



# NEWSLETTER

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## EAST HAMILTON HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL



### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Term 2 Start

It has been a wonderful start to Term 2 and great to welcome our students and families back to school. As always our COVID guidelines are ever-evolving and we are very pleased that the easing of restrictions allows for us to return to a greater level of normality. We welcome back assemblies and community events, as well as parents in classrooms. While masks are not mandatory, individuals can always choose to wear them while at school as they wish to. Our focus on ensuring the school is clean and appropriately sanitised remains, and I thank parents for prompt communication with the school regarding positive test results.

#### NAPLAN

Next week our Year 3 and Year 5 students commence NAPLAN (National Assessment Program of Literacy and Numeracy) testing. Across two weeks students will each sit four tests focused on assessing core literacy and numeracy skills and understandings. The information provided through the outcomes of these assessments help us as a school judge how we are tracking in relation to schools of a similar context across Australia, and the areas that we need to focus on improving. Parents will receive their child's NAPLAN report in a few months, which identifies the achievement score for each test as well as where the student sits in relation to minimum benchmark and the national average. These assessments are not designed to cause any stress or worry to students; learning is a journey. In 2023, the NAPLAN testing will be moved to Term 1.

#### School Uniforms

Over the weekend we 'spoke too soon' and shared that the uniform shop had sufficient stock of winter items, and we apologise for the frustration this caused on Monday morning when this was largely not the case. Our uniform supplier has been

hampered by global shipping circumstances that have impacted productions, but are working hard to ensure continuity of supply. As a school that highly values full school uniform, your patience is greatly appreciated.

#### Aspire

As part of our Positive Behaviour Support approach at East Hamilton Hill PS, this term we are focusing on the expectation of 'Aspire' and what this means to our students. As a school we identify 'Aspire' as *making an effort, attempt, strive or try*, and we explicitly teach the importance of a positive attitude. Our PBS team are working on ways to share our CARE values with the community and planning for the return of events such as the CARE breakfast.

#### Concerns

We are incredibly fortunate to have such dedicated and passionate staff who hold the best interests of each and every student at the heart of all they do in order to ensure every student is successful in learning and life. Your child's teacher should be the first point-of-call for any learning or behaviour related concerns you have; however, my door is always open should you have any wider concerns that you wish to discuss. Our community is such an important part of who we are as a school and I value your voice and partnership.

#### Kindergarten 2023

Enrolments are now open for a limited number of places in kindergarten for 2023. If you have an eligible child due to start kindergarten next year I encourage you to complete an application at your earliest convenience. Kindergarten, while an essential element in early learning, is still considered non-compulsory schooling (until enrolled) and numbers are limited in every school. Parents are only permitted to complete an application for kindergarten at one school and we would not want any siblings of current students to miss out on a place. Please contact the front office for further information.

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### Samara Donohue

Congratulations to Samara Donohue who has progressed through to Phase 2 of the state trials for AFL. This is wonderful news and we wish her all the best with the next stage of the selection process.

### School Board Position

The School Board has one parent position still open and we are seeking nomination to fill this. This is a 3-year tenure and any parent interested in this position is asked to please contact me via email: [Michelle.nash@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Michelle.nash@education.wa.edu.au). If you would like more information about what a position on the School Board involves, please contact the office on 9487 9300.

### Year 6 Camp Fundraiser Raffle Major Prize

Tickets are now available for our 2022 Year 6 Camp Fundraiser with the major prize pack of a Segway electric scooter, helmet, and lock, valued at \$1350.00. This year our Year 6 students will be staying at the Swan Valley Adventure Centre in Term 4 and all proceeds from ticket sales will go towards subsidising the overall cost of the 3-day camp. The student or family who sell the most tickets will also win a prize! Get your tickets in today!

*Michelle Nash*

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### NOONGAR LANGUAGE in 2022

Mrs Mippy would like to share our latest focus Noongar vocabulary for the fortnight with the school community.

**Ngany - I or Me**

**Noonook - You**



We will be listening out for students integrating these words into their conversational vocabulary.

## MOTHERS DAY STALL

Friday 6th May

To celebrate the lovely ladies in our school community, the EHHPS P&C committee have put together a small gift for children to purchase for their Mum's as a token of appreciation.

Please bring a gold coin donation if you wish for your child to participate.



**EAST HAMILTON HILL PS  
PARENT & CITIZEN COMMITTEE**

## INTERESTED IN JOINING THE P&C?

**We're focused on finding ways to better our  
school and strengthen our community**

**JOIN OUR NEXT MEETING  
MONDAY 9TH MAY  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
CONFERENCE ROOM**

Come and spend an hour with us and get involved  
with decisions impacting our school.  
We have lots of ideas we want to share with you.  
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

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