

JULY 2021

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NEWSLETTER - 20th July 2021

A message from our Principal



Dear Parents and Carers

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Welcome to term three and what a start to the term we have already had. Another lockdown and remote learning is upon us as well as the complete setting in of winter keeping us all inside and secluded from families and friends.

If you are feeling like you are struggling or shut off, please seek support – be it from friends and family, organisations or your medical professionals.

Mental Health Australia has a number of websites with information and supports available. The QR Code will link directly to the webpage.

<https://mhaustralia.org/need-help>

Mental Health Australia



We will continue to send out information using the seesaw app and via text message and email. Please don't reply to general messages using the seesaw app – it is not monitored all the time and messages are easily missed. Please ring the school, email, or send a text and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

As you will now be aware we are in lock down until midnight Tuesday July 27th. Students who are vulnerable or with parents who are unable to work at home can apply to attend school – please contact the school so we can organise supervision if required.

Parents School survey is now open and within the student learning pack sent home on Wednesday there is a link and password for the survey. Please complete the survey; it is completely anonymous, and all information is good information as it helps our school improve as well as celebrate those things we are doing well.

Our new building is progressing very well. We are working closely with the Department of Education and Training and the Victorian Schools Building Authority to determine what our school entitlements are for approximately 50 students. Watch this space

Please take care, stay warm and stay at home.

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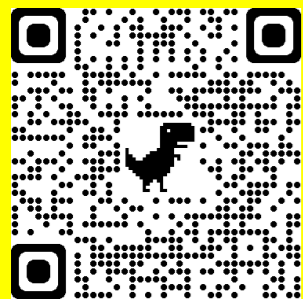
"Learning & Growing Together"

REMINDER:

Everyone entering the school must QR code regardless of how long you will be visiting for.

QR Codes are available as you enter the office, or we have a manual register available.

Any parent / visitor entering the school **MUST** wear a face mask.



Students 12 years+ are required to wear a face mask in classrooms and on school buses. Further information regarding the wearing of face masks can be found at <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/face-masks>

Thank you for your co-operation and support in helping us to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Hamilton Parklands School Uniform

A few students are attending school out of uniform, which is disappointing as the kids look great in uniform. We have a uniform policy and there is an expectation that students will come to school in uniform. We usually order uniforms at the end of each term. Please make sure your child is in school uniform as it helps students feel part of the school community and equal to their peers. It also means their good casual clothes are not getting damaged at school.

We understand that uniforms are expensive, and kids grow out of them quickly. If you have some clean and tidy second hand uniforms that you would like to sell or give away, please let me know and we will put an

advertisement in the newsletter for you. Let's work together to develop a sense of school pride.



2021 Parent/Caregiver/Guardian

WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst parents/caregivers/guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 19th July to Sunday 22nd August.**

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Last year we used the survey results to help inform the School Review and new Strategic Plan.

Link and password for this survey has been included in your child's remote learning pack.



Last week the school celebrated NAIDOC week. This years theme was Heal Country. In the Green Room we spent time learning about the meaning behind this year theme and about the Aboriginal culture. We read the book How the birds got their colours. Which is based on an Aboriginal Dreamtime story. The Green Room students identify features of a bird and then had a go at drawing their own birds.