

Upcoming Dates:

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
10/6 Public Holiday	11/6	12/6	13/6	14/6 Swimming
17/6 Hot dog order due back	18/6 Hot Dog Lunch School Council	19/6	20/6	21/6 Swimming
24/6	25/6	26/6	27/6	28/6 Swimming Last Day Term 2
1/7 Holidays	2/7 Holidays	3/7 Holidays	4/7 Holidays	5/7 Holidays
8/7 Holidays	9/7 Holidays	10/7 Holidays	11/7 Holidays	12/7 Holidays
15/7 First Day Term 3	16/7	17/7	18/7	19/7

Important reminders:

Monday 17th June: Hot dog orders are due back

Friday 28th June: **Last Day Term 2**
School finishes at 2.30pm on this day

Monday 15th July: **First Day Term 3**

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 environment for all.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are heading into the last two weeks of term two and we have had a very productive and busy term. With a busy term comes a group of very tired students and staff, as well as the usual illnesses coming into winter. Thanks to all parents and carers who have kept unwell students at home to recover, but it is nice to see them back at school. When your child is unwell, please remember to call the school and let us know. We have started sending out text messages from phone number 0490676603 when your child is absent, and we have not heard from you. Please reply to the text message, or ring the school to let us know why your child is away. The Department of Education collects the data every day.

We have been looking at student behaviour and noticing that we are starting to get lots of back chatting both at school and on the buses. We are also getting lots of name calling and nasty comments. To try and slow this unkind behaviour down we are reintroducing a reward system where each student can get points towards a reward. The students will be able to have 10 minutes free time, maybe an ice cream in a cone, some quiet reading time or time on the iPad. Talk to your child and find out what rewards they have been working towards.

We have also developed a list of behaviours that have some serious consequences –

Behaviour	Consequence
Sexual comments directed at others and/or about others	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• miss next two play sessions• note or phone call to parents/carers• continued - in school suspension
Swearing at or about someone, including when you are walking away	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• miss next play session• note to parents/carers• continued – in school suspension
Calling people names or putting people down	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Miss next play session• Note to parents/carers• Continued behaviour – in school suspension
Deliberate assault on another person – including physical or verbal threats	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Miss 4 play sessions and separate lunches• Phone call home• Repeat behaviour – in school suspension
Answering back to any adult	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 warning• Miss next play• Repeat behaviour – in school suspension

Please talk to your child about these behaviours and the consequences. And if you have any questions, please call or email. As always, take care, and call if you have worries or concerns, but also call if you have something nice to share. We like good news stories 😊 .

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UNIFORM ORDER:

Form is attached to the newsletter, please make sure it is returned to school by Friday 21st June, 2024 if you wish to order anything.

General News:

Our school flags:

The school now has 3 new flagpoles which are located on the front lawn of the school. Each morning and afternoon it is the responsibility of several senior students to ensure that they are flying as required. We currently fly the following flags, left to right as you face the school entry door from the street.



The Australian Flag - Union Jack, the large white seven point star representing the States & Territories and the Southern Cross

The Victorian Flag - Union Jack, the Southern Cross and it also displays St Edwards's Crown above the stars.

The Aboriginal Flag - The flag's design consists of a coloured rectangle divided in half horizontally. The top half of the flag is black to symbolise Aboriginal people. The red in the lower half stands for the earth and the colour of ochre, which has ceremonial significance. The circle of yellow in the centre of the flag represents the sun.

The students take pride in ensuring each flag is raised and lowered in a respectful manner and that it is correctly folded and stored appropriately.

Sick Students:

The cold and flu season is now upon us. We ask that any students who are unwell remain at home to rest and recover. It is very difficult for your child to concentrate and learn if they are sick, the best place for them is at home. This will help us to try and slow the spread of viruses around the school to other students and staff.

If your child arrives at school unwell or becomes unwell during the day, we will ring you to come and collect them.



Student Absences:

If your child is away for any reason, please make sure you contact the school to let us know why they are away. The school is required to submit an absence reason for each day your child is away to the Department of Education. If your child is late to school the person dropping them off must come into the school to sign them into our attendance system giving a reason why they are late. Staff are happy to assist you with this process if you are unfamiliar with our new system.

