

NEWSLETTER



Halls Head College Education Support Centre



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Mrs Candyce Doorn



Welcome to the 2018 School Year. The year has started well.

The Year 7 students appear to have settled into high school classes and learning programs with all students engaged in their learning. There are two year 7 class groups; Class 7.1 is led by Key Teacher, Dr. Enoma. I would like to formally welcome Mrs Blythe to Halls Head College Education Support Centre. Mrs Blythe has joined the team as the Key Teacher for Class 7.2. The Year 7's held a meet and greet afternoon tea for parents and carers on the 15th February and it was a wonderful opportunity for us to meet everyone.

The Year 8 students have returned to school with a 'can do' approach to learning. It is a pleasure to see how they are embracing the second year of high school. They appear to be more confident and have provided a real support to their younger peers.

Year 9 is coordinating the voting for HHCESC Student Leaders for 2018. The voting is scheduled for the 7th of March and it is a joy to see the candidate's posters around the school. I want to wish all of the candidates the best of luck and I look forward to meeting our 2018 Student Leaders. I want to thank Mrs Enoma and the Year 9's for coordinating the voting and Mr Barker for once again agreeing to take on the coordination of the Leadership Group.

The Year 10 students have hit the ground running. The Business Enterprise students are already busy making items to sell to the school community and the Eco Leaders have been busy getting the school garden and grounds back in shape following the long school break and have their first outing coming up soon. Keep a look out for excursion paperwork. Preparations for Year 10 Workplace Learning is also under way with a projected start in Term 2, 2018. Gina Fay, the Structured Workplace Learning Support Officer (SWLSO) will be contacting families, if not already.

I attended the P&C Meeting that was held on the 6th February and it was really lovely to meet the members and hear about all of the support that was provided to both HHC and HHCESC last year. If you are interested in being a member of the P&C, the Annual General Meeting (AGM) is scheduled for the 6th March at 6:30pm in the HHC School Library. New members are welcome.

There are changes to the school administration team. Deb Fieldwick is on extended leave and I have been appointed Principal in her absence. Kate Sewell continues in her role as Deputy Principal, and Graeme Dixon has taken on the role of Program Coordinator. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Year 7.1 *with Dr Enoma*

Hello from the Year 7 team.

Thankyou to the Parents who attended our Year 7 'Meet and Greet' on 15th February. It was lovely to meet you all.

We would like to congratulate Dr Enoma on achieving his second Doctorate, we are all very proud to have him as a member of our school.

Our Year 7 teams this year are:

Year 7.1 — Stephen Enoma, Tracey Genefini, Lynn Rhodes and Kellie Turner

Year 7.2 — Rosanne Blythe, Lisa Cavanagh, Helen Jelleff and Michelle Tindale

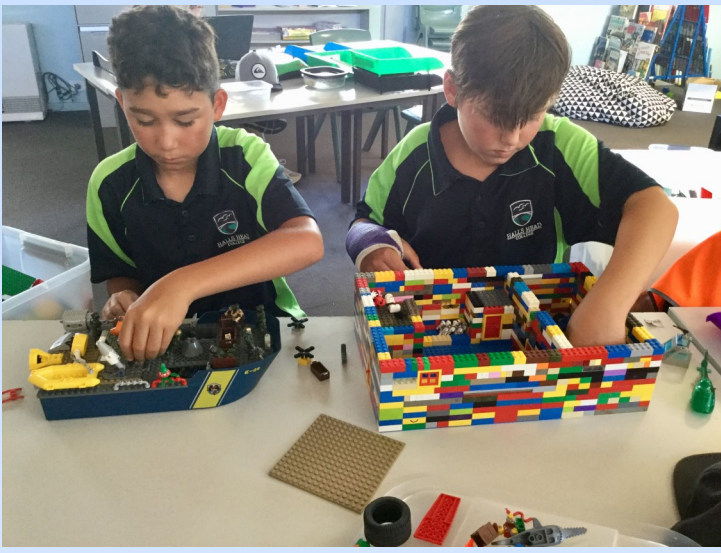
The Year 7.1 class is working hard on their Term 1 Humanities theme, focusing on Family. Our class has enjoyed establishing and planting in the garden beds. The students formed 3 groups: *Smart girls, Super stars and On fire*. Students are rewarded with 'You Can Do It' keys which are issued out regularly. The 'Student of the Week' is chosen by collecting points for showing a positive attitude, enthusiasm and beyond ordinary positive behaviour throughout the week.



In Year 7.2 students are settling into their new school environment really well and making new friends. We are also issuing our 'You Can Do It' keys regularly. Each week the keys are drawn as a lucky dip for 1 male student and 1 female student who are awarded with a prize. The 'Student of the Week' is awarded to the student who collects the most points for best behaviour.

All Year 7 students are looking forward to our end of term team building activity.

Year 7.2 *with Mrs Blythe*



Nĩ hảo from the Year 8's

Our Year 8 teams this year are:

Year 8.1 — Amy Kaleas, Wendy Hughes, Gill McGrath and Chris McQualter

Year 8.2 — John Barker, Mandy Pankhurst, Tracey Randall and Nat Verdon

Year 8.1 with Ms Kaleas

Year 8.2 with Mr Barker

Both Year 8 classes are researching and preparing for some celebrations happening this term, the Chinese New Year and St. Patricks Day. The Year 8 students have created some fantastic pieces of artwork with these celebrations in mind and look forward to celebrating these events.

During 2018 the Year 8 classes will continue with the HHC ESC 'You Can Do It' (YCDI) program. The YCDI keys are issued out regularly to students who represent one of the positive YCDI behaviours of Confidence, Getting Along, Organisation, Resilience and Persistence. At the end of each term the students partake in an auction where they use the keys they earned throughout the term to 'buy' prizes. Each week the student who collected the most points for best behaviour is awarded the 'Student of the Week'.

The Year 8 student's are participating in a mentor program with the HHC Year 11 Big Picture students. All students have interacted extremely well together and this has already had positive effects on the classroom atmosphere.

A small group of students will be participating in RDA (Riding Develops Ability) this Semester, while the rest of the students are working on their project, which is creating an unofficial HHC ESC *Welcome Book*. We look forward to seeing this develop over the Semester.



Year 9 with Mrs Enoma

Our Year 9 team this year is:

Endi Enoma, Tracy Baker, Judy Dean and Jean Philipps

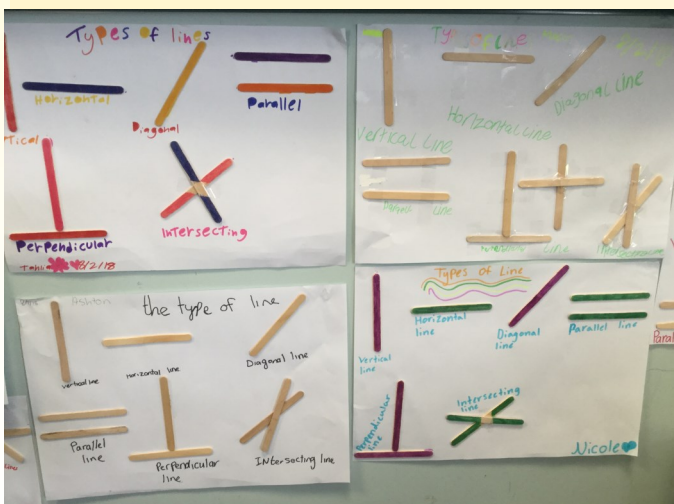
Our classroom Theme for Term 1 is focussed on Humanities and Social Sciences – Democracy.

In line with the class theme, the Year 9 students will organise and run the Student Leader voting system this year which will be held on March 7th. In the build-up to this event, the students will be visiting Parliament House this term. The Year 9 students are very excited about their first excursion for 2018. They are hoping to learn more about Democracy and you never know who we might see during our visit.

The Year 9 class participates in the HHC ESC 'You Can Do It' program. We are handing out keys regularly as the students have been showing wonderful behaviour this term.

We celebrate 'Student of the Week' which is awarded to the student who collects the most points throughout the week. As part of receiving this award, they can chose a prize from the prize box. With the focus on positive behaviour, we now have a new mini foosball table and pool table which the students can play on if they have earnt free time.

The students are excited about establishing and planting their own garden beds which are dedicated to the Year 9 class. They have planted cucumbers, corn and capsicum and are looking forward to harvesting their vegetables when they are ready.



Year 10 with Mrs Hodge

Our Year 10 team this year is:

Sandy Hodge, Annabelle Beeton, Sam Furr, Sandy Gallagher, Pauline Sharratt, Lynne Smith and Lisa Wilson

This term the year 10 students are busy with their Work Readiness program. The students are preparing themselves for entering the workforce next term.

With the 'You Can Do It' program, the students are able to collect keys when showing the right behaviours and attitude in class and around the school. The Year 10 students are already showing that they can be positive role models to the younger students and being the wonderful HHC ESC leaders we know they can be. As a reward, a random key is drawn each Monday with the winner choosing a prize. When a student has collected 5 keys from each category they will receive a gold certificate. The students are also receiving a raffle ticket for positive behaviours, including following instructions, keeping on task and being a good friend etc. and at Easter the raffle will be drawn to win one of 3 Easter baskets.

It has been a positive start to the year with all students settling in and working very well together as one whole class, instead of splitting into two classes. They are enjoying having one-on-one iPads to complete their ASDAN Modules over 2018.

The students are looking forward to their Workplace Learning interviews which will start this term and commencing their work experience from week 1, Term 2. They are also excited about the Year 10 functions throughout the year including attending a Theatre production and the Big Night Out.



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Term dates 2018

Term 1: 31.01.2018—13.04.2018

Term 2: 30.04.2018—29.06.2018

Term 3: 16.07.2018—21.09.2018

Term 4: 08.10.2018—14.12.2018

Pupil Free Days

Term 1: 29th & 30th January 2018

Term 2: 30th April 2018

Term 3: 16th July 2018

Term 4: 19th October & 14th December 2018

Assemblies

Term 1—Thursday 15th March

Term 2—Thursday 24th May & Thursday 21st June

Term 3—Thursday 9th August & Thursday 6th September

Term 4—Thursday 8th November & Wednesday 12 December (TBC)

School Board Meeting

Tuesday 13th March 2018

Term 2, 3 & 4 dates TBC

P & C Meetings

Term 1—Tuesday 6th February & Tuesday 6th March (AGM)

Term 2—Tuesday 8th May & Tuesday 5th June

Term 3- Tuesday 24th July & Tuesday 21st August

Term 4- Tuesday 16th October & Tuesday 13th November

Contributions and Charges

Statements are enclosed with this newsletter. Parents are able to pay by direct deposit into the schools bank account:

Name: Halls Head College Education Support Centre

Bank: Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633-000

Account No: 145877825

Reference: Student name

If you have any queries regarding your statement please contact the front office on 9581 0613.

Parents/guardians with eligible concession cards are able to apply for the Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS) in 2018. To be eligible for the allowance the **parent/guardian** must hold one of the following cards, valid for a period of no less than 4 weeks.

Centrelink Family Health Care Card – card holder must be parent/guardian. Claims cannot be made by a parent using a student's card (ie: the student may hold a card for disability purposes)

Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card – Student name should be listed on the card

Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card

The allowance consists of two components:

\$115.00 Clothing allowance paid directly to the parent/guardian.

\$235.00 Educational Program Allowance paid directly to the school.

Application is made by the parent or guardian for student/s enrolled in Years 7 – 10. Claim forms are available from the ESC Front office in the Administration block during first term 2018. Applications **close on Thursday 12th April 2018**

CLAIM FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED AT THE SCHOOL AND WITNESSED BY A SCHOOL APPOINTED OFFICER AND PROCESSED BY THE SCHOOL. FORMS MAY NOT BE TAKEN HOME.

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
January		22	23	24	25	26 AUSTRALIA DAY	27/28
January / February	1	29	30	31 Year 9 & 10 Sport	1 Year 7 Sport	2 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	3/4
February	2	5 Year 7 Sport	6 Year 8 Sport P&C	7 Year 9 & 10 Sport	8 Year 7 Sport	9 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	10/11
February	3	12 Year 7 Sport	13 Year 8 Sport	14 Year 9 & 10 Sport	15 Year 7 Sport	16 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	17/18
February	4	19 Year 7 Sport	20 Year 8 Sport	21 Year 9 & 10 Sport	22 Year 7 Sport	23 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	24/25
March	5	26 Year 7 Sport	27 Year 8 Sport	28 Year 9 & 10 Sport	1 Year 7 Sport	2 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	3/4
March	6	5 Labour Day	6 Year 8 Sport P&C AGM	7 Year 9 & 10 Sport	8 Year 7 Sport Yr 9 Parliament House Excursion	9 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	10/11
March	7	12 Year 7 Sport	13 Year 8 Sport School Board	14 Year 9 & 10 Sport	15 Year 7 Sport ESC Assembly P1	16 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	17/18
March / April	8	19 Year 7 Sport	20 Year 8 Sport	21 Year 9 & 10 Sport	22 Year 7 Sport	23 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	24/25
March / April	9	26 Year 7 Sport	27 Year 8 Sport	28 Year 9 & 10 Sport	29 Year 7 Sport	30 Good Friday	31/1
April	10	2 Easter Monday	3 Easter Tuesday	4 Yr 8 Vaccinations Year 9 & 10 Sport	5 Year 7 Sport Yr8 Vaccinations St Johns 1 st Aid Incursion	6 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport	7/8
April	11	9 Year 7 Sport	10 Year 8 Sport	11 Year 9 & 10 Sport	12 Year 7 Sport	13 Year 8 Sport Year 9 & 10 Sport LAST DAY	14/15



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