

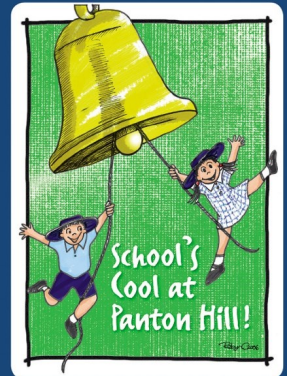


*A Rich Past,
Present & Future*

NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th May, 2024

Term 2: Week 6



DIARY DATES

Friday 24th May

Bookfair 3pm

Monday 27th May

School Council 7pm

Wednesday 29th May

Life Ed Van

Thursday 30th May

Life Ed Van

Friday 31st May

Interschool Sport WGvPH

Friday 6th June

Interschool Sport STAvPH

Monday 10th June

Kings Birthday—Pupil

Free Day

Friday 14th June

Interschool Sport PHvAC

2nd Storytime 11.30am

Friday 28th June

Interschool Sport PHvKG

Last day of Term 2

Assembly 2.15pm

Early dismissal 2.30pm

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Principal's Report

As you may be aware, Panton Hill Primary School is working on our four year review process. This review is helping us to celebrate our successes and critically reflect on what we can work on next. This review helps us form our School Strategic Plan (SSP) which will guide our work for the next four years.

I would like to invite you to a parent forum on the **5th of June, 8:30am – 9:00am** in the staff room. This forum will focus on the following points:

- Engagement opportunities
- Communication processes, Approachability
- Parent/community voice and partnership

It would be great to see as many parents as possible attending this session.

MOBILE PHONES

All Principals across the state have been asked to remind parents and students about the mobile phones in schools' policy (see link below). We do have a lockable cupboard in the office where student's devices are stored in the morning and then collected after the bell in the afternoons. Please ensure your children are turning off and handing in devices when they bring them to school.

<http://www.pantonhill.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/PHPS-mobile-phone-policy.pdf>

CELEBRATING HURSTBRIDGE TOWNSHIP DAY

Did you know that 100 years ago Hurstbridge village became an official township?

The Hurstbridge Traders' Association is celebrating this occasion on **Saturday the 25th of May, 11am – 2pm at Anzac Park.**

They will be hosting a range of family-friendly activities. They have also very kindly made each student in the school a special badge to celebrate the day and keep as a special treasure.

Hopefully you might have some time to support them and join in the celebration.

585 Main Rd. Panton Hill – Ph: 9719 7202
www.pantonhill.vic.edu.au

STAY WELL THIS WINTER

Symptoms of influenza (flu) can hit very quickly and may last several weeks. Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and others from getting the flu.

Keeping our school community well

Parents, carers and students are encouraged to practice prevention measures, including:

- washing and sanitising hands regularly
- avoiding touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- covering nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing
- staying home if unwell and consulting a general practitioner (GP) or [Nurse-on-call](#) as required
- staying up to date with flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.

Flu vaccinations

Flu vaccinations can be booked through GPs and pharmacies, many of which can also provide COVID-19 vaccinations. Flu vaccination is recommended for everyone aged 6 months and over.

Some people are more at risk of complications from flu and are eligible for free vaccination as part of the [National Immunisation Program](#).

COVID-19 booster

The 2024 COVID-19 booster dose is available for everyone aged 18 and above.

Getting your booster dose remains the best way to prevent severe illness or hospitalisation, especially in people aged over 65 and those at higher risk of severe illness.

Children aged between 5 and 17 years who are at risk of severe illness can also receive a 2024 booster dose.

You can get your next dose at your local pharmacy or GP. To find one near you, refer to the [vaccine clinic finder](#).

Find out more

[For more information about preventing flu, and immunisation, refer to: · Better Health Channel influenza flu immunisation fact sheet · Getting vaccinated against influenza.](#)

CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday 22nd of May, 43 students competed in the District Cross Country at Yarrambat Park. The course was incredibly difficult as students had to negotiate undulating ground, that was wet. I was lucky enough to be on the course, to help guide the students. Our students did exceptionally well and I could tell they were working physically and mentally hard. They competed against 12 other schools in the district and I am so proud of every single one of them.

We have five students progressing into Division Cross Country Heidi, Becky, Leah, Sophie and Yael and four emergency runners Edward, Layla, Ayvah and Alexandra (These students will compete if others are unwell). They will represent our school in the Nillumbik Division on Thursday at Bundoora Park. We wish them all the best! Thank you to Mr Hurst and Andrea B for all their help with Cross Country. Apologies I didn't get everyone's photo, Natika Jenes



Three lucky students (still to be announced) have been invited to attend an upcoming chess tournament held by Northern Star on Thursday June 20th at Kangaroo Ground Primary School! The Inter-School Zonal Tournament winners will qualify to play in the NSC Victorian Schools State Finals, conducted in Term 4. Keep sharpening up on those chess skills!

Chess coaching sessions are open to our 3-6s on Tuesday lunchtimes with our chess coach, Jenny.

Chess Club is open to all students on Friday lunchtimes, depending on enough boards, so please feel free to bring one from home.

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Hello Everyone!

We have had so much fun in the past few weeks playing with Stem activities such as building Repunzel a way out of her tower during our Fairy Tales week. Then we launched into Planes, Trains and Automobiles and had an awesome time creating flying objects from paper, card or even Lego! This week, we have had a sporting week with lots of football, cricket, soccer and other ball games. Some of the children have been so inventive constructing a soccer ground and the MCG using Lego!

Next week we will be celebrating Reconciliation Week.

Ella—OHSC



Repunzel's escape ladder



Panton Hill Primary School

Storytime

We would like to invite all three and four year olds to Storytime sessions at Panton Hill Primary School. This is a chance to come along, listen to a story and join in with some activities. All sessions will be held in the Prep classroom with our Prep teachers.

Parents are welcome to join in the fun with their children.

2024	
Friday May 10 th	11:30—12:20
Friday June 14 th	11:30—12:20
Friday August 2nd	11:30—12:20
Friday September 6th	11:30—12:20
For more information please call 9719 7202	

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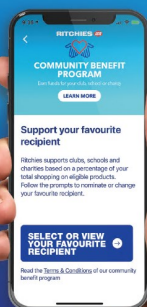
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FRIDGE FOR FRESHNESS**



CELEBRATING HURSTBRIDGE TOWNSHIP DAY

**Saturday,
25th May, 2024**
11 o'clock until 2 o'clock
Anzac Park ~ & Allwood House
Corner Anzac Ave & Main Road

**You're invited to celebrate 100 years since
Hurstbridge was officially declared a township
(formerly named Upper Diamond Creek!)**



Conducted tours
of Allwood House
and Gardens



Children's activities



Hear the Proclamation of Hurstbridge
and Acknowledgement to Country
(by our Town Crier)



Delicious apples from
Apteds Orchards



Henry Hurst will
be in our midst!

Live Music
Heritage Songs of Hurstbridge
Garry Hayes
Alex Hayes
Ben Strong



Share Hurstbridge
memories



Dress up
competition
with prizes
(All ages welcome)



Treats Map of
Hurstbridge Traders!

More information ->



www.hurstbridgevillage.com.au









Come and try a FREE

Tennis Australia Hot Shots trial.

**A session for 5-year-olds or pre-
primary school-aged children. Using
modified balls, nets, and rackets.**

***Tennis rackets supplied if
required.**

Where: St Andrews Tennis Club

When: Sunday 11am 26 May

**To register please email
katiemcgregortennis@gmail.com**



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Important Dates

Term dates

	Start date	Finish date
Term One	Mon 29th Jan—teachers Tuesday 30th Jan—Students	Thur 28th March (2:30pm)
Term Two	Monday 15th April	Friday 28th June (2:30pm)
Term Three	Monday 15th July	Friday 20th Sep (2:30pm)
Term Four	Monday 7th Oct	Friday 20th Dec—(1:30pm)

Public Holidays

Term One	Labour Day	Monday 11th March
Term One	Good Friday	Friday 29th March
Term Two	ANZAC Day	Thursday 25th April
Term Two	King's Birthday	Monday 10th June
Term Four	Melbourne Cup	Tuesday 5th November

Pupil Free Days

Term One	Curriculum Day	Monday 29th January
Term One	Curriculum Day	Friday 8th March
Term Two	Curriculum Day	Friday 26th April
Term Three	Professional Practice Day	Friday 16th August
Term Four	Curriculum Day	Monday 4th November

Other

Term 2	School Photos	Tuesday 23rd April
Term Four	Grade 3-6 Camp	Monday 25th November—Wednesday 27th November
Term Four	Graduation	Monday 16th December
Term Four	School Concert	TBD

Please refer to our Xuno calendar for additional school event dates throughout the terms.

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Australian Early Development Census

Building a national picture of child health

From May 2024, our school, along with thousands of others across the country, will participate in the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC is a teacher-completed census (similar to a questionnaire) which provides a comprehensive picture of how children have developed by the time they start their first year of full-time school.

The AEDC is an Australian Government Initiative and is completed nationally every three years.

Children don't miss any class time while the AEDC is completed, and parents/carers don't need to supply schools with any new information.

FOUNDATION STUDENTS ONLY

The data collected through the AEDC is used by schools, communities and governments to better understand children and families' needs, and identify the services, resources and support they need.

AEDC data is reported at a school, community, state/territory and national level. AEDC results for individual children are not reported and the AEDC is not used as an individual diagnostic tool.

Some teachers have found that completing the AEDC made them more aware of the needs of individual children and their class, and that the data was useful for planning for transitions to Year 1 and developing programs.





Participation in the AEDC is voluntary, however the AEDC relies on all schools with children in their first year of full-time school participating in the collection. Parents/carers don't need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.

To find out more about the AEDC and how it is being used to help children and families visit:

www.aedc.gov.au.

If you have any questions, you can contact the school

