

HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

Welcome back for 2022! It has been a very early return to work this year and luckily we were overly prepared for 2022 because that has helped frame all of the constant changing circumstances that have arisen over the past 3 weeks. We have endeavoured to try and keep the community up to date with all of the latest information as it rolls out from The Department for Education and try and convert it to fit our context.

These first few days have been very challenging with the hybrid model of face to face learning and online learning being considerably complex and we personally would like to commend the staff for their continuing efforts in trying to provide the best curriculum access they can to as many of the students as possible. We also want to acknowledge the ancillary staff for all of the work settling in the new receptions and the year ones and providing support for our vulnerable and essential worker students. The front office staff have been amazing trying to collect attendance and COVID-19 data to upload by 10am every day, including checking on all online students and ringing all students unaccounted for on a daily basis, this is on top trying to do all of the yearly start up as well.

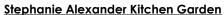


We also would like to acknowledge the support we have received from the wider community and look forward to having the rest of the students from Years 2-6 back in Week 3.

Lastly we would like to acknowledge the fantastic job that Sarah and OSHC staff have done over the break in difficult circumstances, they have gone over and above to provide a safe, fun atmosphere and really interesting activities considering the restrictions.

Fence

It is fabulous to finally see the final sections going together and the new fence very close to completion. All the COVID-19 delays and shortage of materials has been frustrating, but the final product is looking very professional. It will be nice to go from the 19 entrances we had before, to 4 major entry points and a fire truck access as well further along Greenbriar Ave.



We are really excited to have Sheena-Margot and Wendy working together this year in our Kitchen Garden program. Students in years 3 to 6 will begin cooking and gardening in week 3. We can't wait to share photos of our cooking and gardening with you.



School Garden

Our school garden is bursting with life! We have many caterpillars living in our garden. It is wonderful for the students to watch their lifecycle in real life!









Reminders

Morning Drop Off

Please note that supervision for students starts at 8:30am. A bell will sound to let families know there is a teacher on duty and students are allowed to enter school grounds.

Seesaw

Hopefully you have been receiving communication via Seesaw. Let us know if you are having any problems. Please note that due to privacy, only immediate family members may be added as contacts.

Uniforms

Our uniform policy is available on our website. If you need to purchase any items, the Uniform Shop will be open on Fridays from 8:30am-9:15am. Please ensure uniforms align with our school policy.

Volunteers

We value volunteers to support our school community. At this stage, volunteers will be able to support our students from Week 5. If you would like to volunteer your time, you will need to register with the school.

Kind regards, Paul and Jackie

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- AGM & Acquaintance Night TBA
- Monday 14th March Public Holiday (Adelaide Cup Day)