



"Flourish to the end"

# Hay Happenings

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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.*



## 2021 School Captains

### Principal's Report

#### 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 the official guest was Mrs Jenny Dwyer, Mayor. After the assembly, the captains planted a tree in the school grounds in the company of their parents, Mrs Murphy and Mrs Dwyer.

#### COVID Regulations

In a review of COVID regulations, parents and carers can only enter school grounds for the following reasons:

- To enter the school to purchase or pick up uniforms from the front office or the canteen clothing pool;
- To drop off students for Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2;
- To meet with school staff for an appointment.

Attendance at school assemblies is currently not permitted. If this changes, parents will be advised.

#### In School COVID Tutoring

As we all know, 2020 was a tough year for our students and teachers. It was a year that included seven weeks of remote learning due to COVID-19. For our students, this was an unsettling time. The government and department have recognised this with the roll out of a \$337 million COVID support program. The 2021 COVID intensive learning support program will provide small group tuition for students who need it most across NSW primary, secondary and specialist schools. All public schools across the state will benefit with an allocation to employ additional teachers and educators to support student learning. At Hay Public

School this allocation will be used to provide small group tuition. This will be conducted during school hours with a focus on literacy and numeracy.

#### Early Action for Success

Again this year, Hay Public School is funded by the department to take part in the Early Action for Success strategy. Mrs Suzanne Murphy, in her part-time role as Deputy Principal, works closely with Kindergarten to Year 2 teachers in ensuring that students in each and every K-2 classroom are supported to reach their full, educational potential. Students' progress is tracked regularly in literacy and numeracy and students who require assistance with their learning are provided with the appropriate support. This may be in the form of small learning groups, one on one support or differentiation of the curriculum in the classroom. School Learning Support Officers are employed to assist teachers in providing learning support to our students.

#### Deniliquin District Carnival

Good luck to our thirty-nine students who will be competing at the Deniliquin District PSSA Swimming Carnival in Hay this Friday. I am sure that they will be wonderful representatives of Hay Public School and will all do their very best. Thank you to Mrs Houston for co-ordinating this carnival that will host schools from all over the Deniliquin District. Thank you also to our P&C and other parent helpers who will assist on the day. We are looking forward to a very successful day.

Have a great week!

Suzanne Murphy  
Carol Oatway

**Principal**

Quality education in a caring environment

## SPORTS REPORT

### Deniliquin Zone Swimming Carnival

On Friday, 39 of our students will be representing Hay Public School at the Deniliquin Zone Swimming Carnival at the John Houston Memorial Pool. The first race will commence at 10am.

Once again, our wonderful P&C are running the canteen on the day. This is a fabulous fundraiser with all proceeds supporting our children's education. Donations of cakes and fruit are greatly appreciated. If you are able to contribute, please drop these at the pool on Friday morning.

We are encouraging all swimmers to wear a HPS swimming cap. There are available for purchase from the front office.

The HPS Team;

**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 Auldist, Ned Williamson, Hilton Hargreaves, Braxton Lund, Ned Williamson

**Girls:** Matilda Nisbet, Poppy Barnes, Emily Shea, Rhyla Bunyan, Elsbeth Kerr, Mela Polhill, Grace Auldist, 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 change of venue). Swimmers at the Zone Carnival will need to meet or beat qualifying times, placing first or second in their event, or first in the Individual Medley, to participate in this carnival. The NSWPSA Championships will be held at Homebush on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th April.

### District Cricket

Congratulations to Dan Jamieson, Hilton Hargreaves and David Caldow (SOTA) who were selected yesterday in the Riverina Boys Cricket Squad. These boys will now attend two winter training sessions before going on to the Riverina trials to be held later in the year.

### Riverina Tennis Trials

Good luck to Dan Jamieson, Hilton Hargreaves, Archie Houston and Hannah Jamieson who will be travelling to Griffith on Thursday to take part in the Riverina Tennis trials.

### Weekly Attendance Rates

Week Ending: 19 February 2021

1	5J	99.05%
2	KCW	98.89%
2	KR	98.89%
4	3/4D	98.46%
5	3/4B	97.04%
6	5/6CH	96.52%
7	6S	95.24%
8	2H	94.00%
9	1Z	89.17
<b>Week 4 Attendance</b>		96.12%
<b>2021 Attendance</b>		95.16%

### IS YOUR CHILD MISSING TOO MUCH SCHOOL?

#### Attendance Facts

- Well done to 5J for their outstanding attendance last week;
- We have had an amazing start to 2021. Currently our attendance rate is 3% higher than that of 2020;
- Well done to all classes who achieved over 90% attendance last week;
- Children are required to attend school every day unless sick;
- A medical certificate is required for illnesses over 3 days;
- Children who attend school regularly are prepared for success in school and in life;
- Children who attend school regularly are more engaged in their learning;
- Children who attend school regularly develop healthy life habits;
- Children who attend school regularly feel more connected to their community and develop important social skills and friendships; and
- Students who attend school regularly are set up for a strong future.

## EVERY DAY COUNTS...

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

**Every day counts!**





## STUDENT LEADERS



2021 Parliamentarians



2021 Sports Captains



## School Banking Day

**Monday is School  
Banking Day**



Students should bring in their weekly deposit  
to the front office first thing in the morning.

## 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.

**Great News!! We have confirmed a coffee van will be available on the day.**

## 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/65/49th-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



## TERM 1 2021

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
12th - 14th May	

Brilliant at being Resilient	FREE
23rd June	** Performance now free **

Sussing out our Solar System	\$6.00
22nd July	

Rock It	FREE
10th November	



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MAKE A PAYMENT

ENROLMENT

NEWS

EVENTS

GALLERY

FOLLOW THE PROMPTS

### PARENT ONLINE PAYMENT (POP)

#### FOR SCHOOL FEES, EXCURSIONS

**Did you know that you can make payments to your child's school online?**

We have launched a new online payment portal linked to your school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac which enables parents to pay online by using either VISA, MasterCard or debit card..

#### **What expenses can be paid online?**

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other (e.g canteen)



#### **When?**

This payment method is available now.

#### **How?**

Log onto School site at [www.hay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.hay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)  
Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

## 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.**