



Hawker School Newsletter

Adventures Through Learning

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Tues 9th March
2021
Week: 6
Term: 1

Fri 12th March
Year 5 Assembly

Mon 15th March
Yr5/6 Touch
Football

Thurs 18th March
Year 6 NGA
Excursion

Fri 26th March
Year 4 Assembly

Uniform Shop
Mon, Tues &
Wed afternoon

Canteen Days
Wed, Thurs & Fri
(online orders
only)

Dear Hawker Families,

Lids4Kids founder Tim Miller

We were thrilled to have Tim join us for assembly last week. Tim created Lids4Kids which in just 18 months diverted an estimated 15 million plastic lids from landfill. At Hawker through our Environment program and because of the wonderful students we have collected lids for this program. This year we will commence collecting juice boxes to rescue these from landfill. We will also continue to collect soft plastics.

You may remember when Robert replaced our bench seats, he used a product known as 'Modwood'. This product is made from recycled soft plastics. One of the reasons we selected this was to demonstrate to the students the benefit of recycling. Tim was very interested to see how we had repurposed the timber from the original benches. He was very excited by the wonderful outdoor table and outdoor stage Robert created using the timber. If you haven't seen either of these projects, I encourage you to stop and have a look next time you are at school. The outdoor stage is in our preschool grounds and the table in our central courtyard.

Preschool

I really enjoy visiting the preschool and getting to know our youngest students. The photo below is a mosaic window display created by the preschool students. Each time I visit I am always amazed at the creative way students learn through play and exploration.

AFL Gala Day

On Thursday last week we took two AFL teams to participate in the Paul Kelly Cup. The students had a great day and I thank Vicky Harrington and Ian Bottomley for joining the teams. Well done to all the students who participated. I really enjoy seeing our students giving new things a go and gala days like this provide the opportunity to try new sports in a supportive environment.



Death Cap Mushrooms

I want to remind all families that it can be extremely difficult for even experienced collectors to distinguish Death Cap mushrooms from an edible mushroom. **People should not pick or eat wild mushrooms.** Cooking Death Cap mushrooms does not make them safe. They often grow near established oak trees, and are found when there is warm, wet weather. In Canberra this usually occurs in autumn but there is no specific mushroom season, so this is a timely reminder for us all.

Tag Rugby

Congratulations to the following Hawker students for participating in a tag rugby competition outside of school time. It is great to see that our students chose to participate in competitions like this as a school group. An extra mention to the U8s team for making the Grand Final.

Under 8s team

Sam, Oliver, Cooper, Lucas, Alen, Leroy, Felix, Sam and Archer

Under 10s Team

Will, Lucas, Harper, Jake, Koby and Jarrah



Band News

Congratulations to the following students for having been selected by audition for the ACT Instrumental Music Program's Extension Ensembles in 2021. Poppy Birks, Caitlin Elliston, Wendy Stace-Winkles, Elyse Denman and Emily Pyner. This is the equivalent of ACT representation in Music. They have been selected in the ACT Primary Concert Band.

Swimming Carnival

Well done to this year's age champions from the swimming carnival. What a fantastic effort from everyone!

Kim McCormack
Acting Principal



Let the adventures through learning continue



Hyacinth Award

Anvi VK - 6LR

For being an independent, thoughtful and respectful student. Anvi strives to do her best in all areas, approaching tasks with creativity and positivity. Her kind, friendly nature and great work ethic are appreciated by all!



FRIENDLY REMINDER



- ◆ [Yr6 NGA Excursion note](#) due Thurs 11th Mar
- ◆ [2021 Belconnen District Swimming Carnival note](#) due Wed 17th Mar
- ◆ [Yr5/6 Boys and Girls Touch Football Competition note](#) due Fri 12th Mar

Your child's activity costs made easy with Saver Plus



Did you know you could receive up to \$500 in matched savings for your child's extracurricular activity costs?

Here's a list of the most common activities our participants use their funds for:

- Swimming or dancing lessons
- Instrument lessons like guitar or piano to name a few
- Sports club fees like netball or football registration
- School camps
- Tutoring classes
- Foreign language lessons
- Scout membership fees

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LOST PROPERTY



Our baskets are overflowing with lost items. Please encourage your child to come and take a look in lost property for any misplaced items.

Christian Education in Schools

Christian Education occurs in our school only for those students whose parents request it under ACT legislation. Sessions are coordinated by the CEIS project with approved resources and volunteers. Students participate for 1 hour each term during the time of regular school lessons. If you would like your child to be included in these classes for 2021 please contact the front office.



Quote of the week....

nothing is impossible
the word itself says
"I'm possible"



EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA

Exploring what this world-wide festival really means.



BEYOND YOU

Wondering about myself, others, nature and God.



BIBLE BONANZA

Discovering the world's biggest selling book!



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Responding to the traditional Christmas story.



Year 1

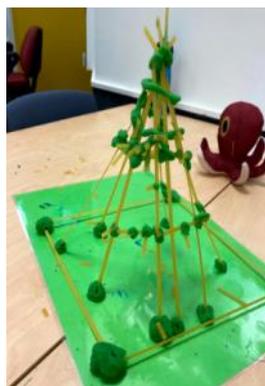
Year 1 has had an amazing start to the year! This year our unit theme is 'Under the Sea'. Both the Turtles and Starfish classes have loved exploring our SCARF values through books about our underwater world.



In Science, we are investigating the properties of materials and how materials can change.

We have explored how materials change from a liquid to a solid within experiments. These experiments include changing state of water, jelly and turning cream into butter.

The Year 1 students also looked at the properties of spaghetti and then worked cooperatively in groups to design and make a tower that stood up by itself.



Miss Murray and Mrs Thomas