



Dear families and friends,

I hope that you enjoy the upcoming long weekend, although I hear that it is going to be very warm. I am pleased to announce that vacation care, along with before and after school care begin next term located at Hackham West Primary school. This is a shared service and students who attend will be transported to our school at the beginning of the day and from Huntfield Heights and to Hackham West at the end of the day. That means that for the upcoming school holidays vacation care will be available. Below is the link, which is available on the YMCA website to secure your booking at HWPS.

In these first few weeks there has been a lot happening around the school, including Life Education, Sammy D Foundation, Acquaintance Morning and students being introduced to the chickens. Students and staff have also been familiarised with the DfE expectations of rubbish and recycling. I think the chickens have been a winner here getting some yummy scraps, and our students becoming more environmentally aware.

From the beginning of next week I will be on long service leave until the end of the term. Mr Vigor will be in the acting Principal position in my absence. I look forward to seeing you all in term 2.

Regards  
Cathryn



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**Out of school hours care, Enrolments now open for Term 2 and vacation care.  
Please follow the link  
Also on our Facebook Page.**

## DIARY DATES

Week 8 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March:  
**Governing council – 9am**

Term 2

Week 1 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April:  
**Student free day**

Week 3 TBA :  
**Annual General Meeting**



## Life Education

### Room D experience

We had a visit from the Life Education Team and they spoke with us about safety. We learnt about our needs such as water, shelter and food. We then looked at different safety signs and what places we might see them. Lastly, we talked about emergencies and what they are, and what to do if you see one 'call 000'. The students were left with homework which was to learn their address. Please have a chat with your child tonight to help them with learning their address. You could show them on your phone how to call emergency services by pushing the emergency button at the bottom.



## Mr O'Brien Health & Physical Education teacher

Students have been really enjoying learning how to strike with various apparatuses – targeting Badminton. We are grateful for the new equipment we received from Sporting Schools Australia, and are all improving every lesson. It has been great to see so many students having fun in Health and PE, here are a few action shots taken by students in lessons 😊



## Acquaintance Morning 2024

Thank you to everyone that was able to come to our acquaintance morning, pancakes were a huge success with every last drop used.



# Room B Gardening with Sharon

Last Thursday Room B had their first gardening lesson with Sharon and the Room 3 helpers. First, we checked the chickens and gave them a feed before having a quick hold, while brainstorming some fantastic names for their class chicken. We then explored the different vegetables, herbs and fruits we have growing in our garden. We picked tomatoes, eggplants, squash, rosemary, thyme and mint. The students had the opportunity to try the tomatoes, rosemary, thyme and mint having a mixed reaction. All the students enjoyed meeting the chickens and exploring our garden. This will be happening each Thursday afternoon where students will learn to care, maintain and harvest our garden.



 ***Congratulations to our Student Leaders for 2024*** 

**Room B**  
Riley  
Reid

**Room D**  
Jaxx  
Zahara



**Room 5**  
Veronica  
Tyler  
Proxies  
Sienna  
Axle

**Room 3**  
Ashton, Vivienne, Paul, Hazel





**SAMMY D**  
**FOUNDATION**  
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The Sammy D Foundation is a violence prevention charity for young people aged 10 to 25 years. The Purpose is to end violence by connecting and empowering young people. The programs aspiration is for all young people to live their best life free from violence.



## ***Huntfield Heights School P-6*** ***Garden and cooking program***

Sharon works with children in an intervention program using our wonderful garden. Students learn how to grow and cook with different produce. This program runs on Monday, Thursdays and Fridays. This week the students have created amazing pumpkin scones, pancakes and pumpkin soup, below are some wonderful pictures. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Hackham West IGA for the wonderful donations to help continue to make our program a success.



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