



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to 2024! I hope everyone had a relaxing break, spending quality time with family to recharge for the exciting year ahead. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new families at Heathridge PS, we look forward to getting to know you all better throughout the year. I am thrilled to welcome our students back to our vibrant and exciting learning community! It has been great to see the buzz of learning in the classrooms on this first day back of the year.

Staffing

This year, we are delighted to welcome back some familiar faces to our school community. Mrs Charmaine Dimanuel is returning from parental leave on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday's as Associate Principal. Mrs Kelly Parr will continue in her Associate Principal role on Fridays. We also welcome back Miss Lauren Collie, who returned from her travels around Australia last year, and Mrs. Jessica Relph, who is returning from parental leave for two days per week. They are all very excited to be back and are looking forward to reconnecting with everyone around the school. Let's give them a warm welcome!

Kindergarten – Mrs Rebecca McInnes

Pre-primary – Mrs Charlotte Mooney

Room 3 – Miss Lauren Collie

Room 5 – Miss Cara Baker

Room 9 – Mrs. Jade Melvin

Room 10 – Miss Nikki Adams

Room 14 – Mr. Gregg Burdon

Room 15 – Mrs. Louise Sublet

Room 16 – Mrs. Shannon Davidson

Room 7 – Mrs. Jessica Lott

Room 8 - Mrs. Anna Giannasi

Room 13 – Mrs Jill Jess

PE – Mrs. Faye Revill

Digital technologies – Mrs. Jessica Relph

French (Year 3 to 6) – Mrs. Elle Williamson

Science and Visual Arts – Mrs. Katie Sandford.

Literacy Legends

It is with great excitement that we launch Literacy Legends across the school this year. Last year we trialled the initiative with Year 2 students, and it was a huge success. This year we will be implementing the program across the whole school. Mrs Baker will be leading and working with our EA's to run the program. If your child is chosen to join Literacy Legends, you will be contacted by Mrs Baker in the coming weeks. The purpose of the program is to identify gaps in students' literacy and target these gaps to assist our students to make greater gains.

Edu-Dance

Back by popular demand! Always a wonderful program that ends with the community coming together to watch the concert. This year we will be opening our classrooms for an open night after the concert. More information will come but please save the date on Wednesday, 27 March 24 (Week 9, Term 1).

Year 6 Ice-cream Fundraiser

Ice-cream fundraising is back in Term 1! The first ice cream sales will begin on Tuesday 13 February (Week 3). Please keep a lookout for more information. This fundraiser is led by our Year 6 students and money raised goes towards Year 6 end-of-year events.

Music Lessons and Robotics

Information regarding these two afterschool activities have been sent home via Facebook. If you would like more information on either of them, please contact Mrs Terry-Short.

Sun Smart School

As a Sun Smart School, we encourage families to apply sunscreen before your child comes to school in the morning. If you would like your child to re-apply throughout the day, please put some sunscreen in their school bag.

Here's to a year filled with inspiration, success, and the joy of learning.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Denise Pires

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