



Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No 11 Tuesday 28th April, 2015

TERM 2 2015

Thursday 30 th April	GRIP leadership conference Ballarat - Gr 5/6
Tuesday 5 th May	Division cross country



ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL
Just a reminder – we have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis)

Dear Families,

Yesterday we had our school review. It was a most successful day and has provided us with quite a bit of positive reinforcement about a lot of things that have been happening over the last 4 years. It has also served to inform us about some possible future directions. As a result of these discussions we will receive a report from our reviewer which will guide me in developing a 3 year strategic plan in consultation with region, staff and school council.

We have had a reasonably positive response from the community for our call for assistance with catering on the athletics day. We still have some positions that will need to be filled so if you know of someone who may be able to help with this but has not been asked, please approach them. Nothing ventured, nothing gained!

From tomorrow, athletics programs will be available to purchase from the school office for \$2 per program. This assists with the cost of printing and, once again, replaces the old system of paying at the gate on the morning of the sports – causing traffic jams.

Don't forget: Order forms for lunch on athletics day are due back Monday the 4th of May. Please use one form per student and include correct money.

This Thursday our Grades 5 and 6 students will head to Ballarat for the GRIP leadership conference. They will participate with other Student Leaders from Stawell, Concongella and Great Western. I'm already very impressed with the leadership skills of our senior students. Can't wait to hear what fantastic ideas they come back with after the conference. **Students are reminded that they need to be at the front of Stawell 502 Primary School for a 7.00am departure. The bus will return to Stawell Primary School by 4.30pm**

Ja-San Trimble
Principal

ANZAC WRITING – by Kaylee

This year was the first year I had been to a Dawn Service. Mum and I arrived at the Halls Gap Cricket Club gates at quarter to five. It was very dark and cold but that didn't matter.

There were many people at the service which was good since we are such a small town. At around six o'clock Max and I laid a wreath on behalf of the school to honour those in the war.

Finally I could just stand and listen to the radio. There were many stories being told about the soldiers which I found very interesting. Before I knew it they were playing the Last Post and everything fell silent. I tried to imagine what the soldiers and even the nurses went through but it was very hard.

Soon after, the service ended. I thought this was a great first experience.

Scenes from the soccer gala day in Ararat last Thursday.



MORE DATES – TERM 2

Thursday 7 th May	Stawell Secondary College information evening
Friday 8 th May	Cluster athletics – in Halls Gap
12 th – 14 th May	NAPLAN – Grade 3 and 5 students
Tuesday 26 th May	Division winter sports
Friday 29 th May	Pupil free day

Reminder

Prep Students please return your School Nursing Questionnaire envelopes by next Tuesday 5th May.



**STAWELL
SECONDARY COLLEGE**

**INFORMATION EVENING
FOR 2016 YEAR 7 STUDENTS**
 Invitation to Grade 5 & 6 students,
 parents and guardians.
 Tours of Stawell Secondary College will be
 available on this evening.

WHEN
 Thursday 7th May, 2015 commencing at 7.00pm

WHERE
 Stawell Secondary College -
 79-97 Patrick St, Stawell VIC 3380

MORE INFORMATION
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*For the month of May
 Happy Birthday to:
 Keira McDonald – 5th May
 Kaylee Ripper – 13th May
 Barnaby Beckley – 28th May*