

Howlong Public School Newsletter

Thursday 16 June 2022



Dates For Your Calendar

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| Mon 20 June | 5/6H Assembly - 2:20pm |
| Wed 22 June | NAIDOC Performance |
| Frid 24 June | Lion King Performance |
| Mon 27 June | KM Assembly - 2:20pm |
| Fri 1 July | Last day of Term 2 |

K-2 home reading organisation

Howlong Public School is implementing a more structured way of teaching reading and writing in line with the new English Syllabus that is being introduced in 2023. This is specifically around synthetic phonics rather than whole word or whole language where the 'code' is not systematically taught. We are building our own capacity to teach within this structure and are phasing it into our classes in a staggered process.

We realise that this change process may have been uncomfortable and has meant that our home reading process looks different. The students have still been building their reading skills in class using our new decodable readers and all the teachers are developing a workable model for home reading that fits with the adjusted structure. This is not something that happens quickly, and we wanted to have a bigger picture model across both classroom instruction and home reading to ensure we are supporting the students in the best way possible.



We will be holding information sessions in the coming weeks to provide further explanation of the adjusted home reading process and what it will look like for you at home.

Riverina Cross Country

Millie Bradbury, Oliver Just, Jadeja Leathem, Ben Ibrom and Patrick Conroy left early this morning to represent at Southern Riverina Primary School Sports Association at the Riverina Cross Country Carnival at Gundagai. Excitement was expressed yesterday when anticipating today's competition, but as we know our students compete hard and represent our school competitively and with pride. We congratulate these students and wish them well for today.

2023 Kinder Info Evening

Our 2023 Kindergarten Information Night will begin at 7.00pm tonight. Entry will be via the Larmer Street gate and then to the Library. We look forward to meeting parents who are looking to enrol their child next year.



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Halve Waste

Halve Waste Incursion

Shared Whole Class Writing in 1-2S

Last week when Penny came to our class, she showed us how to sort all the rubbish. For the YELLOW BIN she said to look for the recycling symbol. It tells us it can be recycled. Spray cans, boxes and bottles can be recycled. The BLACK BIN is for soft plastic that can be squished. The GREEN COMPOST BIN can be used for fruit and food scraps. The RED BIN is for all the other rubbish that does not go in any of the other bins.

We also played a sorting game to help remember what bin rubbish goes in. If the wrong rubbish goes into the wrong bin, then the bin has been CONTAMINATED.



Term 2 Week 7 Assembly Awards:

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

Francesca Pattinson, Riley Allport, Ashton Bradley, Zaxon Cowley, Chelsea Adams, George Bolton, Annie McCormack, Jesse Gray, Brock Fulton, Scarlett Humphries, River Leathem, Lainey Britt, Ritchie An, Charlie Bolton, Lucie Field, Tasman Matthews, Lachlan Wenzke, Lila Smith, Bonnie Forrest, Blake Alchin, Kai Mount, Amelia Parcsi, Heidi Reid, Sophie Eaton, Marley Leathem, Tahlia Taylor, Mikaela Farnsworth, Xavier Bradley, Ronan Simpson, Emily Cooper, Tahlia Gray, Nate Fulton, Campbell Steers, Riley Hardman, Jack Longley, James Baker.

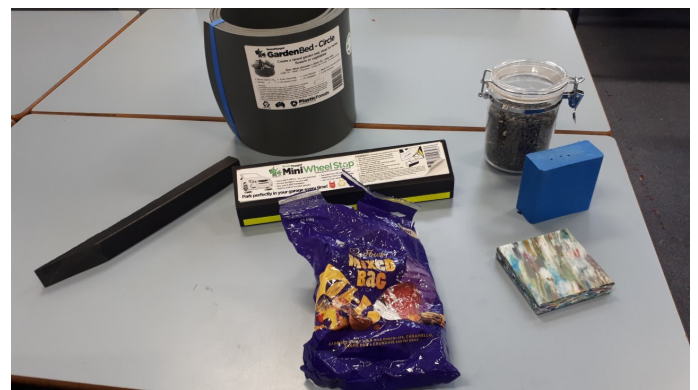


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HPS were very lucky last week to have 2 educators from Halve Waste visit our school. They taught us more about how to reduce our waste and sort it properly so that it can be recycled. We are one of very few schools they have visited that are recycling soft plastic. We were shown some of the cool things that can be made from soft plastics like park benches, garden edges, stakes and much more. Our whole school goal is to sort our waste better so that we do not contaminate the recycling.

By Mr Curtis



Our class went to a Halve Waste incursion last week. We learned about all the types of waste and which bins to put in. We got to play a game where we had to race to sort some rubbish, it was fun. We now know how to sort our rubbish.

Cooper Kirk and Teddy Cann



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Positive Behaviour for Learning

All students have the right to a safe learning and play environment uninterrupted by misbehaviour.



This Week's Focus: **Care For Our Belongings**

| Responsible | Safe | Respectful | Active Learner |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ hang your bag up on class hook ✓ return personal property to schoolbag when not in use ✓ keep schoolbags zipped ✓ look for lost items during playtimes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ sleeperearrings ✓ stud earrings ✓ watches  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ take care of own property ✓ ask permission to use property of others ✓ take care of books and school equipment ✓ return lost property to owner or take to lost property | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ write your name on personal property ✓ know what is school uniform ✓ know how to care for your property ✓ personal property costs money |

Students bring or wear many personal items to school. All of these items cost money to buy or replace. Necessary items such as: school uniform, schoolbag, library bag, pencil cases, lunch boxes and water bottles are consistently found in 'lost property'. Only those items that have names on them can be returned to their owner plus, learning time is lost when students are looking for lost property themselves.



Students who bring items to school such as: balls, cars, trucks, teddies, dolls and other various toys are responsible for their care and safety. This means that their name is written on the toy, a container or bag is used to carry small items, toys are kept in school bag or class tub at the end of playtime and are taken home each day.



Special things that students like to wear and share with friends or their class after a birthday party, holiday, visit to a local fair or market is often something wearable. When special items are lost or inadvertently broken, this causes a lot of unnecessary distress.

To avoid this, wearable items that are not part of school uniform should be left at home.



Safety is the reason students are asked to wear 'sleepere' or stud earrings if they have pierced ears. This is because the earring is less likely to catch on anything and be ripped out of the ear lobe when children are playing.



Children are always very excited to get their first ever watch and wear it proudly to school. Students need to be taught how to look after their watch and have their name written on it before wearing it to school to avoid unnecessary issues.



Mobile phones are to be left at the front office when arriving to school each morning and collected before going home. SMART watches that have mobile phone functions **turned on** are in the same category and are to be left at the front office.



STUDENT REPORTS

2022

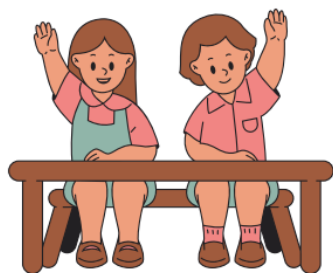
Aim and Purpose of reports

The aim of student reports is to provide parents with information about how their child is achieving towards the outcomes for their stage **at that point in time.**



New Syllabus

This year Howlong Public School are transitioning to new syllabus documents



What does this means for you?

- All students in Year 1-6 will still receive grades for each subject, which will be broken down into content strands.
- All students K-6 will receive comments for each Key Learning Area based on the outcomes and content areas taught **up to this point.**
- General comments will still be focused on learning behaviours and attitudes, social aptitude and leadership skills for each student.
- We encourage parents and carers to make arrangements to meet with their child's teachers if they require further information on their learning progress by completing the slip that is provided with the reports inside the envelope.

If you have any questions regarding the adjusted report format please contact the school to speak to a member of the leadership team.

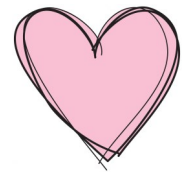
Reports home

- Reports will be sent home Friday Week 9.
- Please read the cover of the reports carefully as they explain how the report is set out. There will also be a short information video on the reports that will be shared on Seesaw.



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2/3PM hosts KMH



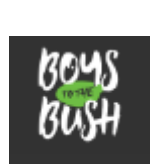
Last Friday 2/3PM invited KMH into their classroom to participate in some developmental play. This was the first time KMH students had been inside 2/3PM classroom and both classes were very excited. 2/3PM students had set up 8 discovery stations around the classroom and KMH students were free to roam around and engage in team building and cooperative play. We can't wait to have KMH come back into our classroom for another visit.



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Winter Holiday Activities

Looking for fun-filled activities for your little ones to do for the Winter School Holidays? **PCYC Albury** has got you covered! From multi-sport, gymnastics and fitness to painting and crafts. From Nerf Wars and Ninja Warrior, we have lots on offer! PCYC offers safe, fun, affordable and structured full day programming, based on our term-time activities, to keep your little ones from 4 years to 12 years old entertained. Our programs are run by qualified coaches that have a passion for working with young people in a sport and recreation environment, and designed to be a cost effective school holiday option for all families. We also accept Creative Kids vouchers for some of our activities, so you could get \$100 worth of school holiday programs for free! Check out our timetable of school holidays activities for the upcoming break, and book today <https://www.pcyctsw.org.au/albury/school-holidays> GET IN QUICK, SPOTS FILLING UP FAST!



Boys to the Bush



Last Tuesday evening was the Presentation night for our Boys to the Bush program. The boys and their families had a great evening making pizza for their dinner and were presented with a certificate for their participation in this amazing program.



Reminder to get your Meal Deal notes into the canteen ASAP.

HPS Meal Deal

Friday 1st July 2022

Students Name Class.....

☐ Meal Deal 1: Beef burger with cheese \$6.00
Please circle one - Juice (Apple, ABC or OJ) or Water & Quelch stick

☐ Meal Deal 2: Chicken burger with cheese \$6.00
Please circle one - Juice (Apple, ABC or OJ) or Water & Quelch stick

Please return money and orders in a brown paper bag or your reusable Lunch bags by
Wednesday 22nd June for catering purposes.

No other Lunch menu available on the day



A big thank you to Stuart and Bee Tate and family for the generous donation of these awesome footballs! They are very popular and being used out in the playground by lots of happy children!

| Canteen Roster | |
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| June 17 | Laura Farnsworth |
| June 24 | Rohan Matthews |
| July 1 | Jody Reid & Rohan Matthews |



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Term 2 2022



| Month | Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Sat/Sun |
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| April & May | 1 | 25 ANZAC Day | 26 | 27 | 3 & 4 28 Excursion Beechworth | 3 & 4 29 Excursion Beechworth | 30/1 |
| May | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Mothers Day Stall | 7/8 |
| May | 3 NAPLAN | 9 1/25 Assembly | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14/15 |
| May | 4 NAPLAN | 16 Athletics Ribbon Assembly Postponed | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 Walk Safely to School Day | 21/22 |
| May | 5 | 23 3/4A Assembly | 24 | 25 PSSA Netball Knockout | 26 | 27 | 28/29 |
| May & June | 6 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4/5 |
| June | 7 | 6 2/3PM Assembly | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11/12 |
| June | 8 | 13 Queen's Birthday | 14 | 15 | 16 Riverina X-Country 2023 Kinder Information Night 7pm | 17 | 18/19 |
| June | 9 | 20 5/6H Assembly | 21 | 22 NAIDOC Performance | 23 | 24 Lion King Performance Student Reports to go home | 25/26 |
| June & July | 10 | 27 KM Assembly | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 Canteen Meal Deal | 2/3 |
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