



HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week 3 - Term 1

Dear Families,

Room 3 Receptions

Today we had some very excited scientists who observed Monarch butterflies in the courtyard garden. We used this as an incidental learning experience to look at its life cycle.



Term 1 - 2023 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Pupil Free Days - Thursday 16th & Friday 17th February (OSHC available)
- Governing Council & OSHC AGM - Monday 20th February @ 7pm
- Adelaide Cup Public Holiday - Monday 13th March
- Year 6 Aquatics – Tuesday 14th March
- R-2 Water Safety – Tuesday 14th – Friday 17th March
- Year 3-5 Water Safety – Monday 3rd April – Thursday 6th April
- Good Friday - Friday 7th April
- Easter Monday - Monday 10th April
- Growth & Development Family Evening Session – Thursday 13th April
- Sports Day - Friday 14th April
- Last day of Term 1 – Friday 14th April - 2:15pm Dismissal



AGM & Governing Council

Our Governing Council AGM will be held on Monday 20 February at 7.00pm in the Library at which the Annual Report will be presented outlining the school's achievement and progress in 2022. Happy Valley Primary School has an active and committed governing council. We meet regularly, twice a term to talk about the direction for the school. If you are interested in joining our Governing Council, forms are available from the front office to register your interest.

Acquaintance Night

Thank you to everyone who attended our Happy Valley PS Acquaintance Night on Monday. It was a very large turnout, with everyone coming together in their shared unit spaces and in individual classrooms to go over some of the highlights that will be coming up, forms of communication and regular classroom structures. I would like to acknowledge the effort made by staff to prepare for the night, it was pleasing to see the community all together again. We look forward to 2023 being a less restricted year and continuing the implementation of our Site Improvement Plan.





We have already started the first of our Dibels assessments for 2023 and will be using our Amplify database to track and monitor students Literacy skills across all year levels.

DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) is a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of literacy skills. They are designed to be short fluency measures that can be used to regularly detect risk and monitor the development of Literacy and reading skills in Reception through to Year 6. This data is used to make strategic decisions around our targeted explicit intervention programs and provide resources to support high quality teaching.

Assembly Awards

U1R01

- Lachie - Respect Award
- Malaika - Learning Achievement Award

U1R02

- Charlotte - Respect Award
- Oliver - Learning Achievement Award
- Maya - Integrity Award

U1R03

- Keira - Responsibility Award
- Bodhi - Responsibility Award

U1R04

- Billie - Integrity Award
- Archie - Integrity Award
- Maya - Respect Award

U4R14

- Summer - Respect Award
- Alexa - Integrity Award

U4R15

- Braxton - Responsibility Award
- Patrick - Responsibility Award

U4R16

- Draz - Responsibility Award
- Ryan - Responsibility Award

U5R17

- Emily - Integrity Award
- Hope - Integrity Award

U5R18

- Edward - Learning Achievement Award
- Alex - Learning Achievement Award
- Mira - Learning Achievement Award

U5R19

- Bob - Integrity Award
- Grace - Respect Award
- Annabelle - Responsibility Award

Kind regards,
Paul, Jackie and Katharine