

# Hartwell Primary School

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# **NEWSLETTER**

21st March 2024

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Dear Parents.

It has been really lovely to see many parents and carers meeting with the teachers for the parent/teacher meetings this week. These meetings provided an exchange of information and the opportunity to connect with your child/s teacher and learning space. We really value and promote positive parent/teacher partnerships and appreciate your time for this activity.

We are now approaching the end of the first term; it has certainly been a busy and productive start to the school year. We will have our final whole school assembly on Monday and a reminder that school will finish at 2.30pm on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

## YEAR 6 CANBERRA TOUR

Our Year 6 community had a very busy and productive schedule during their camp week in Canberra. The 91 students and 10 Hartwell staff who visited Canberra had a wonderful week for their camp. The Year 6 students should be very proud of their positive behaviour and engagement in all the activities, we heard nothing but positive feedback and praise as the students visited a number of different places. Thank you to Emily Dimstas and the Year 6 team for their hard work and preparation and to the following Hartwell staff who accompanied the camp: Emily Dimstas, Gretchen O'Donnell, Emily Batskos, Emma Warrington, Adrian O'Connor, Susie Dalton, Megan Donelly, Jos Markerink, Nick Holdsworth and Lynn Jack.

# **CLASS REPRESENTATIVES/CO-ORDINATORS**

We have always been very fortunate to have an active group of parents who support our school in the role of the 'class rep'. Over the years these people have supported the class teacher with parent rosters for fundraising activities; organizing helpers in the classroom; social networks; welcoming new families and social service. Our class representatives have

| 2024 Dates to Remember |             |                          |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
|                        | March       |                          |
| Thursday               | 28          | End of Term 1            |
|                        |             | 2.30 finish              |
|                        | April       |                          |
| Monday                 | 15          | Term 2 commences         |
| Friday                 | 26          | Curriculum Day           |
| Monday                 | 29/4 - 9/5  | Year 2 Swimming          |
|                        | May         |                          |
| Wednesday              | 1-3         | Year 5 Camp              |
| Monday                 | 13/5 – 23/5 | Year 1 Swimming          |
| Monday                 | 27/5 – 6/6  | Year 4 Swimming          |
|                        | June        |                          |
| Monday                 | 10          | Public Holiday-no school |
| Tuesday                | 11/6 – 20/6 | Year 3 Swimming          |
| Tuesday                | 25          | Year 6 Production        |
| Friday                 | 28          | End of Term 2            |
|                        |             | 2.30 finish              |

been wonderful in our school but we have seen the role begin to change as we utilize technology more and more and have tighter restrictions on the information as a school we are allowed to share.

After much discussion with a number of people across the school and our School Council we believe it is now a class co-ordinator role with the description as follows:

- Primarily, assisting to co-ordinate and mobilise parents/families to support fundraising or school activities (fete stalls, working bees etc). This will be particularly important this year as our main fundraiser is 'The Great Fete'
- Supporting the Class Teacher as and when required
- Assisting with welcoming a new family to the class or helping with social service
- Connecting with families, possibly through a social event or gathering

We will be seeking volunteers to be a co-ordinator for their class and will have a meeting in the first week of Term 2 to further discuss the role for 2024. Please click this link to express interest in this role:

2024 Class Coordinators

### **THE GREAT FETE 2024**

On Saturday 16th November we will be holding our main fundraiser for the year 'The Great Fete'. We are always excited about this community event as it brings us together for the day and has great benefit for the school with the funds it raises. Marina Pappas is again our Fete Co-ordinator and I thank her for taking on this role. We will be looking for a core group of people willing to assist Marina to co-ordinate and manage areas of the Fete, we will send more information about this next term.

However, this will be Marina's last Hartwell fete as her children transition to high school. Therefore, we are hopeful of finding a person/small group of people willing to co-ordinate 'The Great Fete' moving forward. Our next fete will be in 2026 and this year would be the perfect opportunity to shadow Marina and provide insight into the role. If you might be interested in the role please contact the school office.

#### STUDENTABSENCE/LATENESS

Firstly, thank you so much for your support in ensuring that the children are at school and ready for learning each day. Our 'ten to nine, be on time' strategy has been very successful and we ask that you continue to support this. We will be encouraging 'drop and go' in the morning, so please have a discussion with your child/ren about saying goodbye at the gate or outside the entry door before the beginning of next term.

As the term finishes I would ask you to complete any outstanding absence information on SENTRAL. The Department of Education's Policy of 'Everyday Counts' is strongly supported at Hartwell and it is important that every child attends school regularly. For your information anything above 5 days per term is considered chronic absence. We will contact families as needed to discuss absences and therefore ask that all absences are explained by the end of term.

## **REMINDERS:**

End of Term 1: Thursday 28th March at 2.30pm

# ATTACHED:

Fete Flyer 2024

Lisa Banks Principal

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https://www.spartanschoolworld.com.au/collections/h artwell-primary-school

### **SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP**

Please note the Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 8.30am-9.15am.

# THE GREEN CANTEEN (TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS only)

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Phone 0432 393 064

email: thegreencanteenau@gmail.com

Orders can be placed until 9am each Tuesday,

Thursday and Friday.



Grab your diaries and block out **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 1-9pm** for the Hartwell Primary School **GREAT FETE!** 

Hartwell Primary School

A traditional event where both the school and local community come together to create a fun day for the whole family with a host of rides, food, entertainment, stalls and so much more!

We would love to hear from families that are interested in getting involved and there are many ways to contribute:

- Join the Fete committee
- Sponsor a stall or ride
- Donate items for the auction
- Coordinate a fete stall
- Assist with the bar or entertainment



It's a fun time and truly rewarding to be able to create such a wonderful fundraising event for the school plus get to meet more Hartwell families!

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact **Marina on 0448 361 928**. Alternatively, you can also leave expressions of interest at the **School Office**.



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