



## Week 10, Term 2 2021

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
Week 10		NAIDOC Week and class speak offs
Wednesday 23 June		Didjeribone Incursion
Thursday 24 June		Semester 1 Reports distributed
Friday 25 June		Last Day of Term 2
Monday 12 July		Staff return – NO students
<b>Tuesday 13 July</b>		<b>Day 1, Term 3</b>
Tuesday 20 July	6.30pm	P&C Meeting
Tuesday 27 July	<b>Note date change</b>	Mini Olympics Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 28 July	9.30am – 12pm	Education Week Open Day
Friday 30 July		HGIS Speak Off
Wednesday 4 August	6.30pm	School Readiness Information Evening
Tuesday 17 August		Science Week - Experiment Day
Friday 20 August	tbc	P&C Movie Night / Food stalls
Tuesday 24 August		Book Week Parade

### Reports

School reports will be distributed on Thursday 24 June. I would like to thank the teachers for their hard work and dedication to inform parents accurately of where their children are achieving against the curriculum at this point in time.

We would like to reinforce that achieving a 'Sound' is an indicator that your child has achieved a sound understanding of the curriculum at this point in time. This is where your child is aiming to operate at. We appreciate that parents aspire for their child to obtain a High or Outstanding grade, however your child's response to feedback and how they apply this to improve on their results is what is of upmost importance. Please explain the report to your child and discuss the teacher's comments and the future goals recommended for them. It is improvement on the future goals that will help them to achieve greater success in their learning.

Year 1 parents, we would like you to note that your child's report will be graded differently this year. Your child has moved from a three-point scale in Kindergarten to a five-point scale for Year 1. This is inline with the departments assessment and reporting policy.

If parents have any questions about their child's report, we request that you schedule an appointment with your child's teacher through the front office on 9580 5361 or via the school's email address ([hurstvilgr-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:hurstvilgr-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)). Given that it is the end of term, please be prepared that it is most likely that these appointments will take place early next term.

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## Attendance Matters

Over the past four weeks we have been speaking to the students about school attendance and how crucial it is for them to **arrive on time each day**.

Prior to these conversations, some classes were having 2-3 interruptions a morning from late arrivals. The first half an hour of the school day, is considered the most crucial part of the days learning, as it is where the expectations for the day are explained and it is where explicit teaching begins. If this information is missed or constantly interrupted, it makes it very difficult for learning to smoothly occur. We would like to acknowledge the improvement across the school since we have had these conversations. Last week, 3 of the 4 classes only had 1 interruption each from lateness over the whole week and Kindergarten have had the biggest improvement with 100% of students arriving on time.

Thank you to the parents and students for making a huge effort to get up a few minutes earlier to ensure on time arrival at school each day. We look forward to this pattern continuing next term.

The students were promised a lunch party for the class who had the greatest on time attendance. As all classes have demonstrated positive results and improvement, we have decided all classes deserve a special lunch to celebrate approved attendance for Term 2. The date for this will be announced early next term. Monitoring will continue next term and we hope for the same outstanding results.

## Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



## Walk-a-thon

We would like to thank our school community for supporting a wonderful 'walk-for-the-playground'. This event was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the students and the parents who were in attendance.

With 70% of students returning their sponsorship money thus far, and 2L having the largest percentage of sponsorship cards returned (69%) and George M in KO raising the most amount of money thus far, we are well on track to achieving our \$5000 goal to support our playground upgrade. There is still time to get your money in. Don't forget there is a prize for the first class to get all of their money in and prizes for students who raised the most amount of money in each class.

## Education Week

Lifelong learning is this year's theme for Education week. We will be hosting three events during Week 3 to celebrate public education and your child's learning at HGIS.

**Tuesday 27 July**  
**Wednesday 28 July**  
(inclusive of open classrooms,  
**Friday 30 July**

**Mini Olympics, Athletics Carnival**  
**Open Day**  
**Speak Off**

**Renown Park School**  
**School hall**

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## Kindergarten 2022

We are taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2022. If you or your neighbour have a child who is starting school in 2022 please phone or email the school to arrange for an enrolment form or school tour.

Our school readiness information evening will be held on Wednesday 4 August at 6.30pm in the schools Learning Hub.

I would like to thank the teachers and staff for their commitment to ensuring the students at HGIS have the very best opportunities to thrive socially, emotionally and academically. They are so deserving of this mid-year break. Along with the staff, I also wish the students and their families a safe and relaxing holiday.

We look forward to seeing the students return on Tuesday 13 July.

Kylie McKinnon  
Principal  
June 22<sup>nd</sup>



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**SCHOOL READINESS INFORMATION EVENING**  
Wednesday 4th August  
6.30pm

**KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION**  
Thursday 9th September  
9.30am - 11.00am

**TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM**  
Thursday 28th October  
Thursday 4th November  
Thursday 11th November  
9.30am - 10.30am



Please contact the school to arrange a tour

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