

## Family Bulletin: 11th October 2023

# **Upcoming Dates:**

<b>Monday</b>	<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	<b>Thursday</b>	<u>Friday</u>
9/10	10/10	11/10	12/10	13/10 Swimming
16/10	17/10 School Council	18/10	19/10	20/10 Swimming
23/10	24/10	25/10	26/10	27/10 Swimming
30/10	31/10	1/11	2/11	3/11 Swimming
6/11 Pupil Free Day	7/11 Public Holiday	8/11	9/11	10/11 Swimming
13/11	14/11	15/11	16/11	17/11 Swimming
20/11	21/11 School Council	22/11	23/11	24/11 Swimming
27/11	28/11	29/11	30/11	1/12 Swimming
4/12	5/12	6/12	7/12	8/12 Swimming
11/12	12/12	13/12	14/12	15/12 Swimming
18/12	19/12 Last Day for Students	20/12 Last Day for Staff	21/12	22/12

# **Important reminders:**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November:** Pupil Free Day

• No students attend school on this day

#### **Our School Vision**

Hamilton Parklands School's vision is to prepare young people to become active, engaged, and responsible citizens of the local communities. We provide learning experiences that allow our students to reach their full potential, socially, emotionally, and academically.

At Hamilton Parklands School we provide a positive culture, which is a safe, inclusive and stimulating

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environment for all.

### **General News:**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have settled into term four very well, with most people returning to school looking refreshed and ready to complete a successful school year.

A friendly reminder, if your child is absent, please ring the school and let us know why. We need to report daily to the Department of Education all student absences. If you child is having lots of days off sick, try to get into the doctor to make sure there is no problem. Please understand that we may need to contact child services if your child is absent quite a lot, with no valid reasons. If in doubt, talk to me and we can come up with a plan to support you getting your child to school. There are already some families who enjoy this extra support, and it is always a pleasure seeing how we can help and support each other. Remember the bus staff are not able to pass on messages to the school.

On Saturday evening we held our fundraising Trivia night. It was an amazing evening that raised just over \$500.00. One of our school councillors provided a wide assortment of prizes for the raffle and lucky chair prizes. We had a very small representation from the families and staff at our function, and a good community group of people who all enjoyed the evening. Thanks again to the Tracey and Dave Anderson who ran the trivia, and to Kim and Frog Jeffery who donated many of the prizes.

I understand that trivia nights are not for everyone, so we will survey parents to find out what sort of fundraising events you would be interested in. All money raised goes to providing extra activities and events for your children, as well as providing additional equipment and upgrades to the gardens, playgrounds, and stadium. This helps us keep voluntary parent contributions down, which have been paid by less than 5% of our school families.

Term four is Sun Smart and all students are required to wear hats. Please make sure your child has a hat for school. There are some available for sale from the office. With the changes in temperature, try to make sure your child has weather appropriate clothing. Feel free to throw some spare clothes into the kids' bags so they can change if needed as the day warms up, or suddenly cools down.

We have had a number of families into the school for a tour. If you have not yet had the chance to have a look, we will be organising an open day, for families and community members to have a look through the space. We will keep you informed once the final details have been organised.

Have a fabulous term, stay happy and healthy and as usual please don't hesitate to contact the school with comments, questions or concerns.

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#### **General Reminders:**

- Communication diaries need to be sent into school every day.
- Changes to pick up arrangement need to be communicated to the school by 2.45pm each day, to enable us to make sure your child and teacher have the correct information for the end of the day.
- All students arriving after 9.00am or leaving prior to 3.00pm must the signed into and out of the school by a parent/guardian.
- Swimming will continue every Friday of term, please make sure students have all the necessary swimming gear with them every week.



Happy birthday to the following people who are celebrating a birthday during this fortnight.

**Emily**