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NEWSLETTER

5th June 2025

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a busy and interesting couple of weeks across the school as we continue to practice for Madagascar Junior and complete many preparations for the whole school production next term. Last week we acknowledged National Reconciliation Week in which we focused on the theme 'Bridging Now to Next'. Our SRC (Student Representative Council) introduced this to the whole school community in assembly and finished the week with a social service fundraiser supporting Children's Ground. Together we raised \$720.00 - my thanks to the SRC for leading this important learning and fundraising initiative.

STUDENT REPORTING

- PARENT WALKTHROUGHS

We are pleased to invite you to our learning communities for the Semester One parent walkthroughs. This is an opportunity to share with your child/children their learning, work books, favourite activities and highlights of the year so far and gain further insight into the written report. We have scheduled these walkthroughs in the morning and hope that you or a member of your family is able to attend; the children love sharing their achievements! Please find the schedule below and mark this in your diary:

TIME	8.50am to 9.15am	
Prep	Wednesday 18th June (Week 9)	
Year 1	Friday 20th June (Week 9)	
Year 2	Wednesday 25th June (Week 10)	
Year 3	Thursday 19th (Week 9)	

2025 Dates to Remember		
	June	
Monday	2/6 – 13/6	Year 4 Swimming
Monday	9	Public Holiday-no school
Monday	16/6 – 26/6	Year 3 Swimming
	July	
Friday	4	End of Term 2
		2:30 finish
Monday	21	Curriculum Day
Tuesday	22	First Day of Term 3
	August	
Wednesday	6	School Production
Thursday	7	School Production
Thursday	28	House Athletics Carnival
		(Yr3-6)
	September	
Thursday	18	Pre-Yr2 Tabloid Athletics
	November	
Monday	3	Curriculum Day
Tuesday	4	Melbourne Cup Day
		Public Holiday
	December	
Friday	5	Curriculum Day

TIME	8.50am to 9.15am	
Year 4	Tuesday 24th June (Week 10)	
Year 5	Friday 20th June (Week 9)	
Year 6	Friday 27th June (Week 10)	

- SEMESTER ONE REPORTS

As mentioned above, at the end of this term each child will receive their Semester One report. This year you will see some changes to our written reports. This has been prompted by the changes in the Victorian Curriculum and its update to Vic Curric 2.0. Our staff have therefore had the opportunity to reflect on the full report and along with feedback from our community over the years, have updated the information we share for each student. We will be offering two online opportunities for parents/carers to join us to gain further understanding of the reporting process at Hartwell. These sessions will be held on Monday 23 June: 9:15 am and Wednesday 25 June: 2:45 pm. Links to the sessions will be sent via Sentral on the day.

STUDENT AGENCY

As shared during our Parent Information evenings at the beginning of the school year, in 2025 a greater focus for our school is to develop agency in our students. This is an important skill for everyone and at Hartwell we have identified what 'agency' is in the school environment. Student Agency PDF

I would also like to share with you an article from Michael Grose, a well-known and leading parenting and educational writer. It is a quick and easy read with some very practical suggestions that support our focus at school. I hope you enjoy the read:

The Secret to Raising Children with Strong Agency: An Expert Guide for Parents (and Teachers)

TEAM KIDS

Attached to the newsletter below are some terrific opportunities from Team Kids. We are very fortunate to have such a fantastic program at Hartwell and you can access these activities on a casual or permanent basis. You can find further information here: https://www.teamkids.com.au/venues/hartwell-primary-camberwell-oshc-6/

CHILD SAFETY AND WELLBEING INFORMATION FOR THE COMMUNITY

Hartwell Primary School is committed to providing an environment in which students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety framework includes policies, codes and procedures that explain how we support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students and protect them from harm. These documents are available on our website:

School Documentation | Hartwell PS

We are also committed to continuous improvement of our child safety framework. We are currently reviewing our child safety policies and practices to ensure they are up-to-date and effective.

Our students and families are important partners in this process. We welcome your feedback or ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Lisa Banks, Adrian O'Connor or Susie Dalton at hartwell.ps@education.vic.gov.au.vic.gov.au

GENERAL REMINDERS:

- Prep 2026: If you have a child/children who will begin Prep at Hartwell in 2026 please complete the enrolment via the Insight platform as soon as possible.
- UNIFORM please ensure your uniform is clearly named. We are working hard to return items that are left across the school but this is not possible without a clearly named piece of clothing. Please note all unnamed items that are not collected within a fortnight are generally washed and placed in the second-hand shop. Our lost property is based at the bottom of the stairs that enter to Year 1 and Year 3 from the main courtyard (the children can show you) and/or in the Learning Community.
- TERM DATE REMINDERS:
 Our final day of Term 2 is on Friday 4th July at 2.30pm.
 School returns for the students on Tuesday 22nd July (Teachers Curriculum Day on Monday 21st July no students required).

Lisa Banks Principal





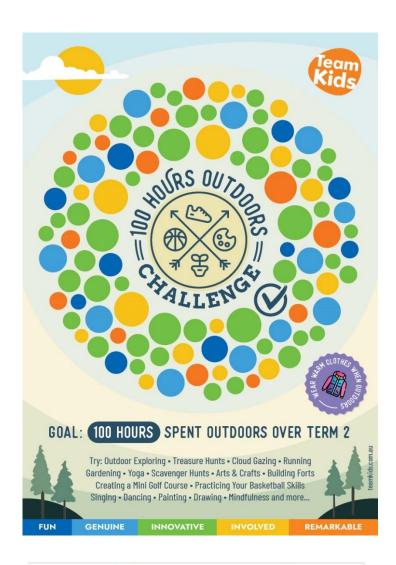
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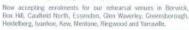






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