## Howlong Public School Newsletter

Thursday 30 July 2020



#### **Dates For Your Calendar**

Friday 7 August	Scholastic Book club due in
Monday 10 August	2/3S virtual Assembly
Week 5,6 & 7	ICAS competitions

#### Welcome Back To Term 3

What an interesting start to Term 3 we have had!

Welcome back everyone and to our new students who have joined us at Howlong Public School. We hope that everyone had a lovely school holidays.

The recent situation with border restrictions has brought some confusion and frustration to some of our school community. There are some new guidelines that the department has put on and we have already communicated this via our school's Seesaw app.

Late last week, I received an email to inform our school that some of the school events and activities we had planned for this term will need to be rescheduled due to some restrictions and guidelines that have been put out by our Hume Network Director and NSW Department of Education. One of the school activities includes, the School Drama Program with the Sydney Theatre Company and the Albury Hot House Theatre Company. We are currently working with these drama teachers to look at a digital format so our students in 1/2C and 2/3S do not miss out on this wonderful learning experience. If changes occur and restrictions ease then face to face sessions can continue.

#### Thank you

Our laptop that was purchased from the Mother's Day sale has finally arrived!
Thanks again to Zac, Ella, Asha and Bill McDonell for donating the funds to our school. We will be using this in the classrooms.

#### **Larmer St Crossing Supervisor**

We are pleased to announce that Howlong Public School has qualified for a School Crossing Supervisor, at the crossing on Larmer Street. Mrs Sayasenh wrote a submission in Term 1 and it is great to see that we have been successful in securing a crossing supervisor to ensure that our students and community are safe and road safety is a priority.

Reminder our school day begins at 9am. Please make sure you have your child/children at school on time.









This term in science KNV are looking at 'Living Things'. After a brainstorm, here are some of things we are hoping to find out this term:

- How do things grow? (Maddie)
- Why are some living things no longer here anymore, like dinosaurs?
   (Tasman)
- Why can't we see sunflowers moving, even though they do? (Violet)
- How come some animals can run so fast and some are so slow? (Cooper)





















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# Strive for Success'

Congratulations to Ebony Chant, Mitchell Mildren, Toby Lawrence and Oscar Singh, our "Strive for Success" winners. The focus for Strive for Success was doing the right thing during eating time, waiting to be excused and disposing of rubbish in the appropriate way.



### **Hume Bank**

We hope your students and teams are keeping well and safe. As we continue to navigate the uncertain times relating to COVID-19, we have taken the decision to put on hold the School Banking pick-up service offered as part of our Program.

As an alternate deposit option, we encourage parents and guardians to continue supporting their children' savings behaviour by depositing funds in to their child's account via recurring electronic transfer.

If you have any questions please feel free to visit our website **humebank.com.au** or call us on 1300 004 863.

Sincerely Hume Bank

## Book Club LOOP

for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP







#### Term 3 Week 2 Assembly Awards:

#### Congratulations to the following students who received a Class Merit Certificate:

Jake Gardiner, Jonty Hoskin, Ella McDonell, Zahara Ulep, Missy Groenewald, Mitchell Mildren, Harry Thompson, Olivia Farnsworth, Adam Ballentine, Isabella Quirk-Mustchin, Jake Marshall, Fynn Keeble, Charlotte Chant, Jai Allen, Alexa Marks, Tahlia Gray, Teddy Cann, Sophie Eaton, Kobie Houley, Bonnie Forrest, Lucie Field, Stuart Tate, Alicia Laundess, Madeleine Payne, Ryder Coles, Cienna Melone, Madeline Panther, Indiana Leathem, Wallace Cann, Mayzie Boulton, Jadeja Leathem and Jack Longley.



### Biomes in a Box Project 5/6

On the last day of school Term 2, 5/6M and 5/6D participated in the biome in a box project. We had to choose a topic between tundra, rainforest, desert, grassland, deciduous forest, shrub land and coniferous forests. On that day every class came around for 15 minutes to have a look at our projects and give feedback. All the projects looked amazing!!! Some people had done theirs on Minecraft, in boxes/posters and some had terrariums. The students had seven weeks to complete the diorama and finish the

research. We had a great time and everyone tried their best.

By Ella McDonell and Olivia Orchard















### Biomes in a Box Project 5/6



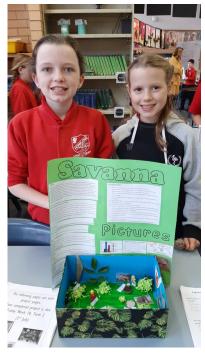


















## Stage 2 Garden

















# cork Towers



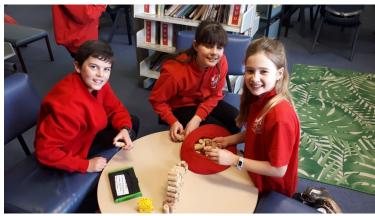
This week during lunch time in the library, students have been competing in a tower building challenge. The goal was simple: Build the tallest tower using only corks. The competition was fierce with both individuals and teams participating. Olivia Farnsworth, Ava Britt and Scarlett Longley were the winners with a tower of 8 corks high. The girls said, "Our tower kept falling over but we focused and worked as a team." Each week we will have a different challenge or focus. Next week is card games.

We are still chasing overdue books (some from first term) so please have a look. Students were given overdue notices this week and until books are returned or paid for they will be unable to borrow.













### We are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2021



Update 23-07-2020

If you would like to enrol your child or would like more information about the school, please contact the office on 02 6026 5206.

We have unfortunately had to cancel the Parent Information evening on Wednesday 5th August, 2020 at 7:00pm (due to COVID-19 Restrictions). This will now be held during the Transition sessions in Term 4.

We hope to have some Taster Days this term (pending COVID-19 restrictions). Students will experience a variety of activities, such as classroom activities, kitchen garden and play equipment during a 30-45 minute session.

The current Department of Education guidelines around COVID-19 state that

"Kinder Orientation" activities remain "on hold and will be reconsidered during Term 3". This means that we will still plan to have our organised Term 3 Taster Days - in the event we are granted permission for them to go ahead - however if not they will be cancelled on a week by week basis.

We take much pride in our transition to Kindergarten program at Howlong Public School and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. We will strive to work closely with our preschool service providers and through the use of technology, aim to use applications such as imovie and zoom to bring a taste of school life at Howlong Public School to our 2021 Kindergarten students.

#### Term 4

There will be Parent/Teacher Interviews on Wednesday 4th November to discuss your child's transition to school and we will be providing four transition sessions for students and parent/carers over Term 4. More information will be sent out at a later date.

The Federation Council have asked us to make our students aware that magpies are swooping in the area.



