



*A Rich Past,
Present & Future*

NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th February, 2022

Term 1: Week 3



DIARY DATES

Term 1

Wednesday 23rd February

Prep testing

Friday 25th February

District swimming

Tuesday 1st March

Division Swimming

Wednesday 2nd March

Prep testing

Monday 7th March

School Council meeting

Friday 11th March

Pupil Free Day

Monday 14th March

Labour Day Holiday

Thursday 17th March

Grade 6 Leadership day

Friday 18th March

Colour Fun Run

Monday 21st March

Harmony Day

XUNO



Principal's Report

It has been a busy week of setting ourselves up for a successful year with decisions made about our School Council, Student Leaders and Junior School Council.

We have a great team in place and I am excited to work closely with them.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS



I cannot wait to be working with this great group of Grade 6 leaders. After having listened to many really impressive speeches, the staff had the very difficult task of choosing our team for this year.

We were so proud of all of our Grade 6 students who delivered their speeches about how they

could help us to continually improve PHPS.

After much consideration we are really pleased to announce our Grade 6 leaders as:

Joel Tomming and Violet Lockwood — Captains

Lola Willins and Harrison Cahir — Vice Captains

Charlotte Friede and Archie Ferguson McLellan — Junior School Council.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

That brings us to our Junior School Council who have just been elected this week. Our process for electing JSC representatives changed a couple of years ago as a result of feedback from our students.

All of our students from Grade 2-5 were given the opportunity to write a speech which was then anonymously read out by the teachers. Grades then voted for two reps from each grade.

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We are really looking forward to hearing of the great ideas that our JSC will be coming up with. Our JSC reps for 2022 are:

Grade 2—Archie King and Ayvah Elkhishin

Grade 3—Omar Elkhishin and Rebecca Whitworth

Grade 4—Angus Hay and Bella Ferguson-McLellan

Grade 5—Jasper Tregenza and Lilly Addicoat.

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2022

Speaking of making PHPS a better place, we have now formed our School Council for 2022. Our first meeting will be held on **Monday the 7th March** where one of the items of business will be to assign sub-committee members and roles.

Our School Councillors for 2022 are:

David Shaw, Emma Bennett, Marc Lemire Aaron Cody, Sam Headberry, Alison Tovey, Beth Borthwick, Margaret Bozik and Deanne Cahir. This group of parents represents families from Prep through to Grade Six which is ideal.

Our staff representatives on School Council for 2022 are: Anne Howard, Stephanie Brindley, Justine Puls-Welsh and myself.

Thankyou so much to everyone for putting their hands up to help drive the direction of our school.



Yay! We are organising a fun (fundraising) event which we think might actually go ahead!!

Our fundraising team have been trying for over a year to organise a colour fun run and now we have a date.

Our colour fun run is scheduled for **Friday March 18th**. Information has either come home yesterday or will be coming home today in student's bags.

This is a delightfully, colourful, messy activity. It is strongly recommended that students wear a white t-shirt for maximum impact, but an old one or one that they are not precious about as it may never be white again!

All of the classes have watched a short video today in class which explains the event and will no doubt build excitement.

This is a fundraising opportunity for our school. We would like our Junior School Council to have some input into the project we would like to fundraise for. Now that we have elected our 2022 JSC, we will have a meeting and add this to the agenda and let you know.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Thankyou to everyone for participating in the parent teacher meetings held last week. These meetings are really important in not only building a relationship with your child's teacher, but also getting a good mutual under-

standing of how we can best provide a really successful and happy school year for your student.

NEWSLETTERS

Every second Friday afternoon a school newsletter will be posted on our Xuno app. There is often important dates and information that parents need to be aware of, as well as achievements and general information of how our PHPS students are keeping busy during their week.

If you would like a hard copy to be sent home, please notify the office.



TISSUES

We are very low on tissues in the classrooms and would really appreciate it if families could please add it to their shopping list and bring along a box, thankyou.

SOME MESSAGES FROM MRS JENES

District Swimming – Friday 25 February  

Swimming notes are now due for the district swimming competition on **Friday 25 February**. If you can help with travel please see Mr Hurst. We are still short on drivers.

Running Club    

We are off and running (pun intended!!!). Running club is every **Thursday morning** from **8:45**. It is an optional event from grades 2-6. If your child/children are interested they need to meet Mrs Jenes outside the Italian Room.

After the students have completed 50 laps and 50 more from then on, they will receive a certificate at assembly. I am very pleased, that our school community, have been mindful of each other, while running club is on. Everyone is making sure we are all keeping ourselves safe.

Thank you, Mrs Natika Jenes

COVID UPDATE

Please refer to the app notification sent this morning for more detailed information.

Rapid Antigen Tests

By now all families will have received their second box of RAT's for use over this fortnight. If you have not been at school this week, when they were distributed we have put your box aside with your child's name on it.

I have just come out of a briefing today where it was confirmed that due to the efficacy of this program, it will be continuing. Our system of distributing the boxes will remain the same with a box handed to each student at the end of the day and a notification sent via the app alerting parents to this. If your child is absent when they are handed out, a box will be set aside for them.

QR Codes

In line with other announcements made yesterday, we will no longer be requiring people to QR code in if they enter the school buildings. This change will take place as of Monday.

Masks

It has been announced that there will be no change to the rules around mask wearing in a school setting.

We are finding that quite a few students are coming to the office in the morning to collect a mask.

We have a small amount of disposable masks which are intended to be replacements if a child breaks theirs. Please be sure to send your child along to school with a mask in the morning. Thanks

Value Award Winners



Elsie March
Huw Whitworth
Angus George
Layla McAuliffe
Autumn Thompson
Ayvah Elkhishin

THANKYOU

A huge thankyou to Emmett's mum, Amy for an incredibly generous donation of brand new, fabulous books and some great activities and puzzles. Amy owns Pickwick and Sprout—our local, gorgeous shop stocking ethically sourced toys, accessories and books. Go and check out the new shop in Diamond Creek. Thanks Amy — you should have seen the looks on the faces of the teachers! All books have been absorbed very quickly into the classroom libraries.

HAVE YOU LOST A PHONE?

We have a phone which has been in the office since last year which we believe must have been handed in by a student as per our mobile phone policy.

If you think it may be yours, come on into the office and we'll see if it's yours.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOMS?

Each newsletter, we will be including a run down of what is being covered in the classrooms. We know that at the end of the day, it is not unusual to have these sort of conversations:

“Did you have a good day?”

“Yep”

“What did you do at school today?”

“Not much”

This is often after a day jam packed full of learning.



Having a sense of what the students are working on can also help you to support this learning at home and spark some more insightful conversations.

We will also be profiling one or two classes in each edition. Last edition was our Grade 5's. This edition we have news from our Grade 3's and Grade 3's. Please click on this [link](#) for the below document.

Grade	Reading	Writing	Numeracy	Integrated studies	Respectful relationships	
Prep	Thinking within the text. Searching for and using information Identify known letters associated sounds in a text.	Copying sentences-exposing to writing lines. Name writing is consistently practised throughout the week.	Numbers to 20 Connecting number names, numerals, and quantities, including zero, initially up to 10 and then beyond		Emotional Literacy	
1	Thinking within the text. Inferring Looking at tone of voice when reading to add expression	Recount	Number and Place Value Recognise, model, read, write, and order numbers to at least 100 using ten frames and number charts	All about me differences and similarities Positive mindsets	Emotional Literacy	
2	Solving Words in context. Index and Glossaries Students to identify words within words Students to begin creating their own dictionary Structure - follow and understand nonfiction text with clearly defined overall structure and simple categories	Recount Chronological Order converting present tense to past tense	Place Value Reading, writing and making numbers to 1000 Skip counting Estimating and Measuring area of squares and rectangles using cm ²		Emotional Literacy	
3	Thinking Within the Text – Analysing Infer the writer's purpose in choosing a topic or telling a story Use some academic language to talk about literary features Understand and describe the characteristics of non-fiction texts	Text Type – Narrative/Recount	Number and place value Apply place value to partition, rearrange and regroup numbers to at least 10 000 to assist calculations and solve problems) Data representation and interpretation	Preferential voting	Emotional Literacy	
4	Thinking Within the Text – Searching for and using information Identifying features of biography and nonfiction texts Notice and understand information in texts that are organised in categories and understand the use of headings and subheadings	Text Type - Recount Writing – structure of reports	Number and place value Data representation and interpretation		First contacts and Community Aboriginal life First fleet journey	Emotional Literacy
5	Thinking Within the Text – Summarising Sustain attention for some longer text that may require several days to finish. Recognise that ideas in literary texts can be conveyed from different viewpoints, which can lead to different kinds of interpretations and responses	Text Type - Recount	Number and place value Recognise, represent, and order numbers to at least hundreds of thousands Data Representation Describe and interpret different data sets in context		Government and Democracy	Emotional Literacy Intense Emotions
6	Thinking Within the Text Summarising Sustain attention for some longer text that may require several days to finish. Select, navigate, and read increasingly complex texts for a range of purposes, applying appropriate text processing strategies to recall information and consolidate meaning	Text Type - Recount	Number and place value Investigate everyday situations that use integers. Locate and represent these numbers on a number line Data Representation Pose and refine questions to collect categorical or numerical data by observation or survey		Government and Democracy	Help Seeking

KIDS HELP-LINE GRADE 6

On the 8th of February 2022, for cyber-safety day, Brooke from Kids Help Line paid an online visit to the grade 6 classroom. We talked about cyberbullying. The talk was all about feeling safe online and how to deal with the event of being cyberbullied. The main strategy on how to deal with it was the four S's: *Stay Calm, Screenshot, Shut Down, and Seek Support*. We also did a bunch of fun games like 2 truths and 1 lie. One cool thing that we learnt about Brooke was that she was in Canada for most of year 8! While she was there, she even picked up a funny Canadian accent. Everyone was so blown away by how funny it was. In addition, she showed us a website that you can go to for help if the bullying gets too much. It is called E-Safety. We also did a leadership session the week before with Brooke. It was about preparing us to be a good leader and role-model at school. It was very enjoyable and informative, Brooke showed us some videos about how to be a good leader and how to build confidence.

Archie, Harrison, Alice & Lola

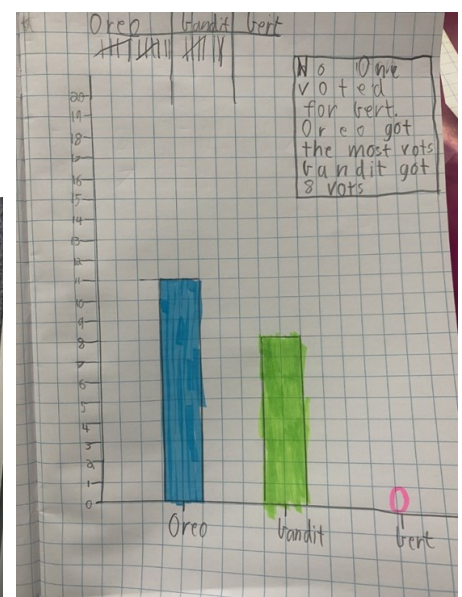
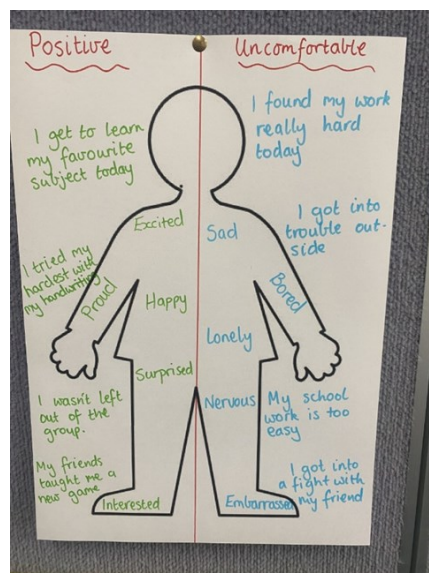
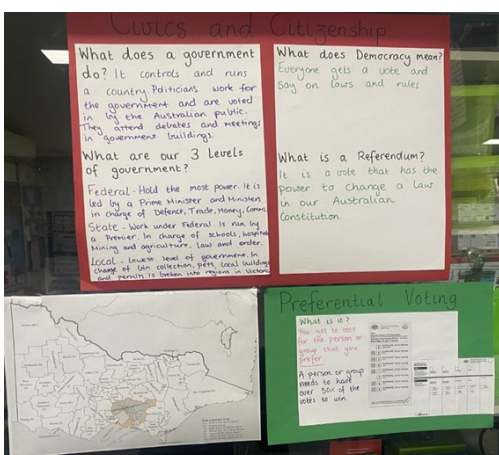


In Grade 3

This week we have been focusing on the unit Emotional Literacy from our school wide Respectful Relationships initiative. We have engaged in discussions and work on different emotions we can feel, what causes these emotions and how we can learn to regulate the uncomfortable emotions.

We have begun our unit on Data collection and representation. Our grade 3 students have started investigating different ways we can display our data through graphs. This week we have revisited how to use a Tally Graph and a Bar Graph. Students needed to choose a topic to collect data on. This included data such as; animals, foods and colours.

We have been having a lot of discussions and completing research about the Australian Government. Our grade 3s have learnt concepts such as; The Three Levels of Government, what 'Democracy' and 'Referendum' means as well as how Preferential Voting works.





Panton Hill Primary School

Hello Everyone! 😊

Happy New Year!!! Yayyyyy No more 2020! 😊

Here's hoping that we all have a brilliant year full of happiness, health and joy! According to the Chinese zodiac, it is the year of the Ox which denotes hard work, positivity and honesty! A good year then!

I'm looking forward to meeting all of our new little prep children. I heard them in the yard this morning sooo excited, and of course, welcoming back all of our regular children! Can't wait to see you all. 😊

Just a gentle reminder, please make sure that your child has a hat for ASC, it's getting hot and sunny and we need to stay safe when we play outside in the gorgeous grounds of Panton Hill Primary School. 😊

Love from Ella @ TheiCare Panton Hill.

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Service Number: 0498 989 126



Our weekly menu follows Nutrition Australia's guidelines and is created with the children and parents. All cultural needs are considered and any dietary requirements are to be discussed with program coordinator.

Before school care meals include a selection of cereals, wholemeal bread, fruit and milk. We offer special days such as pancakes and toasties. We also offer take away coffee or tea for all our parents

After school care meals include fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, sandwiches, wraps, dips, crackers, rice, pasta and soups.

Learning experiences A range of experiences to enhance each child's learning	Children interests Children interests based on the needs, interest and ideas.	Cooking Experiences to promote healthy eating and share recipes!
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JOIE DE VIE

KIDS DANCE CLASSES

With Rachel - dance teacher & therapist

DANCE CLASSES AVAILABLE :

TEENS & PRE TEENS - AFRICAN, EGYPTIAN BELLY DANCE

KIDS - AFRO STYLES

PRE SCHOOLERS - CREATIVE DANCE & MOVEMENT

BABIES - CREATIVE DANCE & MOVEMENT

FREE TRIAL CLASSES AVAILABLE!!

TERM 1 COMMENCING 7TH FEB BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

LOCATION: COTTLES BRIDGE

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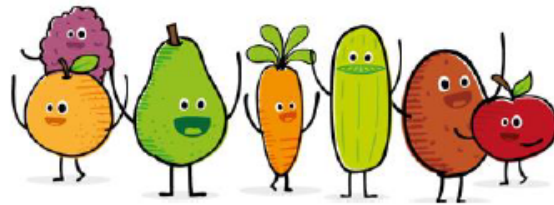
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Panton Hill Primary School is **NUDE!**

We encourage all families to create nude lunch boxes for their children.

We understand this can be a tricky so we will be providing some ideas along the way to help ease you into a rubbish free and very healthy lunch box.

RUBBISH FREE

The benefits of packing a rubbish free lunch are wide-ranging:

- Reducing your environmental footprint
- Teaching children about the need to reduce, re-use and recycle
- Having fun creating delicious lunches and snacks
- Looking after your health
- Promoting rubbish free days in school
- Providing mums with an easy lunch packing solution.



A great website for healthy lunchbox ideas is!

<https://www.healthylittlefoodies.com/category/lunch-box/>



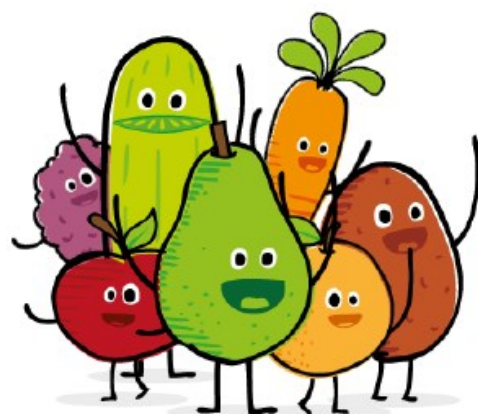
DON'T FORGET P.H.P.S IS A NUDE FOOD SCHOOL!

WHAT IS NUDE FOOD?

NUDE FOOD is simply food that is not wrapped in foil, plastic or commercial packaging.

The best type of nude food consists mainly of fresh food, so that it is healthy and nutritious PLUS environmentally friendly.

Promoting Nude Food empowers students to make conscious choices about what they eat, and encourages them to think about their impact on the environment (and their health). You might be amazed with how enthused your child can become on this...



✓ TO PACK A NUDE FOOD LUNCH OR SNACK, YOU WILL NEED:

- Cutlery from home is better than throwaway plastic ones
- Plastic or metal drink bottles are recommended for refilling with water
- Reusable containers for putting all of your food, snacks and drinks into
- Lunch boxes that have lots of separate sections can be useful to avoid lost lids or containers

✗ TRY TO AVOID:

- Zip lock or plastic bags, plastic wrap or aluminium foil
- Tetra packed drinks, single serve yoghurts and cheese
- Single use plastic forks and spoons
- Prepackaged food, i.e. biscuits, snack bars and chips

TIPS FOR PACKING NUDE FOOD LUNCHES:

- Try to involve the kids in helping decide what to take. This will help to avoid uneaten foods being thrown out, plus will save your family money as well. Also, remember to praise your child if they do eat something healthy which is new for them.
- Try to pack the lunches the night before and store in the fridge overnight to avoid the mad rush in the morning.
- If your child normally enjoys chips, yoghurt or other prepackaged snacks, buy these in a larger format and you can decant these into smaller reusable containers or lunchbox.
- If your child does enjoy chips, why not try making your own veggie versions using sliced beetroot, parsnip or sweet potato and baking in the oven?
- Try to use fruit and vegetables that are in season. Seasonal produce is friendly to the environment as well as to your budget, as less fuels are used to transport it into your supermarket.



FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2022 | North West Region
6:30pm – 7:30pm (via ZOOM)

Now more than ever, foster carers are needed for children & young people across Victoria.

REGISTER NOW!

Online Information Presentations available during COVID-19



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THE REDBACKS

PANTON HILL FOOTBALL CLUB

**ALL JUNIOR PLAYERS
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OUR REDBACKS REGO DAY IS
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 13 10am-12pm
AT PANTON HILL FOOTBALL OVAL**





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Open Night

Tuesday 22nd March

School Tours 4-6.15pm and 6.45-8pm.

Principal's Address 5pm and 7.15pm.

Booking essential via our website.

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- Excellent Academic Results
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- Trips to Italy, China and Central Australia
- Extensive Sporting and Science Program

School Tours on
Wednesdays

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