



# Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No 32 Wednesday 29th October, 2014

THE WEEK AHEAD	
Thursday 30th October	Active After School – Fitness session 3 Grades 5/6 students at SSC for Big Day Out!
Friday 31st October	All students at Pomonal PS for Cluster Day
Sunday 2nd November	Market
Tuesday 4th November	MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY (no active after school tennis this week)



**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.

Like our Facebook page (search Halls Gap Primary School or the link is <https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=260959947407076>)



Look what's finished!!! Lots of our younger students have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to play in the cubby. The sand pies have been coming out of there at a very speedy pace. A huge thank you to Tracey Erkelens and her support crew for building it for us. Also, thank you to Tracey for oiling our permanent tables and bench seating. They look brand new!

Congratulations to our Grades 5 and 6 students who participated in the Maths Olympics last Friday at the Stawell Secondary College. I'm always so proud when our students are out and about and to also come away with some wins is an extra bonus. Well done to everyone and particularly well done to Max and Eugene who were part of the cluster team that won the games section and to Dylan whose team won overall.



That same group of students will be at the Big Day Out at Stawell Secondary College again tomorrow. They will be involved in a day that's all about getting to know new people and beginning to understand the challenges that young people face and how we can deal with them.

Last Wednesday our students (and Poll) got a chance to see and hold the Melbourne Cup at the Halls Gap hall. Check out the white gloves! It must be a very special cup.



This coming Sunday is our last market of the year. It is quite a busy one and is usually very successful. This year's fundraising has been put to great use – a ski camp, the cubby, sport t-shirts, iPads, excursions, a shipping container (on its way!) and the English budget. Families are asked to pay for very little as a result of all of this effort. Please let us know if you are able to help out on the roster. There are still some spots available and it is very important that we fill them all.



We are having a working bee this coming Friday (the 31<sup>st</sup> of October) from 2.30pm – 3.15pm. All parents are asked to call in at the school a little earlier than the usual pick-up time to assist with giving the school a bit of a spring clean before this weekend's market. Students will return from Pomonal by 2.30pm and will all pitch in. Please bring your gardening gloves and any other gardening equipment you can manage. Today we have discovered a large fallen tree that is blocking the driveway into the schoolgrounds and will cause issues for people requiring vehicle entry over the weekend. It just needs someone with a chainsaw to come and cut it into more manageable pieces. We want our school to look fantastic for our own enjoyment and safety and for the enjoyment and safety of our visitors.

Ja-San Trimble  
Principal

## 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>
• <i>To enjoy and celebrate with others</i>
<u>Initiative</u>
• <i>To contribute ideas, be flexible and demonstrate leadership</i>
<u>Commitment</u>
• <i>Being dedicated to do your very best</i>
<u>Teamwork</u>
<i>Working with and sharing with others to enhance learning for everyone</i>
<u>Respect</u>
• <i>Treating self, others and your environment with care and respect.</i>

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

TERM 4	
NOVEMBER	
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	School Council meeting
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Playgroup
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Questacon Excursion – Great Western PS all students
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	T20 Cricket Blast competition – Grades 3-6
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	School photos
DECEMBER	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Transition – 2015 Preps and Grade 6
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	SCHOOL CONCERT - EVENING



### A request from Frau Stoffel and Mrs. Trimble for the end of year school concert

It would be fantastic if all P-2 students could find a Santa suit (hat, coat, black boots or shoes.) At this time of the year the Santa suits are available at Reject Shop or similar for reasonable prices. If you have trouble accessing one, please come and let us know. P-2 students will also need a plain white pillow case.



The Grades 3-6 students will need a Christmasy themed t-shirt (any colour is fine) and a headband. All students will need black pants - leggings, jeans, tracksuit pants, dress pants are fine. Thank-you for your support with this.

