



Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No 35 Tuesday 15th November 2011

WEEK 5	
Tuesday 15 th	Visit to Halls Gap PS by Skene Street School Students – walk
Tuesday 15 th	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
Thursday 17 th	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
WEEK 6	
Tuesday 22 nd	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
Thursday 24 th	MARC
Thursday 24 th	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
Thursday 24 th	School Council Finance 3.45pm School Council 4.00pm

Dear Parents and Students

Our year 3 and 4 students joined with students from across the cluster to attend the 'Out There Camp 2011'. Students hiked from Halls Gap via the fire track to the Halls Gap Zoo. We had a wonderful time at the zoo. Each time we visit the zoo new animals have arrived and new enclosures have been built. Crocodiles, lizards and snakes were the focus for the information session. Following the visit to the zoo students were transported to Pomonal Primary School. Due to the bad weather tents were set up in the shed. It was all very exciting – it looked like lots of little cubbies all packed into the one space. Students enjoyed pasta, fruit and ice-cream for tea. A range of activities were run throughout the evening and following morning. Students prepared aspects of their breakfast on trangiers (small fuel stoves). As with the 5/6 camp it was great to see the students building friendships - developing both their personal and interpersonal skills.

The year 3 and 4 cluster camp was the final cluster activity for our schools for 2011. Teachers from across the cluster met last night to review the 2011 program and set in place dates and programs for 2012. It was decided at our recent meeting that the 'Out There' program for years 3-6 will continue and the P-2 program will undergo a number of changes which will see days structured around a theme with a special full day excursion planned for the end of the year. It was decided that the Swimming Carnival will no longer run across the four schools. It was determined that the skill level of students did not warrant a competitive program and the small number of students from across the cluster who do have sound skills can compete at zone level. The Athletics Carnival date has been set for the 22nd April with Great Western hosting the day. The backup day will be Monday 24th April. At this stage the region has not published dates for the Zone Cross Country. The cluster run date will be set when this is known.

Please note the tree removal date has been pushed back – we are expecting it may happen next week. Please be aware of trucks etc working at the front of the school. Also please note Tuesday 6th December will be a pupil free day for all students as teachers will be preparing student report cards.

Have a wonderful week
Judy Hilbig



HEAD LICE – THEY ARE ALIVE AND JUMPING – PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILDREN AND HELP US ERADICATE THEM FROM OUR SCHOOL

Following our check yesterday we do seem to have a large number of students with live lice, live eggs and dead eggs.

Please remember to check weekly.

ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL

Just a reminder – we do have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis). We do ask that you refrain from sending nuts or products that contain nuts to school.

PLANNING FOR 2012

2012 is rapidly approaching. If you have information regarding possible enrolments and any exiting students we would appreciate being forewarned. We have received a few enquiries regarding new enrolments for 2012 which will hopefully add to our expected enrolment of 24.



ADDITIONAL DATES TO ADD TO THE HOME CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2011	
Monday 28 th Thursday 1 st Dec	School Camp years 3-6 Cape Bridgwater Coastal
Tuesday 29 th	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
DECEMBER 2011	
Thursday 1 st	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
Tuesday 6 th	PUPIL FREE DAY – REPORT WRITING DAY FOR TEACHERS
Thursday 8 th	MARC
Thursday 8 th	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15
Tuesday 13 th	State Wide Transition Day – yr 6 students to Stawell Secondary School
Tuesday 13 th	Active After School Sport 3.15 – 4.15 <i>Last session for 2011</i>
Thursday 15 th	School Concert
Thursday 22 nd	Last day of term, students dismiss 2.30
FEBRUARY 2012	
Wednesday 1 st	Official return date for teachers (Planning and preparation, CPR and First Aide Update for teachers)
Friday 3 rd	Day 1 for students 2012