



Hughesdale HAPPENINGS

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Principal's Report

Week 4 Term 2 2022 Issue 7

A very brief note from me in this issue. I can confirm that although I have not been at school for the last couple of weeks, that I am fine and hope to be back next week. I am missing school a great deal and cannot wait to see everyone upon my return. In my absence, can I please thank Mrs Breeden-Walton and Miss Seach for stepping in to lead the school, and the many people who have supported them.

I have heard about the success of our inaugural tabloid sports, and hope that you too received rave reviews from your child in Foundation, Year 1 or Year 2. If you have any other feedback to offer, I would love to hear from you as we are currently looking to make this an annual event for this cohort.

Student Free Day

Please ensure that you have **Friday 10th June in your diary as our next student free day.**

Due to the staff shortage currently being experienced in the education field, an additional student free day has been declared by the Department of Education and Training (DET). This day will be dedicated to Term Three Curriculum Planning. At Hughesdale Primary School, we manage our termly Curriculum planning by having a *planning week, using Casual Relief Teachers (CRT's) to progressively release teaching teams across a week so that teachers can use a day to prepare rigorous learning content for the following term. It is my belief that the change implemented by the DET will be for this term only.*

I can confirm that Camp Australia will be running a program for the full day on Friday 10th June, which can be booked in advance through their portal.

Rapid Antigen Testing

The settings for Rapid Antigen Testing have now been updated following Health Department advice, for the remainder of Term 2.

Rapid Antigen Test Kits (RATs) will continue to be available to you through the school, for the remainder of this term. However, from Monday 23 May 2022, students will no longer be recommended to undertake twice weekly RATs in mainstream school.

RATs will continue to be required by students who are household contacts so they can attend school (5 negative tests over a 7 day period) or if they have symptoms. The ongoing supply of RATs to families in our school will ensure that parents and carers will have them should they need them if their child is a household contact or has symptoms.

Families must continue to notify the Department of Health and the school if their child returns a positive RAT result. Additionally, you should inform us if any of your children are household contacts.

Thank you also to all families who have got their child vaccinated. Vaccination continues to remain the best way to protect students and staff in our school. Getting vaccinated is easy and bookings can be done via the coronavirus website. If you have any questions about the vaccines, I encourage you to speak to your GP or a health practitioner.

If you require additional RAT kits, they can be requested from the school office at any time. Thank you again for your ongoing cooperation and support.

Child safety and wellbeing at Hughesdale Primary School: information for families and the school community

The Victorian Government has announced new Child Safe Standards to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

HOW TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL

SCHOOL 9570 4808 OSHC 0423 940 728

www.hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au email: hughesdale.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Past *Hughesdale Happenings* can be found on **COMPASS** in **Community** under **School Documentation**

Our family is there for your family



www.listedsold.com.au

We are reviewing and updating our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These will be available to view on our website from Wednesday 22nd June.

<https://www.hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au/policies-det-documents-1>

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact me at lisa.gough@education.vic.gov.au

Assistant Principal's Report

AMANDA BREEDEN-WALTON
Wellbeing and Daily Organisation

Entertainment Book - Digital savings offer



Please support our Parents and Friends group by purchasing the Entertainment digital subscription and enjoy 100s of everyday savings!

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And what's even better, 20% of every membership purchased goes to support Hughesdale Primary School!

Join Entertainment to help Hughesdale Primary School to raise funds

<https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/1850w66>

Student Safety

In order to help keep our students safe at drop off and pick up times, we remind families that the staff car park is not an area where students or parents enter or exit the school grounds.



"Corroboree Calling" Exhibition

Students from 3B and 3C have completed a collaborative artwork for an exhibition of student artwork in the City of Monash.

The name of the exhibition is "Corroboree Calling".

The exhibition is being held at The Track Gallery, Mt. Waverley Community Centre, 47 Miller Crescent. Mt. Waverley from May 18th – May 29th.

The exhibition opening hours are:

Wednesday to Friday 10am - 2pm and 4pm – 6 pm., Saturday and Sunday 10am – 4pm, Monday and Tuesday by appointment

If you would like to view the exhibition, it is recommended that you confirm the gallery will be open by calling Ph. 9518 3636.

Enrolments (repeat message)

If you, or someone that you know has a child commencing at Hughesdale Primary School in 2023, please complete and return an enrolment form at your earliest convenience. Please call in to collect a form or you can access it digitally from;

<https://www.hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au/enrolments>

Warmest Regards,

Lisa Gough

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Think You Know Presentation

To coincide with Education week, our school will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation on Wednesday 25th May from 6pm until 7.30pm and all parents and carers are encouraged to attend. This will be held onsite in the upper level of the Tanner Building.

ThinkUKnow Australia is an evidence based education program delivered nationally to prevent online child sexual exploitation. ThinkUKnow Australia is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police, Microsoft Australia, Datacom and the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. The program is delivered in collaboration with policing partners New South Wales Police Force, Northern Territory Police, Queensland Police, South Australia Police, Tasmania Police, Western Australia Police, as well as Neighbourhood Watch Australasia.

The presentation will be delivered by a local law enforcement member and an industry volunteer. The presentation is pro-technology and addresses topics including self-generated online child sexual exploitation material, online grooming, image-based abuse, sexual extortion, and importantly encourages help seeking behaviour.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about young people and the online environment, and how you can help them to be safe and responsible users of technology.

For more information, you can visit www.thinkuknow.org.au



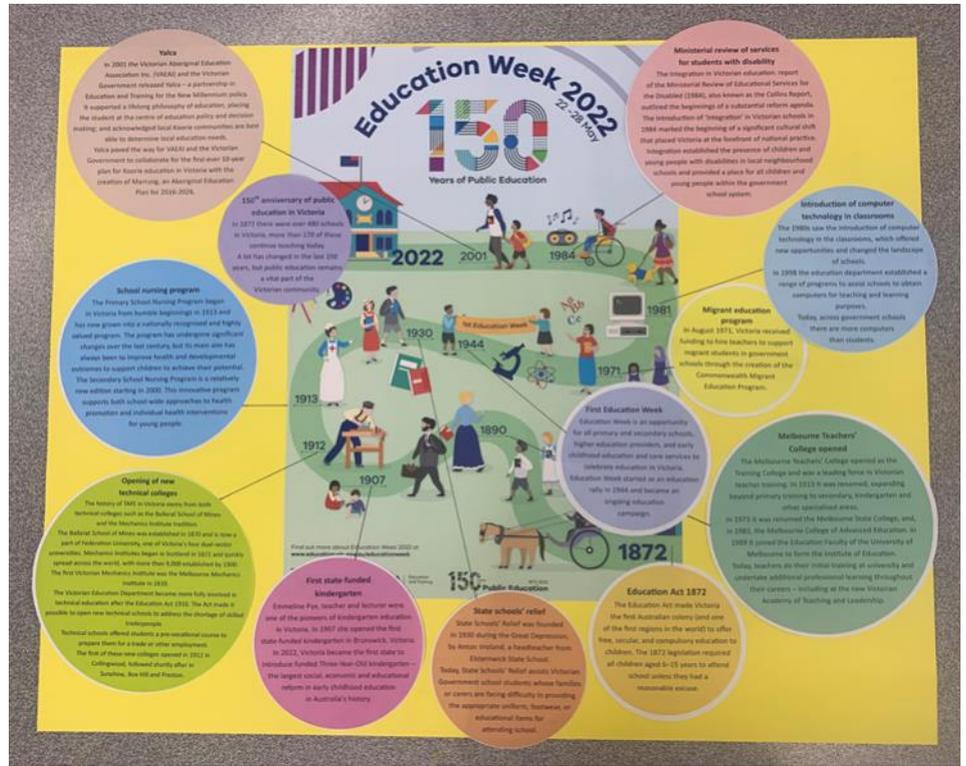
**Education Week
22 May 2022 - 28 May 2022**

Just a reminder that next week is Education week, a week to celebrate the strengths and achievements of Victoria's government education sector. This year's theme is 150 Years of Public Education, to coincide with this milestone anniversary for Victoria.

Education Week 2022 is an opportunity for all primary and secondary schools, higher education providers, and early childhood education and care services to commemorate the past, celebrate the present and imagine the future of education in Victoria.

We look forward to celebrating Education week at our school as we invite families to attend our Open afternoon from 2.15 - 3.15 on Wednesday 25th May.

Next week, I shall share a photo a day from our school's history and even a story or two from some of our previous students.



Personal and Social Learning

By Cassandra, Jui and Sarah Year 6

Let's start this off by telling you what RRRR is.

RRRR is a subject at school that Year 6s are learning. You might know it as Wellbeing or PSL (Personal and Social Learning). RRRR stands for Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships. This topic covers various subjects such as emotional literacy, personal strengths, positive coping, problem solving and stress management. They also learn about more complicated topics such as help seeking, gender identity and positive gender relations.

Personal strengths is another subject that RRRR covers. It is about knowing your strengths and weaknesses, and trying to improve yourself for the better. The subject can help you bring out the best of yourself and increase your confidence. Some characteristics that we look into are courage, forgiveness, honesty, enthusiasm and many more. In my opinion, the characteristics that stand out to me the most are optimism, creativity, leadership and kindness. RRRR can allow you to celebrate other's strengths and learn from each other's weaknesses.

In year 6 there are many topics to cover in RRRR but one of the main ones is Emotional Literacy. Emotional Literacy is described as the ability to understand ourselves and other people. It is to be aware of, understand, and use information about the emotional states of ourselves and others with competence. This is used to guide people when having conversations. In class we have been learning about defining specific emotions, to what they actually mean. We have then put these emotions into scenarios and then shared them with

the class. What is an emotional rollercoaster? Well it is exactly what it means! The rollercoaster is full of happenings from your day. Sad or angry things will make the rollercoaster go low and happy/ exciting things will make it go up. This shows that you understand the emotions you are having and days that are dull can actually be full of emotional happenings!

How To Make Your Very Own Emotional Rollercoaster

What You Will Need:

- Paper
- Coloured Pencils
- Pen/Grey Lead
- Ruler

Directions to Make Your Roller Coaster:

- I. Turn your piece of paper landscape and draw a straight line down the middle of the page
- II. Think about all the emotions you have had today, or even just make up a fictional character's day
- III. Write down the emotions putting happy ones making it go high (Draw A Line Going Up) and sadder ones down low (Draw A Line Below), make sure these lines connect to the straight line
- IV. Make sure you write why you had these emotions (E.G. I Was At The Library So I Was Calm). You also need to make it in chronological order.
- V. Time to decorate! Use your imagination and coloured pencils to design what your emotional roller coaster will look like.

Positive Coping

RRRR has various topics including Positive Coping. It is all about thinking about the positive side of things and having a good growth mind set. Having good positive self talk improves the way you think about yourself and the way you think about others.

Positive Self Talk

Jenna leaped and tried to get the ball but it slipped out of her hands. The other team got the ball and shot. GOAL! The game was over. The voice in her head said you tried your hardest and gave it your best shot, well done!

Negative Self Talk

Jenna leaped and tried to get the ball but it slipped out of her hands. The other team got the ball and shot. GOAL! The game was over. The voice in her head said you let the whole team down Jenna! Uhhh!

Merci,

Amanda Breeden-Walton

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Dear Parents,
To minimise illness for students, it is recommended that if your child is unwell (particularly if they have a temperature), you please keep them at home.



Warm Regards,
Helen (First Aid)



Hughesdale Netball Fun

Friday nights in the school gymnasium

Starting May 6th, 3.45-4.45pm

Prep – Grade 3



\$105 for 7 week Program

Bookings at <https://www.trybooking.com/BYQIT>

Contact Angela on 0418 585 227

Each session is conducted by a qualified netball coach and aims at teaching the correct skills and technique in a fun and safe environment. We look forward to meeting everyone again and seeing the smiles on faces with the fun of learning a great sport.

Hughesdale Primary School.

SEX EDUCATION AUSTRALIA

YEARS 3-4 AND 5-6 PARENT & CHILD NIGHT **ONLINE**



Has your child missed out on important puberty education over the last two years? Are you wondering what to say and how to say it? Are you worried about saying the wrong thing?

As Victorian students return to schools, many children have missed out on their regular sex education programs over the last two years. A pandemic doesn't stop children going through puberty - and young people need accurate information about their bodies now more than ever. We don't want them going to Google, so we designed these evenings to help support families to have these important conversations.



PARENT AND CHILD NIGHTS

Our Parent and Child Nights bring together families to learn about and discuss the changes of adolescence (physical, social and emotional) over one fun, engaging and age-appropriate session. These nights support parents while teaching young people - as well as kick start conversations that can continue at home.

FOR FAMILIES OF CHILDREN IN YEARS 3-6

This event is for children in Years 3 through to 6 and their families. Each session covers age-appropriate information related to topics around body safety (including proper names for private body parts), reproduction, and/or puberty.



WHEN AND WHERE?

Our next parent and child nights will be held over ZOOM on **Tuesday 10 May** and **Wednesday 01 June**. On each night, we'll have two sessions, and you can book for one or both:

- Years 3-4 parents and children: **5-6pm AEST**
- Years 5-6 parents and children: **6-7pm AEST**



HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

One ticket = a pass for one family with a discount for families who book multiple sessions on the same night.

- 1 session: **\$25**
- 2 sessions on the same night: **\$35**



TO ATTEND OUR PARENT & CHILD NIGHTS, YOU MUST HAVE YOUR CHILD PRESENT DURING THE SESSION. WE CAN'T ALLOW ANY ADULTS ON THEIR OWN TO REMAIN IN THE SESSION.

[CLICK TO BOOK FOR TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022](#)

OR

[CLICK TO BOOK FOR WEDNESDAY 01 JUNE 2022](#)

FIND OUT MORE AT WWW.SEXEDUCATIONAUSTRALIA.COM.AU

Or email bookings@sexeducationaustralia.com.au

Assistant Principal's Report

AMANDA SEACH

Curriculum and Pedagogy

Teaching writing

6+1 TRAITS OF WRITING



Our teachers have continued their professional learning in the Six + 1 Writing Traits. This term we have completed Module 3 which was focused on the trait of Voice. Key qualities relating to Voice that we teach and look for in student writing are:

- **Establishing a tone** – the writer cares about the topic and it shows. The writing is expressive and compelling. The reader feels the writer's conviction, authority and integrity.
- **Conveying the purpose** – The writer makes clear their reason for creating the piece. A point of view, appropriate to the type of writing (narrative, persuasive, expository) compels the reader to read on.
- **Creating a connection to the audience** – The writer speaks in a way that the reader wants to listen. They consider the reader's needs and know the best way to convey fascination, feelings, and opinions about the topic.

NAPLAN

Congratulations to all of our Year 3 and 5 students who have participated in NAPLAN assessments over the past fortnight. We are proud of the way our students gave it their best and thank the teachers for preparing them, supporting them and creating a calm and safe atmosphere in which to sit the assessments. This year all tests (apart from the Year 3 writing) were completed online which allowed the program to ramp up and down the difficulty of questions dependent on student answers. The students also found the audio function quite useful.

Celebrating learning

Aidan and Mackenzie from 4D shared their mathematical understanding about fractions with me. Aidan has been working on proper fractions and partitioning while Mackenzie has been working with mixed fractions and representing these with models. Super!

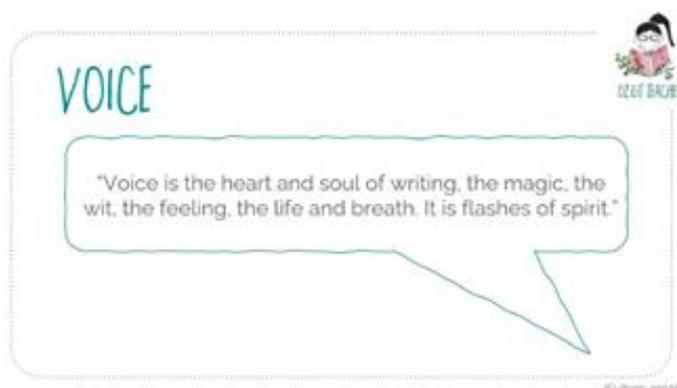
Matilda, Deshna and Ben from 3C shared how they have been developing the trait of Voice within their pieces of writing. They had written from the perspective of a crayon trying to convince people to use their colour. They took risks to express ideas in new ways to make their writing interesting and original which we love to see!

Kind regards

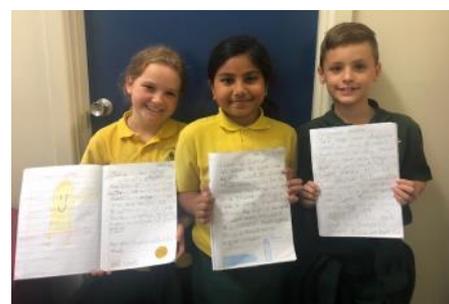
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- **Taking risks to create voice** – The writer expresses ideas in new ways making the piece interesting and original. The writing sounds like the writer because of their use of distinctive, just-right words and phrases.



Again, we explored the use of Mentor texts (great quality children's literature, often picture books) to assist students to understand the Voice Trait - we looked at a picture book called 'Counting on Frank' by Rod Clement. We also delved into the many tones authors use such as silly, funny, frustrated, formal, sincere, deliberate, curious, calm, joyful, friendly, wise, chatty, sad, gentle, resigned, sarcastic, whimsical, carefree, hopeful, passionate, and determined. Our learning was rounded out looking at student writing samples and the strengths and opportunities they presented regarding the Voice trait.



School Council President's Report

Dear All,

If this your first year at HPS, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to each of you. If you are a seasoned HPS family, I know that you are as excited as I am to be getting the kids back to school. My name is Kirsten Williams and I have taken on the role of School Council President for 2022. This is my fifth year on School Council and second year as President. As a Council we will provide regular newsletter updates to inform the community of key discussions and decisions made at School Council meetings which are held monthly during school terms. As a council it is our role to support the Hughesdale Primary School leadership team to provide the best possible educational outcomes for students.

In term 1, School Council held two council meetings via zoom. Our first meeting was held on 21st February and our AGM on 21st March. At the AGM, the Annual Principal's Report and the Annual President's Report is presented. This ensures that the AGM provides a comprehensive analysis of the previous year. The AGM also focuses on the election of office-bearers and sub-committee representatives. In addition to attendance at monthly Council meetings, councillors undertake work on various sub-committees which benefits the school enormously. I thank all councillors for volunteering their time in this regard. The 2022 council members, undertake their position on council and additional roles on the following subcommittees:

- Laura Puzzello (Parent) – *Secretary, Education subcommittee*
- Megan Rive (Parent) – *Education subcommittee*
- Jarryd Biffin (Parent) - *Education subcommittee*
- Amanda Breeden-Walton (DET) – *Education, Parents & Friends subcommittee*
- Bridget Kersey (Parent) – *Vice President*
- Kirsten Williams (Parent) – *President; Finance, facilities & grounds, Parents & Friends subcommittee*
- Lisa Gough (DET) – *Principal; Finance, facilities & grounds subcommittee*
- Bridene Forrest (DET) – *Finance, facilities & Grounds subcommittee*
- Rebecca Bamert (Parent) – *Treasurer; Education subcommittee, Finance, facilities & Grounds Convenor*
- Amanda Seach (DET) – *Education subcommittee Convenor*
- Aaron Richards (DET) – *Education subcommittee*
- Jessica Nirens (Parent) – *Parents & Friends Convenor*
- Karthik Thoppay - *TBA*

Ordinary business discussed in these 2 meetings included:

- Approved the grant for the installation of three shade sails outside the library.
- Tabled the 2022 Annual Implementation Plan.
- Reviewed the financial reports and found them to be consistent with our Annual budget.
- Reviewed the JAG policy.

As a council we welcome your input and feedback. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me on Kirsten.Williams@education.vic.gov.au.

EXTRA – CURRICULAR PROGRAMS 2022

We are pleased to once again share with our community the range of extra-curricular programs we continue to make available. We aim for all of our students to have access to and appreciate the positive effects of participating in extra-curricular activities and so we remain dedicated to the provision of learning experiences that are of an exceptionally high quality. As a result, we proudly offer the following extra-curricular programs:

School Run Programs

Lunchtime Activities	Day	Age Group
School Choir	Wednesday	Grades 2 - 6
Library	Monday, Wednesday, Friday	all
Lego Club	Thursday	all
Writer's Club	Monday	all
Code Club	Wednesday	Grades 2 - 6
Craft Club	Friday	all
Gardening Club	Friday	all

External Providers (booking are made direct with the Contact):

Activity	Contact	Days	Time	Location
Piano Lessons	Karina 95044214	Wednesday & Thursday	As arranged	Piano room
Guitar Lessons	The Music School Perry 0412365515	Wednesday	Lunchtime	Performing Arts room
Basketball	Bentleigh Lakers Enquiries: registerforlakers@gmail.com	Monday to Thursday	As arranged	Gym
Soccer	SoccerWise Andrew or Samantha 0419253837	Tuesday & Friday	3.30 – 4.30	Soccer pitch
Chess Club	Kids Unlimited 1300424377	Wednesday	3.30 – 4.30	(Main Building)
Science Program	Kids Unlimited 1300424377	Thursdays	3.30 – 4.30	(Main Building)
Multi-Sports Programme	Kelly Sports 9384 2204 Prep – Level 4	Mondays	3.40 – 5.10	Soccer Pitch
Netball	Little Sporty Legends Foundation – Level 3 Angela 0418585227	Friday	3.45 – 4.45	School Gym

District Cross Country Wednesday 18th May





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VENUES

Basketball and Soccer @ Cheltenham Secondary College
27 & 28 June 2022

AFL Camp @ Central Reserve, Glen Waverley
30 June & 1 July 2022

AFL Camp @ Whatmough Park, Greensborough
30 June & 1 July 2022

Basketball Camp @ Oakleigh Recreation Centre, Oakleigh
4 & 5 July 2022

AFL Camp @ Bailey Reserve, Bentleigh
4 & 5 July 2022

Basketball Camp @ Forest Hill College, Forest Hill
7 & 8 July 2022

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FRIDAY 20 MAY 2022

Until they're ten, children must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road

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