



# HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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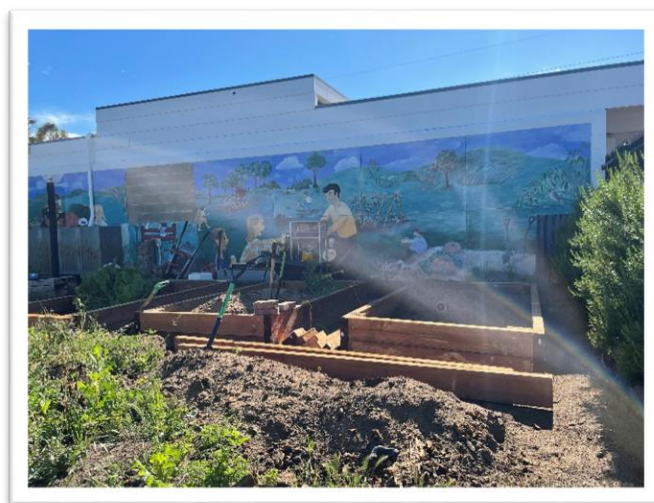
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Dear Families,

## Quick Grounds Update

Unfortunately, the fence has had a short delay, the fencing company is completing a job at Murray Bridge and will start at HVPS as soon as they can. The Japanese Garden is looking fantastic with the area trimmed and new screening, plus the wall painted and our new wall mount installed. Thank you to Robyn for overseeing the new artwork. Robyn's son is a graphic designer, and he has kindly incorporated the original English poem by Oka Sensei in the new design. Len has done a great job with the new planter boxes in the smaller garden near OSHC, the sleepers have been redesigned to optimise the space and will be ready for planting soon. The JP courtyard garden is looking fabulous as well and we appreciate the effort everyone has gone to at Working Bees and during the school day.



As previously communicated, all staff, contractors, external visitors, Governing Council members and all volunteers and parent helpers 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 in order to be onsite from then on. In anticipation of volunteering at HVPS next year, if you have your Covid Certificate, please email it through to: [dl.0171.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0171.info@schools.sa.edu.au)

The Department has sent through a Parent Update regarding the Year 7 to High School transition. Please find attached the pdf, which provides families with a checklist of things to consider.



On Monday our older **Eco Leaders** attended the third **YELP (Youth Environment Leaders Program) Forum** at Woodened Primary School. The day began with a bingo icebreaker where students had to ask a student from another school a question. The idea was to see who could speak to the most strangers. We then had a tour of the school, visiting the



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Calming Japanese Sand garden, the Nature Play Playground, the SAKG Garden and the Kitchen. After the tour each group presented their achievements of 2021, our students spoke very well and did us proud. After lunch the attendees split to complete a variety of activities - seed bombs, paper pots with zucchini seeds and Origami Compost Bins. They finished an amazing day with a fun Web of Life activity.



On Tuesday, our school's year 3/4 tennis team travelled to Tennis SA Clay Courts to take on the best schools in the state. We played really well improving throughout the day to finish 9th overall. Our results were:

- Prince Alfred College 1-7 loss
- Nailsworth 4-4 win
- Nazareth 3-5 loss
- McLaren Flat 5-3 win
- St Martin's 4-4 loss
- Mawson Lakes 2-6 loss
- Parkside 4-4 win



Next Friday December 3 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.

Kind regards,  
Paul and Anthea





#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

29<sup>th</sup> November  
Governing Council Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> December  
Year 6 Graduation

2<sup>nd</sup> December  
Year 7 Graduation

3<sup>rd</sup> December  
Casual Day – Gold coin  
towards Fireworks

7<sup>th</sup> December  
Celebration Night

10<sup>th</sup> December  
Last day of Term  
Early Finish 2:15pm



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