

Hesket Primary School Newsletter

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Wednesday	School Bank Day
Saturday 6 th February	Wind turbine installed
Tuesday 9 th February	Welcome back brekky 8.00am-9.00am
Friday 19 th February	Arts Council performance P-3
Thursday 10 th March	School photos
Monday 14 th March	Labour Day holiday
Thursday 17 th March	Summer sport Grades 3-6
Thursday 24 th March	Last day of Term 1
Monday April	First day of Term 2.

School contributions

School council confirmed that our contributions for 2016 will be \$140.00 and an additional \$50.00 for the grounds fee. The grounds amount will be discounted if families attend working bees.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Hesket for 2016. We have organised some exciting activities for the children this year and as the year unfolds I am sure that you will enjoy what the children do as well.

I would like to welcome our new families: Logan, Shannon and Phoenix in Miss Welton's room. Welcome also to Electra in the grade 5/6 room.

I have been able to increase the time that Miss Lamprell has at Hesket for 2016. At present she will be at school all day on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and Friday mornings. If our enrolment stays stable until census day on February 28th we may be able to increase her time a little more. I am sure you will agree that this is a fantastic thing for our school.

As always if you have any concerns, please come and see a member of staff to discuss the issue with them as soon as possible so that things don't fester. We pride ourselves on listening, explaining and responding where needed.

Again, welcome back.

Cliff

Volunteers??

If anyone is willing to take a trailer load of green waste to the tip (free tipping) we will waive your \$50 grounds

Big Bin

During the holidays some individual cut the chain and lock to the big bin and deposited their household rubbish in our bin. The school pays a lot for this bin and it is not a community facility.

If you see any strange movements around the bin please let Cliff know so it can be reported to the police.

Welcome back brekky

We have set the date for this whole school activity. Please put it in your diary for Tuesday 9th February. We plan on offering breakfast from 8.00am to 9.00 – eggs and bacon. Yum! It is a great opportunity for families to meet the families at school.

Thanks

To Joy, Tom, Jerem and Rosealee for their work in the garden over the holidays. The Fairy Garden looks a treat

Lunches

There will be no Subway or canteen available tomorrow. Subway will start next Friday.

A full newsletter next Wednesday

Hesket students are respectful. Hesket students are responsible. Hesket students achieve their best.

Rosie

Rosie will commence her music program next week. At this stage her day will be Friday but this may change with her study commitments.

Rosie and her Mum Chris spent hours on Thursday cleaning the music room in preparation for the start of her music program.

Piano and singing lessons

30 minutes duration

Private session \$20.00 Group session \$16 per student – max of 2 students per group.

Rosie also provides a high quality ensemble session for the grade 2-6 students once a week that we fund from the school resources.

Canteen

Before the canteen can commence we will need to have the canteen cleaned. Once again it is an opportunity for someone who cannot attend working bees to do a job that will waive the \$50 grounds fee. Please see a member of staff if you can help.

Money Matters

Jeanette Kalinski (Finance Manager) will be in the office on Tuesdays. Can parents/carers please contact her directly with any queries relating to payments or receipts on a Tuesday. Contact can also be made by email to kalinski.jeanette.j@edumail.vic.gov.au. Thank you.

Camp, Sports & Excursion Funds

Parents/Carers are requested to read the CSEF eligibility requirements and if eligible, request an application form from the school which needs to be completed and returned as soon as possible. The criteria will be strictly adhered to.

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Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school *must*:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see:

www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

