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Dear Parents,

The students settled into the first week of term four extremely well and are to be commended for their enthusiasm. The Book Fair, organised by Pauline Miritis, has now ended. It was great that many of you were able to set aside some time to look through the books with your children. Thanks to Pauline for arranging for the Book Fair to be at Hartwell.

Student Achievement

Well done to the one hundred and three students from Years 3 to 6 who participated in the 2017 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) – Mathematics. The students received their certificates this week. All students gave their best efforts to answer questions from the different areas of Mathematics that included Number and Arithmetic, Algebra and Patterns, Measures and Units, Space and Geometry and Chance and Data, in an allocated time frame.

We commend the following students who achieved outstanding results and were awarded with certificates of Merit, Credit, Distinction (top 10% of participants) and High Distinction (top 1% of participants).

High Distinction

(Year 4) Andrew B-F.

Distinction

(Year 3) Suu Lay A, Melissa L, Nicholas S; (Year 4) Isabel F, Amelia M; (Year 5) Andrew L, Jason L, Blake L, Kieran O, Timothy P, Wei-Jie T, Harrison W-S, Oliver W, Timothy Y; (Year 6) Thomas B-F, Tom N, Rosa X, Justin Z, Emma O.

Credit

(Year 3) Hannah C, Darcy F, Lukas H, Brett K, Thomas K, Kynan L, Afferah N; (Year 4) Grace B, Sarah B, Mia B, Stephanie C, Jacob L, Magnus M, Angus M, Mia M,

Dates to Remember

Term 4	October	
Tuesday	10-20	Prep Swimming
Wednesday	18	Family Life Evening 5.45 to 6.45pm-Yr 1/2 7 to 8pm – Yr 3 / 4 8.15 to 9.15pm-Yr5/6
Wednesday	25	7.30pm Yr 6 Grad meeting
Friday	27	School Disco
Monday	30	7pm - Co-op AGM
	November	
Thursday	2	Jnr Rockers Concert
Tuesday	5	2018 Prep – 7.30pm Information Evening
Friday	10	Swimming Carnival
Friday	17	Ready, Set, Go
Thursday	23	Market Night
Friday	24	Ready Set Go
	December	
Friday	1	Ready, Set, Go
Tuesday	5	Prep Information Evening
Thursday	21	Year 6 Graduation
Friday	22	End of Term 4- dismissal at 1.30pm

Frederick R, Austin K, Vivian Z; (Year 5) Maximilien G, Anika G, Alexander H, Ashna K, John K, Hannah M, Oishee S, Xavier T; (Year 6) Yu Ya A, Ella C, Madeline C, Alexander C, Joseph H, Stephanie K, Andrew O, Michael W, Ahan Y, Jack N, Joachim D.

Merit

(Year 3) William A, Max M, Aarnav M, Eason W; (Year 4) Charlie H; Lockhart L, Cecilia L, Penelope M, (Year 5) Angus B, Isabel F-B, Rachel L, Sarah T, Jessica T, Emerson Y; (Year 6) Rhys C, Tavish G.

Thank You - Parent Support

One of the best things about Hartwell P. S. is the wonderful support we receive from our parent community. This happens in many ways and I thank each and every one of you for your assistance. Our school is all the better and our curriculum is much richer due to your support.

Last week was a perfect example of this. On Tuesday I sent a message via our Skoolbag App for two dads to assist us by spreading sand in the Prep sandpit. Literally within half an hour, I was contacted by David Palfreeman and David Stockdale offering to help. Two hours later, this job was completed. Thank you both very much.

Art Program

Our visual arts program is extremely interesting and this is an area of the curriculum that our students really enjoy. Art work currently on display includes the following: -

- Prep: -Plasticine pictures; ceramic donuts and experimental painting- in the Prep corridor, near the main staircase and in the art room.
- Year 1: -ceramic merfolk and layered painting – in the cabinet in the foyer and near the second staircase in the main building
- Year 2: - Running stitch sewing – in the main corridor near the sick bay
- Year 3: - Ceramic tiles and papier mache explorers – in the front office and the Year 3 learning community
- Year 4: - Ceramic tiles and hand-made felt – in the art room
- Year 5: -Street art and Observational drawing – in the art room and the meeting room above the main office
- Year 6: - Observational art and collaborative collage- outside the staffroom and on the year 6 staircase

I encourage you to make time to look at these displays. Congratulations to our two art teachers – Georgie Howarth and Stacey Kujawa who do such a fantastic job in encouraging all the students during their art lessons.

Planning for 2018

Thank you to those who have notified me if their children will not be attending Hartwell in 2018. This is very helpful and has enabled me to begin putting in place systems and plans for next year. If you have not yet let me know that your child will be leaving could you please do so this week.

For your interest, the numbers at each grade level for next year, as of today are as follows:-

Prep: 88	Grade 4: 101
Grade 1: 101	Grade 5: 109
Grade 2: 100	Grade 6: 96
Grade 3: 107	Total: <u>702</u>

This will probably translate into 30 home groups- one more than this year, although the current enrolment is actually less than in 2017. Even small changes in the student numbers can sometimes necessitate a change to these plans so I will provide further details closer to the end of the year.

Student Placement 2018

Most years at about this time, I ask parents to notify me in writing of any special factors that they would like considered when class grouping for next year are being formulated.

As has been the case for the last few years, I am asking you NOT to write to me this year, instead I urge you to put your faith in the teachers who work with your children each day, and trust that they will organise cohesive groups of students who will work well together. They understand both the academic and social needs of your children really well.

Each teacher is aware of which groups of children work co-operatively and those that are better separated. They provide input gleaned from parent meetings and other situations which they believe need consideration when home groups are formed. We have already asked each student to list some friends with whom they work well and would like to have in their home group in 2018. This will be one piece of information used by teachers as a guide when they meet to form home groups for next year. Now that all students have been working in our new flexible classrooms for several years, we will not be guaranteeing that they will be placed with any of the students on their list. Rather the teachers will use the lists as a guide. The children are very aware that they work each day with all the students in their year level and that they have a main home group teacher and several other year level teachers with whom they work as well.

This process has worked well for the last five years and I believe that most of the 2017 class groupings are as cohesive as they have been since I started at Hartwell in 2001. I am confident that we are building greater resilience, co-operation and tolerance in our students and that with your support and that of our teachers our students will learn to solve more of the small issues themselves.

Please keep this in mind when I say that only letters outlining ***extra-ordinary factors, which we do not already know about***, e.g. cousins who may end up in the same class, twins being separated or placed together etc., should be sent to me. ***I am not able to accommodate and therefore cannot accept requests regarding teachers.*** Such letters should be sent to me by Monday October 30th.

Teachers take into account social interaction, maturity and safety of students, friendship groups and of course academic ability when organising new home groups. As I said earlier, in our new flexible learning spaces the students mix with more students

than those in their home groups on a daily basis. Thank you for your understanding of this matter.

Family Life

This program will be offered for children from Years 1 – 6 on Wednesday 18th October (please see the skoolbag app for details). Bookings must be made through www.trybooking.com/305118. The program is designed to encourage communication on topics of health and human relations and is conducted by trained, experienced educators. It must be attended by parents with their children.

Co-operative Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting of the Hartwell Co-operative will be held on Monday evening October 30 at 7.00pm. It is critical that we get 40 people returning proxy forms or attending the meeting. The proxy forms will be sent home to Co-operative members next Monday.

Notices Recently Sent Home

- 2018 Year 6 Hoodies Order form
- Hartwell House Swimming Notice
- School Disco Notice
- Prep Incursion – Wild Action
- Year 1 Excursion – Legoland
- Year 5 Excursion – Imax
- Year 6 Incursions - PrimeSci



Kris Moore
Principal

PE UPDATE

BOROONDARA DIVISION ATHLETICS FINALS

Our Hartwell Athletes put on a wonderful display of running, jumping, throwing and sportsmanship last Wednesday at the division finals. The conditions got a bit blustery, however that did not deter the Hartwell Spirit shown by athletes and their supporters alike! Some notable performances were: *Ben F: 4th 100m, 3rd High Jump, Jono M: 6th 200m, Odin P: 3rd Hurdles, Brooke F: 1st 200m, 3rd 100m, Xavier T: 2nd Triple Jump & 6th 800m, Zak N: 5th Hurdles, Owen M: 5th Long Jump, Tim P: 5th Discus, Madi H: 2nd 100m & 200m, Maya H: 6th 800m, Amelia H: 6th 1500m, Siena C: 4th Hurdles, Abbey K: 9th Triple Jump, Isabel F-B: 1st Discus, Sam K: 1st Discus, Cooper M: 5th Long Jump, Sienna M: 6th Hurdles, Lily G: 5th High Jump & Long Jump, Milla O: 8th High Jump, Sophia B: 4th Shot Put.*

A huge congratulations to Brooke, Xavier, Isabel, Madi and Sam who will compete in the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Championships this Thursday. Madi was outstanding in her 100m and

200m double setting PBs, whilst Isabel just keeps on smashing her PB. She threw 21.08m, another 2m PB on top of her 3m PB at the district event! Well done Izzy.

We also had outstanding relay results with our 9/10 boys (Odin, Jono, Ben & Oscar) finishing 2nd, whilst the 9/10yr (Bella, Brooke, Olivia and Abby) and 11yr (Siena, Madi, Izzy & Olivia) girls' teams both came away with first place. These three teams will also compete at EMR. Well done to 11yr boys (4th place) and the 12/13yr boys' and girls' teams who both finished in 5th place.

Again, thank you to Nick Holdworth who assisted on the results table. Thank you to all parents for getting your athletes to the event and to Brad Boag for his coaching of the relay teams on the day. We wish all athletes every success for Thursday's meet. GO HARTWELL!

HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL YR 3-6 – THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER

The excitement is building! Year 3-6 students will participate in the HPS House Swimming Carnival at PLC next Thursday 26th October. (I know another date had been circulated for November). As mentioned on the note that went home, I do apologise that this date is just around the corner. I was unable to secure a date any later in the term. Permission notices are due back by this Friday 20th October, if you have not already returned it. Please collect one from the office asap if you need one. Please remember to reassure your child that this will be a fun, safe event. All Year 3-6 students are encouraged to attend this event. It is about having a go and doing your own personal best. Novelty events with boogie boards in the 1.2m hydro pool, will be available for children who are not comfortable with participating in the 25m stroke events. Perfect for some fun relays!

Please take note of the following reminders:

- **All swimmers must wear a swimming cap. The school does have a supply that swimmers can borrow, however if you have your own cap (any colour) please bring it. Don't forget a towel, underwear, goggles if you want all in a small bag.**
- **Students may wear 'rashies' and board shorts if they feel more comfortable (boys and girls). Suitable swimming attire is required.**
- **Spectators are welcome however PLC is very strict about parking due to the school having pedestrian roads. Please use the senior school car park off Parer St and walk down to the Aquatic Centre. Parents must not enter into any other parts of the school. Please do not enter or exit through Gate 1 on Burwood Hwy.**
- **Please return your permission form to your class teacher asap if you have not done so.**
- **House colours may be worn. (Please wear bathers to school under clothes)**

I am very much looking forward to what should be a fantastic event. I see this as another opportunity to introduce our students to another sport they may enjoy, and to prepare them for the transition to school beyond Hartwell.

Please email me at:

bayes.joanne.l@edumail.vic.gov.au if you would like to assist on the day with marshalling or bus travel.

SWIMMING TRIALS – SAVE THE DATE

Swimming trials will be held for current Year 2-5 students (2017) on **Friday 8th December from 4pm - 5.00pm at Harold Hold Aquatic Centre**. These trials are to gain selection to represent Hartwell PS at the Glen Iris District Swimming Carnival to be held in Term 1 2018. It is imperative that swimmers can swim 50m in their chosen stroke without stopping. Another trial will be held early in Term 1, 2018 for students who are ill, cannot make this trial due to a clash with another activity or those students who are new to the school in 2018. I will ask students to register their attendance at these trials, with me in the first week of December.

Please note the following dates: Year 6 Hot Shots Tennis Division Finals on Wednesday 25th October, Junior Boys Hoop Time Regional Final on Tuesday 31st October, Senior All Star Girls Regional Final on Friday 10th November. Notices will be sent home with further information.

Please bring a hat to PE.

Jo Bayes

PE & Sport Co-ordinator

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EARN AND LEARN

Thank you to everyone who collected Earn and Learn stickers this year. We collected over 42,000 stickers as a school and should be really pleased with this great total. We have ordered equipment for coding and STEM activities called 'SPHERO SPRKS' – you can have a look at these by accessing this link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yg8LmEkl_0c.

I would like to thank Katie Dwyer and Aileen Beaton for co-ordinating this activity, collecting the stickers and organising all the sticker sheets. I would also like to thank the following people and families for the time they spent sticking individual stickers onto the collection sheets: Liz Crain, The Beaton, Haggart, Whealand, Harris and Clements families (Grace, Rose, Millie, Claire, Luke, Declan, Will and Ashton in particular).

GROUP and GRADUATION PHOTO DAY

Please mark in your diary MONDAY 30th OCTOBER. We have organised photographers for the Year 6 Graduation Photo, Drum Band, Hoop Time Groups and the Middle and Senior Choir. We will also be taking photos of individual students who were absent or have joined the school since the March photo day for the Year Book. Please try to avoid being absent on this day if you are involved in any of these groups as this date is not able to be changed. Thanks for your help with this matter.

Lisa Banks

Assistant Principal

LIBRARY

The library was a hive of activity last week with many families visiting Book Fair. It was wonderful to see so many students excitedly browsing through the books on the shelves! The winners of the raffle were: Alecia S5C, Anna S60, Matthew J2H, Aisha J2N, Joshua M3F, Caitlin M3s, Ethan PD, Evelyn PS, Lizzie M4L, Krist M4L, Alice J1D and Harry J1D. Each of these winners was able to select a book of their choice from the Book Fair to keep. Many thanks to Michele Ritchie, Liz Crain and Yvonne Lampos for their much appreciated help with Book Fair.

Pauline Miritis

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Plastic Lids for the Art Room

The art room is collecting plastic lids of all colours and sizes for a developing art project in 2018. Please thoroughly wash the lids before bringing them to school. Each learning community will have a collection tub to place them in.

Georgina Howarth

Visual Arts & Classroom Teacher

Support Services, Rosters, Community & Social Events

Good Food Shop

The Good Food Shop will be CLOSED this Friday, 20th October. A notice was sent home yesterday via the children. The GFS will operate as normal this Wednesday 18th October.

Online Ordering

Please note that from this term the only way to order your child's lunch will be using the Qkr app.

Please ensure that you choose the right dates and also click on the 'Confirm' button as your child's order will not come through to us if the order has not been confirmed.

Recess – Cash sales will be over the counter only.

Term 4 Menu

The Term 4 menu was sent home in the last week of Term 3. It is also available on the school's website and a hard copy from the office.

Good Food Shop Rosters for this week

Roster	Wednesday 18.10.17
9.00am-9.30am	
1st Shift 9.15-11.15am	Asha Govind Seew Low
2nd Shift 11.15am-1.15pm	Nuri Hinduran Jing
Full Session 9.00am-1.00pm	
Roster	Friday 20.10.17
9.00am-9.30am	
1st Shift 9.15am-11.15am	CLOSED
2nd Shift 11.15am-1.15pm	CLOSED
Full Session 9.15am-1.15pm	CLOSED

Catriona McCraw
Canteen Manager

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open every Tuesday from 8.45 – 9.00 am for fittings only.

All orders must be processed in the school office first. If you need to place an order, please pick up an order form from the office or download one from the school's website and place the order through the office. There will be approximately a two-three week wait on all orders as we are unable to store large quantities of stock.

Hats and folios are available to purchase from the office.

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Sick Bay Washing Roster

Thank you for volunteering to go on the sickbay washing roster. The roster for Term 2 2017 is below. If you are unable to do the week you were allocated, please swap with someone else on the roster. Please collect the sheets on Friday and return them some time during the following week. If you require any assistance, please see the office staff.

Term 4 Roster

20.10.17	Natalie Kok	Taylor	J2G
27.10.17	Michelle Haggart	Luke	J1D
03.11.17	Nat Langlands	Jack	S5C
10.11.17	Sarah Searle	Max	S6O
24.11.17	Hanh Pham	Jack	S6H
01.12.17	Tanya McNamara	Conor	M4O
08.12.17	Bernadette Renggli	Mia	S5C
15.12.17	Luize Svikers	Harrison	S5G

LOST & FOUND

The following items have been found in the school grounds and are available to pick up from the school office:

2 x prescription glasses (students)
3 x scooters

If you think they may belong to your child please contact the school office. The scooters will need to be collected by Friday 3rd November as they will be donated to a charity organisation after this date.

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