



# Hammondville Public School Newsletter

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## A Message from the Principal

Dear families

As we navigate through the bustling activities of our school, I am pleased to bring you updates on recent events and initiatives aimed at enriching the experiences of our students and ensuring their safety.

### **Annual General Meeting for the P&C**

Our Annual General Meeting for the Parents and Citizens (P&C) was held on Monday night, marking a significant moment for our school community. We gathered to vote in the new executive members who will play pivotal roles in shaping our school's future. Your active participation and support are vital as we work together to enhance the educational journey of our children. Thank you to the many parents who were able to carve out some time to join the conversation. It will deep gratitude that on behalf of our school, thank the outgoing P&C executive who have achieved an incredible amount in a short time, especially behind the scenes, to continue to strengthen our collaboration.

Our 2024 P&C Executive are:

- President - Vicky James
- Vice President – Cassie Stokes

- Vice President – Sarah Card
- Secretaries – Lisa Dening & Catalina Czech
- Treasurer – Position vacant

#### Our 2024 Sub committees

- Fundraising - Emily Berendsen, Natalie Sharpe, Sarah Williamson, Cassie Stokes
- Grants and scholarships - Scott Hamilton & Sarah Card
- Communications and social media – Natalie Sharpe & Cassie Stokes

#### **Young Leaders Day at the International Convention Centre**

On Monday, our student leaders had the extraordinary opportunity to participate in the Young Leaders Day held at the International Convention Centre. This event provided a platform for our young minds to engage, learn, and cultivate leadership skills that will empower them to become future leaders. We are proud of their participation and the values they represent as ambassadors of our school.

#### **West's Tigers Visit**

Wednesday brought excitement as the West's Tigers paid us a visit. Our students were thrilled to meet and interact with the players, inspiring them to pursue their passions and strive for excellence both on and off the field. Such engagements broaden the horizons of our students and instil a sense of camaraderie within our school community. It was a wonderfully interactive session that focused on making smart choices to prioritise our own wellbeing, including eating healthily, getting enough sleep and the importance of exercise.

#### **Zone Swimming Carnival Success**

We applaud the outstanding achievements of our students at the zone swimming carnival. Twelve of our talented competitors have qualified for the regional swimming competition next week. Their dedication, hard work, and sportsmanship exemplify the spirit of Hammondville Public School. We wish them the best of luck as they move to this next pathway of competition.

#### **Focus on Safety**

Ensuring the safety and well-being of our students remains a top priority at Hammondville Public School. With the growing number of students in our K-2 cohort, we have implemented changes to our morning playground routines. All K-2 students will gather under the Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA) in the mornings, fostering independence as they transition into their day. We are introducing a 'kiss and drop zone' adjacent to the kinder sandpit to facilitate a seamless and secure start to their day. We appreciate your cooperation and support in embracing these changes for the safety and benefit of all.

As we embark on the weeks ahead, let us continue to uphold the values of compassion, respect, and cooperation within our school community. Remember to stay safe, take care of each other, and celebrate the achievements, big and small, that make Hammondville Public School a vibrant hub of learning and growth.

With gratitude

Jodie Clark

Principal

## School Diary

Friday 8 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PSSA Round 3</li></ul>
Tuesday 12 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regional Swimming Carnival</li></ul>
Wednesday 13 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NAPLAN Writing</li></ul>
Thursday 14 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NAPLAN Reading</li></ul>
Friday 15 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PULSE Alive</li><li>• PSSA Round 4</li></ul>
Monday 18 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NAPLAN Language</li></ul>
Tuesday 19 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NAPLAN Numeracy</li></ul>
Thursday 21 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stage 2 Inquisitive Minds</li></ul>
Friday 22 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PSSA round 5</li></ul>
Monday 25 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School Photos</li></ul>
Wednesday 27 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stage 3 Inquisitive Minds</li></ul>
Thursday 28 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P&amp;C Colour Run</li></ul>
Tuesday 2 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• K-2 Easter Hat Parade 2pm</li></ul>

## Mr Newton

Sadly, one of our dearly loved Hammondville teachers, Mr Newton, passed away recently surrounded by loved ones. Mr Newton was best known for his enthusiasm and entertainment

during school assemblies. He would teach the students songs and have everyone sing along. The students adored Mr Newton and would hang off every word he'd say. Mr Newton was a kind, gentle and compassionate man who always loved a chat. He will be dearly missed and we are honoured to have known him.

## Sport Update

### 2024 Carnivals

Regional Swimming Carnival - Tuesday 12 March 2024

School Cross Country Carnival (3-6) - Wednesday 10 April 2024

Zone Cross Country Carnival - Tuesday 21 May 2024

Regional Cross Country Carnival - Thursday 13 June 2024

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

Zone Athletics Carnival - Tuesday 20 August 2024

SSW Athletics Carnival - Wednesday 18 September 2024

### School Swimming Carnival Results

Well done to the following students who were announced as age champion of their age group from the school's swimming carnival:

Junior boys age champion - Maverick Reid

Junior girls age champion - Sophie Skuse

11 years boys age champion - Ben Kerry

11 years girls age champion - Breanna Bell

12 years boys age champion - Jordan Iro

12 years girls age champion - Ruby Caddy

Also, congratulations to Ruby Caddy who broke the age record for the 12 years 50m breaststroke, breaking the record previously held by her sister Tahlia by 0.05 seconds.

## LZPSSA Swimming Carnival Results

Congratulations to the students who competed in last week's Liverpool Zone Swimming Carnival. All swimmers competed to their best and we are very proud of all results. Results from each event are listed below and the full results with times are attached. Well done to the twelve students who have qualified for the regional carnival.

### Students qualifying for Sydney South-West

Ruby Caddy - 12 years 50m breaststroke and senior girls individual medley

Indira Death - 9 years 50m freestyle and junior girls relay

Sophie Skuse - 10 years 50m freestyle and junior girls relay

Brooklynn Iro - 10 years 50m freestyle and junior girls relay

Maverick Reid - 10 years 50m freestyle and junior boys relay

Brooke Teasel - junior 50m breaststroke

Breanna Bell - 11 years 50m backstroke

John Penney - 11 years 50m backstroke

Marley Salamo - junior girls relay

Thomas Taylor - junior boys relay

Archer Devlin - junior boys relay

Jordan Davis - junior boys relay

### 50m Freestyle Results (Finals)

2nd - Sophie Skuse

3rd - Indira Death, Brooklynn Iro and Maverick Reid

4th - Mila Dimmock and Thomas Taylor

5th - Ruby Caddy and Asher Stewart

6th - Breanna Bell, Maggie Stanton and Marley Taurima

7th - Jackson Bell, Archer Devlin and Ben Kerry

### 50m Freestyle Results (Preliminaries)

7th - Aaliyah Page

8th - Jordan Iro

9th - Jordan Davis, Marley Salamo, Jarryd Schipp and Daniel Symes

10th - Hudson Dimmock, Caleb Kitchingman and Jack Vidler

11th - Finlay Keegan

13th - Lara Penney

14th - Riley Harris

15th - Emily Fidler

### **50m Breaststroke Results**

2nd - Ruby Caddy and Brooke Teasel

5th - John Penney

6th - Ben Kerry

### **50m Backstroke Results**

2nd - Breanna Bell

3rd - John Penney

4th - Thomas Taylor

5th - Ruby Caddy, Jordan Davis, Jordan Iro and Finlay Keegan

7th - Indira Death

8th - Marley Salamo

9th - Riley Harris

10th - Jack Vidler

11th - Lincoln Heslop and Lara Penney

### **50m Butterfly Results**

4th - Ben Kerry

### **100m Freestyle**

5th - Jordan Iro

### **Individual Medley**

2nd - Ruby Caddy

## Relay Results

2nd - Junior boys (Jordan Davis, Archer Devlin, Maverick Reid and Thomas Taylor)

3rd - Junior girls (Indira Death, Brooklynn Iro, Marley Salamo and Sophie Skuse)

4th - Senior girls (Breanna Bell, Ruby Caddy, Gabriella Naghyoui and Emily Vidler)

5th - Senior boys (Jordan Iro, Ben Kerry, Jarryd Schipp and Asher Stewart)



## Australian Mountain Biking Inter Schools

Well done to Charlie Ashton and Jaidyn Page who have spent the last few days representing our school at the Australian Mountain Biking Interschools in Thredbo. It is rewarding to see our students compete amongst the best in their chosen field from around Australia. Charlie and Jaidyn, the school community is so proud of you both and we can't wait to share your success when you return back to school.

A special shout out to Mr and Mrs Page, Mr and Mrs Skuse and Mr and Mrs Ashton who have all played an important role in our school being represented in mountain biking. We encourage any interested students or families to find out more about representing our school in this event by going to <https://www.thredbo.com.au/mtbinterschools/> and we hope the legacy of Hammondville students competing at this event continues into the future.

### All Mountain Results

Charlie Ashton - 25th out of 116 and losing a pedal in the final section (8:39)

Jaidyn Page - 51st out of 116 (9:05)

### Cannonball Downhill Results

Charlie Ashton - 29th out of 76 (3:57)

Jaidyn Page - 38th out of 76 (4:04)

### Motion Cup Results

Charlie Ashton - 28th out of 125 (9:24)

Jaidyn Page - 54th out of 125 (9:45)

### Pump Track Results

Jaidyn Page - 50th out of 81 (26.64 and 11 pts)

## 3-6 Cross Country Carnival

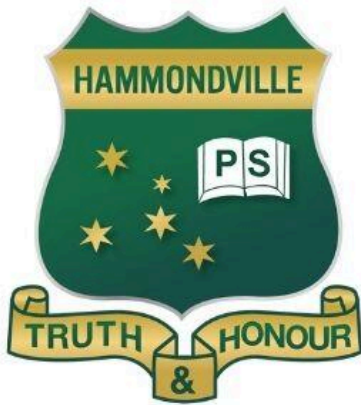
# 3-6 Cross Country

## Wednesday 10 April, 2024

The school's 3-6 cross country carnival is to be held on Wednesday 10 April, on the school grounds. Any students in Year 2 who are eight or turning eight this year are invited to participate, alongside the competing students in Years 3-6. Parents and carers are welcome to attend the carnival to cheer on the students.

The top seven finishers in each race will represent the school at the Liverpool zone cross country carnival on Tuesday 21 May 2024.

### Starting Times and Distances



**10:00 am** - 8/9 years boys (2 laps - 1600 m)

**10:15 am** - 8/9 years girls (2 laps - 1600 m)

**10:30 am** - 10 years boys (2 laps - 1600 m)

**10:45 am** - 10 years girls (2 laps - 1600 m)

**11:00 am** - 11 years boys (3 laps - 2400 m)

**11:15 am** - 11 years girls (3 laps - 2400 m)

**11:30 am** - 12/13 years boys (3 laps - 2400 m)

**11:32 am** - 12/13 years girls (3 laps - 2400 m)

## P&C News

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) took place on Monday evening, where a new committee was elected:



President: Vicky James

Vice President: Cassie Stokes

Vice President: Sarah Card

Secretary: Catalina Czech

Treasurer: Currently vacant If you're interested in joining our committee, please let us know. A huge thank you to the outgoing committee for their dedication and hard work over the past few years. We have big shoes to fill and aim to make you proud.

Colour Explosion Update: Have you signed up and started your fundraising efforts for the Color Run yet? Currently, K Yellow is in the lead. Stay tuned for an announcement on the exciting prize awaiting the class with the highest fundraising amount.

Keepsake Tea Towels: We still have a few tea towels remaining from last year's 90th birthday celebration. If you'd like to purchase one, please reach out to us at [hammopandc@gmail.com](mailto:hammopandc@gmail.com).

These tea towels could make a wonderful Mother's Day gift for your mum or grandma.

For any inquiries or suggestions, feel free to contact us at [hammopandc@gmail.com](mailto:hammopandc@gmail.com).

## Canteen News

If you need to contact the canteen please use our phone number of 0488 757 101. Leave a message if we do not pick up.

Reminder that lunch orders are to be done by 9am on My School Connect. If you do miss the cut-off please contact us on the above number and we will tell you how to proceed. If using cash across the counter for lunch orders they must also be in by 9am. Remind your child to drop off the order before the bell goes.

Remember that if we make up a lunch order there is no refund.

Counter Sales are cash only and are Mon -Thu recess and lunch, Friday is lunch time only.

Please remind your children that ice blocks and frozen yoghurts are only available at lunch time.

Celebration food orders are to in at least 1 week before they are required. This is cash only.

My School Connect is the preferred method for ordering uniforms. They will be delivered to your child's classroom. We ask that, if possible, any counter sales for uniforms are not done on Friday mornings.

Second hand uniforms are open Wednesday morning 8.30am to 9.00am and Friday afternoon from 2.30pm to 3.00pm.

Your co-operation in all of the above is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the canteen at 0488757101 or email [hammopandccanteen@gmail.com](mailto:hammopandccanteen@gmail.com)



## P&C FACEBOOK

Hammondville

PS

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

## We Are a White Ribbon School



**Don't stop in  
a BUS ZONE**

**Penalty: \$387\* and  
2 demerit points**

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Liverpool City Council Road Safety Initiative \* Penalty applies in school zones. Minimum fine, subject to change



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