



3 February 2022 MINI NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to the 2022 School Year.

What a fabulous start to term we have had! Thank you for preparing your child to be school ready. We anticipate there will be little 'bumps' along the way as students get used to new teachers, with new rules and some different routines. This is to be expected. We will coach our students through the fact that it takes time for the new to become 'normal'. If however, your child gets upset, and remains upset over a period of time about things going on in the classroom it is vital that you talk to the classroom teacher either face to face, via phone or email.

This year we have nine classrooms across primary and secondary with 67 students currently enrolled. This is the first time this school has had this many classes. A milestone moment! We welcome back Emma Storey to ECE 1, Elise MacDonald in ECE3 and Amy Herring in S1 to teaching roles after taking leave in 2021.

We have many new Special Needs Education Assistants also joining the HSS community; Miss Hailie, Miss Meg, Miss Pricilla, Miss Ashleigh, Miss Paula, Miss Trish, Miss Bree, Mr Theo and returning from leave Miss Mel SE.

We also extend a very big welcome to all new families who have joined our school community this year: Azaliah in ECE 1, Michael in ECE 1, Pippa in ECE 3, Archer in P1, Ava-Lily in P2, Faith, George and Morgan in S3 and Jude and Penny in S1.

We will also welcome Ned and Georgie, our Happiness Hounds here at different times this term too which is exciting.



2022 Classroom Structures and Specialist Teachers

Room Number	Teacher
ECE 1	Emma Storey (M, T)+ Anna Henville (W, Th & F)
ECE 3	Elise McDonald (M, T, Th & F) + Theresa Wells (W)
P1	Rachel Wood
P2	Sarah Pollard
S1	Amy Herring (M, T & W)+ Jan Checutti (Th & F)
S2	Anna Henville (M&T) + Heather Prestage (W,Th & F) (Temporary)
S3	Natalie Mendes
S4	Kate Kenny (M-Th) + Kelly Bennett /Nikki Dyer (F)
S5	Nikki Pead (M&T) Sam Heirich (W, Th & F)

Our specialist areas for 2022 are:

Learning Area	Teacher	Phase of Learning
Communication, ICT & Sensory	Janette Chetcuti	Primary & Secondary
Physical Education	Heather Prestage	Secondary
The Arts	Sue Phillips	Primary & Secondary
Science	Kelly Bennett	Primary & Secondary
Work Place Learning & Career Education	Nikki Pead & Mel Finlay	Secondary
EC3 DOTT Release & other DOTT	Theresa Wells	Primary
Pathways/Admin Support	Nikki Pead (W &Th)	Both
Deputy Principal	Nikki Dyer	Both
School Psychologist	Amber Kenny (most W)	Both
PBS & Behaviour	Sam Heirich	Both



Assemblies – Fortnightly on Even School Weeks

Assemblies are fortnightly – Week 2,4,6,8,10. Due to COVID restrictions we can only allow the parents/carers of the student receiving the certificate to attend (maximum 2 people to attend). Hygiene and distancing rules must apply for ad-hoc visitors on site. If your child is receiving a certificate you will be notified by the classroom teacher.

Parking and the Car Park

HSS is a busy place with many staff, visitors, cars and buses visiting throughout the day. Your patience, care and understanding around parking and movement in this space is required. It is a 5km per hour limit, with reverse parking. Please use the pathways and safety crossing with your child. Take the time to model how to use the pathways and crosswalk. Please drive **in to** the carpark - refrain from verge parking.

Individual Education Planning (IEP) and Individual Transition Planning (ITP) Meetings

In week 3-5 Teachers will invite parent/carers to meetings that will be a planning meeting for your child's Individual Education Plan (IEP) or young adults Individual Transition Plan (ITP). All families will be receiving letters and notes from classroom teachers in the next few days containing the 2022 Student Questionnaire and a schedule of meeting times. We look forward to meeting with you and planning for your child's education.

Parent Drop Off (no earlier than 8.15 is preferred) and Pick Up Zone

A reminder to all families and carers when dropping students to school in the morning, please send your child to the Bus Bay. We have staff allocated to this area from **8:15am**, as we have students arriving on early buses. Students will not be sent through to classes until **8:40am** and the official instructional start time is **8.50am**.

When collecting your child/young adult at the end of the day, please wait at the bench outside of the Bus Bay and students will be called out to you by the duty teacher. This ensures we have a safe exit to families, carers and the buses for all of our students. Thank you for your cooperation and mindfulness about adult distancing in this space.

P&C Association

Every school has a supportive group of parents who help to fundraise for needed resources, raise awareness of school operations and generally act as a support mechanism in the school, fostering community engagement with families.

HSS P&C NEEDS YOU! We welcome new and existing parents to be involved in our school community. Please keep an eye out for more information regarding our first meeting (Date TBC)



Would you know what you'd do in a situation where your child's friend disclosed information about abuse? Have you ever considered what to say in the case of another child showing yours pornography?

Often parents don't want to think about dealing with a situation like this. It's scary and they hope it won't ever happen to their child.

What would you do?

Are you confused about how to teach your children to be wary of potential harm, without overloading them with fear, wrapping them in cotton wool, or giving them so much information that their innocence is damaged? Would you know what tried and true steps to take in the event a situation occurred?

Come along to this Protective Education Workshop

Protective Education is a proactive whole community approach to teaching life skills to children. It gives them the language to identify unsafe situations, arm them with tools to seek appropriate assistance or protect themselves.

Date: Tuesday 15 February

Time: 9am for 9.15am start. Finished by 11.15am

Venue: The School Library, Holland Street School

RSVP: hollandstreet@education.wa.edu.au

Two Themes of Protective Education:

"We all have the right to feel safe all of the time."

"We can talk with someone about anything."

Protective Education Concepts:

Theme reinforcement	Safety Continuum	Networks
OK to say "No"	Secret Enablers	Protective interrupting
Yes/Safe/Comfortable feelings and No/Unsafe/Uncomfortable feelings	Risking on Purpose	Persistence
Three Safety Questions	Cyber Safety	One-step removed
Secrets	Early Warning Signs	Public and Private
	Network review	Problem-solving

There will be books and resources available for purchase at the workshop.





HSS continues to take on the SunSmart Challenge in 2022. We provide sunscreen and always look for shady spaces to play but we still have a big focus on **HATS**. We ask that all students wear sun protective hats which are **wide brimmed** or a **bucket hat**. Both of these styles of hats are available at TWW uniform shop located on Flores Rd, Webberton. If you would like the logo stitched onto the hat please let TWW staff know when you make the purchase.



Crunch & Sip 2022

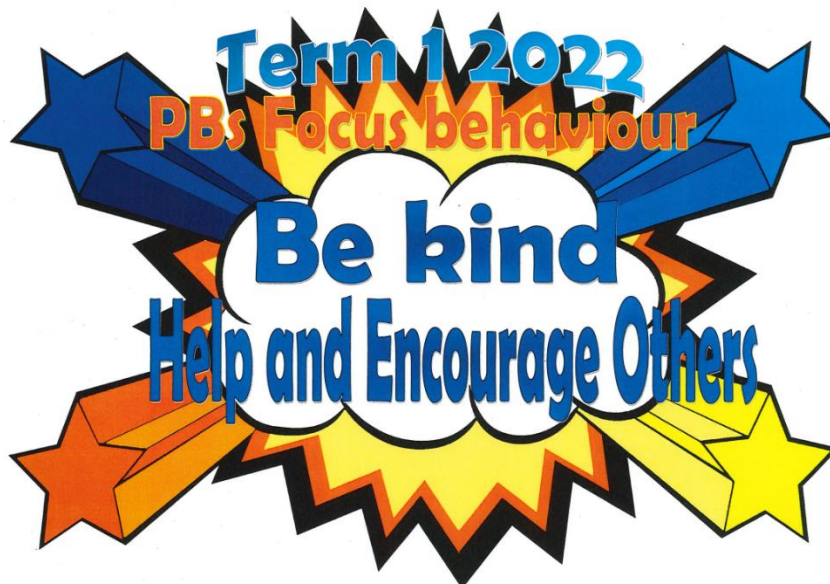
In 2022 we will continue on with the Crunch & Sip pledge. We will supply some fruit and vegetables but are encouraging all families to send along a snack for their child that meets the Crunch & Sip criteria to promote healthy eating. Some examples may be:

- **Fresh vegetable** (e.g. celery and carrot sticks, broccoli bits etc.)
- **Fresh fruit**
- **Fruit canned in water or juice** (no added sugar)
- **Dried fruit - sultanas, apricots** (in moderation)

We thank Woolworths Geraldton for their wonderful and much appreciated donations and for their ongoing support for 2022!

Positive Behaviour Supports (PBS)

Holland Street School has been engaging with the PBS framework. We have a termly focus behaviour to allow for explicit teaching of the skills required to demonstrate the behaviour. We will continue to acknowledge students with tokens throughout the day when they demonstrate the behaviour. The tokens are then taken to our fortnightly assembly and one token from each class is drawn as the fortnightly winner. Winning students are able to choose a prize from the prize board.





Communication with You:

Phone calls, face to face meetings, emails, communication diaries, text messages to the teacher's **school** phone or the use of safe apps e.g. Seesaw are the appropriate channels of communication.

School Star is another current, easy to use app that we use to inform parents of notices etc. A Website and Facebook page exist and are another form of communication from us to you. Our email address is: HollandStreet@education.wa.edu.au and this is another avenue for you to contact us.

Please be mindful of our social media etiquette and rules. Positive comments only on the Facebook page; no use of Messenger with school staff. School staff are discouraged to be social media friends as we must comply with the Code of Conduct and 'maintain appropriate professional relationships and boundaries with students and parents, carers and colleagues'. Please don't take offence when friend requests are amended or not accepted.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please contact your child's teacher or the office on 9923 6950 and we will schedule a time to meet to discuss.

Holland Street School is a waste wise school – the newsletter will be sent out in the School Star app. **If you would prefer NOT to receive a paper copy** please email Hollandstreet@education.wa.edu.au or call the office on 9923 6950.

We are all looking forward to a fabulous 2022 school year, where we work together to ensure we all provide 'Possibilities for All Abilities'

Regards

Rachel Rutter
Principal



School Star App:

iPhone users:

1. Open the App Store on your iPhone by tapping the icon.
2. Search the App Store for "MGM School Star"
3. Tap the button that says "+GET", then "INSTALL"
4. If asked, enter your Apple ID password.
5. The "INSTALL" button will turn into an indicator that shows the progress of the download.

Android users:


1. Open the Play Store on your Android Phone by tapping the icon.
2. Search the Play Store for "MGM School Star", and tap the search result in the list.
3. Tap the button marked "INSTALL"
4. The INSTALL button will turn into an indicator that shows the download progress.
5. Once the download has finished, tap "OPEN" to launch School Star.



2022 Term 1 Planner - Students

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	DATES TO REMEMBER
	23	24	26 Australia Day Public Holiday	27 School Office open Staff Dev Day 1	28 Staff Dev Day 2	<i>Wednesday Early Close 2:30pm</i>
1	31 Students commence 	Feb 1	2	3 	4	Week 3 Safe 4 Kids Workshop@ HSS 9-11am
2	7	8	9 2:00pm - Assembly	10	11	Week 5 2/3 Newsletter 4/3 Clean Up Australia Day
3	14	15 Safe 4 Kids Parent Workshop 9-11am	16	17	18	Week 6 7/3 Public Holiday Week 7 25/3 Ride 2 School Day
4	21	22	23 2:00pm - Assembly	24	25	Week 8 22/3 1pm School Council Meeting
5	28	Mar 1	2 	3	4	Week 10 5/4 Newsletter 6/4 9.30am ANZAC and End of Term Assembly
6	Mar 7 LABOUR DAY	8	9 2:00pm - Assembly	10	11 	Friday 8th April Last day of School for Term 1
7	14	15	16	17	19	
8	21	22	23 2:00pm - Assembly	24	25 National Ride 2 School Day 	



9	28 School Council Meeting 1.00pm	29	30	31	April 1
10	4	5 	6 9.30am ANZAC and End of Term Assembly	7	8

TERM 2 COMMENCES FOR STUDENTS ON TUESDAY 26TH APRIL

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

Contributions and Charges Statements will be mailed to parents next week. Items showing on the statement are payable prior to the end of Term 1 2022.

Payment can be made at the school by EFT or cheque. Direct credit into the school bank account is also available and these details will be outlined on the student statement.

Costs associated with incursions/excursions, cooking, school camp, etc. occurring during the year will be requested when the activity takes place. Payment is required to enable your child to participate in the activity.

Any families experiencing financial difficulty are invited to speak with our administration staff who can arrange a payment schedule to suit your needs.

Parents who have applied for the Secondary Assistance Scheme will receive an invoice; this is for your information only.

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7 TO 12
YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO:

\$350

towards school expenses

DO YOU HOLD A:

- CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD
- (OR)
- CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD
- (OR)
- VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

Applications Close
Friday 8 April 2022

Ask School Reception for More Information

