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VOCABULARY CHALLENGE

This term I am challenging children with a ‘Challenging Word of the Week’. Last week’s word was ‘ubiquitous’ and I was impressed by the sentence Olivia in 5A delivered to me to use the word in a sentence appropriately. Olivia’s sentence was “When I read my books, the words seem to be ubiquitous.” The meaning of the word is to be ever-present or abundant, so Olivia’s response showed she found out the meaning and then used it in a sentence. This week’s challenging word of the week is ‘mellifluous’ and I am looking forward to receiving the children’s responses this week.

ANZAC DAY

Next Monday is ANZAC Day and each year our school participates in the Edmonton RSL Anzac Day march and ceremony. All of our students are invited to join our school group for this event. We would love to have as many students as possible participate with us. Children who participate in the march must be dressed in school uniform including the school hat and collected by parents at the completion of the ceremony. Children taking part in the parade/march will need to assemble outside the Hambledon Hotel at 7.45am.

On Friday 22 April our school will be having an Anzac Day commemoration in the school hall. Parents/carers are welcome to attend this service. Prep – Year 2 classes will attend their commemoration service at 9.15am in the SHAC (School Hall next to the Tennis Courts), while Years 3 – 6 service will commence at 10:15am.

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It has been wonderful to see such a positive start to another school term at Hambledon. In all classrooms I visited last week I saw children who had returned from a well earned holiday and were ready to continue demonstrating our school values of being learners, respectful, safe and resilient.

We have a very busy term ahead with so much happening within 11 weeks. Last week we kicked off with the Junior and Senior Cross Country and it was fantastic to see children getting into the spirit of participating within their sport teams. It is always great to see so many members of our school community joining us at these events to celebrate the efforts of their children. Our focus on sporting achievement continues later this term with our Junior and Senior Sport Carnivals.

Along with special ANZAC parades, our annual Mother’s Day Stall, Book Fair, Reader’s Cup, National Simultaneous Storytime and report cards, we also have the Arts Council performance ‘Swag of Tales’ on the 5th May. Keep your eye out for further information on each of these special events through the school newsletter and our Facebook page.

**Tanya Sutton– Deputy Principal Teaching & Learning**

**PB4L**

As you may recall, in the last week of Term 1, we held the second round of the Hambledon State School Positive Recognition Program. This time, as well as Bronze, our students could achieve up to a Silver level. As was also stated, the main aim of this program is to show our students that their day to day conduct and attitude towards work do not go unnoticed. Everyone needs a ‘Well done’ or a ‘good job’ every now and again.

It was very pleasing to see that 252 students were awarded with a Silver level. When combined with our Bronze awarded students, this means a staggering 70% of our students received recognition for conduct at the end of Term 1. We hope that this will increase still further in the next round.

Our lesson focus for the first fortnight this term is looking at resilience and coping with challenges. We have asked our students to show how we can accept challenges and always try our best to complete the task. At our weekly parades, we talk about the PB4L focus for the fortnight and it is always good to see the ever increasing number of students able to clearly articulate these themes.

Finally, the ‘Gold’ stage of our Positive Recognition System will be included in the next round of allocations of levels by our teachers. This means that there will be three levels of award available for our students to aim for. Our whole school aim is to have 85% of our students being recognised for conduct by the end of the year. Whether at Bronze, Silver or Gold this is a target that any student at our fantastic school has the capability to achieve and we hope that this program is helping our students feel that their great conduct does count.

**Peter Begemann– Deputy Principal Student Engagement & Welfare**

**ANZAC PARADES**

Hambledon State School will be commemorating Anzac Day with two special parades on Friday, 22 April. The Prep-Year 2 parade will commence at 9.15am and the Years 3-6 will follow afterwards at 10.15am. Both parades will be held in the SHAC.

**ANZAC DAY MARCH**

The ANZAC Day March which is organised by the Edmonton RSL, will assemble at 7.45am on Monday, 25 April, outside The Hambledon Hotel.

The March will commence at 8am. Students will need to be in full school uniform, including a hat. We are hoping to see as many students representing our school as possible.

A reminder that students need to have their name recorded by Mrs Begemann and their blue Piccone Citizenship Awards folder signed by their teacher (the following week), in order for this event to count towards their Citizenship Awards points.

**Arts Council Performance-**

**A SWAG OF TALES**

The Arts Council will be performing the play ‘A Swag Of Tales’ on Thursday, 5 May. This performance will lead students through a fun, yet informative history lesson that starts in England and follows with the era of the Swagman.

**The cost will be $4.00 a student.**

An envelope for payment will be sent home this week. All envelopes with payments need to be returned to the office by Thursday, 28 April. Please ensure correct money is placed in each envelope.

If you do not wish for your child to watch this performance, please let their teacher know, so alternate arrangements can be made.

**Sharon Begemann**

**Teacher & Event Organiser.**

**Reminder:**

**Bikes and Scooters must be walked when on school grounds.**

**Please, help us keep everyone safe.”**
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**MUSIC NEWS**

On Friday 22nd April, Hambledon’s Little Voices Choir will be performing for the first time at both of the school Anzac ceremonies.

We will be singing the National Anthem and Lest We Forget at the 9:15am and 10:15am services in the school hall.

All students performing will need to attend their regular choir rehearsal at 11:00am Thursday along with an additional practice in the afternoon.

If you have a child performing in the choir on Friday, can you please ensure they are dressed in full school uniform (please no sports shirts) with black shoes and white socks. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sheree Howell –Music Teacher

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**Japanese News**

Konnichiwa,

The Japanese club will be starting again this week.

Activities will be held on Mondays in the first break after eating time in Mrs. Benzie’s classroom (6B).

Each week there will be a different activity.

I will be advertising the activities in the newsletter and I will also put a poster up outside my office.

Japanese News

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Sayounara

Tandy Sensei

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**SPORTS INFORMATION**

**TEEN**

The ‘Sporting Schools’ tennis program run by Australian accredited coach, Mr Guy Thomas will commence this week in the hall.

All students who have returned notes have been accepted into this program.

If your child would like to participate in this program please contact Mr Pudovskis.

Be aware that there is no cost for this 8 week program.

**Dates are as follows**

Year 3 Monday April 18th 3.00pm-3.45pm
Year 4 Thursday April 21st 3.00pm-3.45pm
Year 5 Friday April 22nd 3.00pm-3.45pm

**BASKETBALL**

Congratulations to Nelly on his selection in the Mulgrave basketball team.

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**NAB AFL Auskick is running at your school in Term 2!**

Where: Hambledon State School Oval
When: First session is on Wednesday 27th April 2016
Time: 3:10-4:10pm
Length of program: 7 weeks*
Cost: $75

When you participate in Auskick you also receive your very own AFL Auskick lunch box with a hat, pump plus heaps more!

Sign up online at www.aflauskick.com.au
or call Shay Warburton on 4042 3000
Medicating Students at School

All medications that come into the school MUST be labelled with a pharmacy label stating child’s full name and dosage.

A form then has to be filled out by parent/carer giving first aide personnel authority to administer medication.

If this procedure is not followed medication can not be administered.

This includes Paracetamol etc, eye drops, creams and asthma puffers.

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Thankyou for your support throughout 2016

Mother’s Day Stall

Thursday 28th April

Students will visit the stall during class time.
Gifts up to $10 each.
Raffle Tickets 50 cents.

One gift per student please so we have enough for everyone. Additional purchases can be made at second lunch if we have leftovers.

Please bring a plastic bag to carry your gift home in.

Parent helpers needed on the day.
Contact Charmaine 0407362721

Tuckshop Roster

Ring by 8:00am if you can’t make it!
40408666 - school office

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Tuckshop Term Special

Cheeseburger $4.00
Available Daily