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HADEN STATE SCHOOL

Prep—Yr 6

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School Expectations
Be Safe
Be Respectful
Be a Learner

From the Principal's Desk.....

Thankyou everyone for the warm welcome to the Haden State School, it has been a pleasure getting to know your students, staff and community members.

It has been a rather hectic start to the term but students have settled into great learning patterns and assessments for the term are underway.

Swim camp took place in February and was a great week. Students were able to improve their water safety and swimming skills .

Students in year 4—6 travelled to Mt Tyson for a science day and from all reports it was a great day. Thankyou to parents for transporting students to this event.

Clean up Australia Day activities took place last week, students donned gloves and spent time cleaning up the school grounds.

As you may be aware the school review takes place next week—Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th. In this newsletter are copies of the school priorities and school improvement agenda for 2021. All staff are working hard to met these priorities. A member of the review board may contact families next week to discuss your views on how we can make our school great. Outcomes from this review drive our learning direction for the next 4 years.

School Photos will be taken next Tuesday—March 16th. Please ensure students are wearing a clean full school uniform. Order and payment envelopes are due back on Friday 12th.

Luke Morris
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER:

March

16th—school Photos

17th & 18th School Review

19th Book club due

April

1st—Last day of term 1

19th—First day of term 2

23rd—Colour Fun Run

Our Goals

Writing, Reading, Attendance-Every child attending everyday

Haden State School Priorities

2021

1. Explicit teaching of *writing*.
   - Focus on sentence structure
2. Explicit teaching of *reading*.
   - Focus on comprehension for increased understanding

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Haden State School Improvement Agenda 2021

. Increase the percentage of students attaining 'B' standard or above in English from 53% at the end of the year, 2020, to 66% by end of year 2021.

. Plan for inclusion of delivers of all Key Learning Areas of Australian curriculum by the end of 2021.

. Improve Naplan Writing results of individual students in Year 5 from 2018 comparative results.

SCHOOL WATCH: 131 788

With the holidays almost upon us, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call the school Watch number **131 788**. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

SCHOOL WATCH
Phone: 131 788

Attendance Data

98.5%

Uniforms

Polo Shirts $27,

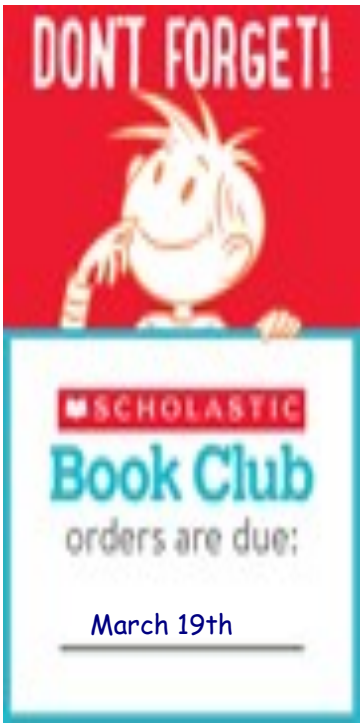
Shorts $11,

Jackets $37

Tracksuit Pants $19

Surf Hats $10

New style hat $10



ROBOTICS

Every odd week

Thursday 3-4pm

Starting 25th February

For Student in year 3-6

That's Such a Waste!

Did you know that Australia is one of the most wasteful countries per capita? Australians on average throw out a whopping one tonne of plastic waste every minute. 6000 kilograms of clothing goes into landfill every 10 minutes. This is not something to be proud of! The students at Haden State School want to do something about this.

Recently, the students in year 5 and 6 conducted a waste audit of our rubbish here at school. We laid out a week's worth of rubbish onto different tarps. Glue was for compost, blue was recycling, read was for landfill and yellow was for paper and cardboard. We found out that we are sending an alarming 8kgs of paper to landfill each week.

Students across the school are learning about how to be more sustainable and how to refuse, reuse, repurpose and recycle materials once destined for landfill. In technology in prep to year 2 students are making Steampunk sculptured from plastic packaging. The year year 3 and 4 students are repurposing old
clothing to sew a soft toy for a young child. The year 5 and 6 students are constructing outdoor sculptures out of recycled materials.

Every student and staff member has also made a reduce waste pledge in order to become more concussion about Australia's growing waste problem. **What will you pledge?**

I would reuse wood to recycle
I will recycle paper
I am going to start a compost bin.