am if you can’t make it!
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