Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to another week of news from Heathcote PS!

**ANZAC DAY CEREMONIES**

Our students had the privilege today of attending a performance by Geoffrey Graham called ‘The Voices of War’. Geoffrey had the students enthralled throughout his one hour performance. He used his talent for verse, song and ‘larrikinism’ to introduce the students to the life experiences of an Australian soldier during the first World War. Geoffrey is doing another performance at the RSL Hall at 7.30pm tonight for members of the wider community.

At 10.45am tomorrow, our Grade 3-6 students will be participating in a special Commemorative Ceremony to honour the soldiers from the Heathcote area who gave their lives during the First World War. Our students will be placing specially named crosses in the grass in front of the RSL and placing a poppy at the base of the cross as a mark of respect. The students have been allocated a specific soldier and they have been doing some research to find information about their soldier.

On ANZAC Day, our School Captains will be representing our School at the Heathcote RSL ANZAC Day Ceremony. The students will share in the reading of the ANZAC Requiem and they will also be laying a wreath of remembrance for the soldiers who lost their lives while serving our country over the years.

**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN PERMISSION FORMS**

As part of the new Department of Education and Training guidelines, a letter of consent is required to be signed before our new Chaplain, Megan, can work with students on an individual or small group basis.

To ensure that all students have access to the valuable support that Megan can provide, we are asking that a Consent Form be completed for all students.

Thank you to those families who have already returned their Permission Forms. If you have not returned your form, please fill it in and return it to school as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

Cindi Bruechert
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Congratulations to our Civics and Citizenship Award winners from the last week of Term 1:

Miss O'Neill's Grade
- Shanae Cassidy
- Emily Mitchell

Mrs. Parry's Grade
- Brayden Walsh
- Ella Eiseman

Miss Somerville's Grade
- Ashton Edwards
- James Pringle

Mr. Clayton's Grade
- Grace Edsall-French
- Josh Moule

Just a reminder that parents are required to pay the Online Subscriptions as listed on the 2015 Student Booklists in order to be able to access the three Online Programs: Reading Eggs, Ziptales and ZooWhiz (maths). If you haven't already done so please pay this by the beginning of Term 2.

Our school photos will be taken on Wednesday, 13th May. Individual Student envelopes have been distributed and must be returned prior to Photo Day. Sibling photos envelopes are available from the school office if you would like a family photo.

Parents have the option of returning payment with cash or cheque in the envelope or by making an online payment directly to Advanced Life Photography.

For online ordering
1. Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your 9 digit school code: [3EM1XZMT8]
2. Enter your student's details
3. Choose the package
4. Pay for the photos via the shopping cart

Please make sure your child is in school uniform for Photo Day.

Lunch Day
Tomorrow, Friday 24th April.

Milo Sales
The Parents Club/Fundraising Committee will be selling Milo at first break (11.00am) on Friday mornings for 50 cents each. We would appreciate any donations of biscuits such as Teddy Bear or Scotch Finger biscuits.

Mothers Day Stall:
The Parents Club will be holding a Mothers Day stall on the Thursday and Friday prior to Mothers Day. There will be a range of gifts that children can purchase. Prices range from $1 to $5.

Next Meeting:
The next Parents Club meeting will be held next Monday, 4th May at 9.20am (after assembly) in the SA Kitchen. All welcome.

Crazy Hair Day
We will hold a crazy hair day on Wednesday, 29th April to raise money for the grade 6 graduation. Please bring a gold coin donation.

Communication Books were sent home last term. Please take the time to read through the book with your child and ask them questions about the work they have been doing in class this term.

Please return the Communication Books to your child’s class teacher so they can continue to update them.

The Communication Books are a record of your child’s achievements at this point in time and they are a great resource to look back on as the years go by, so please enjoy sharing them with your child and extended family members.
ENVELOPE AND ORDER INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Parents & Students  

PHOTO DAY IS WEDNESDAY 13\textsuperscript{TH} MAY 2015

School photo order envelopes have been distributed to every student. Extras available from the office.

Important Information

- Every student ordering photos must return an order envelope before photo day OR order online.
- Every student ordering photos must return their own order envelope – even if their payment is in their sibling’s envelope.
- Sibling photo order envelopes can be collected from the school office and must be returned to the school office before photo day or order online before 11/5/15.
- Orders placed after photo day will be charged a late order fee.

Order Instructions

1. Select a photo package option - each option is explained on the flyer attached to the order envelope.
2. Complete your order envelope - use a black or blue ball point pen and fill in your order and contact details.
3. Complete payment - cash cheque or credit card (ONLINE ONLY)

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Heathcote Junior Football/Netball Club

We will be holding NET SET GO for kids aged 5-10 yrs.
At Barrack Reserve on Wednesdays, 4pm—5pm
Starting 27th May 2015
Cost: $60 for 10 weeks

Please come down to the stadium on any Wednesday for more information
Or call Julie Gellatly on 0401 490 845

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The Mr Ivor Times
Thank you to Elizabeth and her mum for starting us off again this year in the Home Learning Box. Please take the time to call in at the office foyer to read about her vegetable garden.

We are very interested in having some other new items for our Home Learning Box which is a space in the front office dedicated to families being able to share their home learning experiences.

We would love to display some of the activities that your families engage in at home. It is so interesting and fun learning about what other families do outside of school and may even give us some ideas for after school, weekend and school holiday activities.

Some examples include instructions on cooking a particular meal, a display about a camping trip or time away, gardening work or information on, family heritage/culture.

You can contact Ash Whicher with your ideas.

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