



Principal's letter

It has been a great start to the year with the children settling into their new routines. I would like to thank all the parents and family members who have continued to help keep our community safe by supporting our students do their Rapid Antigen Testing each morning or evening. This is one way we can help stop spread of COVID-19 in our school.

Also, a big thank you to those families who have booked in to be vaccinated either with their own medical practitioner or here at school. We look forward to having our second vaccination hub at school on **Wednesday 27 April** at 8:30am. Once again, if you would like your child to be vaccinated during this time, you must bring them to school and be present with them whilst they receive their vaccination.

Please note that in this edition of our newsletter, we have included events and services provided by local councils and Deaf related organisations. Please note that Furlong Park School for Deaf Children are not involved in these though we wish to inform you of Deaf related events in our community.

Warm regards

Lee Bullock
Principal

Vaccination Hub

We have another vaccination hub at school on **Wednesday 27 April** which is the first Wednesday after the school holidays. If you would like your child or yourself to be vaccinated, please bring them to school at 8:30am.



Term Dates 2022

Term 1: Tuesday 1 February – Friday 8 April

Term 2: Tuesday 26 April – Friday 24 June

Term 3: Monday 11 July – Friday 16 September

Term 4: Monday 3 October – Tuesday 20 December

Upcoming Events 2022

TERM 1

Wednesday 27 April – 8:30am – Vaccination Hub

Monday 14 March – School Closed Labour Day

Tuesday 15 March – Friday 25 March – 9 Days of Swimming

Monday 21 March – Harmony Day

TERM 2

Monday 2 May – Friday 6 May – Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday 3 May – Friday 6 May – School Camp

Monday 16 May – Education Support worker Appreciation Day

Monday 13 June – School closed for Queen's Birthday

TERM 3

Friday 15 July – School Photo Day

Monday 15 August – Friday 19 August – Science Week

Monday 22 August – Friday 26 August – Book Week

Monday 29 August – Friday 2 September – Father's Day Stall

Thursday 8 September – R U OK? Day

TERM 4

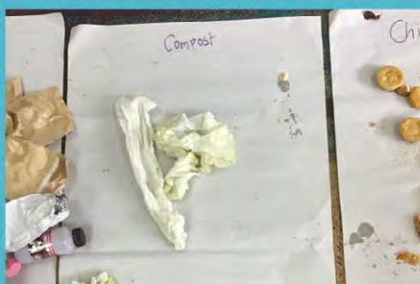
Friday 28 October – World Teacher's Day

Tuesday 1 November – School Closed for Melbourne Cup

Friday 11 November – Remembrance Day

Thursday 17 November – School Music Concert @ 6:30pm

Tuesday 13 December – Graduation for Students going to Secondary School



Room 3 are learning how to reduce, reuse and recycle. We separated the lunch rubbish today and learned that most of it could be recycled.





Get Connected is Deaf Children Australia's exciting new online mentoring program. It's a fun and engaging way for deaf and hard of hearing children aged 8 to 11 years to connect, and interact in a safe and supportive environment.

Outcomes: develop self-confidence, learn how to speak up, build lasting friendships, and create stronger connections to the deaf community.

Our inspiring deaf mentors have lived experience and a passion for supporting young people. They help participants build self-esteem, and encourage them to set and reach their goals.

A bilingual environment of Auslan and spoken English, and on request, live captions.

4 weekly sessions from Wed 4 May 2022 to Wed 25 May - 5-6pm (AEST).

Where: Online

Cost: \$480 per person (with NDIS plan), \$528 incl GST (without NDIS plan)

Limited places.

For more information, visit: deafchildreinaustralia.org.au/what-s-on

Or email: events@deafchildren.org.au

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JOIN US TO CELEBRATE OUR
DIVERSE COMMUNITY

FREE
EVENT

HARMONY DAY 2022

**SATURDAY, 19 MARCH 2022
11AM–3PM**

**THE WILLOWS HISTORICAL PARK
RESERVE ROAD, MELTON**

- INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES
- KIDS' ACTIVITIES
- CULTURAL PERFORMANCES
- MULTICULTURAL FOOD
- AND MUCH MORE...

The theme of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. Harmony Day is an opportunity for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common. It is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the Traditional Owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world.

Being COVID Safe is a shared responsibility. We want you to enjoy Harmony Day and stay safe. Please follow COVID Safe practices when attending the event.

Get vaccinated! To gain entry into the event you will be required to show proof of your double vaccination or a valid medical exemption.

For more information visit melton.vic.gov.au/harmonyday
or call 9747 7200





Please join us for a Mums' Morning catch up from the comfort of your own home. It's a great way to meet other mum's/carers going through a similar situation.

When: Thursday 24th February

Where: Zoom

Time: 10.30am - 11.30am (Qld)

11.30am - 12.30pm (Vic)

Please RSVP to your closest state:

Pod.vic@deafchildren.org.au

Pod.qld@deafchildren.org.au





Pop-up Vaccination Hub

Date: 26th March 2022

Time: 10:00am - 3:00pm

**Location: Level 3/340 Albert St, East
Melbourne VIC 3002**

- Bookings are recommended for adults
- Children under 11 must make a booking
- 1st/2nd and 3rd dose available
- AstraZeneca and Pfizer available
- Nurses, Interpreters and support workers available

**To make a booking, email
engagement@expression.com.au**



**ART
COMPETITION**
**THIS
IS
me**

VENUE:
DAVID WILSON ROOM
597 ST. KILDA ROAD
MELBOURNE

WHEN
5TH APRIL 2022

TIME:
5.30PM - 7.00PM

RSVP:
22nd March, 2022
events@deafchildren.org.au

Deaf Children Australia invites you to join us to celebrate the creative talents of deaf and hard of hearing young people at our inaugural Art Competition. You can view all submitted artworks and learn who the winners and runners up will be.

We will also introduce you to our wonderful judges-
SUE JO WRIGHT
JODEE MUNDY OAM
SELWYN HOFFMAN
IRENE HOLUB

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND DRINKS AVAILABLE. WE ARE LIVESTREAMING THE EVENT.

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This inaugural art competition is dedicated to supporting, promoting and nurturing deaf and hard of hearing youth in their pursuit of creativity and self expression.