

Start –Up News 2018

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to the 2018 school year at Hasket Primary School. We have had a very smooth start today with lots of students very excited to be back and meeting their new teacher, and of course we had our four new Foundation students commence today. The usual newsletter will go home on Thursdays during February. This is to ensure that our new families with students in the Foundation class get their newsletter. This letter is to provide some information on our first day back that I think will provide more timely details of some upcoming events next week. We also **welcome** some new staff members. The new teachers we welcome are Mr Nick Williamson and Mrs Sam Manitta. We also welcome Ms Brooke Ashenden, who joins us as an Support staff member.

Welcome / Welcome Back Breakfast . We will provide breakfast consisting of bacon and egg sandwiches and orange juice. Breakfast will be available from 8.15am. All students and parents/carers are invited to attend. This is a terrific opportunity to meet members who are already members of our school community and to welcome new families. To assist with catering could you please complete the response slip at the bottom of this note and return it to the school by Friday 2nd February. If you have chooks and you have some eggs that you could contribute could you please indicate this on the slip, and send the eggs along on Monday morning.

We will have our first **School Assembly** for 2018 on Monday morning. This will be held in Room 1. (Foundation—1 classroom) All parents/Carers are most welcome to attend our assembly.

School Lunches—as we have done in the past students will have access to School Canteen Lunches every second Friday , and the opportunity to order lunch from Subway on the alternate Fridays. This week Subway lunches will be available. For ordering purposes a Subway envelope is attached.

School Uniform—if parent/carers wish to order any items of school uniform please contact Debbie at the school by Friday 9th February.

Kind Regards

Glenda



Welcome/Welcome Back Breakfast

Family Name: _____

Attending: (Names) _____

We can contribute eggs: Yes/No. If Yes number: _____

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

School Fees 2018

Last School Council set the school fees for 2018. For 2018 the School Fees are as follows

Essential Items: \$160.00. The fee covers items essential for to support student learning.

Voluntary Contribution \$60.00 (Grounds)

School Council also approved the following payment options:

Option A	Full amount at the beginning of Term 1
Option B	Payment at the beginning of each Term
Option C	Half yearly payment (beginning of Terms 1 & 3)
Option D	Other payment arrangements

Thank you to those families who have already paid fees or hav indicated their preference for payment options. During the year other cost may be incurred—these costs may include (but are not limited to) excursions, incur-sions, special lunches.

Canteen Lunches

School Newsletter and Communications

Communication with parents is vitally important and the school newsletter is the major way in which we inform the school community about upcoming events and happenings. To ensure everyone receives this newsletter, it will be distributed to the oldest child in each family on Wednesdays.

Sunsmart

Just a reminder that we are a Sunsmart school and in Term 1 and Term 4 it is a requirement that students wear their school wide brimmed sum smart hats.

Arrival and Absences

Just a gentle reminder that our school day and learning starts promptly at 9.00 each morning. Children are welcomed into classrooms from around 8.40 – 8.45 and are expected to make their way to classes as soon as the music starts. So that learning can begin promptly it is expected that parents will also say their goodbyes when the music comes on. We appreciate your help with this as our goal is to maximize learning time and decrease disruptions to learning. If students arrive late, it is an expectation that students will be signed in at the office before proceeding to class. Late arrivals to school and regular absences mean that children miss the important instructional part of the lesson when concepts are being introduced.

Leaving Early

If for some reason your child needs to be collected during school hours it is our responsibility to ensure that procedures are in place for the collection of your child. The procedures determined by the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development are as follows:

Students must only be collected by their parents (subject to any specific court orders) or by a person who has been authorized by you to pick up your child. We will record when the student has been collected early from school, the reason for the collection, the person who received the child (including signature), and, if the person is not known to the school, verification of identity using suitable photo identification (eg. Driver's licence).

We ask that you come, or the person authorized by you, to the office and complete the sign out slip form. These requirements

Personal Goods Brought to School at Owner's Risk

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it will generally not pay for any loss or damage to such property. Therefore, bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school is discouraged.

Family Law Courts & Intervention Orders

Families that have Family Law Court Orders or Intervention Orders are requested to provide a copy to the school so that the school can act in accordance with any orders. Family Law Court Orders stipulate the rights of both parties and enable us to act appropriately and lawfully. It is also appropriate that the school is in possession of the most recent Family Law Court Orders or Intervention Orders.

Student Accident Insurance

As a school we do as much as we can to protect and care for injured students including first aid, notifying parents and emergency contacts if students are injured or hurt, and if necessary, an ambulance is called. Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Most medical costs will be refunded by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may also be able to claim transport or other expenses from that fund. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold accident insurance for school students. Reasonably low cost accident insurance policies are available from the commercial insurance sector and these can be obtained