

# HASTINGS HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2021



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING at HASTINGS ...

#### MONDAY, 8th

- Uniform Shop Open 8:30am to 9:30am
- Year 3 Intensive Swim Scheme
- NC Boys Cricket
- Sports Day for Kinder
- Boys and Girls Cricket Trials & Training
   \*\*TO BE CONFIRMED\*\*

4.00pm - 5.30pm at Wood Street fields

#### TUESDAY, 9th

- Year 3 Intensive Swim Scheme
- Boys & Girls Football (Soccer) Trials
- Sports Day for Year 1 & Year 3
- Year 6 to Year 7 College Connect Meeting

#### WEDNESDAY, 10th

- Year 3 Intensive Swim Scheme
- Book Club and Chess Club library at recess
- Sports Day for Year 4
- Uniform Shop Open 2:30pm to 3pm

#### THURSDAY, 11th

- Year 3 Intensive Swim Scheme
- HCH Rugby League
- Sports Day for Year 5

#### FRIDAY, 12th

- Year 3 Intensive Swim Scheme
- LNC Girls & Boys Soccer
- Sports Day for Year 2 & Year 6
- Uniform Shop Open 2:30pm to 3pm

#### SUNDAY, 14th

- 'Bald & Beautiful' Tour de Cure Shave
- Stoney Aqua Park 10am 2pm

#### MONDAY, 15th

Crazy Hair Mufti Day

# These amazing students have raised \$4,258.53 and \$5,842.75 respectively

See Page 2 on how you can help ...





# PRINCIPAL MATTERS

It is wonderful to see the school sporting events and associated trials taking place this term. The soccer and cricket trials are commencing including some training organised when the weather allows fields to be utilised. The school intensive swimming scheme will commence next week for our younger students which will operate for one week.

There was a final hold up this week with our new COLA being utilised. Unfortunately, due to the amount of rain we have had lately, the grass that was to be laid around the exposed soil could not be sourced as machinery could not access the turf farm growing areas. The good news, turf was being laid today so hopefully next week it will be ready!

The school is currently analysing the evidence that was collected for the situation analysis and evaluation of the previous school plan and school progress as measured against the School Excellence Framework. The continued work this term will identify the three strategic directions for school improvement that will be priority for the next four-year plan. This important work is to ensure the excellent work and quality teaching and learning continues meeting the needs of our students that are known, valued and cared for at our high achieving school.

Next week we will have an update regarding easing of some COVID rules and will keep parents informed of changes. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Nigel Sherrard Principal

# **OUR KIDS HELPING OTHERS**

#### Tour De Cure Shave Fundraiser ...

James C has come up with an amazing plan to help raise funds for cancer research, so please help us make James' dream of 'Bald & Beautiful' come to fruition. We are aiming for 50 children of all ages (as well as some parents) to shave or cut their hair on 14th March 2021 at Stoney Aqua Park from 10am – 2pm. We have 14 kids so far registered and ready to go. Cooper C is going to donate 40cm of his hair. Kaiden S can't believe someone wants his red hair! Sophia and Amelie T have 36cm of ponytails to donate!



Come & join us to raise money and have a day in the great outdoors with family and friends. All kids that sign up will get a little gift pack on the day. We would love if the kids and their families aim to raise \$200 each.

We will be donating hair and ponytails to Sustainable Saloons to create wigs for cancer patients and to use in the environment to help clean up oil spills in our oceans, helping to save our marine life - including turtles! To donate, simply click on the yellow donate button.

https://tourdecure.grassrootz.com/bald-beautiful-2021



#### Shave For a Cure ... Crazy Hair Mufti Day

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March will be Crazy Hair Mufti Day for all of Hastings students – \$2 donation. Manni M is participating in Shave for a Cure and he will be getting his head shaved in the Cola at 11.30am.

Manni– 'I'm taking part in the World's Greatest Shave for the Leukaemia Foundation! I'm on a mission to shave the world from blood cancer. My Nanny Kay has blood cancer, and I would like to help raise money so that

they can find a cure. My mum said that if I raise \$1000, then she would cut off all her hair as well. SO...if you want to help to find a cure, and see me bald (and maybe my mum) then please donate. Please click the button and sponsor me today! Please sponsor me to give families facing blood cancer the emotional and practical support they need. You'll also fund vital research to help more people survive blood cancers, while improving their quality of life. Every day another 47 Australians are diagnosed with a blood cancer. That's one Aussie every 31 minutes. Although research is improving survival, sadly an Australian loses their life to blood cancer every two hours.' <a href="http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/mannimcgrath">http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/mannimcgrath</a>



#### YEAR 3 INTENSIVE SWIMMING PROGRAM

A reminder to Year 3 students commencing the 5 day Intensive Swimming Program on Monday not to forget swimmers, towel, rash/t-shirt and thongs (packed in a shopping bag). Please apply sunscreen before leaving home each morning. Children should come to school prepared to attend the swimming scheme each day as this is an intensive swimming program and will be held regardless of the weather (with the exception of lightning). Please have all clothing, shoes, socks, underwear and towels etc. clearly labelled.

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#### YEAR 6 to YEAR 7 - COLLEGE CONNECT PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the Year 7 2022 College Connect - Parent Information Evening on Tuesday 9th March 6:00 - 7pm.

Meet our principals and staff to learn more about the extensive opportunities available for your child at Hastings Secondary College.



We will also introduce families to the NEW online transition and enrolment procedures at our College. Please click the link below to join the webinar:

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/62314693220?pwd=Nnh1cklrRTVoaTJ2Y2tMVDFJS09qdz09

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Children are welcome, please use one device for each family where possible.

We look forward to meeting you. To register, go to

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/year-6-into-7-information-night-tickets-142626749447

For enquires regarding College Connect and Year 7 2022 enrolment please contact Ms Michelle Garven, College Head Teacher.

### LIBRARY NEWS

#### WHEELER'S E-PLATFORM

The School Library subscribes to an eplatform. Children need their school username and password to access the books. Download the app, or go to the website: <a href="https://www.eplatform.co/au/find-libraries/">https://www.eplatform.co/au/find-libraries/</a>

K-2 AS	SEMBLY - 2 <sup>nd</sup> N	March, 2021	
Kindergarten will join Assemblies in Term 2			
1D	Jonathan D	Lilly B	Rylan C
1 J	Joshua T	Stella H	Poppy S J-F
1R	Laura C	Ari E	Liam B-C
1/2K	Joshua K	Tahya C	Melissa W
2HP —	Isabel B	Taya b	Erik L
	Bentley A	Laila R	Ayla P
2R	Ella S	Bryan D	Max M

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GIGGLES Stella M Ayla P
BIGGLES Thomas E
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CANTEEN CRE	ATIONS	
MEGA MONDAY	<ul> <li>"Breakfast for Lunch"</li> <li>Cornflake Honey Crackle</li> <li>Burrito – Egg, bacon, hash brown, cheese &amp; sauce</li> </ul>	\$0.80 \$4.50
TASTY TUESDAY	"Hot Potato Hot Potato" (HM, GF)  Jacket potato with your choice of filling – Bolognese, Cheese, Sweet Chilli Chicken, Tuna & Corn,	\$4.00
WILD WEDNESDAY	<ul><li>"It's Sushi"</li><li>Sushi Rice Ball with honey soy dipping sauce (HM, GF)</li><li>Weekly Special – Honey Soy Chicken</li></ul>	\$0.50 \$1.00
THUMPING THURSDAY	<ul><li>"Hamburgers"!</li><li>Beef patty, lettuce, cheese, sauce on a wholemeal roll</li></ul>	\$4.50
FROSTY FRIDAY PICNIC	"Picnic Time"  Buy a Picnic Pack on Fridays & receive a FREE Quelch Stick!  Choose a red or green apple, a Popper or water, a Vegemite, Cheese or Ham Sandwich and a packet of popcorn	\$5.00

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#### **2021 LEVIES & FEES**

FAMILIES INVOICED

**OUTSTANDING** 

\$30,850

**PAYMENT RECEIVED** 

\$ 2,438

have paid their 2021 levies/fees.
All monies received assists all

Thank you to our families who

\$28, 412

students in our school.



# **HASTINGS HEADLINES**

Congratulations to Milly P who made it through to the semi-finals for the Joan & Monica Halliday Awards with the Royal Academy of Dance in Sydney. All the best with your dancing, Milly!

SPORTS UPDATES		
Tennis	Wishing Edward R all the best at the LNC PSSA Tennis trials today.	
Cricket	Good luck to Edward R & Abe W who are playing in the LNC Cricket XI in Grafton this Sunday and Monday. The boys are vying for selection into the North Coast side.	
Swimming	Congratulations to Nate C who will represent our school and the North Coast in the Senior Boys (Multi Class) 50m Backstroke at the State Swimming Carnival at Homebush in April. Go Nate!	
Football (Soccer)	Good luck to Jack R, Charlie D & Robbie L who will trial for selection into the Hastings/Camden Haven (District) Boys Football side on Tuesday.	
Cricket Training & Trials	Following Monday's cancellation, girls and boys in Year 5 & Year 6 who are interested in trying out for the school's PSSA Cricket XI are invited to attend training at Wood Street fields on Monday, 8th March from 4:00 to 5:30pm. Mrs McVicar and Mr Gornall are coordinating the training and trials. School equipment will be provided or students can bring their own. All boys must wear a box when batting (training & games) – this is optional for girls. Transport to and from practice is by private arrangement and parents are asked to be prompt with the 4pm drop-off and 5:30pm pick-up. If your child is going home with another parent please notify the school by email. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, parents are unable to stay in the immediate vicinity of the group but welcome to watch at a distance following the usual guidelines. As grounds are still closed please check emails & the school's facebook page on Monday afternoon for confirmation.	



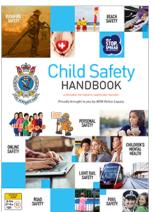
# FLEXISCHOOLS LUNCH ORDERING

- Please make sure you press the 'Place Order' button.
- You can check if your order has been placed by clicking on the person icon at the bottom of the App. The cut off time for same day orders is 9am.
- \* If you need to cancel or change your order, you can do this yourself provided it is before the 9am cut off time.

If you have any questions, Flexischools provide a great help desk on 1300 361 769, or contact them via their website.

#### NSW POLICE LEGACY CHILD SAFETY HANDBOOK

The "NSW Police Legacy Child Safety Handbook" is a comprehensive resource to assist parents, carers as



well as teachers on a range of topics essential to child safety. Over the past 8 years most NSW primary schools have received hard copies of this most important child safety handbook and have distributed them to the parents and carers of their pupils. The handbook has been updated to include key messages about COVID-19 safety and bush fire safety given the unprecedented fires we experienced earlier this year. The updated digital edition (see links below) also includes important content updates from: NSW Ministry of Health, NSW Police Force, Fire and Rescue NSW, Rural Fire NSW, Transport for NSW, Sydney Trains, NSW Department of Family & Community Services, eSafety Commissioner and NSW Office of the Children's Guardian.

NSW Police Legacy - <a href="https://www.policelegacynsw.org.au/resources/">https://www.policelegacynsw.org.au/resources/</a>
Child Safety Hub website - <a href="http://nsw.childsafetyhub.com.au/handbook/">http://nsw.childsafetyhub.com.au/handbook/</a>

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Hastings Valley Vikings Rugby Club... Under 8's, 10' and 12's 2021. A meet and greet for all junior teams Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 4.30pm at Oxley Oval. Training will kick off the following week and will be every Wednesday 4.30 – 5.30 pm. For all further information phone David Barnes 0402 371 752



**Port Macquarie Football Club** ...we have limited player vacancies in most age groups. Team nominations are finalised tomorrow, 6<sup>th</sup> March, so get in quick to secure your spot. FREE REGO for U6 & U7's when using school kids voucher. For further information email <a href="mailto:secretary@portmacquariefc.com">secretary@portmacquariefc.com</a>



Koala Hospital Port Macquarie ... Helping koalas in the Port Macquarie region just got a whole lot easier by using the 'Return and Earn' recycling scheme at six collection points in the region. You can now donate your recycling refunds to the Koala Hospital at Reverse Vending machines (RVMs) located at:

- Coles Lake Innes Village, 525 John Oxley Drive, Port Macquarie
- Woolworths Port Macquarie, Corner Bay and Park Streets, Port Macquarie
- Hibbard Sports, 52 Boundary Street, Port Macquarie
- Kew Country Club, 185 Kendall Road, Kew
- Caltex 24hr Hastings Co-op Fuel Station, 231 Oxley Highway, Wauchope
- Woolworths Lake Cathie, 2 Ocean Drive, Lake Cathie

KOALA HOSPI+AL PORT MACQUARIE

With close to 1,000 koalas in the Port Macquarie region and 8,000 across NSW perishing in the bushfires of 2019/2020, caring for injured and sick koalas, and conducting research and education, has become even more critical. All of these activities cost money. Members of the public can deposit eligible drink containers and earn 10 cents a container which they can then donate to the care of our beloved koalas.

#### Junior Athlete Sponsorship Program 2021 ...

Are you 8 to 14 years old? Enthusiastic? Passionate? A great talker? At Sports and Spinal Physiotherapy Clinics, we love working with young people who are enthusiastic and passionate about their sport and we are looking for 3-6 talented kids or teenagers in the Port Macquarie, Laurieton and Wauchope communities to sponsor in 2021. We want to help you set goals and teach you about various aspects of athletic performance so that you can have an awesome year in your sport. We will also be here for you in times of injury and guide you back to performing at your best. Application forms are available from the school front office. Applications close Friday 26th March, 2021. For all further information email Kirsty Hassett (Physiotherapist & JASP 2021 Program Coordinator) <a href="kirsty@sportsandspinalphysio.com">kirsty@sportsandspinalphysio.com</a>



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