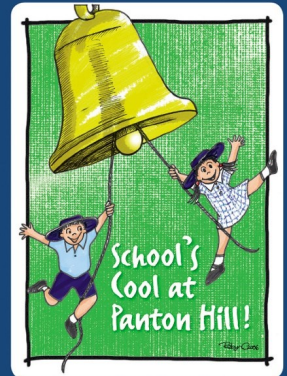




*A Rich Past,
Present & Future*

NEWSLETTER

Friday 22th August, 2025
Term 3: Week 5



DIARY DATES

Tuesday 26th August

District Athletics Yrs 4-6

Friday 5th September

Final Storytime 11.40am

Monday 8th September

Division Athletics

Wednesday 10th Sept.

Kaboom Sports—KGPS 10am

Grade Prep—2

Friday 19th September

Last day of Term 3

2.15pm assembly

Monday 6th October

Curriculum Day

Student Free Day

Tuesday 7th October

First day of Term 4

Swimming Prep to Grd 1

Wednesday 8th October

Swimming Prep to Grd 1

Bike Education Grd 5 to 6

Thursday 9th October

Swimming Prep to Grd 1

Friday 10th October

Swimming Prep to Grd 1

XUNO



Principal's Report

It has been amazing to see the way our school has acknowledged Science Week and Book Week over the past two weeks!

The number of families who attended our Planks Family Night on Monday 11th August was very impressive and so were the creations our students, parents and family members were working on. The way everyone was cooperating, problem solving and challenging themselves was fantastic. A special mention to our parents who modelled perseverance in creating some very tall towers during the evening.

Our book week parade and learning activities on Monday this week were a huge success. Well done to the effort everyone who contributed to the costumes worn on the day. I know that everyone had a lot of fun celebrating our love of literacy, thanks to everyone involved.

A very special thank you to Mrs Jenes for her organisation of the Planks incursion and for coordinating our book week parade!

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

We have noticed that our late arrival sign-in kiosk at the school office has been very busy on some mornings. Every minute at school is important and small amounts of time arriving late to school on a regular basis can add up to large amounts of school being missed for the year. It is important that students arrive at school on time to set their day up for success.

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

As you would have seen on Xuno, our school's Bunnings Sausage Sizzle held on Sunday 10th August was extremely successful! Thank you to all of the parents and community members who contributed to this event. Our Junior School Council have made some exciting suggestions about how the money raised can contribute to our school. We are investigating these suggestions at the moment and look forward to sharing some announcements about this in the near future. Once again, a big thank-you to Bianca McGuirk.

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HEAD LICE



It has been brought to our attention that some students in the school may have head lice and I seek your co-operation in checking your child's hair over the weekend. In those instances where head lice or eggs are found, please treat your child's hair prior to returning to school.

Please visit www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au and search for "head lice (nits)" for advice on finding, treating and preventing head lice.

If head lice or eggs are found on your child's hair please inform the office and when the treatment started. Also mention to parents or carers of your child's friends so they too have the opportunity to detect and treat their children if necessary. Health regulations require that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs. More information about exclusion requirements can be found by searching for "school exclusion table" at www.health.vic.gov.au

PHJFC PRELIMINARY FOOTBALL FINAL— GO HILLERS!!



Some of our students are participating in their Panton Hill JFC preliminary football final this Sunday at Research Football Park at 9.30am. If you are free and would like to cheer on your fellow PH students, head along to the game.

2025 PARENT/CAREGIVER/GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY



Department of Education

We want our parents / caregivers / guardians to tell us what they think!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and greatly appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, and to target school planning and improvement strategies. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is now open until **Friday 19 September 2025**.

All PHPS families are invited to participate in the survey. Personalised pins have been emailed to Parent A of primary and secondary families. Please contact the office if you did not receive your email.

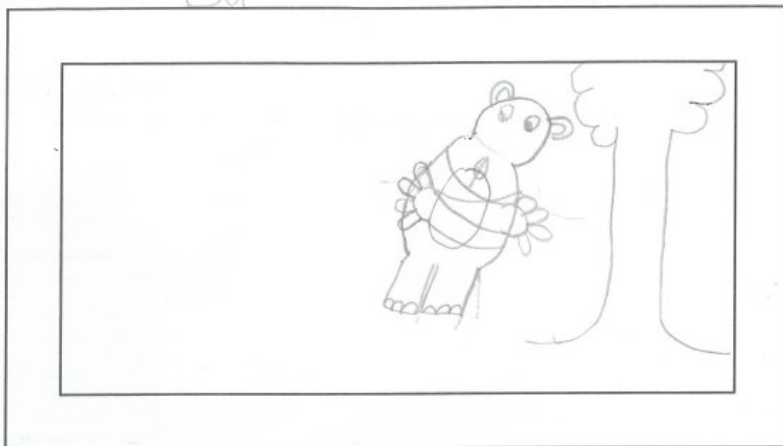
ELI D's BOOKWEEK WRITE-UP

Yesterday was Book Day. First we did the parade on the basketball court. All the classes walked in the middle of the circle. We all split into groups and I was in a group with Monty.

The first activity we coloured a bear and then we cut them out. The next thing we did was making boats out of paper and we had to group up with grade 4's, it was pretty hard. After that we made 3D cardboard buses. The last thing we did was looking at wattle with a microscope and then we drew one and coloured it.

Book Week Recount

ELI



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PHPS Artworks



The Preps have made friendly lions, practicing their cutting and fringing skills. They also followed a guided drawing session on how to draw a lion's face. The 3/4's also followed a directed drawing based on the 'Grumpy Monkey'. Skills covered perspective, tracing templates and using both pastels and watercolours. This activity was due to popular demand. Both activities were great fun!



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TheirCare


where Kids love to be!

Hello Everyone,

I hope that you all enjoyed the parade for Book Week at Panton Hill. The children's costumes were awesome. We've had fun in here with our Book Week activities. Seems that Roald Dahl is the favourite author! The week before that we had a ball with our science activities. The exploding monster experiment was the all time favourite!

We will be continuing our science explorations next week as well and with the weather fining up, it's time for a little solar oven experiment complete with smores!!

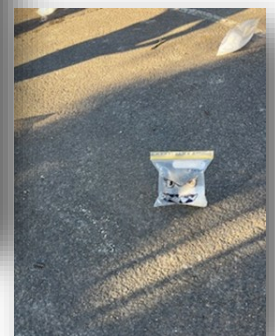
That's not a self-portrait, by the way!



With Holiday Program around the corner, please make sure to book in early to not miss out on any of the excursions/incursions. <https://theircare.com.au/holiday-programs/>

Please provide a packed morning tea, lunch and a refillable water bottle for each day. Warm clothing and appropriate footwear are recommended for these holidays. No CROCS. TheirCare always will provide breakfast and afternoon tea.


Our theme for the holiday program is Secret Garden. Love the book and the film of The Secret Garden!



Cancellations

If you know that your child will not be attending ASC and you have already booked them in, please give us a call. Let us know especially if you yourself have collected them from their classroom.

Can we also please ask that for BSC, you book your children in as early as possible on the evening before care is needed. It helps us greatly with our staffing and ratio.



Panton Hill OSHC hours of operation:
BSC 6:45am-8:45am

ASC: 3:20-6:00pm

Pupil Free Day: 7:00am-6pm.

Holiday program: 7:00am-6:00pm

Ella and the Panton Hill Their Care team!

Contact: 0419 179 948

Email: pantonhills@theircare.com.au




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MILL PARK SCHOOL HOLIDAY

HOME RUN HEROES SOFTBALL PROGRAM

Venue: Northern District Softball Association, Mill Park Recreation Reserve, 41 Morang Drive, Mill Park

Dates: Mon 22 Sep, Tue 23 Sep, Wed 24 Sep, Mon 29 Sep, Tue 30 Sep, Wed 1 Oct

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm each day

Price: \$64, for access to all sessions

Program Contact: Jacinta Byrne P: 0408 536 506

E: northernsoftballvic@gmail.com

2025 Art Exhibition

Artsbridge
JUNIOR



Artist Call Out

Primary & Secondary students



Sunday 31st August 10am - 3pm

Part of the Hurstbridge Wattle Festival
presented by Hurstbridge Primary School

Awards
and Prizes



For more information and enquiries:
<https://www.hbridgeps.vic.edu.au/>
hpsartsbridge@gmail.com

Entries close Wednesday 27th August

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APPLES ARE BACK

On Monday we will have 5 bags of new season Pink Lady apples delivered to the school. The apples are crispy and delicious, so get in quick. **\$10 per bag.**



Hurstbridge



Panton Hill

📅 9:30 AM, Sun, 24 Aug (My Time)

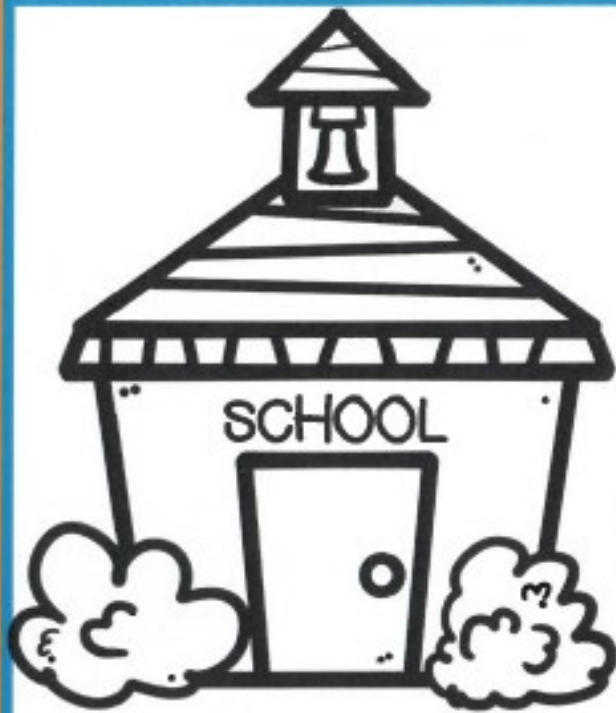
📍 Research Park, Research Park 1

🏆 Preliminary Final



Upcoming

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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.

2025	
Friday May 9th	11:40—12:30
Friday June 13 th	11:40—12:30
Friday August 1st	11:40—12:30
Friday September 5th	11:40—12:30
For more information please call 9719 7202	



BRIGHT SPARKS THERAPIES

PLAY AND CREATIVE ARTS THERAPY - PANTON HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL



HOW DOES IT WORK?

Play and Creative Arts Therapy is an evidence-based therapeutic approach that provides children with the opportunity to express themselves through play and the creative arts. These are easy, natural forms of expression for children that allow them to work through challenging or traumatic experiences with the gentle support and guidance of the therapist. Children also learn to understand and accept themselves, developing a sense of inner strength, empowerment and resilience.

WHO CAN BENEFIT?

Sessions are beneficial for children who experience a wide range of social, emotional or behavioural difficulties, such as; low self-esteem, relational difficulties, anger and aggression, anxiety, depressive symptoms, parental separation, grief and loss, gender identity issues, ASD and ADHD.

Please contact the front office for more information or if you'd like your child to be considered for the program

Naomi Williams (M. A. Arts Therapy, M. A. Social Work) is a therapist with over 18 years experience facilitating play and creative arts therapy sessions, creative workshops and resilience programs for children. Naomi currently offers sessions at Thornbury Primary School, Briar Hill Primary School, Panton Hill Primary School and at her private practice in Briar Hill.

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