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

| Monday, 16 November | Foundation Transition Session  9am |
| Tuesday, 17 November | Basketball Clinic—Junior Unit |
| Wednesday, 18 November | School Council Meeting  5.30pm |
| Thursday, 26 November | Junior Unit excursion—Melbourne Aquarium |
| Thursday, 3rd December | SRI Christmas concert |
| Friday, 4th December | Great Victorian Bike Ride in Heathcote |
| Tuesday, 8th December | Orientation Day |
| Friday, 11th December | Grade 6 Graduation |
| Friday, 18th December | Last day of Term 4—Early dismissal |

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to another week of news from Heathcote PS!

WALK TO SCHOOL

As part of the Healthy Together Walk To School Program each of our classes tracked the number of days the students walked part of the way or all the way to school, in October.

The following students were the highest in their classes on our Walk To School Charts - the Close Family, Leah Gellatly, Ella Eiseman, Josh Comer, Miguel Tongco, the Ferguson Family, Jorgia Formosa, David Fleming-Bull and Josh Moule - and were eligible to go into the draw to win a new scooter.

Congratulations to Josh Comer who was our very excited winner!

HABITS 4 HARMONY - HELPING OTHERS

This month, as part of our Habits for Harmony we are learning the habit of ‘Helping Others.’ Every classroom will have a lesson on why helping others is important.

You can support this program at home by discussing the monthly habit that we are learning and explain to your child how this habit leads to harmony at school, at home and in the community.

TRANSITION SESSION ON MONDAY

Next Monday 16th November, from 9.00am - 11.00am we will be conducting the second session, as part of our 2016 Transition Program. There will also be another three transition sessions before the end of the year.

Our current Grade 2 students will take part in their own Transition Session as they will be joining Mrs. Somerville in the Grade 3/4 class when the Preschool students are at school, so that they can get to know their new teacher and develop an understanding of the type of work they will be required to do as Grade 3 students next year.

During this transition session, the Grade 4 students will join the Grade 5 students in Mr. Clayton’s room, while the Grade 6 students will work on preparations for their Grade Six Graduation, which will be held on Friday 11th December.

Kind regards,

Cindi Bruechert
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CIVICS AND CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Congratulations to our Civics and Citizenship Award winners from last week:

Miss O'Neill's Grade
- Brooke
- Madison

Mrs. Parry's Grade
- Zieke
- Leah

Miss Somerville's Grade
- Bradyn
- James P

Mr. Clayton's Grade
- Lachlan
- T-Jay

MONDAY MORNING ASSEMBLIES

Parents are most welcome to attend our Monday morning assemblies at 9.00am, where we sing the National Anthem, discuss upcoming events and give out awards. We would love to see you all there!

BOOKLISTS

Year level booklists are being finalised at the moment and will be sent home in the next few weeks. Please be aware that this cost is coming up—either to be paid at the time of the order or when collected in January.

LOST LIBRARY BOOKS

There are still several library books that have not been returned. If you have received a Library notice, please have a good look at home for your overdue library book.

Invoices will be sent home for the replacement cost of any lost library books.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

Icy Pole Sales: We will be selling icy poles every Friday at lunch time. 50 CENTS each.

If you can help out on a Friday or are able to donate Zooper Dooper icy poles, please contact Julie, Kylie or the office.

Grade 6 Graduation preparations are underway. The graduation will be held on Friday, 11 December at 5pm followed by an informal dinner.

If you are able to help out with any of our fundraising activities please contact Julie or Kylie Allison.

IGA Hamper Raffle

Shaylee and Isabell, two of our Year 6 students will be selling raffle tickets, money raised will go toward the end of year Grade 6 Graduation program.

Tickets are $1.00 each or 3 tickets for $ 2.00

Prize is a Hamper, generously donated by IGA Heathcote

Raffle winner will be drawn at the Graduation evening.

JUNIOR UNIT EXCURSION

This years Junior Unit Major Excursion will be to the Melbourne Aquarium on Thursday, 26 October.

The cost will be approximately $45.00 per student. Most families will have CSEF available to cover this cost.

Permission forms with the final cost will be sent home shortly.

Grade 6 Graduation
Friday, 11 December 2015

The formal part of the evening will commence at 5pm. This will be followed by an informal Barbecue Tea.

- Could parents please return the form indicating how many from your family, including your grade 6 child, are attending.

To assist with catering, we will ask families to contribute either a salad or a sweet for the shared meal.

Dave’s LAWNMOWING + SMALL ENGINE REPAIRS

Tel: 0408 536 856
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Our students enjoyed the day playing Milo Cricket at Strathdale on Tuesday of this week.

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Heathcote PS - Parents’ Club News
Orientation Day

Tuesday, 8th December, 9.15 am

Heathcote Primary’s Parent Club would like to invite new and existing parents and carers to come and be a part of the Fundraising Committee for the school.

The 2016 Foundation students will commence their Orientation Session in the Junior Unit at 9am.

There will be a Principal’s Talk for parents of Foundation students held in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen at 9.15am. This will be followed by an informal chat and morning tea with the Parents Club.

We will be discussing Fundraising ideas for next year and would love to have some fresh new ideas.

All parents, New and Old to the school, are most welcome to attend.

Morning tea supplied.

Any questions feel free to call Julie on 0401 490 845 or Kylie on 0449 790 803
CHILD CARE FOR HEATHCOTE—
UPDATE ON PROGRESS

Thanks to those of you who have returned forms etc to us. The response has been good, but for those of you out there who may have received information just before the school holidays it’s not too late. You can bring the forms back to your kindergarten or school and they will be collected, or email to childcare4heathcote@gmail.com or post/hand deliver to the Heathcote Community House, 55 Hospital St Heathcote or PO Box 749 Heathcote.

An update on progress so far - The Community Child Care Association has been asked to prepare a proposal for feasibility/due diligence for childcare in Heathcote. Community Child Care Association (CCC) is the peak body for community owned, not for profit children’s sevices in Victoria. CCC has a proud history of strong advocacy for community owned, not for profit children’s education and care services and the recognition earned through the delivery of a range of high level resources, training and professional development, supporting quality and growth in the Victorian Children’s Education and Care Services sector.

For those of you who would like to know more about the organisation, here is a link to their website http://www.cccinc.org.au.