

# Huntingdale News

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### Term Dates 2014

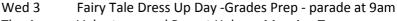
Term IV 6 Oct - 19 Dec

### Term Dates 2015

Term I 30 Jan - 27 March
Term II 13 April - 26 June
Term III 13 July - 18 Sept
Term IV 5 Oct - 18 Dec

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### December



Thu 4 Volunteers and Parent Helpers Morning Tea

Fri 5 2015 Japan trip deposit due Tue 9 Year 7 Orientation Day

Thu 11 Christmas Concert and Picnic - from 6.15pm

Mon 15 Reports to go home - No assembly

Thu 18 Grade 6 Graduation - 7pm

Fri 19 Last Day of school-12.30pm Assembly - 1.30pm finish

# **Principal Report**

Three weeks to go; how quickly a year flies by! I was sent a YouTube link this week which I thought encapsulated our aim at Huntingdale Primary School and particularly our value of Personal Best. The Carol Dweck footage which is based on a study of Praise and Mindsets is something that I would encourage you all to watch. You can find the footage http:// at www.youtube.com/watch? v=NWv1VdDeoRY&sns=tw

Our aim at Huntingdale is to instil a thirst for lifelong learning and an understanding that giving effort and acknowledging the strategies used will have a lasting effect on the children in our care. Enjoy four minutes watching something that will hopefully impact on your dialogue with others for a long time.

#### 2015 Staffing

In the last newsletter we notified you of some changes to staffing in 2015. We are in the process of working through the next stage of interviews. I have great delight in announcing the following appointments. Ms Mayumi Cake will continue to work with

us as a Japanese Teaching assistant as she has done over the past three months. The continuity this will provide to the children and teachers will ensure a smooth transition next year. Congratulations Mayumi on your appointment. We also welcome Miss Erin Emes to our staff. Erin comes from an interesting background working in a range of roles, most recently for Deakin University and Trees Adventure. We look forward to your enthusiasm and congratulate you on your teaching appointment.

It is with great pleasure I announce that Mr John Powell has gained a position as a substantive Leading Teacher with a focus on eLearning and differentiation which will suit his areas of passion beautifully. John has been working hard to increase our use of ICT as a tool for learning and this position is a reward for his efforts. We will miss him at Huntingdale but I am sure you will join me in wishing him all the best for the next stage of his career development. We are in the process of finalising his replacement at the moment.

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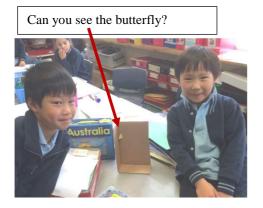
I also have great delight in announcing our teaching teams for 2015:

- Foundation Team Mrs Olivia McAlpine, Mrs Naomi Mori-Hanazono, Mrs Maria Perrella & Mrs Alyson Wakely
- Junior 1 Team Mrs Maria Mathews, Mr
   Eiji Nishikubo, Miss Linda Ooi & Mrs Soo Lee
   Tan
- Junior 2 Team Miss Kim Philpott, Mrs Tomoko Smith & Miss Rebecca Wood
- Middle Team Mrs Keiko Harada, Mr Brett Herskope & Mr Pete Magart
- Senior Team Mrs Keiko Harada, Mr Nick Tolliday & Miss Manon vanPagee

We will have additions to the Junior 2 Team in both Japanese and English classroom teacher roles as well as in the Middle team in the English classroom teacher role. Once our panels are finalised we will welcome our staff members in our final newsletter for the year.

Have a great fortnight everyone!

#### Kate Spithill Principal





The caterpillars have been munching on these leaves all term!

# Assistant Principal's News

It's been a very busy fortnight with a lot of events happening in the school!

#### **Japan Trip Information Night**

We had an excellent Japan Trip Information Night last week where many prospective participants were given information about the organisation and running of our Year 5-6 Japan Trip in October 2015. This was capably organised and presented by Mrs Naomi Mori-Hanazono who has done an excellent job in arranging a very complex school event. A reminder for those planning on attending the Japan Trip deposits are due Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **2015 Prep Information Night**

Last Tuesday night was our 2015 Prep Information Evening. Our Prep Teachers Mrs Maria Perella, Mrs Olivia McAlpine, Mrs Alyson Wakely and Mrs Naomi Mori- Hanazono made an excellent presentation to our new Prep families. It was lovely to meet many of our new Preps and start getting to know them.

#### **Grade 1 Science Learning**

This week I had the privilege of visiting 1M and Nishikubo sensei as they continued their science learning. Throughout the term they have been learning about lifecycles, particularly the lifecycle of a butterfly. They have read the book 'The Hungry Caterpillar' in Japanese, watched some caterpillar's hatch out of their eggs through the electronic microscope, watched the caterpillar morph into a cocoon.....and this week....the most exciting thing happened... Do you know what it was? Yes! The cocoon hatched and out came the butterfly! 1M were very excited to share this experience and you can tell how happy they are in the photos. Thank you to Nishikubo sensei for providing such an engaging and high quality learning experience for our children.

Have a great fortnight....it's not long to go until the end of the year!

Ruth Biddle

# しょうがっこう にほんご ハンティングデール 小学校 日本語ニュース

Japanese famous animator, Hayao Miyazaki movies will be shown on SBS 2 this summer!! Visit the following website for more information.

http://www.sbs.com.au/movies/article/2014/11/27/sbs-2-hayao-



My Neighbour Totoro

Saturday December 6, 5:55pm



Ponyo Saturday January 3, 6pm

Editor: Eiji Nishikubo







### Grade 2 shines

Grade 2 achieved some wonderful results recently in Art class.

This project involved embossing an aluminium sheet with their designs and finishing with the application of bright marker colour. Don't they look great!?

Visual Art Teacher: Tomoko Smith

















### OSH Newsletter

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before Care Activities	Make Your Own Puzzle, Cat and Mouse	OSHClub Pho- to Collage, Circle Race	OSHClub Photo Collage, Soccer	OSHClub Photo Collage, Run the Gauntlet	Design your own Toy, Trivia
After Care Activities	Make Your Own Puzzle, Floating Eggs	Knights Lego, Ginger Bread	Beginner Weav- ing, Disability Awareness	Team Drawing, Fruit Juice Icy Poles	Playground fun, Design your own toy

**Menu: Morning** Toast with vegemite, jam, Weet bix, cheerios, rice bubbles, corn flakes, apple juice, Apple, blackcurrant juice and greek yoghurt

**Menu: Afternoon** Apples, grapes, oranges, pears, mango, rockmelon, strawberries, cucumber, carrots, capsicum, watermelon, blueberries, pineapple, bananas, **celery** PLUS see below

Menu:	Salad Sand-	Rice crackers	Nachos	Salad wraps	Snack biscuits
Afternoon	wiches	with dip			

#### PARENT INFORMATION

OSHC program phone: 0429 363 990 - OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000 Coordinator: Daniel Thomas - Assistants: Mona Devi, Sheetal Sethi -

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at <a href="www.oshclub.com.au">www.oshclub.com.au</a> all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator directly at the program.

#### PROGRAM UPDATE

Hello everyone, hope you are keeping out of the heat and getting excited for the end of the school year and the fast approaching Christmas season! It is hard to believe the year is almost at an end, it seems like just yesterday that the year began. In celebration, we would like to invite all OSH parents, students and staff members to our End of Year BBQ, to be held outside the Gillian Penfold Hall on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December from 4-6pm. This will be a fantastic opportunity to see the fun and hard-work the students have put into the program over the year and have time to socialise over a meal. All dietary needs will be catered for, however if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dan.

This week at OSHClub, we will be preparing for the end of year barbecue by making a photo collage of our year that we will display with our Reflection Journal for parents to look at. We are hoping to include lots of examples of student artwork, games we played and things we made, so it should be very interesting! Also this week, we have lots of activities, including a healthy twist on icypoles using fruit juice, perfect for the hot weather coming up!

As always, we are looking for old clothes, toys, books, recyclables or even craft materials to help us learn and have new experiences. We would absolutely love donations to the program and always appreciate the thought! We had a wonderful donation last year which has really helped us improve our program!

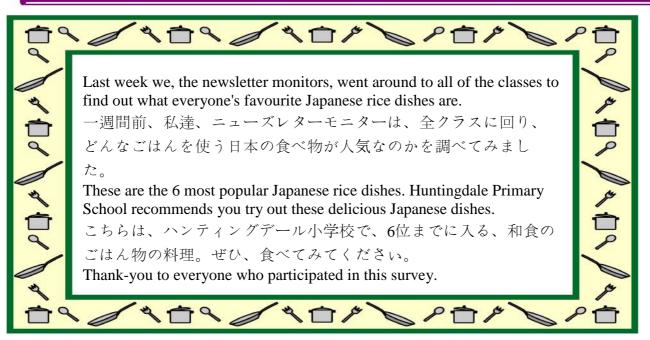
Just a reminder that if you need to contact the program for any reason, whether it be late bookings, cancellations or any other reason, please contact Dan on  $\underline{0429\ 363\ 990}$ . Looking forward to having a fantastic term!



### Hannah and Erica's Newsletter

# はなとエリカのニューズレター





Position	Name of food	Vote	Picture	Position	Name of food	Vote	Picture
1st	すし	71人		4 <sub>th</sub>	どんぶり	18人	
2 <sub>nd</sub>	おにぎり	36人		5 <sub>th</sub>	いなり	10人	
3 <sub>rd</sub>	カレーライス	30人		6 <sub>th</sub>	なっとう ごはん	7人	

Thank you to everyone who participated in this survey.

このアンケートにさんかしたみなさん、ありがとうございました。



By the newsletter monitors, Hannah N. & Erica B. ニューズレターモニターのにしくぼはなとベイリーエリカ作





## **Victorian School of Languages**

Is your child interested in continuing Japanese after graduating from Huntingdale next year?

At **Glen Waverley Secondary College** on **Tuesdays** after school, the Victorian School of Languages offers an advanced Japanese class for students from

# **Huntingdale Primary School**

- continuing Japanese class -

These classes are available to any Victorian school student.\*

Grade 1 to Year 10 students: \$70 per year

Year 11 & 12 VCE students: \$85 per year

\* Note: For International (non-permanent resident) students, contact VSL Area regarding fees

The Victorian School of Languages is a government language school within the Department of Education, consistently producing exceptionally high results in VCE languages every year. There are currently 55 languages offered through the Victorian School of Languages at 40 different schools around the state. Most classes run on Saturdays, but some run after school during the week. VSL also offers a range of Distance Education language programmes, through to VCE.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in one of the VSL languages offered at

VSL at Glen Waverley Secondary College, please contact us at:

Email: east2@vsl.vic.edu.au

Phone: **9802-4326** 

Information regarding other languages and other VSL centres can be found on the VSL website:

http://www.vsl.vic.edu.au/

Or contact the **VSL Head Office** directly:

Email: vsl@vsl.vic.edu.au

Phone: 9474-0500

