

HENDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reach for the stars

NEWSLETTER
Term 1, Week 9 2024



Reminders

No school:

Thursday 28 March

Pupil Free Day

Friday 29 March

Good Friday

Public Holiday

Monday 1 April

Easter Monday

Public Holiday

Diary Dates

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Thursday	Pupil free day
28 March	(no school)
Friday	Good Friday
29 March	Public Holiday
Monday	Easter Monday
1 April	Public Holiday
	Last day of Term 1
Friday	Sports Day / Colour
12 April	Splatacular fundraiser

Early dismissal 2pm

Monday
29 April
First day of Term 2

2024 Term Dates

Term 1

29 January to 12 April

Term 2

29 April to 5 July

Term 3

22 July to 27 September

Term 4

14 October to 13 December

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Seesaw



Audiri (SkoolBag)



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Hendon Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land of the country on which the school is located and pays respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Government of South Australia Department for Education

Deputy Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We're excited to share some updates and reminders for Term 1.

Site Improvement Plan Underway: Our Site Improvement Plan is in full swing, outlining key actions for enhancing our school environment and educational experience. Please find attached a visual representation of our goals for 2024 and beyond (see image on the next page).

Shark Cup Success: Congratulations to our upper Primary students who recently participated in the Shark Cup at Seaton High School! They showcased incredible skills in softball and baseball, making us proud with their performance.

Upcoming Events: Just a friendly reminder that our Sports Day and Colour Splatacular are scheduled for the last day of Term, April 12th. Preliminary information and sausage sizzle slips have been distributed. For any queries, please reach out to the front

office. Get ready for an exciting addition this year - we're introducing 'slime' into the mix! Stay tuned for more logistics closer to the date.

Professional Learning Day: This Thursday, March 28th, our staff will be engaging in professional learning sessions focused on evidence-based teaching practices for Spelling. We're committed to enhancing our teaching methodologies to support student learning.

Easter Break Wishes: As we approach the Easter break, we want to wish you all a wonderful and safe holiday. We recently had a delightful surprise guest visit Hendon, bringing joy and cheer to our school community. May your Easter break be filled with happiness and relaxation.

Warm Regards,

Reece Campbell













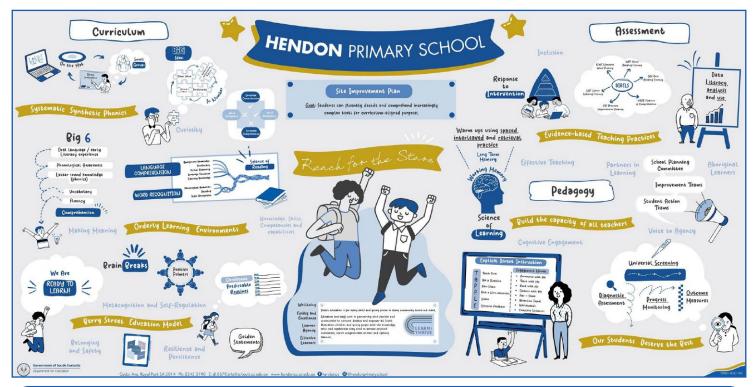












Wellbeing

City of Charles Sturt Free School Holiday Sports Program

Kids of all abilities, aged from 3-17 years, are invited to book their spot for the next ever-popular City of Charles Sturt School Holiday Sports Program.

Held at various locations throughout the school holidays, the next school holiday sports program runs from Friday 12 April to Sunday 28 April 2024 with 20 sport providers offering 61 activities.

Please note: some activities may be impacted by the ANZAC Day Public Holiday on Thursday 25 April 2024.

Sports and activities on offer in April 2024 include:

- · Bicycle Racing
- \cdot Hockey

- · Pickleball*
- ·Tennis

- ·Croquet
- ·Karate

- · Roller Skating
- · Yoga & Meditation*

- $\cdot \operatorname{Dragon} \operatorname{Boating}$
- ·Lacrosse
- · Soccer (indoor)

Fencing

- · Lawn Bowls
- · Soccer (girls)

- ·Gymnastics
- $\cdot \, \mathsf{Multi}\text{-}\mathsf{Sports}$
- · Table Tennis
- *Denotes activities are inclusive of special needs.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS

The School Holiday Sports Program enables kids aged 3-17 years to:

- · Try new or different sport and recreation activities FREE of charge
- · Increase their level of physical activity
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Learn about creating a healthy lifestyle through sport and recreation
- · Boost their self-esteem and self-confidence
- · Make new friends

Almost 3,000 children were involved in School Holiday Sports activities across Charles Sturt in 2023.

So, book your spot and try a new or different sport, learn about creating a healthy lifestyle through sport and recreation, boost self-confidence plus you might make a new friend.

Bookings are essential as spots are limited.

 $\underline{https://playandgo.com.au/free-school-holiday-sports-program-city-of-charles-sturt/}$



Materials and Services Fees

Thank you to the families that have paid 2024 fees or have applied for School Card. Invoices for the 2024 materials and services charges have been sent out. We ask that prompt payment be made as this has a big impact on our cash flow and ability to resource the essential materials and services we make available to your child. If you prefer an instalment payment option please speak to the Finance Officer.

For people wishing to apply for School Card, you may apply online or collect the forms from the front office and return with your Health Care Card or Pension Concession Card.

Thanks for your support.

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to our Easter Raffle winners:

1st prize Caitlin c/- Gracie M 2nd prize Rikki Puddy c/- Spencer Rm 2 3rd Lilly H Rm 15

Child Prize

Levi C - Rm 16

Thank you so much to all our families for once again supporting our raffle.



Instrumental Music

The Hendon Primary School Instrumental Music program has resumed in 2024. Continuing students in brass, woodwind and percussion have commenced lessons and have been focusing on new repertoire in the school concert band.

The band will be working towards it's highlight performance in the Festival Theatre as part of the Primary School's Music Festival in September. For this performance we will be combining with several other Western region primary schools, as we did last year. This performance becomes a musical highlight for our students as the





standard of performance is truly amazing. We also look forward to performing during the year as a stand-alone Hendon Primary School concert band.

Our new students for 2024 have now begun instrumental lessons, and with consistent practice we hope they will join our school band before the end of 2024.

Instrumental Music Teachers













Community Notices









An Australian Government Initiative



SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION WITH INTERNET AT HOME

The Australian Government has established the School Student Broadband Initiative to provide **free home internet** for one year for up to 30,000 unconnected families with school aged students.

This is a targeted affordability measure to boost education opportunities and narrow the digital divide. NBN Co is leading implementation of this initiative.

How can the School Student Broadband Initiative help your child?

Children who can access online learning at home as part of their education are more likely to engage in classroom activities.

Access to fast internet at home can also support children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and participate in a world that is more reliant on digital technology.

Is my family eligible for the School Student Broadband Initiative?

To be eligible you must:

- ✓ Have a child living at home that is enrolled in an Australian school in 2023.
- Not have an active National Broadband Network internet service at home. Having a mobile internet service does not affect eligibility.
- Be referred by a nominating organisation. This will include consideration of whether the child has access to a device and the digital skills to use the internet safely.
- Live in a premises that can access the National Broadband Network via a standard connection – this will be checked for you.

How does the School Student Broadband Initiative work?

Families will be identified and contacted directly (via parents/carers) by participating schools, education authorities, charities and community organisations in the initiative - these are nominating organisations.

If you are eligible, the home internet service will be provided **at no cost** for one-year through a participating internet provider over the National Broadband Network. These internet providers will have their own step-by-step process to get you connected, which may involve you providing identification.

Once you sign up, the internet provider will help you to set up your connection. The initiative does not include devices such as a computer or tablet. Other members of the household can use the internet service provided through this initiative.

The one-year period will start from the day your service is activated with your chosen participating internet provider. At the end of the one-year period, you should not be placed onto a paid service by your internet provider without your consent. The Australian Government is considering options beyond the one-year free period.

Where can I find additional information on the initiative?

For more information on the School Student Broadband Initiative, visit www.infrastructure.gov.au/SSBI

