

11th September 2020



HARTWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

This week we have acknowledged both 'R U Okay Day' on Wednesday and the importance of being eSmart. It certainly has been increasingly important to look after our mental health and wellbeing as well as staying safe online during this time. I thank everyone for the hard work and support you continue to show your children whilst working remotely. At this point in the term the children will be getting tired and on days find it difficult to engage, (we find this towards the end of a normal term in a normal school year, let alone in our current situation). Please remember to take a 'mental health break' as needed as a family if you need too and contact the school for any support from the teachers or Pip, Adrian and myself.

'HARTWELLNESS WEEK'

As I mentioned in last week's newsletter our online school is focussing on fun and adventure next week in order to end the term with some fun, interactive adventures. I have attached the flyer with the newsletter and ask that you share this with you children to promote next week. The teachers have been working hard to secure some different presenters and organise some extra activities. We have even organised a mini-camp/sleepover with breakfast, songs and a 'camp out' at home! I really hope the children enjoy this week and look forward to sharing some of the fun with them along the way.

Term 4

Camp Programs - Next term our Year 5, Year 3 and Year 4 students would have been travelling to their respective camps and Year 2 completing their sleepover. Unfortunately, even though we rebooked dates and were hopeful, sadly, these camps are now unable to go ahead. Whilst we understand the disappointment for the children, we are already considering activities that can be done to acknowledge the time they would have completed the camp program. I am currently waiting for guidance for School Operations in Term 4 and we will then be able to organise activities for the students. We will communicate this as soon as possible to the students.

General Information – as mentioned I am still awaiting further direction from the Department of Education detailing Term 4 operations. I will communicate this as soon as possible to ensure our community is fully aware of the information. This may be in the school holidays, so please check emails/skoobag alerts should you see them.

Term 3 will finish next Friday 18th September. Children onsite will finish at 2.30pm, whilst remote learners will finish their day at 12.30pm.

Thank you again for your continued support,
Kind regards,

Lisa

Lisa Banks
Principal

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<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>