



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Principal:

Nina McCabe

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Sarah Harris

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Kirsty Stewart

Executive Teacher:

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Preschool Teacher:

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Gaye Broad

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Karen Stone-Tolcher

IEC Office:

Pansy Sung

Board Chair:

Clyde D'Rosario

P&C President:

Lara Gladwin

Hughes Primary School acknowledges the Ngunnawal People, the traditional owners and custodians of this land.

Principal's Message

This week sees us with just under a month left of the 2020 school year. We are in the process of finalising students' Semester 2 Academic Reports and 2021 class groupings. Reports will be emailed home on Friday 11 December.

Yesterday, we had our 2021 pre-schoolers visit preschool for their first taste of school, and our 2021 Kindergarteners participate in our Kindergarten Transition Program.

Knowing that 'uncertainty creates vulnerability' (Timperley 2018), we plan the visits specifically to help prepare students for the following year by allowing them to experience what learning looks like in our early childhood classrooms. On Tuesday of Week 10, we have planned part of the day for students to 'act up'... The purpose of 'acting up' is to provide all students with an opportunity to imagine themselves in the learning environment that they will be in the following year, allowing them to go into the Summer holidays with a sense of certainty about 2021.

NAIDOC Week set a fitting scene for connected learning last week, as our students acknowledged special people, places and times and we officially opened our Reconciliation Garden with a smoking ceremony. Remembrance Day commemorations also occurred across the school, with classes engaging in a range of experiences to enrich children's understanding of the importance of Remembrance Day.



Be Kind & Try Your Best, Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be A Learner

Principal's Message continued

Congratulations to our Preschool Team - Susan, Colina, Brooke and Kirsty - who were announced as finalists in the 2020 ACT Public Education Awards in the category of Outstanding Partnerships. As mentioned in an earlier newsletter, the intergenerational connections that Susan and the team have fostered between our pre-schoolers and St. Andrews' residents deserves to be celebrated! The benefits of engaging young people with older people are well researched. Our commitment is informed by extensive studies that demonstrate the importance of social connection and community participation on health and personal wellbeing - for older adults and children. We know that intergenerational programs improve psychological wellbeing and attitudes towards different generations. They also increase resilience. Our children benefit so much from the wisdom and perspective our older friends share.

Congratulations to Allegra Ellis in Year 3 for organising today's highly successful '*Kind Kids for Smart Pups*' fundraiser. Allegra was helped by a team of Year 3 friends, and was motivated to organise this fundraiser as the services of a Smart Pup are needed for someone very dear to Allegra's heart. Smart Pups are a not-for-profit organisation based in Queensland and provide assistance dogs to children with special needs. Trained in task-specific skills, Smart Pups improve children's independence and quality of life. I am so proud that the school got right behind Allegra, resulting in us raising \$640.

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Warmest regards
Nina McCabe
Principal

NOVEMBER

- Tuesday 24 Preschool Interviews
 Year 4 Excursion
- Wednesday 25 CEIS
- Thursday 26 Preschool Interviews
- Friday 27 Year 3 Excursion
- Monday 30 Owls Preschool and Kindergarten Transition Day 2

DECEMBER

- Tuesday 1 Year 1 Excursion
 5/6 Girls Netball Gala Day
- Wednesday 2 5/6 Staycation
- Thursday 3 5/6 Staycation
- Monday 7 Market Day
- Tuesday 8 Owls End of Year Celebration
- Wednesday 9 IEC Graduation
- Friday 11 Canteen Sushi Day (Notes will be sent home on Monday 23 Nov)
 Butterflies End of Year Celebration
 K-5 Celebration of Learning Assembly
 Last day of Canteen
- Monday 14 Year 6 Graduation
- Tuesday 15 Transition Session to new classes 12-1
 Year 6 Dinner/Disco
- Wednesday 16 Year 6 Big Splash
- Friday 18 Last day of Term

Important dates
for your
diary





Two parent representative positions on the Hughes Primary School Board will become available in 2021.

Please give some thought to nominating to fill these positions as the school board plays a very important role in the running of our wonderful school.

Nominations will open in Week 1 of Term 1, 2021.



Please see tables set up in the foyer near the front office.

Hughes Primary School 2020 Yearbook

It is time to order your fantastic Hughes Primary School Yearbook. The Yearbook contains memorable moments for students and families to treasure. Each year level has created an engaging, fun snapshot of their class. In addition, every turn of a page highlights the amazing journey and activities that have happened during the 2020 school year.

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The cost of the 2020 Yearbook is **\$25**.






HUGHES SCHOOL SUSHI DAY

Friday 11th December the canteen will be having a Sushi day

\$8.00

Your order will include:

- **Christmas Cookie**
- **Drink (please tick your choice)**

- Tropical
- Apple
- Water

- **Sushi – of your choice with soy sauce**

- Teriyaki Chicken** with cucumber
- Vegetarian** with tofu, carrot & cucumber
- Cooked Tuna** with cucumber

PLEASE TICK ONE OF THE BOXES ABOVE FOR YOUR CHOICE OF SUSHI ROLL

- Extra Teriyaki Chicken \$3.80**
- Extra Vegetarian \$3.80**
- Extra Cooked Tuna \$3.80**

Child's Name: _____ Class _____

Amount Paid: _____

If you have any dietary requirements please call Debbie on 62814110

Please place the order form with **correct money** in a sealed envelope or bag in the lunch box at the front office.

Cash Orders no later than 10am Friday 4th December or Flexischool orders no later than 9am Monday 7th December.

www.flexischools.com.au

ONLINE ORDERING



- Available 24/7
- Convenient for parents
- Removes paper orders and cash
- FREE registration

Online ordering is more convenient, providing a 24/7 payment and ordering system that can be accessed from home, work or a mobile device.

No more fumbling around for coins in the morning or sending kids to school with excess cash, online orders are faster and more accurate giving parents peace of mind that their order and payment is received accurately at the school.

Registration is free and only takes a few minutes.

EASY, ONLINE REGISTRATION

- Go to www.flexischools.com.au
- Click REGISTER
- Enter your email
- You will be emailed a link to an online form - follow the link
- Choose a username and password and complete the form
- Add each student and their class
- Top-up the account - VISA or Mastercard preferred.



Place lunch orders from your iPhone, iPad or mobile device!

For help call **1300 361 769**





Healthy Kids Canteen Menu

Hughes Primary School

Order online at www.flexischools.com.au

Wednesday & Friday

Sandwiches & wraps

Rainbow Delight Salad: Layers of cucumber, lettuce, tomato, grated carrot	\$4.50
Egg & Mayo: Egg, mayo, crunchy lettuce	\$4.50
Chicken & Salad: Chicken, tomato, carrot, lettuce, cucumber, mayo	\$5.50
Toasted cheese	\$4.00
Extras: cheese or chicken	add \$1.20

Gluten free available on request

Salad

Design your own salad Add egg, cheese or chicken	from \$4.50
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Hot meals

Pasta Napolitana (with or without cheese. Gluten free available)	\$4.70
Veggie fried rice	\$4.50
Crispy chicken or Falafel wrap: with lettuce and your choice of sauce	\$4.20
Beef lasagne	\$5.30
Pasta bolognese (with or without cheese. Gluten free available)	\$5.30
Chicken nuggets x 6	\$5.00
Mac and cheese (veg) (Friday only)	\$5.00
Sausage Roll (Friday only)	\$4.00
Sauce sachet	\$0.30

Snacks

Watermelon tub	\$2.00
Milo cookie	\$1.20
Koala Popcorn: lightly salted	\$2.50
Jelly & custard	\$1.80
Banana bread	\$1.70
Warm cheese roll	\$3.20
Chocolate mousse cup	\$2.20
Garlic bread	\$2.00

Drinks

Water: 600ml	\$2.00
Juice (tropical, apple)	\$2.00
Moove flavoured milk (choc, strawberry): 250ml	\$2.60
Plain milk	\$2.00

Frozen

Frozen juice cup (apple, blackcurrant)	\$2.00
Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$2.80



MEAL DEAL (Wednesdays only)

1 hot food item (different each week)

1 frozen juice cup

1 mini choc muffin

\$7.50