Principal’s Report

Our Professional Learning day, which was held, last Friday, was extremely valuable. Staff this week, embraced the planning model for a Guaranteed and Viable curriculum working with the new Victorian Curriculum. 2016 is a transition year for the Victorian Curriculum with the Department providing resources to assist teachers in their professional development. This is an enormous body of work and we are commencing with Numeracy. This will be our focus for the remainder of the year. Literacy will be unpacked in term 4 (if time permits) and in 2017.

We regrettably have some families that have yet to pay for the booklists. Many schools have parents collect the stationary supplies themselves to avoid these bad debts however, the service and discount to parents is something that is valued by most families. Booklist items are Essential Student Learning Items and as such attract a payment; these are NOT VOLUNTARY contributions or levies. For those families who have not yet paid we would be very pleased to see these accounts settled as soon as possible. Accounts will be sent home in August and we are keen for parents to bring them up to date. **Haddon does not charge FEES.** Payments are requested for essential items including excursions / swimming / subscriptions (Mathletics & Reading Eggs). At all times we endeavour to keep costs down and we are currently half the annual costs of most schools. If there is financial hardships please make a time to catch up with Maryanne to discuss payment options.

The Department of Education has mandated that all schools develop a Child Safe policy; our policy has been in place for a while and will be going to School Council for ratification. This policy is intended to empower our children, who are vital and active participants at Haddon Primary School. To involve them when making decisions, especially about matters that directly affect them. To listen to their views and respect what they have to say.

We promote diversity and tolerance in our organisation, and people from all walks of life and cultural backgrounds are welcome. In particular we:

- promote the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of Aboriginal children
- promote the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds
- Ensure that children with a disability are safe and can participate equally.

The policy once ratified will be on our website.

**A $12 concert charge was placed on the booklist.** This charge covered most of your child’s costume as well as travel to the theatre for rehearsal. **Some families have not paid this charge and it is now over due, please send the $12 per student to the office as soon as possible.**

The whole school will travel to the theatre for rehearsal during the day of August 18. Permission forms have been sent home and will need to be signed and returned to school by Friday August 12.

**Education is important, “It's not ok to be away”, or to be late!!**

Please send in absences via Tiqbiz. Or phone in by 9am 5342 4487
Community Service Awards
Elisha & Thomas for respectful & caring behaviour at all times.

Principal’s Awards
Cooper & Maya for excellent effort in reading.

Haddon Academy Awards
PHOTO DAY FRIDAY JULY 29

A photo day will take place on Friday July 29, where the children will dress in costume and have a class and individual photo taken by photographer, Rebecca Nicholando from bibophotography.

Parents will have the opportunity to purchase these prints after the performance. Rebecca is a parent at HPS and has kindly offered her services free of charge so that the money raised from the sale of the photos will go towards fundraising for the new playground fort.

Please ensure that your child has the additional items required for the concert (shoes / leggings etc) as listed on the information sheet sent home and available on the website in the forms section. If possible students should have their hair in the appropriate style for their class performance.

Any questions or difficulties please see Gaye Carrigan at school.

Rehearsal Day Her Majesty’s Theatre Ballarat

All students from Haddon PS will be travelling by bus to Her Majesty’s theatre in Ballarat for a concert rehearsal on THURSDAY August 18.

Foundation-2 children (in ELC) will leave school SHORTLY AFTER 9:00 am and will return to school around lunchtime. They will need to take snacks and a drink bottle to the theatre with them (these should be clearly named). Lunches will remain at school.

As it is a tiring day and a late night, parents may decide to collect F-2 students early from school for an afternoon rest, before the performance. This is up to the discretion of the parent.

Students in 2-6 in the main building, will leave school at 10:00 and require snacks and lunch (clearly named) on the day as well as a drink bottle of water. These grades will return by 3:30.

ALL students must wear full school uniform.

No lunch orders on this day.

Please return the permission form to school by Friday August 12.

No child will be permitted to attend the rehearsal without the permission slip signed. Any outstanding concert charge of $12 must be paid before student will be permitted to attend the rehearsal.
Purchasing of Tickets for the School Performance at Her Majesty’s Theatre
Ballarat

The tickets for our whole school performance of Haddon Academy awards will go on sale on Monday August 1.

We have been guided by staff at Her Majesty’s Theatre, regarding the practices for purchasing tickets for school performance and we will follow their protocols. Please be aware that there is limited seating in the theatre (two levels) and in past years we have been close to capacity.

We would like all parents and close relatives to be able to receive a seat so please purchase your tickets early. **All tickets are a flat price of $20 each**, some seats may be sight restricted and you will be notified at time of purchase.

All students will be seated on the third level both before and after their performance and **do not require a ticket.**

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**Three ways to purchase tickets:**

**Monday August 1**

9:15 am  Tickets go on sale at Her Majesty’s Theatre box office, 17 Lydiard Street South, Ballarat.

9:15 am  Phone Calls will be taken by Her Majesty’s staff (No bookings will be made) and the person will be called back by box office staff, in order of calls received, after all box office purchases have been made and there is no queue. Phone Box Office on 53 335 888.

5:00 pm  Online ticketing opened and accessed via the Theatre web site What’s On Listing at www.hermaj.com 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Tickets will be on sale up until the day of the performance, Thursday August 18, unless sold out.**

No ticket sales through the school.

Box Office hours are 9:15 am- 5:00pm  Monday – Friday
**HADDON MINI OLYMPICS!**

**Date:** Friday August 5th

**Time:** Opening ceremony begins at 1:30pm, Closing finished by 3:25pm.

**What to wear:** Every class is allocated a country and a colour. Please try and dress your child in the appropriate colour listed below:

*We hope to see you all at our mini Olympics!*

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