

HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 9 - Term 1

Dear Families,

Room 19 Update

Following on from last week's leadership update in Miss Lesia's class, we too have been discovering Australia and its places through the text "Are we there yet" and looking at where we are in the world, places and how as humans we alter our environment. In Science, we have looked at our relationship with the sun

and how day and night affect the things we do. It has been a jam packed term.

Our literacy block now includes Orton-Gillingham (OG) everyday which is the program all teachers learnt in the pupil free days. The students as well as the teacher are getting use to the new delivery style and we are in a groove. The spelling data is improving and we are getting good at rapping a few spelling rules as we are introduced to them.

In week 7, we had water safety every day and the improvement in students' confidence in the water was amazing.

We have started our Art project in collages looking at Jeanie Bakers books and experimented with the things we could find outside with some ephemeral art. This will later become a collage of their place that ties in nicely with our study on places.

In Maths, we are looking at place value. We have investigated the importance of the Zero, as well as

the idea of renaming our ones, tens, and hundreds. Many students chose to be able to count to 1000 as a goal and we have been experimenting with ways to count to 1000. We are yet to do it by ones but we are good at counting to 1000, by 100's, 50's and 10's. Having discussion around efficient ways of counting and demonstrating grouping objects in ways that are easy to count has been fun and a lot of mess.

<u>Sports Day – Special Lunch Order Forms</u>

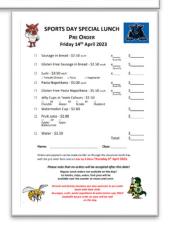
Special Lunch order forms will be sent home with your child/ren tonight. Orders can be made either via QKR! or paper form. All orders must be made before 9am Thursday 6th April.

Term 1 - 2023 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Special Hot Cross Bun Recess Wed 29th March 6th April
- Working Bee Sunday 2nd April
- Easter Raffle tickets on sale until Monday 3rd April
- Bun-Raiser Order on Qkr! by Monday 3rd April
- Casual Day Thursday 6th April Gold coin donation
- Good Friday Friday 7th April
- Easter Monday Monday 10th April
- Growth & Development Family Session Thurs 13th Apr
- Sports Day Friday 14th April Including Special Lunch
- Last day of Term 1 Friday 14th April 2:15pm Dismissal









Playground Repair

A big thank you to Len and our volunteers for the new edging around our western playground. The old edging was not installed properly and started to deteriorate. It now has a sturdy outer frame that should last for many years to come.



Learning Conversations

This week we have held our Learning Conversations for

our community. It is important to have discussions around the types of learning we see in classrooms and the progress our students are making towards their literacy and numeracy goals. It is also important to celebrate their successes and to set new ambitions for the coming terms. I thank all of our parents for making time to be involved in our learning conversations and the staff for all of their hard work.

Working Bee

On Sunday April 2nd we will be having a Working Bee from 10am to 12pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and we appreciate everything our community does for our school. Some of the areas we will be working on include;

- Chook yard, needs a heap of manure/soil removed to lower the yard and prepare for tank stand to be installed. Materials removed can be spread in areas at the back of the oval as discussed with Len to assist regrowth in harder ground areas.
- Wetlands clean up before the onset of winter and Sports Day.
- Vines behind brown sheds and along Wendy's garden fence need attention to ensure they are spreading well.
- Any other areas that need immediate attention before Sports Day.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Week 9 Assembly Awards – Congratulations to these students			
Room 1	Imogen	Isolde	Harley
	Learning Achievement	Learning Achievement	Learning Achievement
Room 2	Harry	Asha	Violet
	Learning Achievement	Learning Achievement	Responsibility
Room 3	Harper	Hayden	
	Responsibility	Responsibility	
Room 4	Mackenzie	Ruby	Dean
	Respect	Integrity	Integrity
Room 14	Gadiel	Claire	
	Respect	Respect	
Room 15	Saxon	Carys	
	Responsibility	Responsibility	
Room 16	Hilary	Isabella	
	Integrity	Integrity	
Room 17	Мао	Oscar	
	Integrity	Responsibility	
Room 18	Isla	Annabel	Arnold
	Learning Achievement	Learning Achievement	Learning Achievement
Room 19	Elijah	Willow	Hideaki
	Integrity	Respect	Responsibility

Kind regards