

Howlong Public School Newsletter



Thursday 10 September 2020

Dates For Your Calendar

Friday 11 September	Scholastic Book club due in
Monday 21 September	3/4S Assembly
Tuesday 22 September	School Photo's
Friday 25 September	Last Day of Term 3

External Validation

Our school will participate in the NSW Department of Education's External Validation panel meeting next Thursday. In preparation for the meeting, the school's leadership team have been busily collating, analysing and annotating a wide variety of evidence sets to be presented to the panel. The external validation process provides all NSW public schools an opportunity to discuss their judgements about their practices and the evidence that underpins them, with a panel of peers. We will share the outcome of the panel meeting with our school community after the completion of the meeting.

I would like to thank Mrs Smithwick, Mrs Freer and Mrs Svarc for the hard work they have done in supporting me with the completion of our submission. I would also like to thank the all school staff for their input and providing quality evidence to be included in the submission too. I am very proud of our school and look forward to sharing the wonderful things we are achieving at school with the panel as well as reflecting on areas that we can improve on. The External Validation process has provided valuable insights into our school's practices and the impact that it has on providing quality educational opportunities for each and every child at Howlong Public School. All staff strive towards continuous improvement and will continue to work together to build on our commitment to excellence.

SCHOOL PHOTOS – Tuesday 22nd September 2020

School photo's will be held on Tuesday 22 September (Week10). Your child/children will have brought home their individual envelope. You are to send in the photo envelope with the correct money (as change will not be given out on the day) **on photo day, not before**, and hand it to your teacher. Full school summer uniform must be worn including black school shoes with white socks. The cost of the packs are priced from \$29 - \$58. Family envelopes are attached to the eldest child's envelope.

Envelopes for School Captains, Prefects, SRC or House Captain photo's can be collected from the school office before photo day.

If you have had a problem with the online payment please try again as MSB Photography have informed us that the issue has been fixed.



Check in Assessment for Years 3 and 5

Year 3 and Year 5 students have participated in a new reading and numeracy check-in assessment last week. The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor Years 3 & 5 student learning following the period of learning from home. The Check-in assessments can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.



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'Strive for Success'

Congratulations to our "Strive for Success" winners Rylee Tukuniu, Ellie Seymour, Olivia Trevethan and Liam Stacey. The Strive for Success focus was:

Acts of kindness to others at school in the playground and classroom

What does this look like?

- Ask others to join your game
- Help others in the classroom if you have finished your work
- Say nice things
- Speak politely
- Clean playground etc



Term 3 Week 8 Assembly Awards:

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

Ellie Lawrence, Diesel Lions, Chase French, Sienna Napolitano, Andre Porter, Mollie McGee, Olivia Orchard, Zoe Howard, James Baker, Noah Saleh, Emily Cooper, Ella Witt, Matilda Keeble, Amelia Parcsi, Oscar Singh, Inneka Wraith, Molly Pargeter, Teddy Cann, Cooper Kirk, Sammy Naowaratn, Indiana Leathem, Richie An, James Collins, Claire Feuerherdt, Raymond Knight, Jessica Baggio, Austin Alchin, Mia Howard, Lucy Mensinga, James Fyffe, Scarlett Humphries and Billy Schilg.

Wellbeing Wednesday!

We are having a whole school wellbeing day on Wednesday 23rd September (Week 10). We will be doing lots of fun things. Our footy colours day, a meal deal and other activities to fill in the day are currently being planned.

Footy Colours Day: Come dressed in your favourite football team's colours (does not have to be AFL). Bring a gold coin donation – all monies raised goes to the Albury Cancer Centre.



Meal Deal: A note about the meal deal should have come home today. Orders have to be in by Wednesday of Week 9 (16th September).

It will be a great way to celebrate all the hard work students and teachers have done this term.



Spring and school holidays are a GREAT time to get out of the house for a couple of hours to enjoy our fantastic local tennis facilities!

New courts, new clubhouse = fun, fitness and happy hitting!

The club invites the HPS families to purchase one of our incredibly priced 2020/2021 memberships. Membership covers social use of the courts through to Spring 2021. You can apply online at

<https://howlongtennisclub.com/> and membership costs only:

\$35 - JUNIOR	\$55 - ADULT	\$120 - FAMILY (2 adults & 4 children under 18 yrs.)
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Also enquire about one of fun Monday or Thursday Night, or Saturday Hume League competitions! For more information please email

howlong.tennis00@gmail.com



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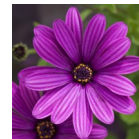


KNV



This term in science KNV are looking at 'Living Things'. The last two weeks we have been discussing what a habitat is:

- A habitat is a home for animals (Zaine).
- A spider would live in a web (Violet).
- My house is my habitat (Indiana).
- A habitat for a fish might be the sea. (Sonny).
- A snake would live in a burrow (James).



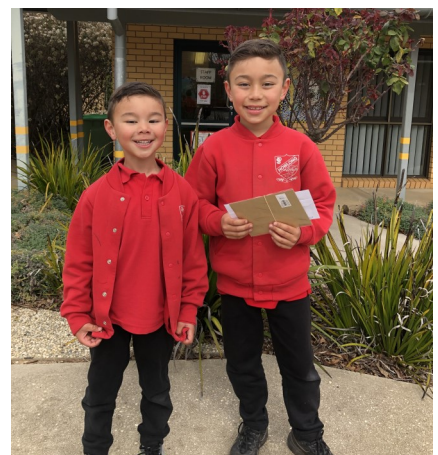
We all built a habitat for birds using leaves, sticks and straw. We then all looked at the different nests we made.



Fathers Day Raffle

Congratulations to the lucky winners of our Fathers Day raffle drawn today. The winners are:

Zoe Smith	Trailer of Wood	donated by Stephen Danaher
Harry Thompson	\$50 Bunnings voucher	donated by Little Ones Learning
Declan Carter	\$50 Meat voucher	donated by Howlong Butchers
Janice Phillips	Herb basket	donated by Howlong Nursery
Jake & Aaron Marshall	Preserves Hamper	donated by Sue Jones
Tom Ballintine	Herb basket	donated by Howlong Nursery
Jake Taylor	Herb basket	donated by Howlong Nursery
Lara Lions	Herb basket	donated by Howlong Nursery
Charlie McNamara	Herb basket	donated by Howlong Nursery
Ella McDonell	Herb basket	donated by Howlong Nursery



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We would like to thank our little charity group of girls; Marley, Indi and River Leatham for their fantastic fundraising. It is so wonderful to see and know that we have students who have given up their own time to run a Lemonade and Cupcake stall in the community. The girls managed to raise \$106.50. Their thoughtfulness in supporting their school is fantastic and they should be proud of their efforts as we are proud of their achievements! Thank you girls!



Lucky raffle winners.



Father's Day Raffle

We hope that all fathers, uncles and grandparents had a great Father's Day last week. Especially the lucky recipients of our Father's day Raffle prizes! A big thank you to Bill McDonell for the organisation of the P&C fundraising event and to Kayleen Peacock for helping out with the prizes and collection of the raffle tickets and monies. An amazing amount of \$1900 was raised.



Library News



Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge has come to a close for 2020. It was definitely more of a challenge this year as it was more difficult for students to borrow books. K-2 students have all been successful in the challenge because of books read by their classroom teacher and Mr Curtis. 3-6 have to read and record their own books.

Congratulations to Lily McDonald, Olivia Farnsworth, Isaac Smith, Jake Marshall, Muhammad Siddiqui, Charlie Bolton and Brayden Gray for being the lucky winners of a \$10 Scholastic book club voucher as a prize for completing the challenge.



Minecraft Madness and Trading Tuesday



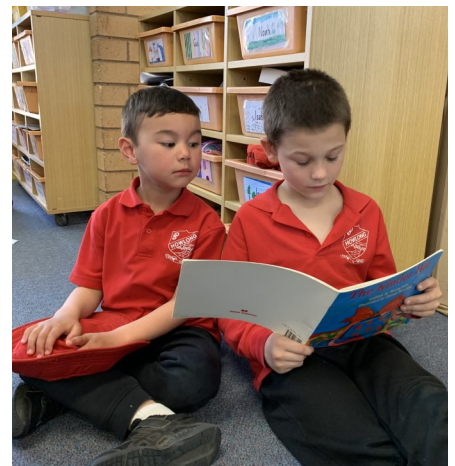
We started 2 new days in the library this week - Minecraft Monday and Trading Tuesday. Mondays might need to be re-named to Mayhem or Madness Monday as we had over 60 students turn up! From next week only 1 stage at a time will be invited to Minecraft Monday to make it more manageable.

Trading Tuesday was a little more calm but only because lots of students forgot to bring their trades. We are currently trading the Coles Mini books and the current Woolworths Ooshie collection. The students decided we could trade one for one with Ooshies or Mini Books but the 'rare' ones were worth double. Everyone seemed to be happy with their trades so we will trade again next Tuesday for everyone who forgot (and for everyone else who has more to trade).



3/4 Classes

This week Stage 2 students have enjoyed reading with the Kindergarten class.



Stage 2 students helping out with the gardening.



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Do you have a 3-5 yr old?

Our Preschool provides a fun, stimulating educational program for children aged between 3 and 5 years old.

**2021 Enrolments are
NOW OPEN**

Your child does not have to be toilet trained to come to preschool, we can assist you with this.

School Readiness Skills incorporated into our program and daily routine.

Fully trained 4 Year Early Childhood Trained Teachers for all groups.

We are a not-for profit community-based organisation.

All days are full day sessions 8am-3:30pm. We also offer After Hours Care until 5pm

Newly renovated preschool

Large natural outdoor playground including sensory walking track, bush tucker & kitchen garden, fruit trees, large bike track, large sandpit area, wooden deck /stage area.

Please call the preschool on 0260265646 or fill out an application for enrolment form on our website www.howlongpreschool.com.au to ensure your child is placed on our enrolment list for next year.



Howlong Preschool are delighted to be giving you the chance to take part in an Australian childhood tradition. Picture plates turn your child's art into useful objects that look fantastic and last for years. They are fun to make, fun to use, and tough enough to last thousands of washes without cracking or fading. You and your children can choose to create a range of products, including plates (made of food-safe, dishwasher safe melamine), Calendars, Clocks, Phone Cases and more. We have a sample to display and the quality is fantastic- bright, glossy + tough. Even better, all the products are made in Australia. Your children will create their pictures at home. They can use paint, pens, photos- the brighter the better. If you would like to participate, please call the preschool on 0260265646 to collect the drawing paper. Orders and drawings will need to be returned to the preschool by 18th September 2020.



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