

HAPPY VALLEY STATE SCHOOL

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DATES TO REMEMBER

July

31st District Athletics Carnival
(selected students)



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Term 3 has arrived with a bang and we are all pumped and ready to go. I have been so impressed already with the way our students have come back to school with great big smiles on their faces and a super attitude to learning. In my discussions with teachers in relation to Reading, which is one of our school priorities, almost every student in the school has made progress in their levels. Some students have made significant progress of more than 3 or 4 reading levels in half a year.



I believe that a significant part of that improvement can be attributed to a number of things. Firstly, a majority of improvements have come from students who are attending above 90% of the time at school. Secondly, our children want to learn and have a desire to improve and do their best. The third major factor is the relationship our students have with their teachers and the excellent teachers we have. Please don't hesitate to thank the teachers for the unbelievable hard work they put in in order to see their students improve.

BANKING

School Banking will come back on line in Week 2 (Next Week). Our new AHSC Coordinator Tegan will be completing this on behalf of the P&C. Thank you to the parents who made their time available and showed an interest in helping out, that was greatly appreciated. Banking will continue to be Wednesdays at this stage.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

I am pleased to announce that our new After Hours School Care Coordinator is one of our parents, Mrs Tegan Ferris. We would like to welcome Tegan to the fold and wish her all the best in the role. Also, I would like to thank Miss Chloe Brooks and Rebecca Robb for the wonderful job they have done in the interim before and after the holidays. Tegan will begin work on Monday 21 July, the start of Week 2.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Due to a number of issues, we were unable to hold our P&C Meeting this week. After much discussion, the executive has decided to postpone the meeting until August. This will be held in Week 5, which is Monday 11 August. All parents and community members are welcome to attend at 6:30pm in the Meeting Room. If you have any items for the agenda, please contact Mr McNamara at school.

YEAR 6/7 CANBERRA CAMP

What an amazing time was had in Canberra for the Year 6/7 Camp before the holidays. We visited so many places that our heads began to swirl. The War Memorial, Old and New Parliament House, the Governor-General's House, Questacon Science Centre, Deep Space Tracking Centre, Australian Institute of Sport, National Exhibition Centre among others were all awesome. The day we had in the snow was absolutely unbelievable. I do believe there are still some snow bunnies out there who have cold feet due to the snow that got into their boots. I will never forget the mass snowball fight involving Happy Valley students and teachers. There are many who have had their revenge on the Principal, but I am quietly chuckling about the kids that I managed to "snowball".

BILLETING SPORTS CHILDREN

Next week, from the 23rd to 27th July, I will be convening the Queensland 12 and Under Girls Soccer Championships here in Mount Isa.

Yesterday I received a phone call that we urgently require billets for 10 teenagers who will be refereeing at the Championships. If you would be interested in providing accommodation and meals for one or more of these wonderful children, please contact Mr McNamara at the office as soon as possible. Your support in giving these students an amazing Isa experience would be greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our new and improved school website is finally up and live. Anyone can now access this site at any time to find out about Happy Valley and everything that is great about our place. The address is www.happvallss.eq.edu.au if you wish to check it out.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL AND FUN RUN

The Athletics Carnival and Fun Run were held in the second last week of term 2. Thank you so much to Mr Gason for his awesome organisation of both events and a big thank you to the staff members and students for their participation. There were many winners at the Athletics Carnival, those being:

Overall Champion House: COOK

House Spirit Champion: COOK

Age Champions:

13 Year Girl: Brittany Brummell

Boy: Thomas Doyle

12 Year Girl: Jayne Metekingi

Boy: Klayton Walden

11 Year Girl: Dayna Zurvas-Pritchard

Boy: Braith Major

10 Year Girl: Ella Brummell

Boy: Darshay Tamati

STUDENT V TEACHER NETBALL

Thanks so much to the students and teachers who took part in this week's Netball challenge game. It was great to have the support and massive cheering for the teachers who finally prevailed in the battle of the Valley. My player of the match was Ella Condren who is a very talented young lady. Miss Kemp on the other hand requires a lot more tuition in getting the round ball through the round hoop. I only one of them was a square!

Norm McNamara
Principal

TERM 3 PE - TENNIS

We are very fortunate to have been successfully accepted as part of the Hot Shots tennis program. This means that this term every student across the school will be taught the basics of tennis at a level appropriate for their development. We will be working closely with the local tennis association to encourage more children to play tennis more often. After this unit, if you are interested in further developing your child in tennis then you can contact our local coach, Peta Starr, who runs a coaching program before school here at Happy Valley.



As a valued supporter of the NSPP, all children within the school are able to register to claim their free T-shirt as well as enter competitions such as meet Rodger Federer or Hot Shots Kid of the Year which could win them \$5,000. And don't forget for every child who registers the school will be supported by a \$2.00 rebate to put towards tennis equipment ensuring the children are always able to play. Please see the notice included in this Newsletter for details on claiming your free shirt.

If you have any further enquiries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours in sport
Mr Gason



WEEKS 9 & 10 - TERM 2 AWARDS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep B	Emily C	1 G	Aiden G
Prep W	Lily Y	1 S	Holly O
	Charli P	3 W	Kelly B
Prep G	Stacey H	3/4 G	Kaleb W
	Evan L	5 W	Braith M
	Jamie D		

MUSIC AWARDS

Muthu P	Alto Saxophone Level 1.1	Brayden Mc	Clarinet Level 1.1
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HAPPY VALLEY AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Wednesdays

2.30 – 4.30pm Rock Pop Rehearsals

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

CARE VACANCIES

Our after school care program currently has both full time and part time vacancies available, please contact 0498 714 668 for enquiries.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Student / Parent Contact Details

If you have moved or have new contact phone numbers please contact the office ASAP and advise of your new details.

HAPPY VALLEY WEBSITE

The Happy Valley newsletter can be accessed through our website at the below address:

www.happvallss.eq.edu.au

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

Any parents wishing to receive the school newsletter via email fortnightly please forward your request to:

admin@happvallss.eq.edu.au

REGISTER FOR FREE DENTAL SERVICES NOW

If you have a child who is between 4 years of age and completing Grade 10 in 2014 they are eligible to register for a free check up and treatment with the School Dental Service.

Your child/children can be registered with the school dental service by phoning 4744 4407.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Tuesdays: 8.30am – 9:00am

Fridays: 8.30am – 9.00am

Orders can also be placed at the office for collection at a later date.

Larger sizes available (up to XXL)

EFTPOS NOW AVAILABLE IN UNIFORM SHOP

ANYONE WITH SECOND HAND UNIFORMS AT HOME IS ENCOURAGED TO DONATE THEM TO THE SCHOOL. DROP THEM INTO THE FRONT OFFICE.



MLC HOT SHOTS tennis

Has your child registered for their free T-shirt and other exciting benefits?

Our School is an official venue of Tennis Australia's National School Partnership Program (NSPP) which means students will experience the national kids' starter program Tennis Hot Shots in the health and physical education curriculum.

As a valued supporter of the NSPP, all children within the school are able to register to claim their free T-shirt as well as enter competitions such as meet Rodger Federer or Hot Shots Kid of the Year which could win them \$5,000. And don't forget for every child who registers the school will be supported by a \$2.00 rebate to put towards tennis equipment ensuring the children are always able to play.

To register simply follow the below steps:

1. Visit the website hotshots.tennis.com.au
2. On the left hand side select the box "Registered players claim your free T-shirt"
3. If you child has registered before enter details under "Save time with your My Tennis ID" or if they have never registered before type in the school postcode or name under "MLC Tennis Hot Shots venue" and hit search
4. Scroll through the venues ensuring you select our school name with the schools symbol beside it; this is extremely important for our rebate funding. Don't forget if the school name is not on the first page, choose the next page option below. Once found, hit the blue select button beside the school name and the venue should highlight in a shade of grey
5. Complete all required fields then hit continue
6. Complete the remaining fields and information for your free T-shirt then hit submit, your order has now been placed.

Please note, T-shirts are sent out on a monthly basis and will be sent directly to the school for your child to collect. For more information or assistance please speak with your teacher.

Thanks again for your support of our schools involvement with tennis.



hotshots.tennis.com.au

PUBLIC NOTICES

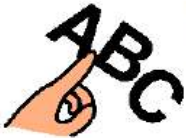


'Ready, Set, Read'

A small group program for improving spelling and reading skills of Prep, Year 1 or Year 2 students.

Does your child:

- Avoid reading or spelling because they find it difficult?
- Have trouble identifying letters and the sounds that go with them?
- Perform below the expected reading or spelling level for their grade?
- Forget spelling or sight words soon after they have learnt them?
- Have difficulty understanding rhyme or counting syllables?



This program, run by an experienced Speech Pathologist, aims to build the phonological awareness skills that children need for literacy. The 8 week program will consist of fun and educational activities that incorporate a range of different learning styles and ability levels. The focus of group is on improving literacy skills of students as well as building confidence to learn.

The program includes: 1 individual screening session, 8 x 45 min group sessions, resources for home practice

Where: Isa Therapy Services, 92 Marian Street

When: Wednesdays at 3:30pm and 4:30pm (commencing 23 July)

Cost: \$380

Spaces are limited so book early to secure your spot.



To register your interest for the program please contact Isa Therapy on (07) 4743 6695 or email admin@isatherapy.com.au.

Christian Outreach Centre
Mount Isa

KIDS CLUB

For Primary School Ages
Fridays 4pm til 6pm

Gold coin entry required

Held at Christian Outreach
Centre

10-12 Enterprise Rd, Mount Isa

For more information phone the
Church office on 4743 8656 or
see Toni Sweeney.

STUDENT ABSENCE NOTE

Student's Name: _____

Date/s of absence: _____

Reason for Absence: Holiday

Illness/injury Medical Appointment

Family Reasons Sport/Music Event

Other _____

Parent Signature: _____

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Happy Valley State School **TUCKSHOP MENU** Term 3

Snacks

Popcorn (G) \$0.50

Apple Slinky (G) \$1.00

Jelly Cup (G) \$1.00

Fruit (G) \$1.00

Tiny Teddies (A) \$1.00

Muffins & Cupcakes (A) \$1.00

Zooper Dupers (A) \$0.50

Zings (A) \$1.00

Paddle Pops (A) \$2.00

Potato Chips (A) \$2.00 (Honey Soy or Salt & Vinegar)

Rainbow Yoghurt Straws (A) \$0.50

Drinks

Popper (G) \$2.50 (orange, apple & tropical)

Flavoured Milk (G) \$2.50 (chocolate & strawberry)

Slushies (A) \$2.50

Water (G) \$2.50

Sandwiches

Vegemite (A) \$2.50

Cheese (G) \$2.50

Ham/Chicken/Salad (G) \$4.50

Egg & Lettuce (G) \$3.50



Gluten Free

Wraps (G) \$5.00

Chicken Nuggets (A) \$0.60

Pies (A) \$3.50

Sausage Rolls (A) \$3.00

Specials

Monday: Fried Rice (rice, onion, capsicum, egg, bacon, peas, soy sauce, salt, pepper & garlic) **Large \$6.00 Small \$4.00**

Tuesday: Noodles (vermicelli noodles, onion, pork, carrot, beans, oyster sauce, soy sauce, garlic, ginger, salt, pepper)

Large \$6.00 Small \$4.00

Wednesday: Cheese Burgers (bread roll, cheese slice, meat patty, tomato/BBQ sauce) **\$3.50**

Thursday: Chicken Chips & Gravy (chicken strips, frozen chips (cooked in canola oil), gravy) **\$6.00**

Friday: Spaghetti Bolognese (pork & veal mince, onion, pasta sauce, tomato soup, garlic, BBQ sauce, spiral pasta)

Large \$6.00 Small \$4.00

Wraps

Ham/Chicken/Salad (G) \$5.00

Sweet Chilli Chicken (G) \$5.00 (Chilli Chicken Strip, Sweet Chilli Sauce, Mayo, Lettuce & Cheese)

Caesar Wrap (G) \$5.00 (Chicken Strip, Bacon, Lettuce & Caesar Dressing)

Salads

Ham/Chicken (G) \$5.00 (lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot, cheese, pineapple, beetroot & egg)

Hot Food

Hotdog with Cheese (A) \$3.50

Hotdog with Sauce (A) \$3.00

Meat Pie (A) \$3.50

Sausage Roll (A) \$3.00

Party Pies (A) \$1.00

Chicken Chippies (A) \$0.60 each

Chicken Nuggets (A) \$0.60 each

Pizza Rounder (A) 3.50

Sauce (A) \$0.50

TUCKSHOP OPEN DAILY
FOR 1ST & 2ND BREAK

