

HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

The latest parent update for **Year 7 to high school** is attached to help keep parents informed about the year 7 to high school move. This edition is written for parents to share with their year 6 and 7 children. It provides responses to common student worries from our pilot program, including making friends and being around older students.

On Wednesday the student wellbeing leaders and teachers from Woodcroft Primary School came to inspect our **Interoception** room and learn about the processes and systems we have in place to assist students with their social and emotional needs. Interoception is a lesser known sense that helps you understand and feel what is going on inside your body. Kids who struggle with the interoceptive sense may have trouble knowing when they feel hungry, full, hot, cold or thirsty. Having trouble with this sense can also make self-regulation a challenge. Carlee our SSO has been workings with small groups of students to help them understand their feelings and use strategies to help with their sensory processing.

Last term at the **School Run 4 Fun Colour Explosion**, **Room 4** were the winners of the class challenge, raising the most and winning a class party for lunch. This Wednesday they celebrated their win with a **class party** in the kitchen. Thank you to Chantel for catering, and to Karla and Donna from our Fundraising Committee for hosting and serving the students. Congratulations Room 4!









This Thursday we observed **Remembrance Day**. Classes have been learning about this Memorial Day and why we have been observing it since the end of the First World War. Many students made poppies and the school observed a minutes silence.





Currently we are pressing ahead with our preparation for our Celebration Night Tuesday 7th December. At the moment the Covid-19 restrictions will allow us to hold the outdoor event on the school grounds with a modest crowd being able to enjoy the hard work the students and staff are putting into their items in Performing Arts. We also recognise that the borders are opening up to South Australia on 23rd November and this will bring some ambiguity to the weeks preceding and may alter arrangements and changes to COVID-19 restrictions. We will continue to stay positive and hope that we can all enjoy coming together as a community to enjoy the celebration of 2021.

Information about our **Celebration Night** will come home early next week. This communication will include information about costumes, how to buy entry tickets and raffle tickets for our annual raffle.

Have a lovely weekend. Kind regards,

Paul and Anthea



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19th November New Reception Transition Visits

> 1st December Year 6 Graduation

> 2nd December Year 7 Graduation

7th December Celebration Night

