### CHRISTMAS HILLS

**Primary School** 

Newsletter





#### 16th August 2024 - Term 3 - Week 5



#### Science Week

This week has been National Science Week and to celebrate our students have participated in a range of hands-on science experiments. These experiments including predicting, hypothesizing and analysing outcomes. It was just great to see them all so engaged in the learning and asking lots of questions – they were all very inquisitive. The learning that took place enabled students to investigate to build on their current knowledge of how things work and why. Our photos really capture the excitement and learning!

#### Principal's Message

We have had some wonderful weather this week with the sun shining and warmer temperatures. So, to take advantage of this we have had some of our maths and science lessons outside, utilising our beautiful and peaceful surroundings. We are so fortunate to be able to learn in such a beautiful setting where the children feel calm and happy.





#### **Book Week**

Next Monday 19th August is Book Week. We encourage children to dress up as their favourite book character. We will have a little parade around 9.30am on Monday morning. Throughout the week the children will participate in book week activities and we will be having a special visit from a highly regarded local author Penny Harrison.













#### **Important Dates Term 3**

- Eltham Leisure Centre Swimming Lessons 1:30 2:30 2nd August, 6th August, 9th August, 13th August, 16th August, 20th August, 23rd August, 6th September, 13th September
  - 10th 18th August Science Week
  - 19th August Book Week dress up and activities.

#### **Term Dates**

Term 3 - 15th July - 20th September

Term 4 - October 7th - 20th December

Curriculum Days - 7th October, 4th November, 20th December

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#### **Home Reading**

It is always so pleasing to come in of a morning and listen to the children read their home reader and it is so evident that their reading is coming along in leaps and bounds. I cannot stress enough how important practise is every night and getting them to talk about the book and what they read. Being confident with their reading will set them up for success across all areas of learning so I thank you for supporting them at home.

#### **Garden Program**

Debbie has been working with the children as part of our Garden Program and our garden is looking amazing. Sue has hung their flowerpot creations in the garden and the children have really enjoyed taking part in the planting and looking after of the garden.





Enjoy your weekend!

Maria Parks

Principal



Penny Harrison will be visiting our school Wednesday 21st as part of book week celebrations.

#### 2024 Enrolments

We continue to get enquiries about our school which is fabulous, and I have also done a number of school tours which have all been positive so I am confident that our numbers will grow. Our school is looking wonderful at the moment, and families who visit are always so impressed with our location and the programs we are able to offer our students.



#### **Swimming**

Our swimming sessions have been running smoothly and the children are benefiting immensely from the experience. They have been learning about stroke technique and water safety as well as managing themselves and their belongings. We have been so fortunate to have Svetlana's daughter Renee take the children for a couple of sessions too which they just loved!



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#### **SCHOOL VALUES**

Every child at Christmas Hills Primary School is supported in their social and emotional development in a caring way. We help students build skills in empathy and positive relationships, in a framework centred around our school values of CHIRPS – Caring, Honesty, Inquisitiveness, Respect, Persistence, Sharing.

These school values are built around our emblem, the blue wren, and they were jointly decided by students, staff and parents.



#### **LUNCH ORDERS**

We're excited to inform you that we will be continuing to take lunch orders every Wednesday through Dark Horse Café.

Please ensure all lunch orders are placed in the designated box by 3:30 PM on Tuesday, please include the student's name, lunch order details, and <u>exact change</u>.





Yard	Transitions	Classes	Toilets	Excursions	
Hear calm, polite and friendly voices	Calm, organised	Be mindful of personal space	Good hygiene	Be good role models	
See inclusive play with a variety of activities	Enter learning spaces in an orderly manner	Take responsibility for your own learning	Respect others' privacy	Hear calm, polite and friendly voices	
See people caring for each other	Respectful of other students	Respectful listening		Be mindful of the general public	
Respect nature				Move in an orderly, calm manner	

#### **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

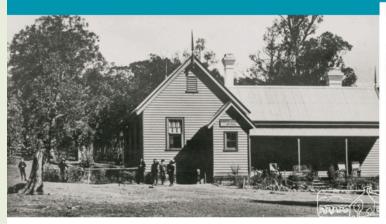
School uniforms are available for purchase at any time from the school office. It is important to ensure your child has their school uniform for school excursions.

Additionally, we are now selling book satchels that help keep home readers secure and easily accessible.





## CHRISTMAS HILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL





### CELEBRATING





Come along and help us celebrate 150 years of Christmas Hills Primary School

Colouring Competition, Jumping Castle, Petting Zoo, Face Painting, Free Kids Activities, Live Entertainment, Food Stalls, Historical Artefacts and Lots More



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BRING YOUR LITTLE ONE ALONG TO SOCIALISE, EXPLORE, EXPERIMENT & PLAY AT OUR RELAXED COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP. SPEND SOME QUALITY TIME WITH YOUR MINI WHILE YOU FILL YOUR CUP CHATTING WITH OTHER GROWN UPS.

ALL WELCOME!

Christmas Hills Primary School 1409 Eltham—Yarra Glen Rd Christmas Hills

For more info contact Megan 0413174 415

## Upcoming Dates Term 3

#### 15th July - First day of Term 3

- 30th July Swimming
- 2nd August Swimming
- · 6th August Swimming
- 9th August Swimming
- 13th August Swimming
- 16th August Swimming
- 19th August Book Week Drees Up & activities
- · 20th August Swimming
- 23rd August Swimming
- · 25th July St Johns First Aid Incursion
- 6th September Swimming
- 11th September Kaboom Sports
- 13th September Swimming
- 20th September Swimming
- 11th October Swimming
- 18th October Swimming
- 20th September Last day of Term 3 2:00pm finish







### Exciting Activities coming up

Swimming Session Dates

- 30th July
- 2nd August
- 6th August
- 9th August
- 13th August
- 16th August
- 20th August
- 23rd August
- 6th September
- 13th September
- 11th October
- 18th October

Book Week 19th August - 23rd August Book Week Dress up day - 19th August

#### **Lunch Orders**

Lunch orders from Dark Horse are continuing this term.

# NEW! Art and craft club for kids

Starting 8 October 2024
Tuesdays 3:45-4:45pm
7-12 yrs
Panton Hill Living & Learning Hub

This fun class will allow your child to be creative, express themselves and learn art and craft techniques. For more info see our website below.

