



# HYDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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Term 3, Week 6

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Kaya Everyone!

I am feeling very fortunate to have been appointed to the permanent principal position here at Hyden Primary School. I have felt so welcomed by staff, students and school community members since arriving four weeks ago.

As a school leader, my moral purpose is to ensure all students, regardless of background, receive access to a world class education that ensures they achieve year on year progress and have pathways to a successful future. I strongly believe in a school culture of high expectations within a safe, supported and culturally responsive learning environment. As principal, I have a great responsibility to continue promoting a school mindset of continuous improvement and support our school community to collectively be a part of this evidence informed and data driven journey.

A big thank you to our staff, Board Chair and P&C President for making time to meet with me and sharing the Hyden PS journey to date. My main focus for this term is to build positive and productive relationships with our school community members, including our surrounding schools. I am working to review strategic and operational documents and delve into our student data to better understand our context and student needs to inform 2024 school planning.

I look forward to getting to know you more and please feel free to stop by the office to say hello if you are in town.

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## QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"JUST ONE  
SMALL POSITIVE  
THOUGHT IN THE  
MORNING CAN  
CHANGE YOUR  
WHOLE DAY."

-DALAI LAMA



### July:

Harry Hunter - 20th

Campbell Richter - 20th

Fyfe Baker - 21st

Quinsterlas Wilson - 21st

Kahlan Spurr - 25th

### August:

Justin Wilson - 4th

Jason Wilson - 4th

Harper Mouritz - 6th

Curtis Utley - 14th

Frankie Mouritz - 16th

Ariya Spurr - 26th

George Fotheringhame - 31th

### September:

Taylah Gent - 8th

John Tapper - 10th

Oscar James - 20th

Sari Baker - 21st

## Lunch Orders for Athletics Carnival

A reminder that lunch orders and the correct money is due on Friday, August 25 to the school office.

## Athletic Carnival Helpers

We require more parent helpers for the Athletics Carnival. Without parent help we are unable to run the carnival successfully. Please return the attached form to school by Friday, August 25 if you can assist on the day.

## Kindy Swap Day

So our Kindy students can participate in the Athletics Carnival, for **Week 7 only** the Kindy class will come to school **Tuesday, Thursday and Friday**.

Swap Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August for Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

## Book Week

This week is Book Week. The theme for Book Week is "**Read, Grow, Inspire**". Our annual Book Week Parade and Book Fair will be held on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> August commencing at 9.00am. Parents, carers and community members are welcome to attend. Playgroup will be joining us for our parade.

**What will your costume be?** Our celebration of books and reading is always a great day at Hyden Primary School. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character.

There will be lots of activities for our students during Book Week and we hope you can celebrate the joy of reading.

Uniform - Thursday: Students are asked to bring their sports shirt and appropriate footwear to change into following the parade as athletics training will be happening throughout the day.





## Year 2,3 & 4 STEM Project

Last Friday the Room 1 class used their creative skills to construct scrap metal scarecrows. Thank you to Mr Nicholl and Mr Ward for grinding , welding and putting together the children's creations. Thank you to Mr Nicholl and Mr K Mouritz for donating a ute load of scrap metal for the art pieces.



## School Board Meeting

The next school board meeting will be held from 5-7pm on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August** in Room 2.

## P & C Meeting

The next P&C meeting is scheduled for 1pm on **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August** at the CRC. If you would like to suggest ways the P&C could expend some of their funds on school activities, projects or resources, please add your ideas to the box in the front office at school.

## Student Free Day

A reminder there is **no school for students on the Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September** as staff have a school development (professional development) day.

## Permission Note

While the Department of Education negotiates a new Shared Use Agreement for us to use the oval and surrounding recreation facilities, we will need families to provide consent for students to access these spaces. Thank you to the families who have returned the forms. If you have not returned the form please do so by Wednesday, August 23.

## Dates to Remember

*Playgroup – every Thursday 9.00 -11.00am in the Early Childhood Centre.*

Tues, 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Numero Workshop 3.15 – 4.45pm
Wed, 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	School Board Meeting 5-7pm
Thurs, 24 <sup>th</sup> August	9.00am – Book Week Parade followed by our Book Fair
Wed, 30 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>No Kindy</b> – swap for Fri, 1 <sup>st</sup> September for Athletics Carnival
Thu, 31 <sup>st</sup> August	P&C Meeting 1pm at CRC
Fri, 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Faction Athletics Carnival – Hyden ( <b>Kindy students at carnival</b> )
Wed, 6 <sup>th</sup> September	School Development Day (student free day) – Newdegate Field Day
Fri, 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Afterschool dance/tumble (for student who have signed up)
Fri, 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Afterschool dance/tumble (for student who have signed up)
Thu, 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Assembly – PP/Yr 1 report
Fri, 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Afterschool dance/tumble (for student who have signed up)



## FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Friday, August 11 was Footy Colours Day at the school. \$55.00 was raised from gold coin donations and this money will be forwarded to help fight children's cancer.



## Golf Lessons

Thank you to Mr Spurr for organising after school golf lessons for our students through our Active After Schools program.



## School Dress Code Policy

Please be familiar with Hyden Primary School dress code before purchasing uniform items, for example, tights must be plain black and worn underneath pants, shorts or skirts.

*The School colours are bottle green, white and black. The School uniform is available for purchase from the P & C. The School uniform is compulsory and must be worn at all times. Support and assistance will be provided by the school where there are difficulties complying with school uniform and dress code requirements. Wearing school uniform creates pride in the school, creates a sense of identity for students and helps to promote a positive image of the school in the community. It also helps students learn the importance of appropriate presentation.*

*An alternative non logo bearing uniform, similar in style and colour, is available to families and can be purchased from department stores.*

### **Student School Dress Code Policy**

- Plain black pants
- Plain black Skirts/Shorts/Skorts
- Bottle Green polo T-Shirt with White Hyden PS embroidery or plain bottle green polo T-shirt.
- Hyden Primary School leaver's item to be endorsed by School Board.
- Bottle green Hyden Primary School microfiber jacket with embroidered logo.
- Polar fleece 1/2 zip bottle green jumper with embroidered logo.
- Bottle green dry and cosy jacket with embroidered logo.
- If worn, plain black leggings, stockings and tights must be worn underneath pants, shorts or skirts.
- If worn, plain black long sleeve top must be worn underneath bottle green tops.
- Footwear must be appropriate for sporting activities. All footwear must be closed and secured to the foot in accordance with the State Occupational Health and Standards.
- Jewellery: watches, ear sleepers or studs, Medic Alert Bracelets.
- Bottle Green Hyden Primary School Microfibre Surf Hat – *must be worn all year round when outdoors.*
- Faction polo T-Shirts (blue or yellow) when requested for Faction Sports Days and during the week only when PE class is undertaken.
- Bottle green and white check dress.
- Optional: Bottle green beanie, **gloves** and school bag with embroidered logo.

Please Note: All children representing the school at an interschool event, camp and on school photo days will be required to wear a bottle green polo T-shirt with the school logo. All children representing the school at an interschool event, camp etc will be required to wear a bottle green Hyden Primary School microfiber jacket (if weather permits).

### **Inappropriate Dress for School**

- Denim Clothing is not permitted in WA Public Schools.
- Shirts, jackets, track pants, skirts, shorts with brand names, offensive images or messages.
- Inappropriate footwear e.g. thongs, crocs, work boots etc unless specifically requested by a staff member.
- Jewellery except the appropriate items listed above.
- Hair: all shoulder length hair must be tied up and if dyed must be of a natural colour. Haircuts must be neat.
- Nail Polish: clear nail polish only.
- Inappropriate headwear.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PLACE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL UNIFORM ITEMS.**

Note: Any additions to uniforms need to be presented to and endorsed by School Board prior to ordering and must comply with the Hyden Primary School Student Dress Code Policy.



## Attendance

In Western Australia, regular attendance is defined as students attending school 90% or greater while students attending less than 90% are considered 'at risk'. So far this semester, 56% of Hyden students are regular attenders. With flu season, we understand several students have been away sick and continue to encourage to keep their child home in this instance. However, we do ask families to consider whether other absences are absolutely necessary.

Regular attendance at school is important for the development of intellectual and social emotional skills of students and contributes significantly to educational outcomes. Higher rates of absence are directly related to a lower level of academic achievement. It is

Year	Semester 1 %	Semester 2 % (to end of Week 5)	% up / down from S1
Kindy	91.9	91.9	-
PP	85.4	80.1	4.3
1	91.1	92.4	1.3
2	91.0	81.8	9.3
3	87.9	89.3	1.4
4	86.1	93.3	7.2
5	92.8	88.0	4.8
6	78.7	91.0	12.3
TOTAL (compulsory)	88.1%	87.3%	0.8%

really important that families remember 'every day counts'. It is interesting to note how a couple of days here or there add up to a significant period of time over the child's school career.

If your child is away, for example sick, please remember to let us know by contacting the front office or emailing your child's teacher.

## Every Day Counts!

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but .....

If your child misses...	That equals ...	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is...
1 Day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years	Equals to finishing in grade 11
1 Day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years	Equals to finishing in grade 10
2 Days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years	Equals to finishing in grade 7
3 Days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Over 8 years	Equals to finishing in grade 4