

HAPPY VALLEY STATE SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER NO. 13

Thursday 14th August 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER

September

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- 4th La Bohème Opera – 7.30pm
Mt Isa Civic Centre
Father's Day Stall – Class groups
- 5th Father's Day Stall – First Break only
- 9th P & C Meeting – 6.30pm
- 12th Softball Carnival (selected students)
AFL Carnival (selected students)

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Mondays

2.45 – 3.30pm AFL training / Softball training

Wednesdays

2.30 – 4.30pm Rock Pop Rehearsals

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

As we reach the half way mark of Term 3, it is amazing to see the improvement in the learning of our students. Teachers have them so engaged in learning, when it comes to break time they are sometimes reluctant to leave. I have been lucky enough to teach in some classes and have been impressed with the way students attack everything put in front of them.



We have had a lot of things happening, with our Lockdown, Rodeo, Mardi Gras and Interschool Sport day. Happy Valley students have been involved heavily in all of these things and not a bad word has been said about the conduct of our students. It really makes you proud to be a part of the community of Happy Valley.

STUDENT BANKING

Unfortunately, Tegan our After School Co-ordinator is unable to do the School Banking this week and next week due to a family emergency. If there are any parents who would be interested in learning the ropes and completing the Banking next Wednesday or Thursday, please contact Mr McNamara urgently to organise a time to learn.

ARD VISIT

Our new Acting Assistant Regional Director Robert Mitchell will be in the school Wednesday 20 August for the Term 3 visit with Mr McNamara and Mrs Train. Mr Mitchell will be here to talk about our school progress towards our goals and to keep track of our improvement agenda.

LOCKDOWN

Last Monday, our school was involved in a Lockdown which was not a drill. We were asked by the Police to make our students and staff safe by going in to Lockdown as there had been a reported sighting of an armed man. I am very pleased to report that all of our students and staff immediately followed procedures and for the entire 45 minutes we were all safely locked inside our buildings. Senior Sergeant Smith debriefed me at the end of the day and made it clear that the Happy Valley Lockdown procedure was one of the most impressive the Police had seen with our swift response and sensible students. What she also discussed was the number of parents who rushed to the school in panic when they learned of the police incident on Facebook or heard something was happening. She was extremely concerned for these parents who were effectively putting themselves in a position of risk and impeding the investigation. I completely understand parents concern for their children's safety, however I would like to reassure everyone that in the event of an emergency, we will work as hard as anyone to keep all children safe.

RODEO COLOURING COMPETITION

I have had enquiries from students and parents regarding the winners from Happy Valley for this year's Rodeo Colouring competition. I received an email yesterday informing us that the winners were not announced last week as planned and as such, winners will now receive a gift pack either this week or next.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2015

If you are a parent of our school and have a child who is eligible for Prep in 2015, please see Lexine in the office to place your child's name on the Prep 2015 list. This will enable us to keep you up to date on information nights and open days in Term 4.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

The next P & C meeting will be held in Week 9, Monday 8 September. 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.

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.

STUDENT LEADER PHOTOS

We will be sending orders for Student Leader photos on Friday 22/8/14. These photos are currently on display in the office for your viewing. If you would like to place an order please see the office to complete a Payment Envelope prior to Friday 22/8.

ROCK POP THANK YOU

The Rock Pop Mime Committee and students would like to thank Roger Locke & Co for their generous donation of their time and resources to cut and sew the canvas for our backdrop. Without their continued support we would not be able to produce such a visually attractive show.



*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


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.

Student Absent Number: 4745 0366 or Email: admin@happvallss.eq.edu.au

Please advise the office every time your child is absent from school.



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.





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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

WEEKS 3 & 4 - TERM 3 AWARDS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

<p><i>Prep W</i> Ava M Georgia W Abraham G Amitoj H</p> <p><i>Prep G</i> Stacey H Haiden T Luke C Riley S</p> <p><i>1 B</i> Rachel A</p> <p><i>1 W</i> Cristelle S Ashton G</p> <p><i>1 G</i> Bridie N Joseph C</p> <p><i>1 S</i> Cesar E Lilah C</p> <p><i>2 W</i> Rhianna P</p> <p><i>2 B</i> Zayne D Jessica P Caeden M Bellashae P Tom O</p>	<p><i>3 B</i> Taryn D Vonnawiew S</p> <p><i>3 W</i> Zoe B Mikhayla H</p> <p><i>3/4 G</i> Luke B <i>4 B</i> Connor B Dean E</p> <p><i>5 B</i> Dale G</p> <p><i>5 W</i> Cooper N Issabella B</p> <p><i>5/6 G</i> Jordanna B Travis M</p> <p><i>6/7 B</i> Jed W Cody B Jacob G</p> <p><i>6/7 W</i> Sean M Klayton W Darius W</p>
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MUSIC AWARDS

<p><i>Daniel M</i> Drum Level 1.1</p> <p><i>Nathanel L</i> Drum Level 1.1</p> <p><i>Braith M</i> Drum Level 1.1</p>	<p><i>Mete K</i> Drum Level 1.1</p> <p><i>Jahvarn</i> Drum Level 1.1</p>
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SCHOOL NOTICES

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.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our P&C Committee are looking for a Coordinator and volunteers to organise and man the Father's Day Stall which will be held at the School on Thursday and Friday 4 - 5th September.

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PUBLIC NOTICES



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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