Halls Gap Primary School
Newsletter No 19
Wednesday 26th of June, 2013

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ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL
Just a reminder – we have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis).
We ask that you do not send any foods to school that contain nuts.

Dear Families,

The end of term has closed in on us quickly. What a busy term it’s been!

We are putting the finishing touches on our reports, which will go home this Friday. Please note that there is early dismissal this Friday, the last day of term. Students will be dismissed at 2.15pm.

One last reminder to all of our families about our farewell for Miss Mac which is being held tomorrow from 6pm at the Halls Gap hotel. Thank you so much to all of the people who have indicated that they will attend. It looks like being a very successful evening. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Mac for her contribution to Halls Gap Primary School over the last 18 months and wish her all the best on her holiday and for the future.

Finally, I would like to thank all Halls Gap Primary School families for their support over the first semester in my role as Acting Principal. I am very proud and excited to be taking on the permanent Principal’s position from next term.

Have a wonderful holiday everyone! I hope it is safe and relaxing.

Acting Principal
Ja-San Trimble

NEW CURRICULUM - AusVELS.
In an effort to develop an Australia-wide set of standards, a new curriculum is being developed and being reported against from June this year. We need you to be aware that, while we are still required to use the A,B,C,D and E grading scale, they mean different things. The new AusVELS curriculum is quite different, as are the expectations at each level. For example, your child may have been a B in Reading, but they may now be a C. This doesn’t necessarily mean that they are not doing as well, it just reflects the different expectations of the new curriculum. Also, the new curriculum refers to the Prep year as Foundation. We will be having parent teacher interviews early in term 3, so you will have an opportunity to ask any questions or raise any concerns at this time.

NET - SET - GO PRESENTATION NIGHT
5pm - 6pm Friday 28th June
Upstairs Stawell Football/Netball clubrooms

Pizza/chips for tea and presentation of netball packs
Enquiries: Chris - 0457 584870

STUDENT ABSENCES
Student absences are recorded daily by teaching staff and are collected by Sue in the office at the end of each month. Please provide a verbal (in person or over the telephone) or written approval for any absences. If you have forgotten, a department generated absentee letter will be sent home at the end of term. Thank you for your support with this.
Earn and Learn Has Closed!!

Please collect all your stickers and return them to school by the last week of term.
Thank you for your support!

OTHER DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

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SCHOOL VALUES

- **Honesty**
- Being true to yourself, family, friends and teachers

- **Persistence**
- Being confident, resilient and optimistic when striving to meet challenges

- **Humour**
- To enjoy and celebrate with others

- **Initiative**
- To contribute ideas, be flexible and demonstrate leadership

- **Commitment**
- Being dedicated to do your very best

- **Teamwork**
- Working with and sharing with others to enhance learning for everyone

- **Respect**
- Treating self, others and your environment with care and respect.