

**Upcoming Dates:**

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
15/7 First Day Term 3	16/7	17/7	18/7	19/7 Swimming
22/7	23/7 Pupil Free Day School Council 5.15pm	24/7	25/7	26/7 Winter Sports (Warrnambool)
29/7	30/7	31/7	1/8	2/8 Swimming
5/8 Pupil Free Day	6/8	7/8	8/8	9/8 Swimming
12/8	13/8	14/8	15/8	16/8 Swimming
19/8	20/8 School Council	21/8	22/8	23/8 Swimming
26/8	27/8	28/8	29/8	30/8 Swimming

**Important reminders:**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July: Pupil Free Day - no students at school**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July: Winter Sports - Warrnambool  
(whole school attending)**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August: Pupil Free Day - no students at school**

# 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.

[Return to top](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to term three. I hope the students have all enjoyed some time to relax and get over the annoying bugs that were hanging around at the end of last term.

There are several changes happening this term.

Unfortunately for us, Carlie has accepted a leadership position in another school and is leaving Hamilton Parklands School. Julie will continue to teach Waratah Group on Monday and Tuesday and while we look for another teacher to cover Wednesday to Friday, I will be the teacher in the group.

We wish Carlie all the best in her new role, which will be very exciting and challenging for her.

This term we welcome Jacqui Grimmer to our staff. Jacqui will be working as an Education Support Staff member on Monday and Wednesday. She comes with experience and a passion for working with students. She will be a great addition to our team.

Emily returns from long service leave next week and after her time in the warmer northern states, returning to cold and rainy Hamilton will be a shock, I am sure. Thank you to Vicki and Pa-Lin who helped out while Emily has been away.

Science and health have been replaced in our timetable this semester with History, Geography, and technology. There will be some weeks when the design technology group will be making lunch for the whole school, but we will let you know when that happens, so you won't need to send in lunch.

Swimming will continue this term. With changes in staffing, the timetable will be changed a little bit, but all students will still participate in swimming lessons each week. Swimming is part of our curriculum, so all students are expected to swim each week, unless with valid reasons. Forgetting their bathers is not a valid reason.

Student absences – Last semester altogether our students missed 192 days of school. I would like to reduce this to less than 100 for the rest of the year, if possible. Having said that, when your child is sick, please keep them home to get better and that gives them more chances to learn successfully.

Classroom Staff – Term Three					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Waratah Group	Julie Graham Jacqui	Julie Graham Emily	Sonya Graham Emily	Sonya Graham Emily	Sonya Graham Emily
Gumnuts Group	Sam Bernie Coral	Sam Bernie Coral	Sam Bernie Jacqui	Sam Bernie Coral	Sam Bernie Coral

Have a wonderful term and contact us with questions or comments.

Sonya

# General News:

## Pupil Free Day:

- **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** will be a pupil free day, no students are required at school on this day.
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August** will be a pupil free day, no students are required at school on this day.



## Winter Sports:

- When:** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- Where:** Braueranders Park, Warrnambool
- Time:** Buses will be leaving at 9.15am sharp  
Returning for usual end of day at 3.00pm
- Who:** Whole school is expected to attend  
All staff will be attending

### What do students need to bring:

- Morning Tea
- Drink Bottle
- A change of clothes
- Students to wear appropriate clothing for sport
- Sports shoes.
- A BBQ (sausages ) lunch will be provided - if your child will not eat this please send lunch for them as this is the only option.

## Phone Messages:



If you ring the school and we are unable to answer, please wait for the tone and leave a message.

This message will be passed on to the appropriate person. If you require us to call you back, please mention this in the message.

Any messages written in communication books will be passed on to the Office if applicable.

## Uniform Orders:

Don't forget that any orders for uniform and the payment must be into the office by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

We will not be placing another order until nearer to the end of term.

## School Buses:

Our school bus services run to a very tight schedule, and as such we ask that remember the following:-

- Have your child ready and waiting for pickup in the morning just before your allocated time. The bus can only wait 3 minutes for your child to get onto the bus. If your child is not ready at the given time the bus will continue on the route and you will need to bring your child to school.
- Make sure that someone is home at the given time in the afternoon. Bus staff need to see a responsible person before they are able to leave a child. Just a quick wave out the door will be sufficient. If no-one is home the bus will wait 3 minutes after your allocated time then they will continue the route with your child on board. It will be up to you to catch them at the next stop.
- If you wish your child to be left at home or at the bus stop without an adult being present you will need to give the school your permission in writing or via email.
- Please message the bus if your child is not travelling in the morning, so that they are aware.

**Bus Phone Numbers: Casterton 0448 257 683**

**Macarthur 0427 808 109**

- No food is to be consumed on the bus.
- Absolutely no phones are allowed on the school buses.
- No toys are allowed on the buses (a book is ok) – exceptions will be written into your child's travel plan if applicable, after a discussion with the school.  
Toys are not required at school please ensure that they stay at home.

## Uniforms:

**It is expected that all students are in correct school uniform everyday.**

It would be appreciated if parents could ensure that students are dressed appropriately for the weather and have a coat at school.

We understand that from time to time students will need to be out of uniform especially over the winter when getting clothes dry can be a challenge.

However, should you child need to wear a different jumper it must not be a hoodie.

**Hoodies are not to be worn at school.**





