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**At Heathcote PS we value...**  
**Respect**  
**Learning**  
**Teamwork**  
**Responsibility**

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**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to another week of news from Heathcote PS!

**CHANGES TO SENIOR UNIT**

In order to provide a more supportive and productive learning environment in the Senior Unit, a third full-time teacher and a part-time teacher will be employed to work in this unit, starting next term. The full-time classroom teachers will be Mr. Clayton, Mrs. Ryan and Mr. Morris, who will be returning from leave. Mr. Gilmore will also be working in the school two days a week, next term, to provide the full-time teachers with their approved planning time.

This change will enable the students to be separated into three smaller classes, of around 16-18 students, for the Literacy and Numeracy blocks and will ensure that our children have greater support during the two focussed learning sessions each day.

Students will still have the opportunity to work with other Senior Unit students in the afternoon sessions when they will operate in two larger class groupings, blue group and red group, as well as spending some time together as a whole unit.

Class lists outlining the new structure will be sent home with the Senior Unit students today, and the students will be given some time during the day tomorrow to meet in their new class structures. Please take some time to talk with our child about the benefits of these new groupings and help prepare them for the changes that will occur next term.

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**GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL**

During their SAKGP kitchen session this week, our Senior Unit students have worked hard preparing and decorating a huge collection of cupcakes.

These cupcakes will be sold during the Good Friday Appeal at the Union Hotel on Friday, to raise money for the Royal Children’s Hospital.

A flyer outlining all the great activities that will be at the Union Hotel this Friday was sent home yesterday, so please make sure you support this worthwhile cause.

We would like to wish Lyn and Travis Edwards all the best in reaching their goal of $10000 towards the Good Friday Appeal! Thank you also for allowing us to do our part in the making of all the cupcakes!

Kind regards,

Cindi Bruechert  
bruechert.cindi.l@edumail.vic.gov.au
Congratulations to our Civics and Citizenship Award winners for this week:

**Miss O’Neill’s Grade**
- Ellie Close
- Ashton Edwards

**Mrs. Parry’s Grade**
- Ami May Burgess
- Pru Norris

**Mr. Morris’ Grade**
- Lizzy Butler
- Lachlan Rudland

**Mr. Clayton’s Grade**
- Paris Morgan
- Levi Boyd

**STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

Congratulations to Mrs. Parry’s grade who were the winners of our Attendance Champions trophy this week.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

School Photo Day is Wednesday 15th May

The photo ordering envelopes will arrive early Term 2.

Extra envelopes for ordering sibling photos will also be available from the Office, in term 2.

Photo orders can be returned to the Office before the 15th May. We will group them by classes ready for the photographers.

All payments go directly to Advancedlife Photography. These orders are not processed via the school. Please select a payment method that suits you from the options available from “How to order School Photos” letter from Advancedlife Photography.

**EASTER RAFFLE**

Thank you to all the families that have already sold their raffle tickets and donated items for our hamper. **A reminder to all families to please return their raffle tickets and money to school tomorrow, Thursday 28th March.**

The raffle will be drawn tomorrow afternoon, Thursday 28 March at 1.45pm, just prior to student dismissal at 2.15pm.

**EASTER HAT PARADE**

Tomorrow, Thursday 28th March, we will be holding an Easter Hat Parade. Children are encouraged to come to school displaying their fun creations.

We will all have the opportunity to parade these at 9.00am in the Gallery. Families are welcome to watch the parade at this time.

**BOOK CLUB**

Books ordered from the Scholastic Book Club Issue 1 have been distributed to families this week. **ENJOY!!!**

In Term 2, we will participate in Issue 3 only, In Term 3, Issue 5 only but in Term 4 we will participate in Issues 7 and 8, giving more opportunities for Christmas shopping ideas.

**REWARDS AND BONUSES**—each Issue that our school participates in we receive rewards and bonuses.

These include, books, posters, big books, CD’s and teacher references.

These resources go into the classrooms and the library - **ALL FREE so thank you.**
COMMUNITY NEWS

**Australia’s First Coloured Commemorative Coin!**

**LIMITED EDITION**

For a $10 donation

the $2 Poppy Coin will come with a Certificate of Donation

Australia’s first commemorative $2 coin in colour has been unveiled by the RSL and the Royal Australian Mint. A unique Australian legal tender, this groundbreaking coin is simply an outstanding keepsake for every Australian.

The coin depicts the red Flanders Poppy, which is synonymous with Remembrance Day and the sacrifices made by Australians in conflict.

All funds raised go to support our vital RSL programs helping thousands of Veterans and serving Defence personnel and their families in homes and communities across Australia.

Available from the RSL National Office at Level 1, 45 Constitution Avenue CAMPBELL ACT

Please order can also be made through the National Office at 02 6240 7199.

Please note there will be a minimum postal charge of $5.

www.rsl.org.au

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**Cruden Farm Family Fun Day**

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Sunday 28th April 2013

11am-4pm

60 Cranbourne Road, Langwarrin VIC

(Cranbourne Road entrance)

**Admission**

Adults: $25 (was before April 12th)

Family: $50 (was before 4pm 12th)

Concession: $15

Children Under 15: FREE

Ask us about special discounts for group bookings of 10 persons or more.

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**Activities**

- Barbecue sausage sizzle
- Devonshire tea
- Wine sales
- Silent sales
- Classic car show
- Raffles
- Circus workshop
- Fair ground games
- Live music and dance
- Cruden Farm’s magnificent grounds
- Australian Carriage Driving Society

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**Mental Health Foundation Australia**

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