HENDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reach for the stars

NEWSLETTER Term 2, Week 3 2024

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Diary Dates

TERM 2	
24th May	Assembly
27th-31st May	National Reconciliation Week
29th May	Photo Day
7th June	Pupil Free Day
10th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
14th June	Assembly

2024 Term Dates

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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Government of South Australia Department for Education

Acting Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well as we reflect on a positive Term 1. I want to extend my sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of our recent Sports Day and Colour Slime Run. The enthusiasm and support from volunteers and participants made these events memorable for our students.



Looking ahead, I am excited to share some important updates and upcoming events with you.

This term a select group of Year 6 students from across Australia will participate in a trial assessment focusing on civics and citizenship. This trial assessment will see 20 randomised Year 6 students from Hendon participate in this national assessment.

Term 2 marks the time when written Semester 1 reports will be sent home. Please anticipate receiving these valuable documents, which provide insights into your child's progress and achievements at school.

Our teaching staff are continuing to collaborate with the Department's Literacy Guarantee Unit to enhance spelling proficiency. We are committed to our Site Improvement Plan – in providing our students with the support they need to excel in literacy.

Our final Berry Street Education Model whole staff training day is scheduled for June 7th. This training equips our staff with essential tools and strategies to create a safe and inclusive learning environment for all students.

As part of a department-wide initiative, all schools are required to transition to the Education Management System (EMS) by the end of 2025. Hendon will be moving to EMS in Term 2. While this transition may require some adjustment, we are confident that the new system will enhance efficiency and streamline administrative processes.

Governing Council held its annual general meeting on May 14th. The new council formed will collaborate with the principal on the broad direction of the school, ensuring our continued growth and success throughout 2024.

We have received our preliminary School and Student Summary Report for NAPLAN 2024. These results provide insights soon after NAPLAN for teachers to analyse teaching and learning points. Full reports for all domains, including parent reports, will arrive later in the year.

We are excited to roll out the InitiaLit online library, starting with Junior Primary classes. This online decodable reader library can be accessed from home on any device through the browser. Stay tuned for more information.

As we look forward to a positive term ahead, let's anticipate exciting events such as the disco, Reconciliation Week, and School Photo Day on the 29th May.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Kind Regards,

Reece Campbell Acting Principal

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Photo Day

On Wednesday 29th May, Hendon will be having our annual Photo Day where students will have their photos taken. Prices start from \$46 for a basic pack. Information with payment envelopes has been sent home. Please DO NOT bring any payments to school until Photo Day. Payments can be made online.

Family Contact Details

Please ensure that all contact details are up to date, e.g. email addresses, mobile numbers and emergency contacts as we are transitioning to a new admin operating system (EMS).



ATSI News

We have an exciting term coming up. We will celebrate Reconciliation in Week 4. The theme this year is "Now More than Ever". Stay tuned for more information.

We will also continue our Minya Ones program with the Year 3 students. This is an Aboriginal Cultural Program run by Uniting Care. Last term they worked with the Foundations/1s and 2s. Here are some photos to highlight some of the amazing activities they participated in.

Dionne and Mick



Findon High School Tour





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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.

Wellbeing

Attendance

The Department for Education uses categories to identify students who are at risk because of non-attendance. It helps staff assess the degree of risk caused by a student's non-attendance.

Habitual non-attendance

This is when a student has 5 to 9 absences for any reason in a term (average of 1 day per fortnight).

Chronic non-attendance

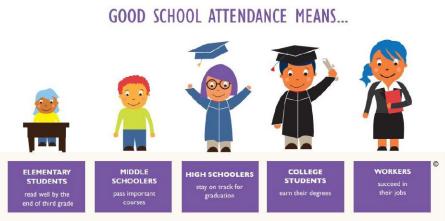
This is when a student is absent for 10 days or more in a term for any reason (average of 1 day per week).

Early warning signs

International research shows that this sort of non-attendance is an early warning sign that a student could have significantly lower learning and wellbeing outcomes throughout their life.

Please contact the school on 83453190 or teacher via SeeSaw if you child is absent.

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



Cyber Safety

Included below are two parent guides from Parenting SA that might be helpful if you have any concerns in these areas.

Cyber safety - Parent Easy Guide (parenting.sa.gov.au)

Safe Screen Use

For children and young people today TVs, computers, gaming devices, smart phones and tablets are part of everyday life. Screen technology is a big part of how they learn, socialise and have fun.

There are also health and wellbeing risks if too much time is spent in front of screens, or devices are used inappropriately. Parents can help children stay safe and healthy as they get the most from these technologies. It is important to develop healthy screen habits early in life and to enjoy other activities too.

PEG82-Safe-Screen-use-Parenting-SA.pdf



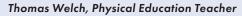
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Sports Day

To round out our awesome start to the 2024 school year, students participated in Sports Day and the Colour Run/Slime Splatacular. Students showed off their athletic prowess across novelty games and championship events on an awesome last day of Term 1. CONGRATULATIONS to Kadnu for winning our Sports Day shield for 2024 and Tarana for

claiming the Sports Day sportsmanship shield. I'd like to give credit to all of the students for their participation on the day; sportsmanship, can do attitudes, comradery and smiles all round. Thanks again to parents for attending on the day, supporting students and teachers and contributing to the atmosphere. 2024 has set a high bar for Sports Day that we hope to match for years to come.

























Sports Day (continued)









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Community Notices



Lefevre All Inclusive Sports Club

A fun program for primary and high school aged children living with disability, their siblings and families to connect and build relationships through different sports and activities.

Where: Lefevre Community Stadium • 541 Victoria Rd, Osborne When: Thursdays • 4pm-5pm **Cost:** \$10 per family



CHILDREN NOT SLEEPING WELL?



We are a team of psychologists who've been supporting people and families with sleep concerns since 2006

Do you or your child:

- Have trouble falling asleep?
- Wake up during the night and struggle to return to sleep?
- Have trouble waking up or getting out of bed?
- Feel overly tired or fatigued during the day?
- Struggle to stay focused at school or work?

If so

Please feel free to contact us at hello@winksleep.online OR via our website





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