HENDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reach for the stars

NEWSLETTER Term 2, Week 9 2024

our values KINDNESS RESPECT TRUST

Diary Dates

Term 2	
5/7	Last day of Term 2 - Early dismissal 2.00pm Casual clothes day "dress the first letter of your name" theme (gold coin donation)
6/7 - 21/7	School holidays
Term 3	
22/7	First day of Term 2
	Bike Ed commences
26/7	Casual Day (100 Days of School Celebration)
12/8 - 16/8	Science Week
14/8 - 16/8	Year 5/6 Camp
23/8	Book Week Parade
6/9	School Closure
9/9	Pupil Free Day

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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

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we wind toward the middle of the year.

Our recent assembly showed some great examples of impressive stobie pole art works created as part of our work on the My Tree Project. This has proved to be a nice initiative for us, wherein our children get to learn



about sustainable practices and be creative, which makes for enriching ways to enhance their learning experience.

Our teachers are currently undertaking the intensive work of mid-year benchmark testing using 'DIBELS' for reading. We will be using these assessment results to tailor our teaching strategies and programme as we move into Term 3 to ensure that all children's needs in their learning are met.

I have been continuing to connect with schools within our portfolio and continue whole school improvement. A current focus has been on South Australian Curriculum plans. Our Mathematics Improvement Team are gearing up to undertake the development of the Maths Site Improvement Plan. A strong focus of this document is building mathematics learning dispositions, which has links to Berry Street's educational approaches.

We have also developed a very valuable partnership with the Department Self-Regulation Service, through which we can press ahead with student wellbeing, learning, and staff professional development tailored to our specific needs. In this regard, our goal will be to create classrooms that are sensory-smart and purposefully set up to help students regulate their emotions and engage themselves in the learning.

As part of our continued commitment to transparency and growth, our school policies are under review, update, and development at this time. The intention of these policy updates is to provide clear communication with parents, caregivers, the community, and our staff for the betterment of our educational environment overall. We have recently updated our Behaviour Code and Grievance Procedure, available on our website now.

Just a friendly reminder to please be careful about the safety of our children at drop off and pickup times. Please avoid stopping your vehicle in the middle of the road for your child. It creates a problem for other passing vehicles and may be hazardous as well. The children might unknowingly step onto the main road.

Mid-semester reports will be sent home during Week 10. I encourage you to take a little time to read through this report on your child's progress and discuss it with them, acknowledging their accomplishments and next steps.

Finally, let me wish you a good holiday break in the next couple of weeks!

Warm regards,

Reece Campbell, Principal

Reminders

Friday 5th July Last day of Term 2 -Early dismissal 2.00pm

Monday 22nd July First day of Term 3

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ATSI News

We have continued with the Minya Ones program this term with Aunty Ingrid and Tallarah from Uniting Care. The Year 3s have been involved in many different Aboriginal cultural activities and have made some amazing art works to represent their learning. Next term, it will be Year 5/6's opportunity and the Year 4s will have their turn in fourth term. We will share some of the art work at an assembly.

Dionne and Mick



1A News

As we reflect on this enriching term in 1A, our young learners have delved into the magical world of fairy tales, all centered around the captivating theme of the number three. This approach has not only sparked their imagination but has also laid a strong foundation for their educational journey.

Throughout these past weeks, our students have enthusiastically engaged with classic tales such as Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Three Little *Pigs*, and *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*. These stories have not only entertained but have also served as powerful tools for developing their oral language skills. Through storytelling and role-playing, our children have embraced the characters and adventures of these timeless narratives, enhancing their vocabulary and communication abilities.





3A News

Morning Circle/Ready to Learn:

Zones of Regulation:



Berry Street Body activities:



Spelling/Reading:

Individually targeted phonics and spelling O.G program.

Multi-Lit reading books are linked to the sounds each of us are learning.

Writing:

We are learning all about narratives this

term. We have started with a picture stimulus and from the picture we created description bubbles. This will help us to include descriptors in our sentence writing.



Numeracy: This semester we have been learning how to solve addition and subtraction problems. We have also been focusing on the place value concept. We are loving the new differentiated hands-on Math Centres.





Health:

This term for Health we are learning about different emotions and using Y charts to record what they look, sound and feel like. When we understand how we are feeling we can choose which strategies we need to use to help us.

Science:

For Science this semester we have been learning about weather and living and non-living things.

Art:

During our Art lessons with Miss Maria we have been creating sunflower pictures just like Van Gogh.







Minya Ones ATSI Program: (pictured above right)

Music:

Miss Maria has been teaching us about beat and rhythm we have also made homemade box drums with Miss Emma.





Wellbeing

Berry Street Education Model

On our Week 6 pupil-free day, Hendon staff engaged in the final day of the Berry Street Education Model training. This session focused on the final domain, Character, which follows our previous learning around Relationships, Engagement, Stamina, and Body. Below are some important take away notes.

Values

We started the day by reflecting on our personal values and the reasons we chose to become educators. These values align with what we do, where we work, and how we approach our roles. This reflection led us to understand the importance of teaching core values, as they are the foundation of wellbeing. Clarifying values with students assists them in making life choices, solving problems, and considering future goals. Our school values *Kindness*, *Respect* and *Trust* interweave with students personal values.

Strengths

Children should have an opportunity to know and share their strengths. Developing signature character strengths is a powerful way for students to live in ways that express their own values. Character strengths are positive traits manifested in thoughts, feelings, and behaviours. Students being aware of their own strengths supports the teaching of life skills and regulation strategies, as they can build on their abilities.

Bravery

Love

Mercy/

Forgiveness

Appreciate

Beauty &

Excellence

Creativity

Humility/

modesty

Gratitude

The 24 Strengths

Social

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Prudence

Hope/

Optimism

Love of Learning

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Spirituality

Belief

Self

Regulation

Humour

Vitality Zest

Discover Your Strengths

Take the Free Strengths Survey below to discover your strengths. Understanding your strengths can help you live in ways that express your values and enhance your wellbeing. https://viacharacter.org/

Hope Theory

A framework used to help students to generate alternative pathways when they encounter barriers. It comprises 3 components associated with hope:

1) having goal-oriented thoughts.

- 2) developing strategies to achieve goals.
- 3) being motivated to expend effort to achieve goals.

A person's belief in their ability to realise these components determines the likelihood they will develop a sense of hope.

This session completed our Berry Street training as a site at Hendon Primary School. We will continue to grow as a trauma-informed school by implementing the strategies we learned during these impactful sessions delivered by the dedicated facilitators. Our commitment to these practices ensures that we provide a supportive and nurturing environment for all students, helping them to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. By embracing the principles of the Berry Street Education Model, we are better equipped to meet the diverse needs of our students and foster a community where every child can succeed.

Kimi Johns

Deputy Principal



In South Australia, the first year of primary school is called reception. Children who turn 5 years old:

- **before 1 May** can start school in term 1
- between 1 May and 31
 October can start school in term 3 (mid-year intake)
- after 31 October can start the next year.

Children who start school at the beginning of the year will complete 4 terms of reception. Children who start school in a mid-year intake will complete 6 terms of reception.



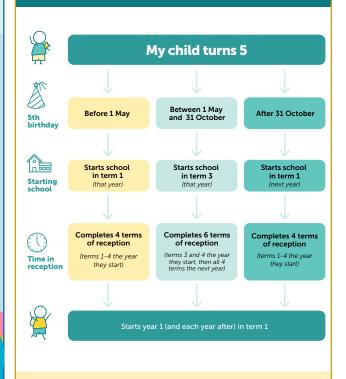
Register your interest for 2025

Registrations of interest are now open to start school in 2025. If your child is starting school in term 1 or term 3, you are encouraged to submit your registration of interest by the end of term 2, 2024.

Scan or click <u>here</u> for more information

When can my child start school?







Community News

Ignite

Inspire Empower

Findon High School

Join us for a

School Tour

findonhs.sa.edu.au Drummond Avenue, Findon







Ages 5-14 | From \$12.50 SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

6-21 July Mighty Days,

Nerf wars, Parks Theatre, party **ONLINE BOOKINGS**

We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. Go for gold at our fully supervised sports-orientated holiday program, designed to provide fun, enjoyment and maximum participation with different sports throughout the day. Sports and activities will include: SOCCER, AFL, BASKETBALL, NETBALL, CRICKET, TEBALL, SCAVENGER HUNT, DANCE & ARTS & CRAFT

CS EDITION

WHEN: LOCATION: Brighton Oval (enter from Highet Ave) 8:30am - <u>5:00pm</u> TIME: COST:

What you need to bring: appropriate clothing, hat, drink bottle, lunch and snacks.

o enrol, register online at www.kellysports.com.au. Payments can be made online at www.kellysports.com.au o y EFT to Kelly Sports Adelaide Metro BSB 035 045 A/C No 342581.

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un-birthday

>> COMING UP SOON, BOOK NOW!

The Parks School Holiday Fun

A holiday program to keep the young ones entertained during their time off. A mixture of activities such as skating, water fun and much more! Sessions run on weekdays.

AGE GROUP: 5 – 14 year olds

TICKETS: \$12.50 per session, or \$20 for back-to-back inflatable sessions

For bookings and more information, visit:

https://www.parksrsc.ymca.org.au/kids/school-holiday-fun

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