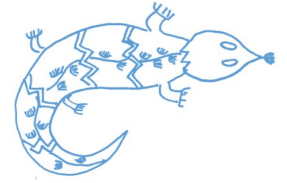




# Bunmurra Byala



*Here, there, everywhere. Blue Tongue Lizard talk*

Dear Families,

Welcome to Week 5 of Term 4. We have had some lovely recognition lately for the hard work we do here at school, with one parent writing to us to let us know that 'the transition back to school has been as smooth as possible' and that they are truly grateful their kids come here to HPS.

Stage 3 classes are currently discussing and planning some ideas of fun activities to replace the camp they missed out on. The students have come up with some good ideas so far, and staff will be researching these ideas in more detail during the week. So hopefully, we will have something more concrete to share with you next week.

The school canteen will be open starting next week (8/11/21) on Mondays and Fridays for online orders only. These orders need to be placed online through the QuickClik site. Students will not be able to bring money to spend at the canteen as it is not possible to co-ordinate canteen times and also ensure that student cohorts do not mix over the break periods.

There will be a new perpetual category presented at this year's Celebration of Learning ceremony. This award will be the 'Kathi Evans – Grow to Know – Academic Improvement' award and will be presented to a Year 6 student who has been part of the learning and support program and has made excellent progress in their academic learning. Kathi's husband, Bill, requested that we create a perpetual trophy to honour Kathi and the incredible work she did with those students at Hazelbrook Public School who found learning difficult. Kathi was pivotal in many students learning to read over the years, and we want to acknowledge how passionate she was about the students and student improvement. We feel privileged to create this perpetual category, and we are designing the award to represent some of the things Kathi loved.

Can I please implore parents and carers collecting students to maintain social distancing as per the NSW Health guidelines. We have noticed that many of our parents are not maintaining 1.5m distances, and without the use of masks, this makes it easier for the virus to spread. We are doing everything we can at school to minimise the chance of the virus on site, and we ask that you assist us in this by doing your part at collection time.

We are in the process of organising a representative sports shirt for families to purchase. The design for this is still in the beginning phase, and when we have some samples, we will ask for input from the school community. We aim to have this process completed before the end of the year so that the shirts can be made and purchased before the first representative sporting event next year.

Year 4 students will be able to participate in a workshop with Aboriginal artists Dalmarri in November. They will decorate some more poles on the Quad and the water tank in culturally relevant designs. This ongoing artistic project has been supported by our P&C over a few years now, and we are grateful for the financial support they provide.

Next year Ms Hendriksen is taking a year off to travel and to experience new adventures. Whilst she will miss the students, families and staff, she is very excited about her plans. We wish her a wonderful time and look forward to hearing all about it when she returns in 2023.

Please take care, look after your health and well-being, and remember we are only a phone call away and are happy to assist in whatever way we can.

Lesley Lowe  
Relieving Principal



## 2021 Term Dates



### Term 4

**Thursday 16th December**—Last day of Term 4

## 2022 Term Dates

### Term 1

**Tuesday 1st February:** Years 1-6 Students return to School

**Thursday 10th February:** Kindergarten starts school

**Friday 8th April:** Last day of term

### Term 2

**Wednesday 27th April:** Students return to school

**Friday 1st July:** Last day of term

### Term 3

**Tuesday 19th July:** Students return to school

**Friday 23rd September:** Last day of term

### Term 4

**Monday 10th October:** Students return to school

**Monday 19th December:** Last day of term

## Kindy 2022

Do you have a child starting Big School in 2022? Do your friends and family have little ones ready for the next chapter? If so, we are looking forward to welcoming you and your child to Kindergarten at Hazelbrook Public School in 2022. Online enrolments are now open and can be accessed on our website by clicking on the "Enrolment" tab on the homepage.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, we have devised an alternative to our traditional Starting Big School program. Emails have been sent to families already enrolled with videos of our school and of our wonderful new kindy playground. Families have also received zoom links to the upcoming information sessions. If you have not received any information, please email or call the school to let us know.


High Performing Students Team

### Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry in **2023** Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2023?

You must apply online at:  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



#### Key Dates

Application website opens:  
**19 October 2021**

Application website closes:  
**17 November 2021**  
You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice released:  
**24 February 2022**

Selective High School placement test:  
**10 March 2022**

Placement outcome expected to be released:  
**8 July 2022**

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

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There may be changes to the procedures in this document.

Check the website at [education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc](https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc) regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process.

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Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

After applying, you will be able to log into your application dashboard to change details and send and receive messages.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

**Contact Details:**  
 High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education  
[Email: shs@education.nsw.gov.au](mailto:shs@education.nsw.gov.au)  
 Telephone: 1300 880 367  
 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>

### Changes to the Opportunity Class Placement Process for Year 5 entry in 2022

Due to the Covid-19 learning from home periods in Term 2 and 3, changes have been made to the OC Placement Process. There is now a new test date - Wednesday November 17th, 2021. The Opportunity Placement test will take place for our students at Hazelbrook Public School. The Illness/ Misadventure appeals process will not be available. First round offers will be made to successful students in Mid-January 2022.

Further information will be forthcoming as we receive more details.

Mrs. Schmidt

High Potential and Gifted Education co-ordinator

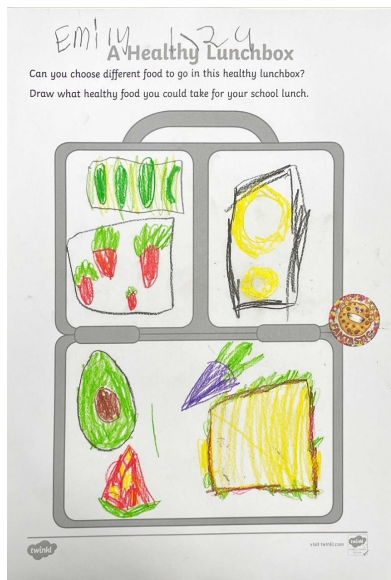
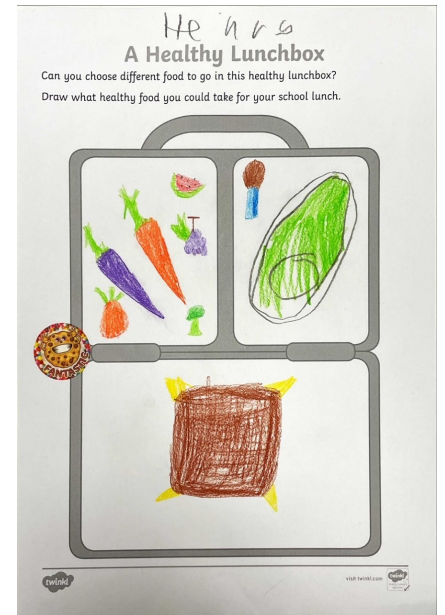
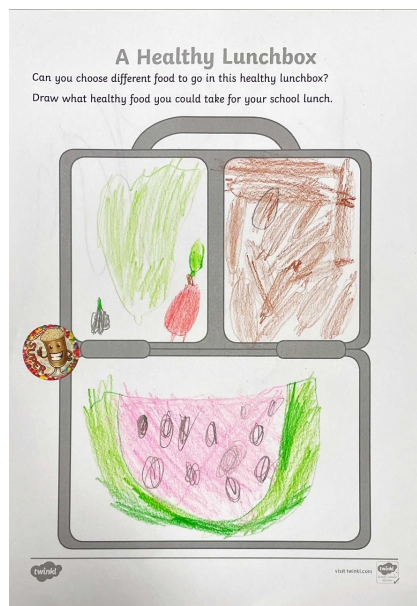
### Returning Musical Instruments

Unfortunately, due to the Department of Education Covid-19 guidelines, Instrument tutorials and Band will not recommence this term.

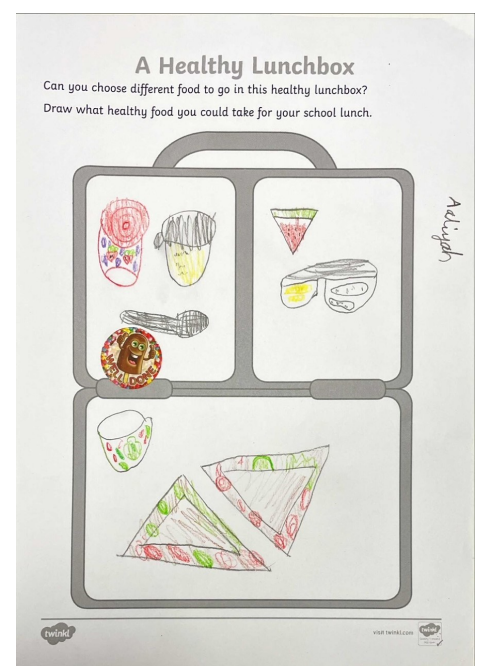
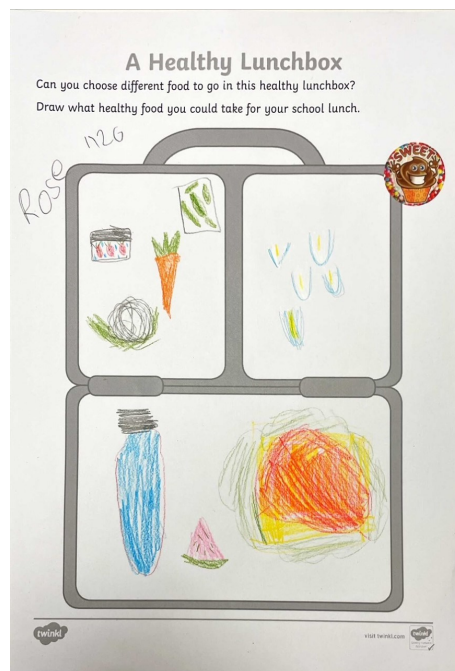
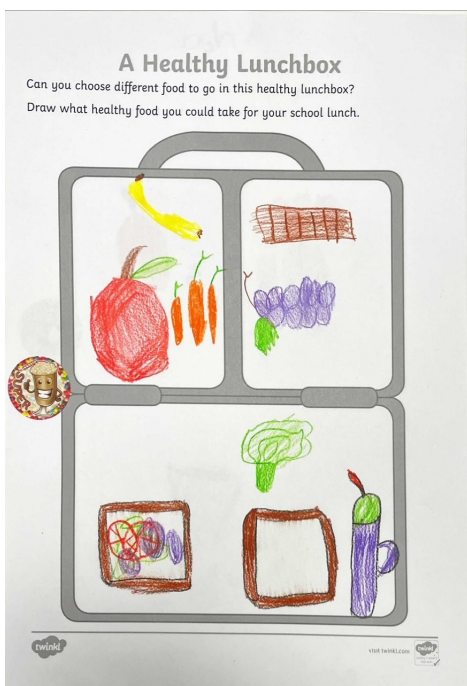
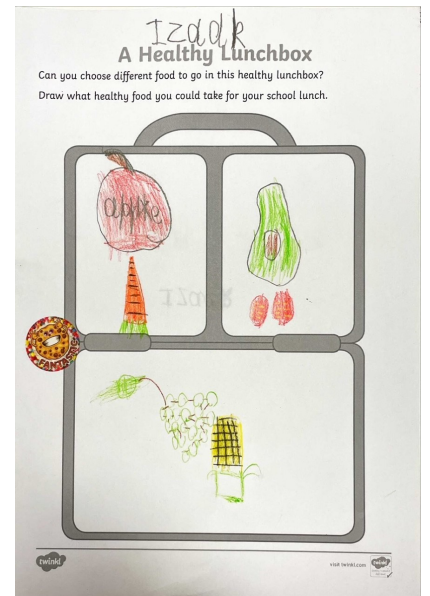
Please return your school instruments and red music books in person to Mrs. Schmidt this week.

Thank you for your involvement in our music programs, whilst we were able to play.

For further information for the selective high school process, please see the Sentral Parent portal (resources folder) for the full flier.



Students have been discussing this last week, the benefits of having a healthy lunchbox at school. 1/2G have created some beautiful visual lunchboxes based on eating a rainbow of healthy foods. How colourful and delicious! Thank you for the ideas 1/2G



## Year 6 Graduation Bears/Balls

Year 6 students have been given the form for this years graduation bears/balls. Some families have a credit on their family account due to the cancellation of school events due to Covid. If your family has a credit available, we have placed a note on the end of the payment slip indicating so.

Notes are due back to the Office no later than Friday 5th November.



## News from the Office

With restrictions due to covid, Zoo Snooze and the Stage 3 camp to Canberra have been cancelled. Staff are looking at alternative on-site activities that meet DoE COVID safe guidelines. If you wish to receive a monetary refund, please fill in the Student Refund form located in the Parent Portal in the school forms folder. Otherwise, the funds will automatically be credited to your school account for future excursions/school events for any child in your family. If applying for a refund, a form needs to be completed for each individual child in the family.

Please be aware some uniform items are low in stock. We have placed an order for new stock but there may be some delays in delivery. When the stock arrives, we will endeavour to send it home with your child. Sorry for any delays and thank you for your patience.



Class	Appreciation Award	Achievement Award
KH	Frankie S	Max H
KL	Isla H	Cameron S
KR	Alyssa P	Gemma S
1/2BG	Bonnie S	Alicia T
1/2L	April T	Lucas B
1/2HS	Lincoln E	Lacey C
1/2PJ	Jayde S	Nicholas H
1/2G	Toby M	Charlotte M
3/4A	Tyler C	Amy K
3/4H	Reuben B	Jordan B
3/4I	Navy E	Eveleigh J
3/4M	Sabian A	Mae E
5/6H	NA	NA
5/6S	Thandia D	Kirili D
5/6J	Layla A	Lucy M
MAC M	Ari J	Ben A



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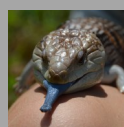


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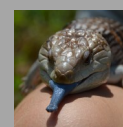
<b>ES1</b>	Joel	KL
	Charlotte	KL
	Finn	KL
	Nora	KR
	Alyssa	KR
	Byron	KR
	<b>S1</b>	Mikayla
	Marley	1/2G
	Nakiah	1/2HS
	Hayden	1/2PJ
	Noah	1/2BG
	Lincoln	1/2HS
	Kade	MAC M
<b>S2</b>	Miya	3/4M
	Rowan	3/4A
	Alicia	3/4I
	Brax	3/4H
	Jessiah	3/4A
	Alex	MAC M
	<b>S3</b>	Deion
	Alicia	5/6S
	Isobel	5/6J
	James	5/6J
	Reuben	5/6H
	Michael	MAC M

### PBL Rule

I am respectful if I speak and act politely to all people.



# PBL



## Week 5

<b>ES1</b>	Gemma	KR
	Zeike	KR
	Hamish	KR
	Grace	KH
	Lilly	KH
	Evie	KH
	<b>S1</b>	Sophie
	Misha	1/2G
	Tabitha	1/2HS
	Ashton	1/2HS
	Jayde	1/2PJ
	Evelyn	1/2BG
<b>S2</b>	Amity	3/4M
	Ayrton	3/4M
	Imogen	3/4I
	Ella	3/4H
	Levi	3/4H
	Charlie	3/4A
	<b>S3</b>	Ben
	Tara	5/6H
	Charlotte	5/6H
	Marlow	5/6H
	Lucy	5/6J
	Paddy	5/6J
	Isabella	5/6S

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# Hazelbrook PS P&C News

STAY IN TOUCH WITH US

Email us: [hazopandc@gmail.com](mailto:hazopandc@gmail.com)

Follow us on facebook: [@hazelbrookpublicschoolPC](https://www.facebook.com/hazelbrookpublicschoolPC)

## CANTEEN RE-OPENING

We are planning to re-open the canteen twice per week from **next week – Monday 8 November!**

We are excited to welcome back our wonderful canteen staff – Jen & Bec and to be providing delicious food to the students and staff.

So please, if you can, give yourself a break and **place your orders for Mondays and Fridays**. If those days go well, then hopefully we can open up extra days later in the term.

The canteen is run by the P&C as a service to the school community and simply aims to break even, it's not a profit making or fundraising exercise. We aim to keep our prices as low as we can whilst providing high quality meals and snacks.

We cannot sell food or accept orders over the counter at this point - so all orders will be online via Quick Cliq.

If you haven't used Quick Cliq before, please set up an account on their website so you are ready to order when we are back up and running!  
[www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au)

## PLANT SALE

Our plant sale will be going ahead on Saturday 4 December.

We will soon be looking for volunteers to assist at the plant sale. We'd love your help if you can spare a few hours.

## P&C PLANNING for 2022

Tuesday 9 November at 7pm – via zoom.

Our November meeting is going to be dedicated to planning for 2022.

If you have ideas of fundraisers or events or areas for the P&C to focus on in 2022, we'd love your ideas or participation in the meeting.

Please email us with your ideas, or to obtain the meeting login details.

## THANKS NEWCASTLE PERMANENT

We were really pleased to receive a recent donation of \$600 from Newcastle Permanent for a referral program we participated in. Big thanks to Mark for organising this for us.

## Congratulations!

Supported by the Newcastle Permanent  
Community Referral Program

Hazelbrook P & C Association

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# School Community Charter

**Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**

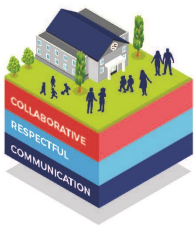
The following School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

### What our schools provide

NSW public schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning. We strive to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

The best education happens when parents and schools work together.

The School Community Charter aligns with the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022.



### Positive environments

It is important that our NSW public schools are positive environments and that parents and carers are kept informed of students' progress and school announcements.

Parents and carers can expect:

- To be welcomed into our schools to work in partnership to promote student learning.
- Communication from school staff will be timely, polite and informative.
- Professional relationships with school staff are based on transparency, honesty and mutual respect.
- To be treated fairly. Tolerance and understanding are promoted as we respect diversity.

We treat each other with respect

We prioritise the wellbeing of all students and staff

Unsafe behaviour is not acceptable in our schools

We work together with the school

Ensuring respectful learning environments for all members of NSW Public Schools communities.

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We create collaborative learning environments

We all play our part

We work in partnership to promote student learning

### Communicating with our schools

Our staff will find a time to talk to you when they can give you their full attention. Please remember that while our staff are in class or dealing with other matters, they may not be available to answer your questions immediately.

Our schools and communities will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with your school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the school community.

Our guide for parents, carers and students provides useful information about the complaints process: [education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students](http://education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students).

### Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

To ensure the wellbeing of students, staff and the community in our schools, steps will be taken to address unacceptable behaviour. This may include restricting contact with the school community or, in more serious cases, referral to NSW Police.

### Unacceptable behaviour may include but is not limited to:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.



School Community Charter

[education.nsw.gov.au](http://education.nsw.gov.au)

## Approaching the school

CONCERN	APPROPRIATE ACTION	WHO
The academic progress of your own child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Directly contact the child's teacher either by note, by phone or at an appropriate time to discuss any issues.</li> </ul>	Classroom Teacher
The welfare of your own child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For minor issues directly contact your child's teacher to clarify information.</li> </ul>	Classroom Teacher
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For more serious concerns, contact office. State nature of concern and arrange a suitable time to talk with class teacher or appropriate staff member.</li> </ul>	School Office 4758 6120
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To convey information about change of address, telephone number, emergency contact, custody details, health issues etc. Please contact the office.</li> </ul>	School Office 4758 6120
Actions of other students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact the class teacher for a classroom problem.</li> </ul>	Classroom Teacher
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact the Assistant Principal for your child's stage.</li> </ul>	AP ES1 & S1 = Lesley Lowe AP S2 = Michelle Schmidt AP S3 = Kerrie Hawkes
School policy or practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact office. State nature of concern and make an appointment to see the appropriate member of staff or assistant principal.</li> </ul>	School Office to make an appointment
Actions of a staff member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact the teacher directly or their supervising Assistant Principal for an appointment.</li> </ul>	Classroom Teacher or the appropriate Stage Assistant Principal
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact Principal if matter relates to an Assistant Principal's actions</li> </ul>	Melinda Williams, Principal