



# Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No 10 Wednesday 30th April, 2014

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May 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>School Council – 3.45pm</b> Finance committee – 3.30pm <b>MARC van</b>
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Leadership conference – Grade 5 students in Ballarat</b>



### ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL

Just a reminder – we have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis). We ask that you do not send any foods to school that contain nuts.

Dear Families,

Our Somers Campers return today. I bet there are some very excited families! We have missed them and really look forward to hearing about their time.

The small schools cluster cross country is next Friday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of May. Our 5 – 8 year old students will be heading to Pomonal for the day. Parents are asked to drive (or make arrangements for transport) their own students to Pomonal Primary School. The 9 – 13 year old event will, once again, be held at Halls Gap Primary School. We still require parents to assist with course supervision so please let me know if you are available to help. We require helpers to be here by 9.45am.

May is “Read More In May” month. We are asking all students to record the minutes spent reading each day. We will have a friendly little competition between the Junior and the Senior classrooms and there are prizes to be won. At the end of May we will tally all the minutes. Happy reading!



In the absence of all of our Grades 5-6 students yesterday, our Grades Prep to Four students did some studies about the Sumatran Tiger. They found out that they are critically endangered and would like to be able to help by sponsoring a tiger. Their idea is that students come to school in their tiger colours (yellow, black and white) and bring a gold coin donation. I think this shows initiative and leadership and that we should get behind them. Our “Dress Like A Tiger” day is next Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May.



As you may be able to see from our calendar, the next few weeks are extremely busy. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for information to keep you up to date and please let me know if you would prefer the newsletter emailed. Our aim is to keep everyone informed and remember, if your child has been absent it is important for you to check that there has not been any missed information or notes. Newsletters go home each Wednesday so you should check your child’s bag if they haven’t given it to you. Don’t forget; if you are on Facebook, you can like our page (search Halls Gap Primary School or the link is <https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=260959947407076>) for more information, reminders, news and photos.

Ja-San Trimble  
Principal

*PS. I am after some empty egg cartons (to hold a dozen eggs) for some maths activities. Any donations gratefully accepted. Thank you.*



## GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE - BALLARAT

Yesterday on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> of April, Dylan and I went to Ballarat for a leadership conference with Concongella and Great Western.

In the first session, we learnt how a superhero is like someone helping you at your school. So no matter if you have superpowers or not, there is one similar thing; you help people that need someone. At session 2, we learnt about how to lead like a strawberry, not like a watermelon. So what that means is a strawberry is the same from the outside and inside, but a watermelon isn't. So match your actions with your words.

In the final session, we had to write down in a book that we got what you would do to change the world. I wrote down in my book to recycle more and save power. Then we watched a video about a school that were changing the world for only 5 seconds. But in-between every session, there were these 2 funny men called the loud noise boys who were really funny. At the end we got to dance with them and they did some pretty good moves.

I really liked yesterday and I can't wait till next year.

**By Spencer**

On Tuesday we went to leadership conference. I had to be picked up at Pomonal then we went to Stawell to pick up Spencer and the other schools. It was a long bus trip. When we arrived we had a small snack and went in.

The crew was nice but my favourite part was the loud noise boys. It was the fun segment of the day where you could be as loud as you like. Their part was one of the best .

The first section was all about being a school yard hero. The second section was all about how to lead like a strawberry not a watermelon. The final section we were taught how to put your idea to life. Then we had a dance party. After each session we had to write about the last segment.

After it was all done we left. Most of us were dropped off at Stawell , including me.

**By Dylan**



MORE DATES	
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Dress Like A Tiger day
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Cluster Cross Country Grades 5/6 GRADES program at HGPS
May 13, 14, 15 <sup>th</sup>	NAPLAN – Grades 3 and 5
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Cluster Athletics sports - Pomonal
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Division Cross Country

### SCHOOL VALUES

<u>Honesty</u>
<i>Being true to yourself, family, friends and teachers</i>
<u>Persistence</u>
<i>Being confident, resilient and optimistic when striving to meet challenges</i>
<u>Humour</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To enjoy and celebrate with others</li> </ul>
<u>Initiative</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To contribute ideas, be flexible and demonstrate leadership</li> </ul>
<u>Commitment</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Being dedicated to do your very best</li> </ul>
<u>Teamwork</u>
<i>Working with and sharing with others to enhance learning for everyone</i>
<u>Respect</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treating self, others and your environment with care and respect.</li> </ul>

\*\*Please discuss these on a regular basis at home as a family