



*A Rich Past,
Present & Future*

NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th February, 2024

Term 1: Week 3



DIARY DATES

Monday 19th February

School Council Meeting

Wednesday 21st Feb

School picnic

Wednesday 28th Feb

Bushfire drill

Divisions swimming -TBC

Friday 8th March

Curriculum day

(Student free day)

Monday 11th March

Labour Day

(Student free day)

Monday 18th March

School Council Meeting

Naplan testing

Thursday 28th March

Last day of Term 1

Friday 29th March

Good Friday

**XUNO
FAMILY**

Principal's Report

We have had a very settled and smooth start to this term. The classes have all been engaging in our PHPS start up program where expectations are set and the students are given tasks to help them establish themselves in new classroom environments.

It has been a significant two weeks for our wider PHPS community with the Black Saturday anniversary on the 7th February and the Ash Wednesday anniversary today. I took a group of Grade 5/6 students over to both ceremonies. The students contributed today by laying a wreath with very respectfully listening to the memorial speeches. We were fortunate to have Kahn Franke from our local CFA visit the Grade 5 and 6's this week and talk about our five Panton Hill firefighters who lost their lives fighting fires on Ash Wednesday and the subsequent significance of the Panton Hill Memorial Park.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

The parent teacher meetings went very smoothly with much useful information being passed on. If you were unable to make your interviews please don't hesitate to reach out to the teachers to organise an alternate time.

Unfortunately Briony Kane's interviews were unable to go ahead this week. A Xuno notification will be going out today with alternate arrangements.

SCHOOL PICNIC—NEXT WEDNESDAY

The date for our school picnic is rapidly approaching and the weather is looking good! This is a very informal event, giving us all the opportunity to get together and enjoy an evening together. The staff will run some fun races for the students (and parents) so be sure to have running shoes on. The picnic will be held down the grassy area behind the senior building where there is plenty of afternoon shade. The picnic will start at 5pm and we usually wrap it up after the races, no later than 7pm as it is a school night. Staff will be attending first aid training until 5pm so will be eager to attend as soon as possible.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.



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SCHOOL LEADERS

Today our interested Grade 2-6 students put themselves forward for positions on our Junior School Council. All interested students were asked to write a speech about why they would like to be part of the JSC. These speeches were read out by the teachers (anonymously) and voted on by students.

We would like to congratulate the following students for their election to this leadership role.

Grade 2	Jasper Baines	Alex Cahir
Grade 3	Niki Kaefer	Levi Brown
Grade 4	Oscar Baines	Ella James
Grade 5	Tom Barrett	Maddie Gyngell
Grade 6	Bella Ferguson-McLellan	Joel Wellings

We also heard from our Grade 6's who were interested in the Grade 6 School Leadership team. These students prepared a speech which they delivered in front of their peers and staff. The staff elected students to these positions. I am so looking forward to working with our Grade 6 School Leadership team. Congratulations to:

Leadership team: *Tash Habermehl, Leah Cody, Brodie Gill and Ollie Banes*

We will be presenting badges to our student leadership team at our assembly on Monday morning.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Last week we called for nominations for staff and parent representatives on our 2024 School Council. We had one staff position and four parent positions free. We have received the same amount of nominations as positions so we will not need to go to election. We have a School Council meeting next Monday which will be the final meeting of the 2023 council. During this meeting we will be finalising the process and will then be able to announce our new council. The 2024 School Council will meet for the first time on Monday the 18th March at which stage we will elect members to positions.

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

We will be starting Lego Club again on Wednesday. Thankyou to Abbey Baines who has very kindly offered to take over from Megan King this year. Lego Club will be held in the Italian room for half of lunch time for any students who wish to attend. Lego is provided by the school.

Bethany Anderson has very kindly offered to run a Chess Club here at school. We are in the process of getting this organised but will be sure to notify everyone when it is up and running.

Our music therapist, Tanya offers a Thursday lunchtime 'jam/singalong' for any students. This is held outside and in the cooler terms Mrs Puls-Welsh and Mrs Draffin will be running a lunchtime craft club.

Value Award Winners

Congratulations to:

Tash Habermehl & Leah Cody



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All Health Care Card holders and Pension Card holders are eligible for CSEF. If you have not already applied or your financial circumstances have changed, please contact the office and complete an application form.

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If you have any queries about registering or using their ordering system please contact Book Club Help on 1800 021 233 or the school office.

Orders for this issue must be placed and paid for online by:

FRIDAY 16TH

Please note that books will be available for pick up from the school approx. 1 week later

Statement of Commitment PHPS is committed to Child Safety. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect children, as well as staff and volunteers.



Welcome back everyone!!

We had a fun filled Summer Holiday Program that ran through January with lots of our lovely new prep children attending and having a ball.

A highlight was our excursion to the Royal Melbourne Zoo where we made friends with a lovely old tortoise. He insisted on being patted by everyone!

Last week we celebrated Chinese New Year with our gorgeous dragon puppets and paper lanterns and lots of Hama bead activity. We've also eaten our fair share of icy poles, due to the hot weather.

This week our theme is "How To Train Your Dragon" with more dragon activities and games, exploring Vikings and their longships as well as dabbling in runes and shield and sword making.

Next week we will be exploring the concept of "friendship". What makes someone a friend? How can you be a friend? Kindness towards others and to themselves. Practising and following school values.

We have a Pupil Free Day coming up on March 8th.

I'd like to invite all of those children who can make it to "A Mad Hatter's Tea Party" on that day. Come dressed in a costume and win a prize!

Hope to see you there!

Ella from Their Care @ Panton Hill





J O I N U S

back to school Picnic

Wednesday 21st

February

5pm to 7pm

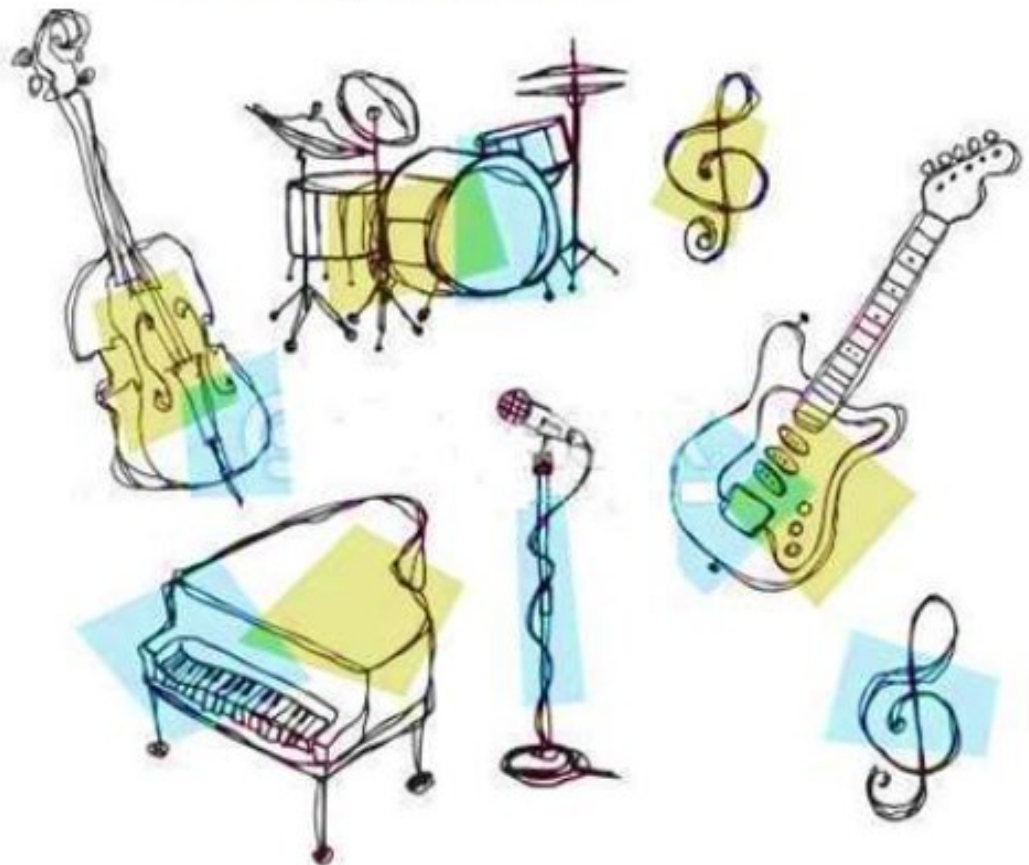


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16TH FEBRUARY, 2024



7-9.30PM | 8 TO 13 YEAR OLDS | \$8 ENTRY



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28 Main Hurstbridge Road, Diamond Creek

Contact: Snr Sergeant Wayne Spence 9438 8300
Please ensure children have an emergency number on them.

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PANTON HILL JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB



JOIN US

**OPT FOR A HOME,
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**REGO DAY
10AM - 12PM
SUNDAY 11 FEB 2024
A.E. CRACKNELL
RESERVE**



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PHCC PINK STUMPS DAY

FIELDS OF

PINK



**PHCC TAKE ON PHFNC IN AN
EPIC T20 CLASH!**

**THIS COMMUNITY EVENT WILL
BE HELD ON SUNDAY 25TH
FEBRUARY 2024
FROM 12.30PM
AT CRACKNELL RESERVE
ENTRY \$5 PP - KIDS FREE!**



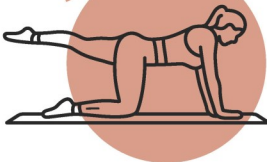
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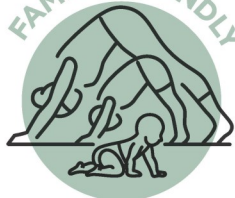
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Panton Hill

STRENGTH



FAMILY FRIENDLY



CARDIO



ALL
LEVELS
RELAXED
LOCAL

STARTS 29 JAN 2024

MON 7PM Strength

TUE 9.30AM Family Friendly

WED 7PM Cardio

THU 12PM Family Friendly

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580 Kangaroo Ground - St Andrews Road

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