



## NEWSLETTER

13<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a fantastic start to our school year and it is amazing to think that we are now in Week 7 of the term.

A few weeks ago we held our *annual movie night*, which was a great success despite the warm weather. This is a fundraising event and we raised approximately \$3,500 which will be used as part of the fundraising commitments this year. My thanks to Kevin Shih for his organization and to our administration team in the office for their support of this activity.

We have many exciting events this year, with the highlight no doubt, being our *whole school production* early in Term 3. The children were delighted to find out they will be performing 'Madagascar' and we are certainly excited to see them perform.

*Our Preps are now full-time at school* and next week will attend their very first whole school assembly – we are really looking forward to seeing our whole school together on Monday.

The annual reporting meeting will be held on Monday evening in the staffroom, at 7:30pm, where the Annual Report will be presented to School Council. If you would like to attend, please contact the office to register your attendance.

### NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5

Over the next fortnight all students in Years 3 and Year 5 undertake the NAPLAN testing. The children are well prepared to complete the program and I commend their teachers for ensuring this is done as part of their normal school day by promoting a positive approach each test.

### SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

**Please can I ask you read and refer to school communications (newsletters/messaging) to keep up to date with school events and information.** It is an important connection between school and home. We are finding a large group of parents/carers are

2025 Dates to Remember		
	<b>March</b>	
Wednesday	26 - 27	School Photos
	<b>April</b>	
Friday	4	End of Term 1 (2:30pm)
Monday	21	Public Holiday-no school
Tuesday	22	Curriculum Day
Wednesday	23	First Day of Term 2
Friday	25	Public Holiday-no school
Monday	28 – 30	Year 4 Camp
Wednesday	30/4 – 2/5	Year 3 Camp
	<b>May</b>	
Monday	5/5 – 15/5	Year 2 Swimming
Friday	9	House Cross Country
Monday	19/5 – 29/5	Year 1 Swimming
	<b>June</b>	
Monday	2/6 – 13/6	Year 4 Swimming
Monday	9	Public Holiday-no school
Monday	16/6 – 26/6	Year 3 Swimming
	<b>July</b>	
Friday	4	End of Term 2 2:30 finish
Monday	21	Curriculum Day
Tuesday	22	First Day of Term 2
	<b>August</b>	
Wednesday	6	School Production
Thursday	7	School Production
Thursday	28	House Athletics Carnival (Yr3-6)
	<b>September</b>	
Thursday	18	Pre-Yr2 Tabloid Athletics

relying heavily on 'What's App' group messaging and therefore missing information being sent by the school. If you could please attend to this, it would be greatly appreciated.

## PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

You will have received an email inviting you to book in for a parent/teacher meeting next week. Please ensure you have completed this. The meetings are at school allowing the teachers to share information and work samples as required. We look forward to seeing you all next week. If you have any problems with the booking system please let us know.

## CALL FOR HELPERS

In the last newsletter I indicated that we were hoping to find a small group or some individuals to assist with certain school activities. So far, we have been unsuccessful. This in turn will mean that activities such as the Mother's Day and Father's Day stall will probably not go ahead this year. However, if you find you are able to help please let the office know or come and have to chat to see what is involved. Many thanks for your consideration.

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Please can I ask again if you are able to, you consider completing your voluntary contributions for the 2025 year. Shortly you will receive further information from our School Council to show how vital and valuable this contribution is to our school and what it provides for the children.

## HARMONY DAY

**Next Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March we will be acknowledging Harmony Day, this celebrates cultural diversity in Australia. Students are invited to wear a touch or orange or a nod to their own cultural heritage.**

## GENERAL REMINDERS:

- **Please make sure ALL DOGS are on a lead and well controlled if you are walking with them to school.** Whilst we all love animals, the school is busy and bustling in the morning and afternoon which can easily lead to a dog feeling overwhelmed. The safety of everyone is our priority so please assist us with this request.
- **Term 1 – HATS: great work!** Please make sure your child has their hat until the end of this term.
- **End of term: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm**



Lisa Banks  
Principal



## COACHING OR AFTER SCHOOL CARE? WHY NOT BOTH?!

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### Soccer

**Day:** THURSDAYS  
**Time:** 4:30 – 5:30PM  
**Cost:** \$20 per session + ASC fee  
(Child Care Subsidy (CCS) applies)



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Sunday  
16 March  
2–3 pm

## Pathways to Peace

A Boroondara Interfaith Network community event

Come together with neighbours, family and friends for an afternoon of peaceful reflection at Hawthorn Arts Centre.

Hear community and faith leaders share insights into what community and personal peace means to them. Take time to reflect as acclaimed harpist Michael Johnson OAM plays in this beautiful setting.

**Date:** Sunday 16 March  
**Time:** 2–3 pm  
**Location:** Hawthorn Arts Centre, 360 Burwood Road, Hawthorn

For more information, visit:  
[www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/events/pathways-peace](http://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/events/pathways-peace)





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Saturday 15 March  
11am - 5pm

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• CARNIVAL GAMES	• SNOW CONES	• SILENT AUCTION
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