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REMINDERS & THINGS TO DO



Masks are no longer required by anyone in school settings. We still have masks available for any staff, student or visitor that prefers to wear one.

All visitors are still required to sign in at main reception.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 2nd May

- ◆ PUPIL-FREE DAY No School

Wednesday 4th May

- ◆ Mother's Day Stall \$5/student

Thursday 5th May

- ◆ Grade 5-6 Science Excursion to Melbourne

Wednesday 18th May

- ◆ Café Lunch Order Day
- ◆ School Council Meeting 7pm, Finance Meeting 6.30pm

Thursday 19th May

- ◆ Incursion: Backyard Dinosaurs

Wednesday 15th June

- ◆ Incursion: Waterworks
- ◆ School Council Meeting 7pm, Finance Meeting 6.30pm

Friday 24th June

- ◆ End of Term, 2.15pm dismissal

From the Principal



**Christine
Owen**

Term 2 Begins!

The new term started with some a big change! Our students in the Wombat Warren discovered that Mrs Sheedy has taken up a position at Nathalia Primary School. This was not an easy decision for Mrs Sheedy, but one she ultimately had to make. For this week, Mrs Mac will take over the reins in the Wombat Warren.

Another huge change was the installation of our shade sail in the outdoor learning area in the Reflective Garden.

Mothers' Day Stall

This year's Mothers' Day stall will be held next Wednesday 4th May and will provide an opportunity to celebrate and thank all the important women in our lives, with a small gift.

MARS Excursion

Next week, Ms Whitney will be accompanying our grade 5 & 6 students to Melbourne for the science-based MARS Excursion. One student has been so excited and keen, that she has already completed the pre-visit project!

Naplan Testing

This will take place the week beginning 9th May. Students from grades 3 and 5 will be participating in Reading, Spelling and Grammar, Writing and Numeracy tests.

School Council

Last night School Council passed a number of updates to current policies. These will be up on the school website to view within the next few days. An important issue regarding School Council is that after the end of this year, we will need new parents to nominate and be involved to keep School Council and the school, operational. Please give some thought to being on School Council for next year. Or this year, too. We still have several vacancies!

FROM THE **Business Manager**



Mica will still be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

I am happy to discuss confidential payment options for fees or camps & excursions with you.

Café Lunch Orders

**3rd Wednesday
of every month**

18th May

15th June

20th July

17th August

19th October

16th November

Absences / Early Collections

Please make sure that for any planned absences or early collections, **the school is notified via text, Class Dojo message or phone message.** If there is no answer on the main phone, please leave a voice message.

PE



Tic Tac Toe – Stanhope Style!

Students had the opportunity to bring all their strategy skills to the fore during PE.

Play-based learning is so valuable.





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STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY AND CHILD SAFETY PRINCIPLES

Stanhope Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers.

We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children.

Stanhope Primary School have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures.

We have legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Stanhope Primary School is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early and removing and reducing these risks.

At Stanhope Primary School our values guide the decisions and behaviours of all members of our school community, including in relation to child safety:

- Success: Striving for excellence through persistence, resilience and self-belief.
- Learning: Optimising learning experiences aligned to individual learning styles and abilities to build capacity to reach our full potential.
- Citizenship: working in partnership with the community to build collaborative links for the future. Creating connections within our school community, and others as supporters of our students' success.
- Respect: Is inclusive and acknowledges the contributions of all others. Effectively utilises the range of backgrounds, skills, knowledge and capabilities of our community. Reflects and considers the impact of their actions on others.

We are committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Our child safe policies, procedures, strategies and practices will be inclusive of the needs of all children, particularly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, children with disabilities, and children who are vulnerable.

Every person involved in Stanhope Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role they play individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.



Stanhope Primary School ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are welcome
for our school.

Parents or carers can
contact the school to speak
with the principal,
Christine, or to collect an
enrolment pack.

- ◆ Small caring environment.
- ◆ Individual learning plans to ensure high student outcomes.
- ◆ Engaging curriculum delivery.
- ◆ Parent involvement encouraged.

School tours by
appointment.

Our New Shade Sail

Over the term break our new shade sail was completed over our outdoor classroom on the sensory reflective garden. Students are thrilled to have somewhere shady to sit.



Mythbusting: e-cigarettes

Myth: It's only water vapour

Fact: But it's not! Vaping products, actually produce an aerosol, which is a fine spray of chemicals and particles. Those particles can lodge in your lungs and the chemicals can enter your body via the lungs.

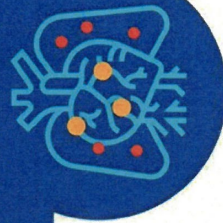


Myth: It's just flavouring

Fact: Nope! The flavours of e-cigarettes are made from multiple chemicals that are not safe to inhale into the lungs. Inhaling chemicals can damage your airways and lungs, with the long-term damage still not known.

Myth: Vaping is safe

Fact: Nup! E-cigarettes contain harmful chemicals, which can cause short and long-term health effects like vomiting, shortness of breath and lung damage. E-cigarettes haven't been around long enough to know all the health risks, but experts think it is likely they will cause mouth and lung cancers.



Myth: The brand I buy is labelled nicotine-free

Fact: Nope! Labels are frequently wrong. Most e-cigarettes on the market in Australia contain nicotine, even those that claim that they don't. E-cigarettes are unregulated, which means there are no consequences for a manufacturer who doesn't label their product accurately. Even nicotine-free e-cigarettes are harmful to your health.



Myth: I won't get addicted

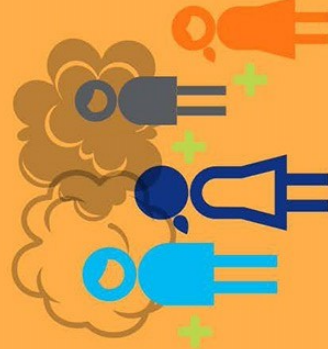
Fact: Think again! Nicotine is a highly addictive drug. Brains are still developing until the age of 25, so teens and young adults are especially vulnerable to nicotine addiction.

Vaping increases the likelihood teens will smoke cigarettes down the track, probably because the nicotine addiction – started by vaping – drives people to get a nicotine hit from cigarettes which are more readily available.



Myth: I see celebrities and influencers vape, and so it must be safe

Fact: Celebrities and influencers are paid by tobacco and e-cigarette companies to promote vaping. Don't take your health advice from celebrities – they're not reliable sources and they're getting paid to promote a product.



Myth: But what about vape challenges on TikTok?

Fact: Vape challenges promoted on social media platforms, like TikTok and YouTube, are often sponsored by tobacco and e-cigarette companies.

They're designed to get you to buy their products and get addicted to nicotine. These companies don't care about your health, they're only out to make money.



Myth: Vapes are safer than tobacco cigarettes

Fact: No! Vapes are more like tobacco cigarettes than you might think. Nearly all tobacco companies make e-cigarettes because they see vaping as a way to hook new customers.

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