



HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

Our **2022 Receptions** interviews have begun. Leadership have enjoyed the opportunity to meet 1:1 with our new students and their families and learn a little about them. We encourage all new Receptions to take advantage of this, including students who have older siblings who already attend Happy Valley Primary School. Interview times are filling up quickly, please book your interview as soon as you can.

Book Week is next week! Preparations for the week long celebration have been in full swing and Robyn has created a fabulous display in the library reflecting this year's theme: *Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds!* On Tuesday we will have the **Perform Education!** Incursion, *Book Week in Schools Live AUS: 2021 Bigger Better Brighter*. Workshops will be available at lunch times on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please remember our **Book Week Parade** will be held next Friday. Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions we will not be able to have parents attend, however, we will endeavour to take many photos and share them with families.



The **Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT)** are online assessments to provide diagnostic information to teachers relating to the learning strengths and needs of their students. Our students in years 2 to 7 will be undertaking PAT Reading Comprehension (PAT-R) and Maths (PAT-M) between Weeks 7 and 9.

Despite the **Royal Adelaide Show** being cancelled, a group of year 6 & 7 students continue to work on their **Scarecrows** which we are hoping to be displayed at the Botanic Gardens. If this does not eventuate they will join art and craft entries on display in the library during the '**Happy Valley PS Show Week**' in Week 9. More information to come about our Show Week. **Our scarecrows still need an old denim shirt and a pair of overalls, if you can donate either of these please let the front office know ASAP!** The students will need them next week.

Today our **Eco Leaders** began to prepare for a future presentation at Assembly to educate their peers on the different types of rubbish and how to dispose of them in the correct manner. They are working on making this a fun activity and we look forward to finding out more soon!



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Today was the last day for four of our **Pre-Service Teachers**. We have enjoyed having them as part of the HVPS community and wish them all the best in their teaching careers. Thank you to Miss C-M, Miss Kavanagh, Miss Brown and Miss Bennett for your hard work!



On Tuesday our year 6/7 soccer team travelled to Willunga for the 2nd round of the **School Sport SA Knockout Soccer** competition. First up we took on a really strong Willunga Waldorf team. After conceding a goal in the 1st 10 seconds we played a great game eventually going down 2-1. HVPS then took on Crafers and came away with a 3-0 win. This means that our competition is over for this year unfortunately, however, the sportsmanship and teamwork that our team showed was great to see and each player should hold their head up high.



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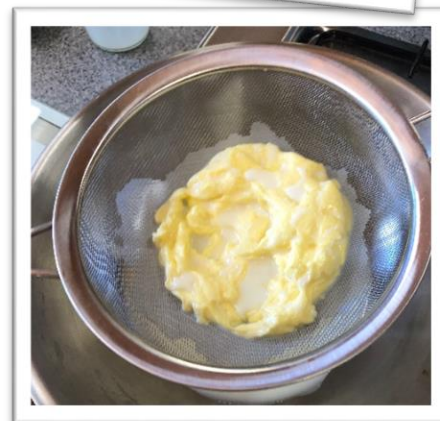
Information about our upcoming school **Colour Explosion Fun Run** will come home today with students. Each child will be bringing home information about the event. Our Fundraising Committee are encouraging everyone to support our school by setting up an online fundraising form and start raising money as soon as you can. The students also get rewards for the money they raise, so it is a win/win for all involved. The Colour Explosion Fun Run will be held on Friday 24 September, which is the last day of the term.



Today our **Year 1/2 classes** explored the process of making butter as part of their work this term on 'Paddock to Plate' with the help of Sheena-Margot, our Kitchen Specialist.

Milla and Lily C shared this:

In Science we have been learning about dairy farms. Only females produce milk. The female cows get milked twice a day. Today we made butter with Miss Vanessa's class by shaking cream in a jar for a very long time. We poured it into a bowl and ate it on bread. It was delicious!



We hope you've enjoyed some sunshine today, bring on Spring!

Kind regards,

Paul and Anthea

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 27th August
Book Week Costume Parade
Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds

Friday 3rd September
Pupil Free Day

Monday 6th September
School Closure Day



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