

# Hammondville Public School Newsletter

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# A Message from the Principal

Welcome back, Hammondville!

We hope this newsletter finds you in high spirits as we embark on an exciting journey into Term 4. As we look ahead, there are numerous celebrations and events in store for our school community, alongside some crucial updates that will shape the future of Hammondville Public School.

#### **Celebrations Galore:**

We are thrilled to announce that this term is packed with celebratory events that promise to bring our school community together. Let's come together to celebrate achievements, milestones, and the wonderful bonds we've formed within our school. Keep an eye on our calendar for updates on these festivities, which are set to make this term unforgettable.

#### New Support Unit on The Horizon:

A significant development for our school community is the forthcoming establishment of a new support unit, slated to begin its operations in Term 1 of 2024. This exciting addition to our school will enable us to provide specialized assistance and resources for students with diverse learning needs. We are committed to creating a supportive and inclusive environment for all our students, and the support unit is a significant step in this direction.

### Stage 3's Adventure in Berry:

This week, our Stage 3 students enjoyed an unforgettable camp experience in the picturesque town of Berry. Surrounded by the beauty of nature, our students are having a ball while learning valuable life skills, teamwork, and building memories to last a lifetime. We eagerly look forward to hearing about their adventures.

### Kindergarten's Farm Excursion:

Our youngest learners, the Kindergarten students, recently embarked on an enchanting adventure to a local farm. The trip was filled with joy, wonder, and hands-on learning as our children got to experience farm life firsthand. This is just one of the many experiences that make learning at Hammondville Public School so unique and memorable.

#### Introducing SchoolBytes - A More Efficient Future:

We're excited to announce the launch of our new parent app, SchoolBytes. This modern platform is designed to streamline and enhance the school experience for both parents and staff. Over the coming months, we will be gradually transitioning our systems to SchoolBytes, as it offers significant efficiency and convenience in day-to-day school management.

One notable feature that's already up and running on SchoolBytes is the school calendar. We encourage all parents to download the app and acquaint themselves with this wonderful tool. With the calendar, you can stay updated on school events, important dates, and activities, ensuring that you never miss a moment of your child's educational journey.

With gratitude Jodie Clark Principal

# **School Diary**

Monday 23 October	Y5 Check In - Maths
Wednesday 25 October	NSW State Athletics Carnival
Thursday 26 October	<ul><li>NSW State Athletics Carnival</li><li>3-6 Assembly 2pm</li></ul>
Friday 27 October	World Teacher's Day
Monday 30 October	Grandparents Day 8:45am - 11am
Wednesday 1 November	K-2 Assembly 2pm
Friday 3 November	P&C Disco

# Kindergarten 2024 Online Enrolment

We are currently enrolling for Kindergarten 2024.

If your child has a younger sibling that is due to start school in 2024 please enrol them now so that we can ensure that you are provided with all the important dates & necessary information in relation to commencing Kindergarten.

Alternatively if you live in our catchment zone & have a neighbour whose child is due to commence school in 2024 please encourage them to complete the online enrolment application or contact our school.

To complete an online application you just need to go to our school's website & click on the enrolment tab at the top of the page or use the link that is attached to this notice.

https://hammondvil-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for parents to submit an Application to Enrol in a NSW Government School online at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents.
- · Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online.

Should you have any questions regarding enrolling your child please do not hesitate to contact the office on 9825 3948.

## Stage 3 Dates

The following are important dates of upcoming events for Stage 3:

Monday 16 October - Wednesday 18 October: camp to Berry Sport and Recreation Centre

Monday 11 December: Picnic Day

Tuesday 12 December: Year 6 farewell at Holiday Inn, Warwick Farm

Thursday 14 December: Year 6 Graduation Ceremony

Friday 15 December: last day / Year 6 farewell arch

Details for each of these events will be sent out to families closer to these dates.

# **Student Leadership Process for 2024**

The following is an overview of the election process for our student leadership group for 2024.

Term 3 Week 10 - Year 5 students obtain and complete a nomination form

Term 4 Week 1 - nomination forms are returned to the principal

**Term 4 Week 3** - nominations are processed and successful students who meet school leadership criteria will be requested to prepare a speech to present to staff and students. Successful students will be notified by Monday Week 3.

**Term 4 Week 7** - students present their speeches to the school and voting takes place.

**Term 4 Week 9** - students will receive a letter to inform them of their success or non-success in obtaining a student leader position. The student leaders will be formally announced in the school newsletter the following week.

**Term 4 Week 9** - school captains will be announced at the Presentation Day assembly and all leaders will be presented with their badges.

# **Sport Update**

### 2023/24 Carnivals

State Athletics Carnival - Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 October 2023

School Swimming Carnival - Monday 5 February 2024

School Athletics Carnival (3-6) - Thursday 25 July 2024

# **NSW All Schools Athletics Championships**

Over the school holidays, Lara Penney and Riley Death represented our school at the NSW All School Athletics Championships. Lara finished the championships in second place in the 10 Years Girls Discus with a throw of 22.13m, Riley finished in 2nd place in the 11 Years Boys High Jump with a jump of 1.55m and Riley also finished in 3rd place in the 11 Years Boys Long Jump with a jump of 4.36m. Well done Lara and Riley for representing our school.

### **P&C News**

### Join Us for a Spooky Halloween Disco!

Date: Friday, November 3rd

Time: TBC

Location: School Hall Calling all K-6 ghouls and goblins!

Get ready to dance, have a frightfully good time, and show off your most spook-tacular costumes! Don't forget to: \* Wear your creepiest, funniest, or most fantastical costume! \* Bring your best dance moves and wicked spirit! Let's make this Halloween a night to remember! We can't wait to see you there!

#### **Exciting News from the Referendum BBQ!**

We are thrilled to share the incredible success of our recent Referendum BBQ! Thanks to the tremendous support from our wonderful community, we raised over \$800, which will be directly reinvested into our school. Highlights of the Event: \* Fundraising Triumph - Together, we achieved an impressive result, demonstrating the power of our united efforts. \* Introducing Our New Slushy Machine - The launch of our new slushy machine was a smashing hit! Students and parents alike had a blast trying out the cool and refreshing flavors. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to this success. Your support makes a significant impact on the educational experiences of our students.

### Volunteer Opportunity at the Canteen!

We're always on the lookout for enthusiastic volunteers to join our canteen team. Even dedicating just one day would be greatly appreciated! Not only will you be supporting our school, but your kids will also love seeing you in the canteen. It's a chance to be a part of their school day in a special way. If you're interested, please reach out to Tracey O'Hanlon, our fabulous Canteen Manager at hammopandccanteen@gmail.com Thank you for considering this opportunity!

### **P&C at Kindy Orientation!**

We're excited to announce that members of the P&C will be available during the Kindy orientation. We'll be on hand to assist with any uniform needs and to have a friendly chat with parents and guardians. We look forward to meeting you and helping ensure a smooth start for your little ones.

### Limited Edition 90th Anniversary Tea Towels Still Available!

We're pleased to announce that there are still a few limited edition 90th Anniversary Tea Towels left! These beautifully designed keepsakes are a wonderful memento of our special celebration. To order yours, please contact the P&C at hammopandc@gmail.com Don't miss out on this opportunity to own a piece of our school's history!

### Save the Date: November 6th Meeting!

Join us for our upcoming meeting where you'll get the latest on school updates, canteen news, the principal's report, and fundraising efforts. You can attend either online or in person. We look forward to your participation!

#### **Contact Us**

For any questions regarding canteen or uniforms please email at hammopandccanteen@gmail.com or call/sms 0488 757 101

For questions about P&C events please email hammopandc@gmail.com or message us through our Facebook or Instagram pages.

### Canteen News

### **Lunch Orders Via My School Connect**

If you order lunch through My School Connect and your child doesn't end up coming to school you can cancel the order through the app before 9am or contact the canteen directly on 0488 757 101, we can hold the order until your child returns to school (please let us know) or we can give you a

refund through the app. Please do not sent a message through the app about your child being absent as it is sent to the canteen as an email and is not received instantly. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated.

The canteen can be contact directly on 0488 757 101 for all enquiries.



### **P&C FACEBOOK**

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P&C: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/hammondvillepandc/">https://www.facebook.com/hammondvillepandc/</a> or look up "Hammondville PS P&C"

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