

# CHRISTMAS HILLS

Primary School



Newsletter

18 September - Term 3 - Week 9



## Chicken Roster for School Holidays

We have sent out a roster on Sentral for helping with the chickens over the school holidays. As part of the Eltham-Yarra Glen Road upgrade the road will be closed over the holidays, so we are needing families who live in the area to help. Please see Jodie and put down your name if you are available to assist.

## Principal's Message

What an amazing term we have had with so many exciting and valuable learning experiences. As previously mentioned, I will be on long service leave for the first three weeks of term 4 and will be back on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October. Kelly Deacey will be acting in my absence. Kelly did come into school this week to meet staff and the students and is very much looking forward to her time here at Christmas Hills Primary School.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school community for all their support this term and I wish you a wonderful and relaxing holiday break. Also, I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to our amazing staff and hope they all get a chance to recharge, ready for term 4.

*Maria Partes*  
Principal



## Important Dates Term 4

- 6<sup>th</sup> October - First day of Term 4
- 7<sup>th</sup> October - Swimming
- 13<sup>th</sup> October - Dental Van visit
- 21<sup>st</sup> October - Swimming
- 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Pupil Free day
- 4<sup>th</sup> November - Melbourne Cup public holiday
- 8<sup>th</sup> November - Harmony In The Hills
- 10<sup>th</sup> November - School Council meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> November - Prep Transition
- 18<sup>th</sup> November - Swimming
- 19<sup>th</sup> November - Glasses for kids visit
- 21<sup>st</sup> November - Prep Transition - 9:00am - 11:00am
- 25<sup>th</sup> November - Swimming
- 28<sup>th</sup> November - Prep Transition - 9:00am - 11:00am
- 8<sup>th</sup> December - School Council meeting
- 11<sup>th</sup> December - End of year concert
- 16<sup>th</sup> December - Swimming
- 18<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of term for students - 2pm finish

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## Glasses for Kids

Thank you to all our families for completing the consent forms for their child/children. We have this visit scheduled for Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November. Glasses for Kids will be contacting the school next term with their schedule which I will share with families regarding times.

## Maintenance Work

I have been advised that our maintenance work will be completed over the holidays ready for term 4. I have been in touch with the Victorian School Board Authority (VSBA) to ensure that our Shelter in Place is ready for the commencement of the fire danger season which they are declaring will be earlier – 1<sup>st</sup> October.

## St Andrews Primary School OSHC Holiday Program

St Andrews PS will be running their OSHC Holiday Program again over the school holidays on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Just a reminder that they have a maximum booking of 15 children each day. Please contact the St Andrews PS on 0427 245 921 to book.



**AUSTRALIAN**  
SMILE GROUP

## Australian Smile Group – Dental Van

The Dental Van will now be visiting our school on the week of Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The actual day is still to be confirmed, and I will let families know as soon as I receive this information including appointment times.

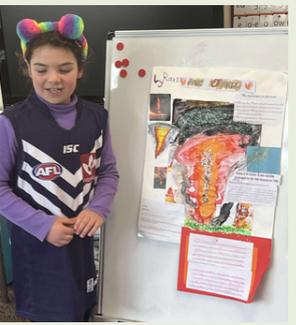
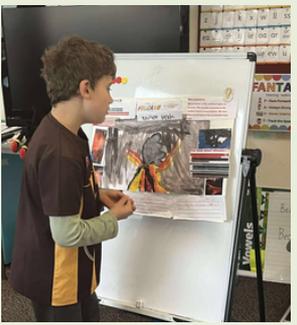
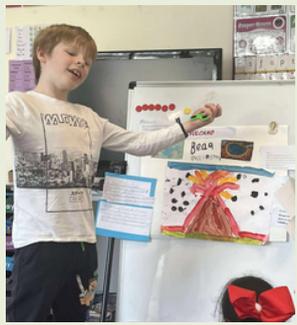
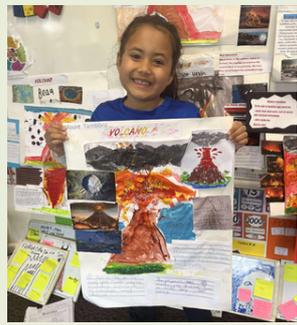
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# CHRISTMAS HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Join us for an afternoon of fun and excitement!

# HARMONY IN THE HILLS

Saturday 8th November  
1:00pm - 4:00pm



Bring along your picnic rug and join us at Christmas Hills Primary School for an afternoon with the Christmas Hills Orchestra, free face painting, and a magician. Pack a picnic and enjoy a relaxed afternoon of fun.

**BBQ**



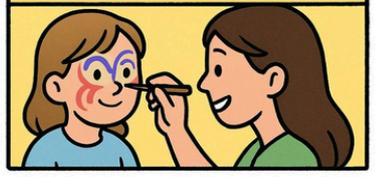
**MAGICIAN**



**BELGIUM WAFFLES**



**FACE PAINTING**



Treat yourself to yummy food, freshly made Belgium waffles, a bake sale and coffee from our coffee van - all available to purchase on the day.



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# STAPS



## OSHC HOLIDAY PROGRAM

September Holidays 2025

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup>, Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> and Tues 30<sup>th</sup> September and Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> October

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept  
Relaxing Day!**  
Chill out with fun  
relaxing experiences

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Wheels Day!**  
Bring your bikes or scooters  
along to join the fun...(you  
MUST have an appropriate  
helmet, and bring along  
knee/elbow pads etc)

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Create, Make,  
Explore!**  
Art and Craft Art/Craft  
Science!  
and Science combined  
with special art/craft!

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct  
Scavenger Hunt,  
Games and  
Technology!**  
Fun to end Holiday OSHC...

**Full Fee: \$80**  
subsidies apply in most cases

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To Book In ...

Email: [st.andrews.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:st.andrews.ps@education.vic.gov.au)  
or message the OSHC mobile on: 0427 245 921

**STAPS OSHC Vacation Care is available to all STAPS students and is also available to students from other schools.**

ALL students MUST have completed a 2025 STAPS OSHC enrolment form, and supplied any relevant medical plans.

**Please note that STAPS OSHC has a maximum number of 15 bookings for each day.**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

**Costs:** Flat rate per student per day applies - special activities vary the price - see above  
(Child Care subsidies apply to eligible families if registered)

**Times:** Available from **8:30 am to 5:30 pm.**

Children can attend for the whole day or part of the day, but please note that the flat fee applies.

**Activities:** The day will include outside games, relaxing "downtime activities" (possibly including watching a movie/short show), and **Special Activities (as listed above)**

**Food: BYO LUNCH** and Snacks, with Fruit, and other Snacks offered on the day

**What else:** Students MUST bring a water bottle each day, and bring and wear a sunhat, and wear closed-toe shoes and suitable clothing - coats are advised for wet weather.  
(Gumboots/Slippers are also welcome)

**OSHC Educators:** Tracey, supported by other staff as required

**Please note re Fire Ratings: If the day is EXTREME or CATASTROPHIC Fire Danger Rating, STAPS OSHC Vacation Care will be cancelled on that day.**

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# INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

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DJ DECKS  
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BANJO (BYO)

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