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Hesket Primary School News

Fortnightly Newsletter – 23rd May 2025

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Diary Dates

June

Thurs 5th June - School Photos
23rd - 27th June - Whole School
Swimming - Kyneton Aquatic

Other Significant Dates

11th September - School Concert
17th September - Annie, Princess
Theatre
November 12th – 14th - Whole
School Camp – Phillip Island

What Matters

Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to the Open Afternoon last week. The attendance was fantastic and most of all, it was lovely to see the way families moved through all classrooms, taking the time to read, comment and celebrate each student's learning. The Music and Art rooms were lots of fun too!

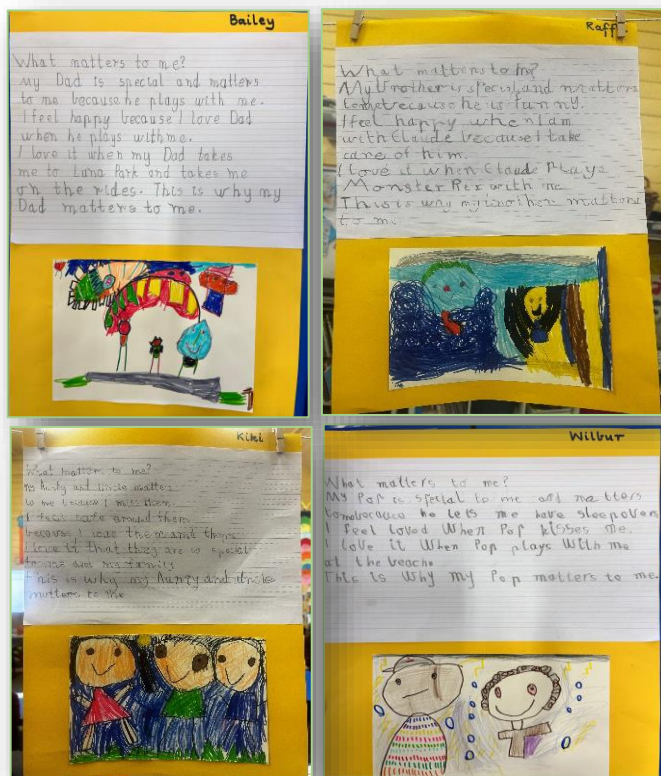
In today's newsletter you'll have the opportunity to read a few excerpts of the students' What Matters writing pieces – Wilbur, Raffi, Kiki and Bailey's are first; amazing writing Preps!

Pets Matter - I strongly believe that cats matter because they make you proud. If your cat makes you proud by performing a trick you feel fantastic. You can't deny that pets matter! Jobe

School Matters - Everyone knows that school matters because it makes your life easier. If life's not easier then there will be more challenges in your life. In truth, school matters. Oscar R

Friends Matter - I strongly believe that friends matter because they are fun. Friends are fun to play with and you can play football or soccer with them. When I play with my friends I feel amazing. Clearly friends matter! Sidney

The Environment Matters - Without a doubt, the environment matters because trees keep you calm and



happy. When you see the beautiful, coloured leaves you feel

amazing, and it can calm you when you fiddle with the leaves. Clearly the environment matters! Ellina

Friends Matter - I strongly believe that friends matter to me because they keep you company. If you don't have friends you would be lonely all your life. You can't deny that friends matter. Mathilde

Soccer Matters - I can't believe it. I've never lost a game before. My coach comes over to me and whispers, "There is no losing, only winning, and learning." At first, I don't understand but then he repeats it. I start to get his point. There is always next year and today is just like a subject at school. We're always learning. How could anyone not think that soccer matters to me? Jamie

Pets Matter - As I open the gate into the fern green grass, the sun shines like bright butterscotch. I see my horse as I walk over and there is my cat shivering furiously next to my horse. As I bring my cat inside, I feel glad, joyful and thrilled. Now my pets are in my heart. Hannah L

Books Matter - Some people don't appreciate books the way I do. As my eyes scan the page once again, the book weaves new words and messages into my mind. A message wraps around me. I need to stand up to bullies. What would the world be without books? Books matter because there's a message in every book. Margot

My Unusual Love For Books Matters - Wonder is filling me whole. The delicate pages wrinkle from my intense grip. The soft groan of the pages triggers another thought. Voldemort's plan is too calculated. Too unusual. What does he want? What does he need? A new cauldron of thought bubbles in my mind. Who, what, when, where and why? Zap! Both wands shoot a bullet of coloured light. By this point the paper is ripping. Thud! I close the book, questions still circling in my mind. Books matter because they bring me joy. Carys

Ice Skating Matters - I arrive at the ice rink. I feel nervous, excited and jubilant. As I enter the winter wonderland of glee, the icy, frost chills make me delighted to be here. I have never been here before and I'm exhilarated with eagerness to just go gliding on that big ice block right now. Ice skating is enjoyable, fun and feels like a winter wonderland. Esme

Maths Matters - If the world didn't have maths, it would be a disgraceful place. People would be like modern cavemen. Maths is one of the key things in life. It is a field of study that uses logic and brain power to explore concepts like numbers, shapes, calculations and quantities. If you didn't learn maths, the world would be a very hard place for you! Say you were working for a supermarket as a cashier. Then one day the calculator broke and you would have to use maths. If you didn't learn maths, you couldn't serve any customers. This is one of many reasons why you need to learn maths. Micah

The World Matters

The world is dying
People are denying
The things you grow
The things you know
Will no longer be here anymore
And it will sadly stay like this for ever more
Ivy

Taking Breaks Matters - I dart into the classroom just in time, the teacher raising an eyebrow as I slide into my seat. Then the lesson begins and the focus shifts to numbers and symbols. Time flies by, I raise my hand to answer questions, the homework seems doable. The bell chimes. Students crowd the halls. I'm laughing with my friends when, once again, the bell peals and we rush to class. The next lesson goes as smoothly as the first. Things

click together in my head and I easily process the information. At the end of the day I wave goodbye, already excited for tomorrow. Amelia

Pollution Matters - The bushes tremble as a creature emerges. A tiny thing, a bedraggled thing, an injured thing. Auburn feathers, stained crimson. A plastic bag restraining its left wing. The bird opens its beak and lets out a feeble cry, eyes reflecting pure agony and terror. At the sound of its claws clattering against the pavement, a cat rockets out from behind a fence, beady eyes triumphant. It's all over in ten short seconds. All because the bird was too injured to escape. All because a human was too lazy to pick up that plastic bag. Emily M

Nature Matters - Max woke to the sound of roaring cars speeding past his bedroom window. In the distance he could also hear construction noises booming and train wheels screeching. Max was feeling stressed. The city was so obnoxiously loud that he couldn't hear himself think. He climbed out of bed and slowly hobbled into the living room. Max sat down on the hard cramped couch, the living room was the size of a pebble. The world outside felt like the size of a classroom model globe, the apartment was as claustrophobic as a deep, dark, wet cave. He looked up to the sound of people's legs thumping on the carpet above. Immanuel

Welcome Aleshia

This week we welcome Aleshia Vella from Curtin University to our Junior classroom. She's a second-year student teacher on her first two-week placement. She has settled in well and has formed a great relationship with the students already. She will work with us again for a few weeks later in the year too.



Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Thank you to Aleshia for organising our delicious Staff Morning Tea this week. What a great way to support the Cancer Council. Well done to Aleshia in raising over \$1500 so far from the events she hosted. Please support the generous businesses that supported her events with food donations. These included:

Where's the Party At? - Rockbank,
Cedar Bakery - Watergardens,
Cakes by Rhiannon - Romsey,
Mattina Bottega Focaccia -
Macedon

Ranges, The Brownie Bar -
Maddingley, Yum Melia - Windsor
and Florian - Carlton.

Garden Beds update

Pop past the front entry to see the work from our Junior class this week in designing and creating our new garden bed displays. They are full of vegetables and flowers.



What a Run!

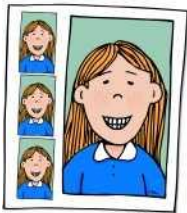
Congratulations to Hannah for her incredible run at the Goldfields Division event last week. To qualify, Hannah ran 4th in the Cobaw District event at Hanging Rock the week prior. In Castlemaine however, Hannah found her grit and held 2nd place for the whole race in a much tougher field. Thank you to Zoe for cheering for all of us on the day - next stop Regionals at St Arnaud on Tuesday the 27th May. Good luck once again Hannah!

Attendance

Just a note in relation to absences. If your child is away, you can let us know by phone or Seesaw. If you are using Seesaw, please include Seona and your child's teacher in the message. Thanking you.

New Beanies - On Sale Now - \$15

Our new beanies have arrived and are a hit. These four students give them a big thumbs up.



School Photos - Thursday 5th June

School photos have been booked for Thursday the 5th of June. Individual order forms will not be sent home; families are asked to use the QR in this newsletter to view various packages and to order. Photos will be taken from 9am so we remind everyone to be in full school uniform and on time on that day.

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to Grace H, Jasper and Flossy who have all celebrated their birthdays since our last newsletter. We hope you had wonderful days with your families and friends!

Run Club

Congratulations to Wolf Gang and Leo W who joined Run Club 25s, Emily A, Esme and Keiran who joined Run Club 50s, Felix and Amelia who joined Run Club 75s and Ariella who joined Run Clubs 100s since our last newsletter. Great running everyone. As always, some special milestones need to be acknowledged this week.



Some other impressive milestones:

- 10 Runs - Zach, Bjorn and Kiki
- 20 runs - Adeline and Grace H
- 35 Runs - William
- 40 Runs - Oscar H
- 45 Runs - Max and James B
- 60 Runs - Mathilde, Phoebe and Carys
- 80 Runs - Ada and Aurelia
- 85 Runs - Harry and Hillary
- 90 Runs - Alex
- 110 Runs - Emily M

Social Stencil

In the last Social Stencil session, we learnt about different friendship types. We talked about close friends, friends and acquaintances. This week we looked at why dramas can sometimes happen in friendships. Just about every friendship drama is in the **Drama Triangle**.

The Drama Triangle is made up of three parts; the Lion, the Mouse, and the Magpie.

Generally, the **Lion** is aggressive. They might yell, argue, fail to forgive, seek revenge, try to overpower others, and make others fear them.

The **Mouse** is vulnerable. They might cry, run away and hide, try to find someone else to save them and fix the problem for them. They might have a weak, mousey voice.

The **Magpie** is the well-meaning, but destructive rescuer. The Magpie might get involved (with good intentions) in order to help their friend. Like a true magpie, they swoop down to protect the ones they care about, but by getting involved, they often make a situation worse and bigger than it was. When the Magpie swoops in and takes over, the Mouse and the Lion never learn how to solve problems for themselves. The Magpie can end up becoming a Lion themselves, and then, the drama continues.

When you and your friends are in conflict, you're probably somewhere within this triangle. Sometimes people move around the triangle, switching roles. You might be wondering, how do I get out of a Drama Triangle? Over the next few weeks, we'll be learning about four strategies that can move you out of the Drama Triangle.



Open Afternoon in the Art Room



The Visual Arts room was heaving with curious minds and curious hands at the Open Afternoon last Wednesday. We hired a pottery wheel for everyone to experiment with during Visual Arts class last week, so this afternoon we were able to prioritise parent clay play. There was a queue of parents ready to don an apron and have a go at throwing a pot and getting their hands dirty in the process. It was a joy for the students to see their family members try their hand at a new skill and make a mess at the same time. There was a range of malleable materials to sculpt forms like playdough, cloud dough, clay dough, air dry clay and plasticine. The recipes for these were available to take home so you can have fun with 3D form at home too. Thank you to Emily for all her help organising on the day.





Enrolments - 2026 Tours Invited

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- Art
- PE
- Science/Sustainability
- Auslan
- Academic Excellence
- Growing Community
- Before and After Care



Great things happen in small places...

Our school follows the Department of Education's Enrolment Policy for the enrolment, placement, and transfer of students. Students who live within the school zone are guaranteed a place at our school. To find out whether you live in zone, visit findmyschool.vic.gov.au

All other applications will be considered subject to available space, and prioritised according to:

- students with a sibling at the same permanent address who are attending the school at the same time
- all other students in order of closeness of their home to the school.

Prep Enrolment Timeline for 2026 Prep Enrolment

Term 1: Tours invited for 2026 enrolments

Term 2: 2026 tours continue - enrolment applications open

Term 3: 2026 tours continue - enrolment applications due by Friday 25th July.

Parent notified of enrolment application outcome Friday 8th August

Term 4: Transition sessions commence.

Hesket Primary School currently has a capped enrolment of 75 students. Please book your school tour and submit your enrolment forms to avoid disappointment.

Students of the Week

Student of the Week

This award recognises
Ita
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For always being so kind to others and always doing your absolute best!
Mrs Thomas and Lydia

This certificate features a decorative border with yellow and pink stars and a background of colorful, abstract shapes in shades of yellow, pink, and purple.

Student of the Week

This award recognises
Zach
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For trying hard with all your work and for showing such a fun spirit - we love your energy and enthusiasm!
Mrs Thomas and Lydia

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Student of the Week

This award recognises
Oscar
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For being respectful and trying your best. We've noticed how hard you've been working!
Mr Williamson, Katie and Dayna

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Student of the Week

This award recognises
Max
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For absolutely, awesome addition!
Mr Williamson, Katie and Dayna

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Student of the Week

This award recognises
Harry
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
You have wonderful general knowledge Harry, and we appreciate the way you share it. We love the valuable contributions you make to class discussions.
Bri and Brianna

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Student of the Week

This award recognises
Jamie
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For taking initiative and being such a great helper this week - much appreciated Jamie!
Bri and Brianna

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Student of the Week

This award recognises
Ada
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For encouraging others to strive towards their best work and always keeping a positive attitude.
Zoe, Katie, Charli and Dayna

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Student of the Week

This award recognises
Micah
as a star student at
Hesket Primary
For being a studious and hard-working student in the classroom and for confidently joining in and showing us some of your flair in TOM this week.
Zoe, Katie, Charli and Dayna

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PHOTO DAY

COMING SOON!

Thursday, 5th June 2025

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