

Newsletter No 4, 2024



We acknowledge the Jarra people of Dja Dja Wurrung country, the traditional owners on the land we live on, and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present & emerging.



Thursday 22nd February 2024

Purpose of Camp Hill Primary School is to develop and nurture lifelong learners within an engaging, global learning community, where the uniqueness and contributions of individuals are valued, shared and celebrated.

Following are the **core values** in which we strongly believe; they underpin our purpose and are the guiding principles of our school.

Caring: Being kind, helpful and sympathetic toward other people.

Honesty: To always tell the truth.

Confidence: Believing in yourself and others.

Respect: Recognising the rights, feelings, wishes and individual differences of others through our speech and manners.

Trust: Safely express opinions, beliefs, thoughts, and feelings in a secure environment.

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Calendar 2024

Monday	26 th February – 25 th March	JETS Gym – Grades 1-6
Thursday	29 th February	P & F Community Fun Night 5:30pm – 7:30pm On the turf.
Friday	1 st March	Foundation: Teddy bears picnic
Monday -Thursday	4 th – 7 th March	Planning Week
Tuesday	5 th March	Parents & Friends AGM 5:30pm via Webex
Wednesday	6 th March	Leading Image Online 'FAMILY' payment due 4:30pm
Thursday	7 th March	Whole School Photo Day
Monday	11 th March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – LABOUR DAY
Tuesday	12 th March	Regional swimming – Swan Hill
Wednesday	13 th – 21 st March	Naplan for Grades 3 & 5
Tuesday	19 th March	AGM & School Council meeting 5:30pm
Thursday	28 th March	LAST DAY TERM 1 – Early Dismissal 2:30pm
Friday	29 th March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Good Friday
Monday	15 th April	Term 2 commences
Friday	19 th April	State swimming

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

2024 Camp Hill Primary School Council

At close of nominations for Camp Hill Primary School Council, the required number of 4 nominations has been received for the parent member category, filling all existing vacancies created by retiring councillors.

At the Annual General Meeting of the new Council, on Tuesday 19th March officer bearers will be elected.

Membership of the School Council for 2024 is as follows:

Parent Members: Kerry Noonan, Rimmon Martin, Matthew Turner, Bridget Wouts, Sarah Stacey, Jess Ritchie, Stephanie Rose and Lauren King.

DoE Members: Chris Barker, Christine Spicer, Donna White and Trish Johnstone

I wish to acknowledge the work of outgoing Councillors: Natallie Tremellen, Cass White, Kelly Edwards, Kristen Swann and Jackson Hood. The following councillors have renominated and will be returning to council in 2024 Kerry Noonan, Kristen Swann, Rimmon Martin, Christine Spicer, Jackson Hood. On behalf of the school community, I thank them for their contribution to the governance and support of the school, in some instances over a number of years.

The outgoing members are all invited to attend the AGM on Tuesday 19th March commencing at 5:30pm.

Bench Seating

We are in the process of replacing our existing wooden out door bench seating with aluminium seats, before the new seats can be placed in their permanent location the old seats need to be removed. If you are aware of a club or organisation who may be interested in the seating please feel free to have them contact the school. The seating is extremely heavy, a consideration which needs to be addressed when moving the seats.

Dad joke of the week

"Why was the mushroom popular? He's a fun guy..."

Chris Barker

Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Be an Attendance HERO...
HERE EVERYDAY READY FOR LEARNING ON TIME
Student absence data for TERM 1

Early Bird Awards

We had no classes this week with no late arrivals.
Hopefully next week we have some early bird certificates to hand out.
Keep doing your best to be here every day on time.

100% attendance for Week 4

This week there were 235 students who had 100% attendance this week – another great effort!
Well done to Dougal from Foundation A who was the Attendance Hero champion for this week.
Who will it be next week?

Total number of student absence days Term 1	93 days
Current school absence rate Term 1	0.55 days per student
School absence rate target for 2024	10.00 days per student (2.5 days per term)
Number of times students arriving late to school this week	53

Trish Johnstone
Assistant Principal



WELLBEING MATTERS

How to talk to children about violence and conflict in the world: a parent's guide



In times of conflict and crisis, both children and adults can struggle with a whole spectrum of emotions including anxiety, worry and stress. As much as we might try to shield our children from the news or attempt to ensure they do not overhear our conversations, children often have a way of picking up on these things. During these moments of uncertainty, which can be daunting and complex, children look up to the adults in their lives for information, guidance, courage and support. It's important for parents and caregivers to provide support and comfort to children and young people, especially in periods of tension.

Here are some tips on how to have age-appropriate conversations with children and young people about violence and global conflicts to provide them with the support and answers they may be seeking.

Create a safe space

Creating a safe and non-judgmental space allows children and young people to ask questions and express their emotions about what's going on. Encourage your child to express their feelings – whatever they may be. Let them know that it's okay to feel sad, angry, or confused about the news they are consuming or current events.

Monitor their exposure to news

As always, it's important to be mindful of the content your child consumes, such as limiting exposure to graphic images or distressing stories. Older children, especially, may want to know about global events, and in these instances, it will be about ensuring that what they are consuming is age appropriate. Younger children should ideally be shielded from confronting scenes being presented online and in the media. As a parent or caregiver, you can still provide a comprehensive understanding of world events, without exposing children to unnecessary trauma.

Keep conversations age-appropriate

Ensuring age-appropriate conversations is a fundamental aspect of effective communication with young children. As many global conflicts and events are layered and complex, it is vital to present information in a manner tailored to their emotional maturity and comprehension. As a parent, you know your child best. Use age-appropriate wording, carefully observe their responses, and be sensitive to their anxiety levels. Whenever possible, reassure your children that they are safe from danger. It's integral to cultivate a sense of hope by assuring them that there are dedicated global efforts in place and people striving to mitigate conflicts and promote peace.

Check in regularly



Maintain regular check-ins with your children to gauge their emotional well-being. Ask about their feelings and encourage them to share any questions or topics they wish to discuss with you. If your child appears to be apprehensive or troubled by ongoing violence and conflicts, it's essential to observe any shifts in their behaviour or emotional state. Look out for physical symptoms like stomachaches, headaches, nightmares, or sleep disturbances. Children can have various responses to challenging situations, and some signs of distress may not be immediately apparent. It's important to remember that many of these reactions are typical responses to stressful events and are often transient. However, if these reactions persist over an extended period, it may be advisable to seek specialised support for your child.

In a world sometimes marked by conflict and violence, it is essential to equip our children with the tools to understand and empathise. By engaging in open, age-appropriate dialogues, you can ensure your children feel heard and supported.

[Home | Alannah & Madeline Foundation \(alannahandmadeline.org.au\)](http://alannahandmadeline.org.au)

Trish Johnstone
Assistant Principal

RIGHTS, RESILIENCE AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS (RRRR)

 **RRRR's in the 5/6** 

Department

Topic 1: Emotional Literacy

This term we have been looking at emotions and how to read body language and facial expressions to 'read' how other people are feeling. This week we looked at extreme emotions and did some role plays about what these can look like.

DOGS CONNECT

Polly is sponsored by Fur Life Vet.

Fur Life Vet have two clinics located in Bendigo:
167 Eaglehawk Road, Bendigo and 70-80 Midland Highway Epsom.
Please support this local business for your pet care needs.
www.furlifvet.com.au



FROM THE OFFICE

Whole School Photo Day

Our Whole school photo day will be on **Thursday 7th March.**

ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year.

Choose your own **FREE** background



The benefits of being online...

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 18 different backgrounds to choose from - no additional cost

www.leadingimage.com.au

Camp Hill Primary School

Access Key

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INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Enter your Access Key



Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day.
Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

VCC – Voluntary Curriculum Consumables on QKR

Please see below the instructions for our QKR app. Payments are also accepted with Cash or EFTPOS at the school office.

Please note: items can be paid individually each week/fortnight or monthly if that is easier 😊

Category	Item Name	Price
FOUNDATION	Foundation 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
GRADE 1	Grade 1 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
GRADE 2	Grade 2 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
GRADE 3	Grade 3 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
GRADE 4	Grade 4 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
GRADE 5	Grade 5 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
Grade 6	Grade 6 2024 Voluntary Curriculu...	\$0.00
School Fees - Additional Option	School Fees - Additional Option	\$0.00

✓ Art	+\$16.00
✓ Mathematics	+\$21.00
✓ English	+\$21.00
✓ Inquiry	+\$37.00
✓ ICT Devices	+\$53.00
✓ Physical Education	+\$15.00
✓ Essential Assessments	+\$15.50
✓ Dogs Connect Program	+\$11.00

1 ITEM TOTAL: **\$189.50**

Add To Cart

*Sue Heider
Business Manager*

BOSHC

At Before School Care, children have been able to spend time outside enjoying the cooler mornings, they have been playing on the playground and in the sand pit, we have also started with the leadership program. For more Information and bookings please contact Jamie or Simon on 0409 549 493.

Simon & the BOSHC Team

OSHC

Bookings

Just a reminder that Mondays are completely booked and Tuesdays are almost filled, so if your child won't be attending on any day please contact us via either text, call or email to let us know asap so we can contact families on our waiting list.

Accounts

This current fortnight charges are due for payment by this Friday 23rd February. A reminder that all accounts need to be paid by this date and that accounts need to be at a zero balance before the start of the new week.

Jamie, Simon & the OSHC Team

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Community Fun Night

Please go to our QKR app and indicate numbers going for catering purposes. Thank you.

**CHPS
Parents & Friends
Present.....**

SACK RACE!

MUSIC

**COMMUNITY
FUN
NIGHT!**

**ON THE
SCHOOL
TURF**

**THURSDAY 29th OF FEBRUARY
5.30-7.30PM**

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE!



**BASKETBALL
SHOOTOUT**

**DANCE
COMPETITION**

**IF YOU WANT...
EYO FOOD, CHAIRS/
PICNIC BLANKET**

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Welcome to the team!

Welcome to our Semester One class representatives. There will be a presentation of badges this week at assembly, which takes place on the turf at 3pm. This Semesters representatives are:

1/2A - White S & Willow R

1/2B - Tobi M & Stevie L

1/2C - Raf G & Josh C

3/4A - Will E & Mianna S

3/4B - Max D & Diya K

3/4C - Natasha I & Levi B

5A - Jasper D & Lara F

5B - Sebastian G & Aliyya B

6A - Carli W & Peter C

6B - Kayleigh W & Gay Gay S

Thanks for your input at our first meeting, our next meeting will be March 5th at the beginning of lunch.

Jacinta Cherry

Junior School Council Staff Representative

MUSIC LESSONS

Interested in your child taking piano or guitar lessons?

Piano

Contact Kathleen Gee for piano lessons on 0417 326 530 who will be working at the school on Tuesdays & Wednesdays.

Guitar

Mr Shannon Millard will be teaching guitar lessons on Thursdays and can be contacted via email for more details. Shannon.millard@mhs.vic.edu.au or ph: 0437 252 136



BREAKFAST CLUB

CHPS BREAKFAST CLUB

Every Friday Morning
8:10 - 8:30am
BER Building
ALL WELCOME!

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

The free fresh fruit students receive on a Friday is proudly donated to the school by the following sponsor:

**mckern steel™
foundation**

**Benefitting the health
and wellbeing of our
Bendigo school children**

School visits coming
in TERM 4

Proudly funded by:



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FOUNDATION LEARNING TEAM

Writing Goals

Each term your child will receive a Writing, Reading and Math goal. These are based on teacher observation and a whole school moderation task. These are for your own information. The first goal being sent home is the Writing goal which you will find in your child's yellow reader diary on Friday.

Alphabet/Sound Keyrings

Alphabet/sound keyrings will also come home in your child's blue reader bag shortly. Please add this important element into nightly reading routine. Students need to say the letter name and the sound it makes. There is a picture clue to help. This will build sound/letter knowledge. These remain in your blue reader bag and are collected at school when no longer needed.

Lunch Orders

Lunch orders can be ordered through the QKR app. This needs to be done by Thursday 9am to be delivered to the classroom at lunchtime on the following Friday. The menu items are listed at the end of the newsletter and change weekly. Students having a lunch order still require brain food, morning snack and their drink bottle.

Doors Open

Doors open at 8:45am when the music is playing for students and families to enter. Please wait until this time to enter unless you have an appointment with your child's teacher organised prior. This ensures teachers are well prepared for the day ahead.

Assembly

We have a whole school assembly weekly on the turf beginning at 3:10pm. Weekly awards based on our school values, are published in the newsletter, and then presented at assembly.

100 Days

We are counting each day of school so that when we get to 100 days we can have a celebration. We invite students to dress as if they are 100 years old and it is so much fun! This doesn't cost anything, often items can be found around the house. More information on this to come. This will happen in term 2.

Tt Sound

Next week's letter/sound is Tt. As part of this we will have a teddy bears picnic at school. Students are invited to bring a teddy bear along on Friday 1st March. This can also be their Show and Tell/Yarning Circle item.

Final Wednesday Foundation Student Free

Next Wednesday (28th February) is our final student free day for Foundation students. After this date Foundation students attend every day. We are so proud of how everyone has adapted to the daily school routine. Remember, a quick goodbye and a kiss or a squeeze helps students to transition into the school day.

Foundation Learning Team

1/2 LEARNING TEAM

Literacy At Home

Reading

Please listen to your child read 5 days a week and initial their reading diary. If they come across a tricky word, encourage them to break the word up and say the sounds they know, it is okay to help them with unknown sounds, especially if these are less common letter patterns. Once the word has been broken into sounds, give your child a chance to put it all together.

Writing

We have started to write recounts about a personal experience. This requires students to think about when, where, who, what, why and how they felt. Talking to your child about these details after you experienced something can help them to verbalise it themselves and further assist them to write about it at school.

Writing learning goals have been sent home in student reading diaries.

Parent Helpers

If you would like to help with reading, excursions or camps at school, you will need to hold a current Working With Children certificate. Once you have this, please go to the office to collect a Child Safe policy to read.

1/2 Learning Team

3/4 LEARNING TEAM

Police Visit

Yesterday we were visited by 3 Police officers. Their names were Fleur, Tom and Taylor.

They showed us some police gear and they showed us a police car. They also talked to us about why rules and laws are important and how rules and laws keep us safe.

Jets Gym Starts Next Week

Next week 3/4A and 3/4C go to Gym on Tuesday and 3/4B go on Monday. Wear your PE clothes and shoes that are easy to get on and off.

Written by Isaac and Marley Norman 3/4A

3/4 Learning Team



5/6 LEARNING TEAM

Hats

Just a reminder that term one is a SunSmart term – all students must have a school hat ready to wear each day.



Jets Gym

Jets Gym starts next week with 5/6A and 5/6C going on Thursdays and 5/6B and 5/6D attending Tuesday. Due to needing a catch up session for Naplan, 5/6 B and 5/6D will be attending twice next week – also going on Wednesday. Please make sure your child has extra food and a drink bottle at school on these days. Thank you!

Lit Club

All classes are starting their whole grade Lit Club novel in the next week. As we are focusing on summarising in class it would be great if you could ask your child to summarise what has happened in their novel so far.

Areas of Responsibility

We have been selecting the students to carry out the roles of responsibility in our school such as Green Team, Junior school Council, Polly Pit Crew and Short Circus Captains. Thank you to the students who have volunteered for these roles.

5/6 Learning Team

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

CONFIDENCE

River G: For showing confidence and bravery when entering the classroom each morning. It has been wonderful to see you come in each day with a big smile on your face. Keep up the great work!

Angus D: Welcome to 3/4A Angus, we're so happy to have you! You've done a great job of settling in well and starting some wonderful friendships!

Loki S: For writing a wonderful story with lots of language. Well done Loki!

Saras L: For Writing an interesting narrative with lots of expressive language. Well done Saras!

Jack D: For having a fantastic first week at Camp Hill and having the confidence to try new things. Well done Jack!

Jaxon Q: For showing great preservation and having a positive attitude towards his learning.

Oakley R: For demonstrating a confident approach to his learning tasks.

CARING

Hannah C: For consistently being kind and caring towards classmates. You help make our school a better place.

Willow R: For always being kind, careful and encouraging. You make our classroom and school a better and safer place.

Elijah B: For being a wonderful role model and friend to all peers. Well done Elijah!

Olivia G: You are so kind and caring Olivia. Thank you for being so amazing! We love having you in 1/2B, keep up the great work superstar!

Jackson R: For showing kindness towards his peers each and every day. You are always thinking of others and offering your help. We are lucky to have you in 1/2C Jacko!

Stevie L: For being a kind and caring friend to everyone in 1/2B. We love having you in our class Stevie!

George C: For noticing when others need help and being a supportive learning partner.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

SGUSC FAMILY FUN DAY

February 25th at Stanley Ave, Spring Gully.

Skills & drills, uniform sales, registration assistance & small sided games.

U/6- U/10 at 10am – 12pm

U/12 at 10am – 11am

U/14 – U/16 at 11am – 12pm

New and returning players most welcome. BBQ lunch at 12pm – gold coin donation.

SPRING GULLY UNITED SOCCER CLUB

2024 Player registration are now open. Register now at playfootball.com.au

LUNCH ORDER

BBQ LUNCH ORDER FOR FRIDAY 1st MARCH 2024

ORDER VIA OUR QKR APP!!!!

by 9.00am Thursday 29th February 2024.

No late orders accepted.

Hamburgers \$4.00, Vegie Burgers \$4.00, Sausage in bread \$2.60

Name..... Grade..... Hamburger..... Sausage..... Vegie Burger.....

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Total enclosed \$.....

Signed.....