



"Flourish to the end"

# Hay Happenings

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## AGE CHAMPIONS



### SCHOOL RULES

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



### Principal's Report

#### Kindergarten Students

Welcome to our newly enrolled Kindergarten students who commenced last week. Students have settled well into their classroom environments with Mrs Christensen and Mrs Rutledge. Mrs Wall will be teaching KCW every Friday and Mrs Gaston, Miss Pless and Miss Argent will be assisting the teachers in the classroom. This year's intake is larger than normal with 38 students enrolled, hence the need to form two straight classes. In a first for our school, five sets of twins are part of the 2021 Kindergarten enrolment.

#### Swimming Carnival

A very successful swimming carnival was held last Friday at the Hay Olympic Pool. The weather was warm and perfect for swimming. The level of participation from our students was high with much support from our parents and community members. Much cheering and encouragement could be heard in support of all swimmers no matter what their ability level. The carnival ran smoothly all day and was well organised by Mrs Sarah Houston. Thank you to the parents, members of staff and members of the community who officiated on the day and to the P&C for running a barbecue and canteen on the grounds. Thanks also to Glenn Sorensen who was our COVID marshal, ensuring the guidelines were being adhered to. Congratulations to our individual champions on the day:

**Junior Boy Champion** – Alex Giddins

**Junior Girl Champion** – Marley Sorensen

**11 Years Boy Champion** – James Johnson

**11 Years Girl Champion** – Poppy Barnes

**Senior Boy Champion** – Dan Jamieson

**Senior Girl Champion** – Matilda Nisbet

Congratulations to Cobb House who were declared the overall winners on the day and to Matilda Nisbet who broke a long-standing record in the girls' 12/13 years breaststroke.

### Assembly

Our first assembly for the year will be held this Friday, leading off with the induction of our student leaders. Our newly elected captains, parliamentarians and house captains will take their pledge and receive their badges as part of the ceremony and Mrs Jenny Dwyer (Mayor) will be in attendance as our special guest. Assemblies will continue to be held on a Friday with a starting time of 12:00pm. Merit awards and Star of the Month Awards will be presented at assemblies which are advertised in our school newsletter. Due to COVID regulations restricting the number of parents allowed on school grounds, assemblies will be by invitation only. Students who receive awards will be able to invite two special guests to attend.

### Attendance

When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children. Some children are absent as they may be anxious about certain school events like sport, public speaking, performing arts or assemblies. Others are absent because they have stayed up late into the night playing games on devices or watching videos and are unable to get up in the morning. By giving into your children and allowing them to stay home, you are not doing them a favour. Avoidance of school will not build the skills of resilience, stamina and responsibility. School is like a training ground for the workplace and regular attendance is a necessity in any workplace.

Have a great week!

Suzanne Murphy

Carol Oatway

**Principal**

Quality education in a caring environment



## SPORTS REPORT

### Annual Swimming Carnival

Our swimming carnival was held last Friday in perfect conditions at the John Houston Memorial Pool.

Congratulations to all swimmers who participated and those who swam personal best times. All children were well behaved and very supportive of their house members, as well as the Booligal, Carrathool and SOTA teams.

Thank you to all teachers, parents and community members for your assistance throughout the day. Special thanks to Kerry Barnes, Natalie Arandt, Bruce Barnes, Lisa Bowen, Leanne Congdon and Verity Auldlist.

Thanks also to parents and teachers who set up, time keepers and to those who ran the BBQ and canteen facilities.

Cobb (203) won the carnival, followed by Oxley (149), Cadell (111) and Sturt (79).

Congratulations to our individual champions:-

**Junior Boy** – Alex Giddins (Co),

Runner Up – Harry Houston (Ox)

**Junior Girl** – Marley Sorensen (Co),

Runner Up – Willow Greenway (Ox)

**11 Year Boy** – James Johnson (Co),

Runner Up – Kyper Woods (St)

**11 Year Girl** – Poppy Barnes (Co),

Runner Up – Emily Shea (Co)

**Senior Boy** – Dan Jamieson (Ca),

Runner Up – Josh Gardiner (Co)

**Senior Girl** – Matilda Nisbet (Ox),

Runner Up – Charli Giddins (Co)

A special congratulations to Matilda Nisbet who broke the senior year girls 50m Breaststroke record with a time of 42.82. The previous record was held by Milly Wall (2002) 43.86. A truly outstanding effort.

### Deniliquin & District Carnival

The Deniliquin & District Carnival will be held in Hay on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February. Again we rely on the tremendous support of our parent body. If you are able to assist please contact Mrs Houston on 6993 1270 or 0409 566714 as soon as possible.

39 children have qualified to participate in this carnival. Permission notes have been issued this week and need to be returned to the front office by 24th February.

**Boys:** Dan Jamieson, Max Spence, James Johnson, Oliver Meads, Henry Cannon, Dallas Giddins, Xavier Tarsoly, Bill Houston, Alex Giddins, Harry Houston, Euen Kerr, Max Hutchings, Kyper Woods, Archie Houston, Josh Gardiner, Archie Auldlist, Ned Williamson, Hilton Hargreaves, Braxton Lund, Ned Williamson.

**Girls:-** Matilda Nisbet, Poppy Barnes, Emily Shea, Rhyla Bunyan, Elsbeth Kerr, Mela Polhill, Grace Auldlist, Angel Clarke, Ellie Kennedy, Marley Sorensen, Willow Greenway, Rachel Taylor, Jessica Tapper, Charli Giddins, Emily Taylor, Skye Cannon, Lily Books, Hannah Jamieson, Genevieve Williamson.

### Riverina Swimming Carnival

The Riverina Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday 10th March in **Leeton** (please note the change of location).

### District Cricket Trials (Boys)

Hilton Hargreaves, Dan Jamieson, Archie Houston, Josh Gardiner and Max Spence attended the District Cricket Trials in Deniliquin last Wednesday.

Congratulations to Hilton, Dan and Archie were selected to advance to the Riverina Trials. Good luck boys!

### District Tennis Trials

Dan Jamieson, Hilton Hargreaves, Archie Houston, Dillon Green and Hannah Jamieson attended the District Tennis Trials in Deniliquin last Thursday.

Congratulations to Dan, Hilton, Archie and Hannah who were selected to progress to the Riverina Trials, to be held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February in Griffith. This is an amazing effort and we wish them the best of luck!





## WELCOME KINDERGARTEN



KCW - Mrs Christensen & Mrs Wall



KR - Mrs Rutledge

### Easter Raffle

Parliament is again having its annual Easter Raffle. All families have been issued with a book of tickets. Each book contains 10 tickets to be sold for \$1.00 per ticket.

**Sold books are to be returned to the front office.**

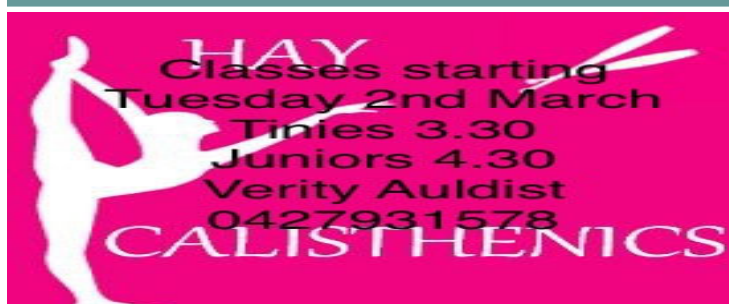
This is usually a bumper raffle with many, many prizes to be won.

#### Donations for Raffle

**We are seeking donations of chocolates and fluffy animals and all things Easter for this raffle. All donations may be left at the front office.**

#### Drawn

The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 31 March and funds raised go towards the Year 6 Farewell and gift to the school.



# Didjeribone

PERFORMANCE

WEDNESDAY 3rd MARCH

PAYMENT DUE NOW!

\$6

**Please make payment to the front office**



### Helpers Needed for District Swimming Carnival Canteen

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

If you are able to assist at the carnival on Friday 26 March, please contact the front office. Thank you to everyone who has already put their hand up to help on the day.

Donations of biscuits, cakes, slices or fruit are very much appreciated.

### ICPA Hay Branch

If you have been thinking about joining the local ICPA branch or wondering what ICPA can do for your family NOW is the best time to find out more. Hay is about to host the State Conference and we encourage you to investigate. Come along during the two-day conference to observe or join in with one of the nightly dinners or day activities between March 9 – 11<sup>th</sup>.

For more information either check out the ICPA Event page <https://nsw.icpa.com.au/event/view/65/40th-nsw-icpa-state-conference-10th-11th-march-2021> or send us an email [conferenceicpa21@gmail.com](mailto:conferenceicpa21@gmail.com)



ICPA has a strong, well respected voice at both state and federal levels of government. In recent times they have been active in actions regarding, telehealth, pre-school funding, small school issues, mental health, educational content, living away from home allowances, communications and importantly during 2020 shut down - remote learning.

If you are interested in joining please contact our Membership Officer:

Fleur Cullenward 0418203756

# What's Happening

## TERM 1 2021

19 Feb	Leaders' Induction Ceremony
24 Feb	No Greenslip Reward
26 Feb	District Swimming Carnival
3 Mar	Didjeribone Performance
10 Mar	Regional Swimming Carnival
11 Mar	P&C AGM - 2pm
24 Mar	Principal's Lunch Reward
31 Mar	Easter Hat Parade
1 Apr	No Greenslip Reward
1 April	Last day of Term 1

## HPS Payment Coupon

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment to yellow box in front office  
or by Parents Online Payments on website  
**Payment is required for ALL performances**

### Fees

General Contribution	\$35.00
Subject Fees	\$20.00

### Performances

Didjeribone Performance	\$6.00
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3rd March - **PAYMENT DUE NOW**

Life Education	FREE
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12th - 14th May

Brilliant at being Resilient	FREE
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23rd June

Sussing out our Solar System	\$6.00
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22nd July

Rock It	FREE
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10th November

## Parent Information

Crossing supervision begins at 8.30am

Rostered teacher supervision begins at 8.45am.

Students should not be at school before 8:45am. The playground is unsupervised before this time.

### 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

If your child is absent, you will receive a text message on the day. Please reply to this message to explain your child's absence.

## 2021 Excursions

Excursions	
<u>Kindergarten</u> - 20th October Altina Wildlife Park	TBC
<u>Stage One</u> - 22nd October Griffith Regional Theatre - Pete the Sheep	TBC
<u>Stage Two</u> - 13th - 14th September Lake Mungo & Swan Hill	TBC
<u>Stage Three</u> - 9th - 11th June Canberra	TBC

**Excursion pre-payments are now being accepted at the front office.**