



"Flourish to the end"

# Hay Happenings

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## WELCOME KINDERGARTEN 2019

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### SCHOOL RULES

*I can do my best.  
I can respect all  
people.  
I can respect all  
property.  
I can be in the  
right place.*

**STAR  
Assembly  
Friday  
22nd February  
12.00pm  
School Hall  
All Welcome**

### Principal's Report

Welcome to our newly enrolled Kindergarten students who commenced on Monday.

### Student Leaders' Induction

A special induction ceremony for Hay Public School's captains, vice captains, parliamentarians and sports captains was held last Friday. The assembly was the first to be held for the year and guests of honour were Mr Bill Sheaffe of Hay Shire Council and his wife Mrs Jenny Sheaffe, Mrs Suzanne Murphy, Deputy Principal and Mrs Jenny Dwyer, P&C President. After the assembly, the captains planted a tree in the school grounds in the company of their families and official guests. The newly inducted captains and parliamentarians are: Jim Houston (Captain); Johlee Masters (Captain); Ben Clark (Vice-Captain); Larissa Sorensen (Vice-Captain); Jack Booth, Isobella Murray, Christina Murray, Sienna Lund, Jonty Woods, Karly Fisher, Nathaniel Clarke and Emily Cai (Parliamentarians); Our sports captains are: Cadell – Jack Booth, Emily Cai; Cobb – Ashton Green, Karly Fisher; Oxley – Nathaniel Clarke, Milly Deacon; and Sturt – Keiran Pingiaro, Isobella Murray. Well done to all of these students, I am sure that they will make fine leaders throughout the year.

### Assembly

Our first assembly for the year will be held on 22nd February. Assemblies will continue to be held on a Friday with a starting time of 12:00pm. Assemblies will be held every week with one special assembly each month for the Star Awards. The dates of each assembly are always advertised in the newsletter. Merit awards will be handed out most weeks to recognise good work in the classroom. Star Awards will be handed out monthly and students who display the qualities of respect and responsibility, and strive to improve in their learning, will be considered for this award. Other awards will include the Principal's School Rule Award and the Principal's Reward Lunch once a term. Children

are encouraged to put their best foot forward on a daily basis and embrace all activities the school has on offer.

### Attendance

Once again attendance will be closely monitored this year by the school and by the Home School Liaison Officer. Parents are required by law to ensure that their children attend school every day the school is open, unless there are acceptable or justified reasons for their absence. Acceptable reasons include illness or injury, travelling away to doctor's appointments or other leave approved by the principal. Unacceptable reasons include being absent for birthdays, sleeping in, out of town shopping trips, family holidays in school time or staying home to care for younger siblings. Students who experience repeated bouts of illness, that impact on their rate of attendance, will be asked to provide a doctor's certificate each time to have the absence marked as justified. If your child is absent, a text message will be sent to your phone on the day they are marked absent. Please phone the school's front office on 69931270 to advise the reason for absence or send a return text message.

### Supervision

The school does not provide playground supervision to students before 8:45am. Students who arrive at school before this time are asked to sit on the verandah and wait for the morning bell to ring. This bell signifies the start of supervised play. Parents are asked to ensure that students are not at school before 8:45am if they have no good reason to be. Thank you for your support in this.

Have a great week!

Carol Oataway

**Principal**

Quality education in a caring environment

## SPORTS NEWS

### House Captains

Congratulations to the following children who were elected at house meetings last Thursday.

**Cadell** – Emily Cai, Jack Booth

**Cobb** – Karly Fisher, Ashton Green

**Oxley** – Milly Deacon, Nathaniel Clarke

**Sturt** – Isobella Murray, Kirby Pingiaro

I am sure you will all lead by example.

### Annual Swimming Carnival

Our HPS Swimming Carnival will be held at the John Houston Memorial Pool this Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February. The carnival will commence at approximately 9.45am with 100m events.

Students need to attend school as normal on Friday for roll marking. Children in Years 3-6 and ONLY Year 2 children, who turn 8 this year and can SWIM A LAP OF ANY STROKE, will walk to the pool with their house teachers at 9.20am. Events are according to the age the competitors turn this year (Juniors turn 8, 9 or 10 in 2018 and Seniors 11, 12 or 13). Students should take their own recess, lunch and water bottle.

PLEASE NOTE: NO STUDENTS ARE TO LEAVE THE CARNIVAL PRIOR TO COMPLETION.

NB: Lunch for officials is only provided at the District Swimming Carnival. Water and fruit will be available for our helpers.

***Thank you to those who have volunteered to help on the day. We still require some more timekeepers and would appreciate if anyone else could help. There will be a debriefing for the timekeepers and officials at 9.45am sharp.***

### Slip, Slop, Slap

Children need to be well protected from the sun. When not competing, swimmers should stay in their House areas and support their team. Parents should apply sunscreen to their children before coming to school.

Permission notes have been issued. These must be completed accurately and returned to CLASS TEACHERS by Thursday 15th February.

### Carnival Canteen

NO LUNCH ORDERS will be provided at the pool. The P&C will be running the canteen and BBQ lunch for the swimming carnival. If you could spare some time to help out on the either – it would be much appreciated – just for an hour would be great during the day.

### District Trials

Good luck to Ben Clark, Jim Houston and Seth Gray who are trialling in the Deni District Cricket trials today, and to Ben Clark, Jim Houston and Jonty Woods who are trialling in the Deni District Tennis trials tomorrow.

## Staff Professional Development

At the end of last term all staff undertook professional training in understanding the new Science and Technology syllabus. The new science curriculum is being implemented this year across the state. The science and technology curriculum develops the building blocks of inquiry and students' abilities to solve problems. Working scientifically and Design and Production skills enables students to develop and enhance skills to prepare them for a rapidly developing technological world.

Last Monday all K-6 staff participated in a professional learning course on SMART spelling. SMART Spelling is an explicit and systematic way of teaching spelling. It is based around whole words with an emphasis on meaning and vocabulary development.

**S- Say M - Meaning A- Analyse R- Remember T-Teach**

Students must be able to read their spelling words, understand what they mean and how to use them. They will have a weekly spelling list, divided into Red, Orange and Green words, as well as their BOB words. BOB words are a selection of personal words taken from the student's own writing and are written in the back of their **writing** books. (Back of Book Spelling Page )

All teachers will be implementing SMART Spelling in their classrooms this year.

Mrs Suzanne Murphy

**Deputy Principal.**

### Helpers Needed for Swimming Carnival Canteens

The Hay Public School P&C Association operates the canteen at the school and district swimming carnivals to raise money for our students and we need your help.

If you are able to assist at either of the swimming carnival canteens on Friday 15 February or Friday 1 March, please contact Michelle Johnson on 0427131282.

A volunteer to cook the BBQ is also needed, and donations of biscuits, cakes, slices or fruit are very much appreciated.

**Please deliver to pool Friday morning or to the front office on Thursday afternoon.**



**SCHOOL CANTEEN WILL OPERATE AS NORMAL FOR STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING THE CARNIVAL.**



## Mrs Murphy's Instructional Leader Report

Welcome back to the 2019 school year, and very warm welcome to our new Kinder students.

As an Early Action for Success school our focus will continue to be improving student performance in literacy and numeracy, through a targeted approach in the early years of primary school.

We will continue to differentiate our teaching practice that focuses on the individual student and ensure ongoing monitoring of student progress using the literacy and numeracy progressions for all students K-6.

Literacy involves students listening to, reading, viewing, speaking, writing and creating oral, print, visual and digital texts and using language for different purposes in a range of contexts. Parents and caregivers are strongly urged to read with their children every day, to interact with them and encourage discussions. Research shows that the benefits of reading more improves performance in: general knowledge, vocabulary, reading comprehension, verbal fluency and spelling.

Mathematical skills are critical for children's current and future success. Equally important as literacy and English, early numeracy and mathematics provide the foundation for the later learning of more complex skills. This year we have made numeracy a priority and all classes have timetabled maths into the first hour of the day, 5 days a week to ensure maximum opportunity for student success. Staff will continue to build their professional understanding through participation in Building Numeracy Leadership.

We look forward to working with your children this year and being involved in their learning journey.

Mrs Suzanne Murphy

**Deputy Principal** - Instructional Leader



### Parent Information

Crossing supervision begins at 8.30am

Rostered teacher supervision begins at 8.45am

### School Starting Time

**9.15am**

### Lunch

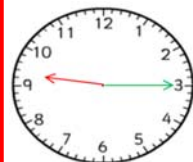
11.15am - 12.00pm

### Recess

1.30pm - 2.00pm

### Finish Time

**3.15pm**



Parents are to ensure that students are at school prior to the 9.15am morning bell to avoid disruption to class and learning time.

### ABSENCES

All absences are advised to parents by text on the day. If you have not already advised the school of this absence please do so by return text. A note on the student's return to school is needed only if text has not been answered.

## SCHOLASTIC Book Club

**Issue 1 - Orders Due  
18th February**

### HAY PUBLIC SCHOOL HATS

Two sizes available

**\$12.00 each.**

**Available at the front office**



## STUDENT LEADERS



**after-school  
homework CLUB**  
@your library

Commencing **WEEK 5-Tuesday 26th Feb**

**Year 1 - Year 2 3.15 to 4pm**

**Year 3 - Year 6 3.15 to 4.30pm**

**Please put your name down at the front office.**

**Places are limited.**

**Donations of food for afternoon tea is most welcome.**

# What's Happening

## TERM 1 2019

14th Feb	P&C Meeting- 2pm
15th Feb	School Swimming Carnival
1st Mar	District Swimming Carnival
6th Mar	Circus of Life Performance
7th Mar	School Council Meeting - 7pm
8th Mar	KIPA Begins
12th Mar	Robotics - Stage 3
13th Mar	Robotics - Stage 2
13th Mar	Regional Swimming Carnival
14th Mar	P&C AGM - 2pm
14th Mar	Dinkum Oz - Bush Poet
9th - 11th Apr	Life Education
12th Apr	Easter Hat Parade - 2pm

### HAY CALISTHENICS

2019 CLASSES START  
TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY



Please contact Verity Auldist for information  
(M) 0427 931 578 Email [verityauldist@bigpond.com](mailto:verityauldist@bigpond.com)

The **NSW Health School Dental Clinic** will be visiting Hay at the community health centre at the Hay Hospital on **Tuesday 19th February and Wednesday 20th February 2019**. We will then visit monthly.

Our service is **FREE** to all children from the ages 0-18 years with current medicare card.

For all appointments please contact the Oral Health Contact centre on 1800 450 046. Please have your medicare card with you when you call.

*Hope to see you soon.*



**UNDER14S  
TRAINING  
STARTS  
TUESDAY  
FEBRUARY 26TH  
4:45-6 PM  
ALL WELCOME**



### HAY MAGPIES JRL 2019 COACHES

Applications are now open for the Coaches in 2019 for the following grades:

League tag: U6, U8, U10, U12, U14 and U16

Rugby League: U6, U8, U10, U12 and U14

All Coaches must have or obtain a Level 1 Coaching accreditation and also hold a League Safe accreditation.

Accredited Sports Trainers may also be named in the application.

Applications close February 15th 2019 at 4:00pm and are to be emailed to [hjrlmagpies@hotmail.com](mailto:hjrlmagpies@hotmail.com)

Inquiries to Samantha Woods 0406544566



**GIRL GUIDES  
AUSTRALIA**

Hay Girl Guides is looking for girls looking for fun, friendship and challenges to join our local Girl Guide Units.

Girls aged 5-10 are invited to come along to Baden Powell Hall (behind the Hay Library) each Wednesday from 5.30-7.00pm.

Each child is able to have two free sessions before joining and girl Guides is able to access the Federal Government's Active Kids Voucher system.

For further enquiries please contact Leaders - Bev Wilson on 0427 931 343 or Shirley Hajek on 0458 598022