

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 1

Term 1 | Week 2 | 2019

Powerful, self directed learners who belong, believe and achieve

DIARY DATES

February 20th Governing Council AGM

9:45am in PAC

Acquaintance Morning 8:30am - 9:30am

February 27th—March 1st

Year 6/7 camp at West Beach Parks

March 11th

Adelaide Cup Day Public Holiday

March 14th

Celebrating Diversity Whole School Celebration

March 18th- 22nd Rec-5 Swimming Week

> March 22nd Year 6/7 Aquatics

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From Ms Keddie...

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome either back or to Hampstead Primary School for the year 2019. We are thrilled to see so many new faces and all wearing appropriate school uniform! Our students have all settled very well into routines and their learning programs. You should have received a learning overview from your child's class teacher outlining the learning that is planned for Term 1. If you haven't received yours, please contact your child/ren's teacher.

We have many quality learning opportunities planned for our students this coming year. Please come along to our Welcome Morning to hear from our students in more detail. This will be a fantastic year of learning for all of us!

This year's M&S School Fees are due. Prompt payment is greatly appreciated.

Welcome Morning

This year instead of an Acquaintance Evening we invite all parents and carers to come to school on February 20th to meet your child/ren's teacher, see their classroom and hear about the learning that is planned for 2019. All classrooms will be open from 8:30 am - 9:30 am on the Wednesday morning.

The Governing Council Annual General Meeting will be held that same morning in the PAC at 9:45am. There will be a morning tea provided in and around the kitchen at 10:30 am.

We hope to see many of you there.

News from Mr. M



How to Bee Creative at Hampstead Primary School

You may have noticed the buzz about bees lately, stemming from a growing concern about their disappearance from our backyards and gardens.

Bees pollinate almost 80 per cent of our food and many of our native plants, so providing suitable habitat is essential – especially in urban environments where it's harder for bees to find suitable food plants and homes, which can lead to a decrease in numbers.

At Hampstead Primary School, we want to create an awareness of how important the role of native bees play, as there is a concern about the decline of their habitats. I would like to have students be a part of building an environment for our native bees to call home.

For this project to be successful, I would like to ask families to see if they have any of the following items that may not be of use to you anymore or you may be thinking of throwing away.

- fennel stems (green or dry)
- bamboo sticks (any size or length)
- small cut logs
- 90mm PVC piping
- 2 litre plastic bottles
- twine or string
- old clay pipes or small besser blocks
- old CRT TV's or CRT Computer Monitors

If you have any questions or these items please come and visit me, I am located near the Art Room.









The first two weeks of this term have been spent working on personal and social skills and learning about our brain and how we best learn.

The main purpose of the personal and social skills activities is to help students develop resilience, persistence, team cooperation, trust, communication, and problem solving skills. We want Room 5 to be a safe and collaborative team that supports and encourages each other. We have been practicing our learning with the other West Wing classes and having a lot of fun along the way.

It is also important for students to learn about the brain, because once they have an understanding about what's happening in the brain, they have the power to make choices and control their own cognitive and emotional health and their own learning. We have been learning about neuroplasticity and the fact that the brain is constantly developing and changing. People are not born smart, but in fact, research tells us, that our talents and abilities develop through effort and persistence. Anybody can learn anything and become good at it through effort and persistence—the brain makes 'new roads/pathways' for each thing it learns. The more that 'pathway' gets used, the stronger it gets. Think back to when you learnt to ride a bike. It was really hard in the start, but with effort and persistence, it became easy. This means the only thing holding us back from learning is our attitude, or mindset.



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Our school has its own **Skoolbag App** to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent community. All school notices will be uploaded to the app.

iPhone users can install it by searching for our school name "Hampstead Primary School" in the Apple App Store.

Android users can install the app by going to the Play store and searching for Hampstead Primary School.

Skoolbag

GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

Our Governing Council AGM will be held at school on

Wednesday February 20th

In the PAC at 9:45 am.

We encourage all parents and carers to join us for the AGM and to hear about the progress and improvements our school is making.

We ask you to consider becoming a member of Governing Council.

If you would like to become a member of Governing Council please complete the **Nomination Form** below and pass it to the Front Office staff by **MONDAY Feb 18**th.

A voting process will be run during the AGM to decide our Governing Council members for 2019.



HAMPSTEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM 2019

I	would like to nominate
	/ myself to be considered to be a member of
Governing Council for 2019.	
SIGNED:	