



HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

On November 16, the Commissioner of Police, acting in his role as the State Coordinator responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, announced the Emergency Management (Education and Early Childhood Settings Vaccination) (COVID-19) Direction 2021.

Under this Direction, COVID-19 vaccinations will be mandatory for all people who work or volunteer at our school/preschool/children's centre, except those who have a medical exemption endorsed by the Chief Public Health Officer. This includes:

- All of our staff and contractors
- Anyone who visits our schools/preschool/children's centre for work purposes
- Our Governing Council members
- All volunteers and parent helpers (people who assist with reading, camps, excursions, canteen, fundraising etc).

Under this Direction, all of the above-mentioned people must receive at least 1 dose of a Therapeutic Goods Association (TGA) approved COVID-19 vaccination and a booking to receive a second dose by 11.59pm on 10 December 2021, which is the last day of term.

The Direction does not apply to students, parents dropping off or picking up children, attending parent teacher interviews, events or similar, as long as they are not working or volunteering at the event and COVID safe measures are followed.

More information about the Direction is available on The Department for Education website: education.sa.gov.au

Our number one priority is providing a safe environment for our students and for our staff, and this new measure aims to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

On Wednesday, Jack Sensei and some of our students presented **assembly**. The students showcased their research on Japanese sports. Wendy N shared the new bin system with our students. We will now have boxes in classrooms and blue bins in the yard for soft plastics. These have been acquired through a number of grants the school has received and will help us reach our waste minimisation goals as identified by the council and our Eco Leaders.

On Friday December 3 (Week 8) we will be having **Casual Day** to help support our Fireworks for **Celebration Night**. This is in addition to the **ticket price** we are asking for in lieu of a gold coin donation on the night. The Fireworks are in excess of \$2500 and we hope the funds raised by casual day and the entry tickets will help cover this cost.

On **Celebration Night**, we will require all attending adults to maintain social distancing and to wear masks when distancing is not possible. **Pedal Prix** will be offering a sausage sizzle and soft drinks and the Sports Canteen will be open providing coffee, drinks, chips and ice creams between 5:30 and 7pm. Eftpos facilities will be available on the night.

Please find attached the latest communication from the Department about the Year 7 to HS transition. This edition contains advice from current students to our graduating cohort. Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Paul and Anthea



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1st December
Year 6 Graduation

2nd December
Year 7 Graduation

3rd December
Casual Day – Gold coin
towards Fireworks

7th December
Celebration Night



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