



Pyramid Hill College

Respect ● Learn ● Community

Pyramid Hill College is a Child Safe School



Newsletter
March 24th, 2023

Diary 2023

March

- 27 School Council & AGM
- 31 Hot Shots Tennis Yr 456
Immunisations Year 7 & 10
Please note: Change of Date
Tesep Rocks & Fossils Yr 9

April

- 5 Fete 3-6pm
- 6 Last day of
Term 1



Principal's News



Hours of Attendance

The school grounds are supervised by staff from the hours of 8:40am – 3:30pm. These are the only times that students should be on the school property unless there is a teacher supervised school event happening.

Pyramid Hill College is a "Child Safe" School. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children.

Pyramid Hill College Values

Respect:

We are respectful of self, others and the environment. (we are thoughtful of our words and actions.)

Learn:

We are learners who strive for excellence. (We challenge ourselves to do our best.)

Community:

We are community minded and embrace diversity. (We foster a sense of community and belonging for all.)

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Harmony Week

Harmony Week is a very special week in the school calendar with this year's theme being 'Everyone Belongs'. Today we have had a wonderful celebration as we shared in a multicultural lunchtime feast. We sampled authentic Egyptian, Kenyan, Filipino, New Zealand and Australian foods and attempted authenticity with our Greek, American, Canadian and Indonesian food and drinks. Thank you to all our students, staff and families that contributed in so many ways to this very special occasion. This event was a resounding success and there were many requests to hold another multicultural feast soon!



Thank you to our master chefs for the day.

Fete

Our Pyramid Hill Fete is rapidly approaching on Wednesday 5th April, I urge you to all come along and share in the festivities. The students and staff are very busy organising their activities for the event. This will be a great time for our school community to come together, to enjoy meeting others and to celebrate that we are able to once again hold fun events. Be sure to mark the date on your calendar!

Year F-6 News

Workers of the Week - Last Week



Hayley Simmons: great improvement with her reading at home.

Kirkussel Ceballos: making great progress with his reading.

Jasper Mutugi: making great progress with his reading.

Classroom Cup - last week



Congratulations to Year 2/3 on winning the Classroom Cup

Workers of the Week - This Week



Brady Gilmore: caring for his classmates.

Tobias Wiltshire: great work in the 2/3 classroom.

Edie Gould: trying really hard with her writing - to write more and spell words.

Thomas Hercott: great start to debating this week.

Maddie Leerson: listening to feedback and putting it into action.

Classroom Cup



Congratulations to Year F/I on winning this week's cup.

Diaries

It is extremely important and an expectation that all students in the primary section of the school bring their diary every day. They are needed to log in reading and to check if reading is being done at home each night. The diaries are for any communication a teacher may need to relay home or parents need to send to school. In some classes the students spelling words are put in to them for practise.

Fete

The Fete is less than two weeks away and the students are very excited planning their stalls. Thank you to those families who have sent items for the raffle, the baskets are filling up and are great prizes to win.

Bendigo Excursion "Are We There Yet?"

A day excursion to Bendigo on 15th May has been organised for the primary students. A note has been sent home this week. The day will include a visit to the Bendigo Art Gallery to see the new exhibition called Australian- Designing a Nation, and a drawing activity. This will be followed by the play "Are We There yet?" based on the book by Alison Lester. To finish the day we will be attending Gurri Wanyarra for a swim and play in the water park. I have been lucky enough to secure a grant for most of the bus travel, which has kept the cost down to \$22.

Harmony Day

It is Harmony Day today and there have been a number of activities and discussions related to what this means taking place in each classroom today and over the week. Thank you to the people cooking our lunch today. It was a great chance to try something new and share a meal together.

Whole School Assembly

Congratulations to everyone today who received badges, swimming sports certificates, swimming certificates and to the Year F/I students for their little song and actions. It was also great to see parents and friends come along to support of students.

Good Friday Appeal

Just a reminder if you are interested in collecting for the Good Friday appeal for the Royal Children's Hospital on Good Friday morning at 9.00 am, please contact Mrs Burke

HANDS ON LEARNING

A program supported by Save the Children

This week in HOL, we were really busy and had two jobs that we had to complete for this week. This included cooking part of the lunch for Harmony Day as well as putting together the stage for the assembly on Friday. For the Harmony Day lunch on Friday, we prepared the ingredients, then cooked noodles using the giant wok. For the stage, we had to move all the equipment for the stage from the stadium into the BER. We then assembled the stage and then moved the BBQ out ready for Harmony Day.

By Jamison



Indonesian Student Exchange

Pyramid Hill College are seeking host families for 10 Indonesian students on exchange again this year. Students will be aged between 15 and 17, years, with six girls and four boys keen to experience life as part of our community in Pyramid Hill.

Two staff members (one male, one female) will also be seeking hosts.

The exchange will take place from 29th July - 12th August 2023. If your family are interested in hosting, please let Joy know in the office.

If you have any further questions, contact Kelly Gould via email: kelly.gould2@education.vic.gov.au

Year 7-10 Learning Neighbourhood

Bicycle Education

Due to inclement weather we had to postpone bike education today. Within the program we are looking at promoting using bicycles to access local facilities which we will continue to do in the sessions to come. Thank you to the students and families who have brought in bikes and helmets. Year nine and ten students will continue to ride next Friday.

Snow Camp (Year nine and ten students)

Forms will be distributed before the end of term for the snow camp. We are finalising the itinerary with the camp provider which will involve mainly downhill skiing and some cross country skiing. The forms will contain an equipment list, itinerary and deposit slip.

Naplan

Well done to all students across the school who completed Naplan this year. The data collected will assist the College community, thank you to Mr McCann and the staff for implementing it.

Auskick (AFL for 5-12 year olds)

Auskick will be starting up during the first week of term two (Thursday April 27th). We will be having a "Meet the Coaches" session on Thursday April 6th for those who would like to come and see what Auskick is all about or to just practise their skills. We were fortunate to have so many helpers last year, we hope to see many students and parents/family members attend the sessions to support the Auskickers. Participants will need to be registered by a parent/guardian on the link below.

Location: Mitchell Park

Time: 4:00pm – 4:45pm

Start date: Thursday April 27th (Weekly on Thursday during term 2)

Sign up: <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/d5f203>

Coaches: Luke Roberts and Bryden Morison

GEOLOGY ROCKS-TALK WITH A ROCK EXPERT

Community members are invited to attend Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall on Friday 31 March 3:30pm to talk with rock expert Rodney Boucher.

Rodney Boucher is a keen ore geologist, who has worked in industry around Australia. He has worked in several states giving him many rock stories and samples to share. Rod specialises in grass-roots exploration - mapping, drilling, geophysics, geochemistry.

Rodney will be hosting a session with students in Year 9 and 10 talking all things 'Fossils, Evolution and Extinction' at the College. Students, community members and teachers are also invited to join us at the Memorial Hall to learn about our local rock story. He has kindly offered his time from 3.30-5pm to chat all things rocks with community members. You might have a cool rock that you would like to know more about or just a keen interest in our local rock formation.



The Lake of Scars will also be presented for viewing in the hall following the session.



SRC Update

The Pyramid Hill College Easter Fete is only weeks away. Hopefully Mega Basket Raffle tickets are selling well. If you missed out of would like more, please contact the office. Thank you to those families who have placed their donations for the Mega Basket Raffle into the Office. Baskets are looking good. Please see below for class basket donations to help make this a successful raffle. Thank you

Year P/1 - Basket 1—Easter Madness

Suggested items: Easter Eggs, Easter nick knacks, chocolates of all sorts.

Year 2/3 - Basket 2—Road Trip

Suggested items: All the things to take on a road trip (great for holidays), small games, snacks, maps, binoculars, card games etc.

Year 4/5/6 - Basket 3 Pantry Filler

Suggested items: Any item you might like to find in the pantry, sauce, tinned food, chips, biscuits, cereal etc.

Year 7 and 8- Basket 4 'T'

Suggested items: All items that might begin with 'T'. Tim tams, tic tocs, toilet paper, tennis balls, tie etc

Year 9 and PHC Staff Basket 5 - Beach Bonanza

Suggested items—all things beach, towel, sunscreen, hat, sunnies, etc

Year 10 - Basket 6 - Mexican

Suggested items: All things Mexican, Taco sachet or box, tortillas, three bean mix, sombrero etc

School Fete

Wednesday,

April 5th

3pm - 6pm

Heaps of Stalls



Wednesday 5th April
3pm—6pm

Movie and BBQ
Dinner at 6:30pm
Dinner \$8 per person
Or
\$25 per family
Can be paid for at the school office, please order by Friday 31st March.

Pyramid Hill College Easter Fete

Shark Obstacle Course
Tex Bucking Bull
Year level stalls
Great food and drinks
Entertainment for all
Community Stalls
Games
Fun for everyone

Easter Hat Parade 4pm
Easter Egg Hunt 6pm
Mega Basket Raffle Drawn

Unlimited Shark Obstacle Course and Tex \$12
Wristbands can be purchased from the office.

Everyone welcome!

BULOKE LODDON TAC L2P PROGRAM

Need help getting your P's?

The TAC L2P program helps young learner drivers (16-21) with limited access to supervising driver or vehicle to get on the road with trained mentors available to help them obtain the 120 hours necessary to get their licence.

For more information about this FREE program contact the North Central LLEN on 03 5491 1144 or email l2p@ncllen.org.au

North Central LLEN

School Vision Statement

The Pyramid Hill College community is committed to providing an inclusive, caring and rigorous learning environment that engages our students and challenges them to reach their full potential; academically, socially, emotionally, physically and creatively.

Students are empowered to demonstrate and value knowledge and skills that will support them, as life-long learners, to participate in and contribute to a wider community.

We promote a positive school culture that ensures staff, students and parents feel valued, have meaningful opportunities to contribute to the school and can effectively engage in the learning journey.