



Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No 12 Wednesday 2nd May 2012

APRIL WEEK 2/11 TERM 2	
Tuesday 1 st May	Active After School Sport 1/7 Circus Skills/Multi Skills (James Skene) 3.15-4.15
Thursday 3 rd May	MARC
Thursday 3 rd May	Active After School Sport 1/7 T-Ball (Neil McIntosh) 3.15-4.15
Thursday 3 rd May	Working bee to be held during Active After School Sport
Friday 4 th May	Community Breakfast 8.00am (people to help cook needed)
Friday 4 th May	Head lice checks – Northern Grampians Shire
Sunday 6 th May	Grape Escape Weekend Market to be held at the school
Tuesday 8 th May	Active After School Sport 2/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 10 th May	Active After School Sport 2/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 10 th May	School Council
WEEK 3/11	

Dear Parents

Hopefully the classroom building did finally disappear today! The most recent date we had was for next Monday, but as the school they were going to still isn't ready, they have agreed to move and store until such a time as they can finally be placed. Hopefully this means the various tasks for our site can be completed. The old toilets are scheduled to go on Thursday. The classrooms were prepared for removal on Tuesday so we are hopeful all will go to plan. I am out of the school at the Regional Principals Conference for the remainder of the week. Miss McAloon is the acting principal today and Frau Stoffel on Thursday and Friday. Ms Bailey will be teaching the senior class on Wednesday and Friday.

More new school comments from the senior room –

Izzy: *Out with the old and in with the new for the pupils at Halls Gap Primary! We were delighted to move into a brand new building after the Easter holidays. Since the replacement of our old, boring buildings, things are improving left, right and centre. For instance, we don't have a blackboard any more, the carpets are bright and colourful, the toilets are (believe it or not) cool and the colour of purple-pink (the boys have red), there is a big circle we can all sit in, there are lots of pinboards and in general it is very stylish. When I walk into the new building I feel oddly happy and relaxed. We now have many features such as a staff room, a sick bay and Mrs Hilbg even has her own office and all of these new spaces are very useful. If there is any school better than our new one I'd like to see it!*

Kira: *What I love about my new school. I love everything about our new school but my favourite room in the new school is the conference room because it's so quiet and not much echo and a good place to work with someone. The second thing I like about the new school is the classroom because of all the different colours. That's what I like about the new school. I feel good and happy about it. I'm looking forward to all the fences going away and the playground being built.*

Haylee: *Our new school is amazing. I think the new school is amazing; it's so colourful and big. I like the bell because it's never late. I like some of the carpet. I like the pinboards. I like the green wall. I like the I.W.B. cabinet. I think the school is in a good place and we also have great bubble taps.*

Georgia S: *A cool school! We use to have an old school, now we have a new school. Our old school is getting moved to another school in Melbourne. When I walked into the new school I saw the bright colourful carpet first. Then I saw all the furniture. I like the pinboards and the toilets. Our new school rocks.*

Kate: *What a wicked school. On the last day of term we started moving from the old school. We had to move boxes in and out of the new school. On the first day back of this term I was amazed about what the builders did to the building. The most favourite bit to me is the carpet because there is different colours on the floor. That is my thing I like about the new building.*

Active After School started this week with James introducing circus skills to the students with spinning plates on the agenda. Students are very keen to master this skill so perhaps we could look forward to a demonstration towards the end of the program. Neil will again be running one of the sessions this term which starts on Thursday. We were successful with a grant for Aussie T-Ball through the Active After School Sport program which has provided a wonderful kit of equipment and series of activities. During the session this Thursday we would like to hold a short working bee to prepare the front of the school for the weekend. There are a few holes to fill in and spots to level. We are a little unsure about the old classroom site, it may need some attention too. If you are able to come along and help and can bring a shovel or wheelbarrow it would be much appreciated.

We still have a couple of slots on the roster for this weekend. It is only a small market and we usually only have our dedicated stall holders attend. If you can spare a few hours to help please add you name to the attached roster and return it to school so we can finalise names etc.

We are expecting a visit from the Governor of Victoria on the morning of Thursday 24th May. You may like to note this date in your diary. This Friday is our community breakfast. We are after a couple of people to help cook the breakfast, I will be away on the day and Frau Stoffel will be anchoring the morning. If you are able to come at 7.50 and help get the BBQ going etc it would be very helpful. We have had quite a deal of community interest in the new school and have encouraged people to come along and take the opportunity to have a look through the buildings.

Have a wonderful week
Judy Hilbig

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 do not send any foods to school that contain nuts.

CHICKEN POX

Please note we have had another case of chicken pox last week so please check your children.

HEAD LICE

Please help us by checking heads weekly – we will only eradicate these pests if we are all vigilant!
Heads are to be checked through the Northern Grampians program to schools next Friday

CALENDAR

OTHER DATES FOR THE CALENDAR	
Tuesday 15 th May	Parent Teacher Interviews
Tuesday 15 th May	Active After School Sport 3/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 17 th	MARC
Thursday 17 th	Playgroup visit
Thursday 17 th May	Active After School Sport 3/7 3.15-4.15
Monday 21 st May	Cluster Cross Country – Pomonal P-2/3, Halls Gap 3/4-6 (grouped on age not year level)
Tuesday 22 nd May	Zone Cross Country St Arnaud (students will need to run a qualifying time to enter)
Tuesday 22 nd May	Active After School Sport 4/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 24 th May	Governor of Victoria visit to Halls Gap Primary School
Thursday 24 th May	Active After School Sport 4/7 3.15-4.15
Tuesday 29 th May	Active After School Sport 5/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 31 st May	MARC
Thursday 31 st May	Active After School Sport 5/7 3.15-4.15
Tuesday 5 th June	Active After School Sport 6/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 7 th June	Active After School Sport 6/7 3.15-4.15
Tuesday 12 th June	Active After School Sport 7/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 14 th June	MARC
Thursday 14 th June	Playgroup visit
Thursday 14 th June	Active After School Sport 7/7 3.15-4.15
Thursday 14 th June	School Council
Thursday 28 th June	MARC
Friday 29 th June	Semester 2 reports distributed to families
Friday 29 th June	Last day term 2

BUDDIES 2012

