



HUGHESDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS · 1924 – 2024

HUGHESDALE'S HUNDREDTH

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL.

Celebrating a Century of Excellence.

It has been a little while since our last Hughesdale's Hundredth newsletter - but I think you can all agree, it's been a busy year for the school. Busy for the students, teachers and staff - but also for our amazing and dedicated parent committees who work so hard in the background to ensure our events and occasions are a huge success. We thank you sincerely.

On the 25th of July we enjoyed a delightful school production, aptly entitled '100'. This was a resounding success, captivating the audience with its exceptional performances and creative set designs. The students showcased their talents with remarkable acting, singing, and dancing, leaving everyone in awe of their dedication and hard work. The audience was taken on a trip down memory, highlighting the fashion, dance moves, music and icons of the era, over the last 100 years. The enthusiasm was evident in every scene, making it a truly memorable event.

I would like to thank Ms D'Monte for her wonderful vision and hard work and dedication in preparing our students for the performance.

I would also like to thank Mr Kuchel and Ms Ryan and the parent volunteers for their help backstage on the night and during rehearsals, Gretel for all her amazing sewing of costumes, all the staff and parents who sold 100 year merchandise and the staff for helping backstage and in the balcony.

Our production was closely followed by the highly anticipated Centenary Gala dinner. An extremely polished event which brought together students, teachers, and the community in a vibrant celebration. Overall, the gala strengthened the sense of community, leaving everyone looking forward to the next school event!

Now our attention is well and truly focused on the Centenary Carnival and school tours and archival show taking place on the 23rd November. This is bound to attract many more of the school alumni keen to tour

their old stomping ground, reunite with teachers and classmates as well as enjoy the memorabilia and artifacts of HPS' 100 years.

It's hard to believe our centenary year is drawing to a close so soon - but we hope you have all enjoyed it thus far! The pinnacle community event to go....

We encourage everyone to stay updated on our centenary celebrations by following our social media channels. These platforms are regularly updated with news, event highlights, and behind-the-scenes glimpses of our ongoing festivities.

Thank you to all who have shared your stories as these help keep the spirit of our school alive and thriving as we look forward to the next 100 years!

'Aim High'!

Dean Napier
Principal



'100' Production - 25th July 2024



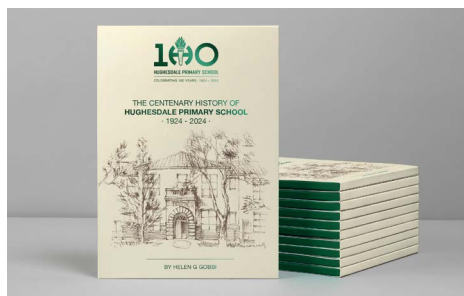
Gala Dinner - 17th August 2024



Centenary Carnival - 23rd November 2024



Reflections and Memories



100 years in the making



Centenary Pride



On the 25th of July 2024 Levels 5-6 of Hughesdale Primary School performed the production of 100! at the Besen Centre in Burwood.

The lead characters in the play were Paige, Freddie and Anna performed brilliantly by Aashritha Ajith, Caitlin Tewierik and Evelyn Vaughan respectively. There were also Fun Facts. They popped out each new decade to give a fun fact about that era and always spoke in rhyme. The audience was greeted by our Level 3-4 welcoming singers.

In the 21st century we can see three girls Paige, Anna, and curious Freddy looking through Paige's garage to find a photo album. They then find a diary and imagine many events that happened in each era. This production links to our centenary year for Hughesdale Primary School and

how things and technology have changed and developed throughout the different decades. This production was written by Ms D'Monte and the grade 5 and 6 students. We worked through so many drama skits to come up with the final ideas.

In the production the school Band, Choir and Specialty Dance Group performed many songs and dances. Some of the songs the school band performed were Drive my Car (accompanied by the school choir), Smells Like Teen Spirit and Seven Nation Army (Instrumental). Some of the songs that the school choir performed were Believer (accompanied by school band), Diamonds (accompanied by school band), Mamma Mia and Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy. The specialty dance group performed Dynamite and Survivor to fantastic choreography that

Miss D'Monte and the dance troop came up with together. Some of our choreography was also written by a professional choreographer.

This production is one of the most amazing events ever to happen in Hughesdale history. Of course we not only have Miss D'Monte to thank but we also have all the teachers, who put in the time and effort to help all the students practice and get them ready for the big day. We must remember to thank our stage manager Mr Kuchel, who was extremely helpful during the lead up to production on the day and Miss Ryan who helped coach some of our lead roles.

The stage was ginormous, grand and full of tons of props and equipment. Although we had the lights constantly in our eyes we put on a show everybody loved and we succeeded.

Nadine D'Monte
Performing Arts Teacher



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2024 CENTENARY PRODUCTION – '100'

DRESS REHEARSALS IN FULL SWING – LED BY PERFORMING ARTS TEACHER NADINE D'MONTE AND SUPPORTED BY TEACHERS AND PARENTS.



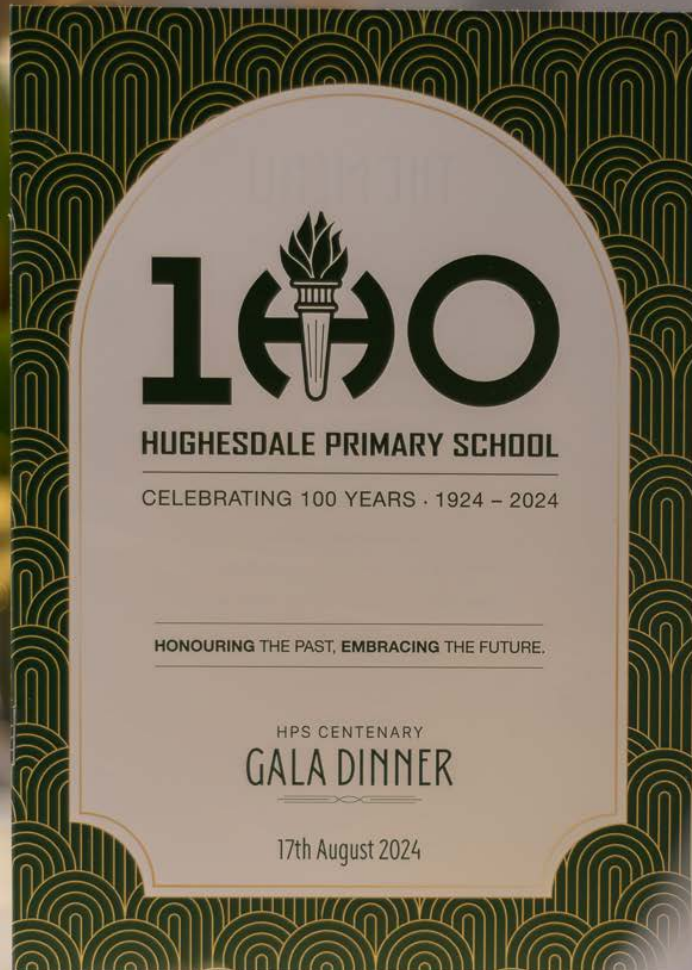
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The HPS Gala Dinner was an extremely polished event. It was a resounding success, bringing together students, teachers, and the community in a vibrant celebration. The turnout was fantastic, with a lively atmosphere that buzzed with excitement and joy. When standing on the podium to deliver my speech, the excitement in the room was palpable. The students' performances from the South Oakleigh SC band were particularly praised, showcasing their talents and hard work, including three ex-students.

The guest speakers were absolutely amazing, they were: the longest-serving former principal, Craig Tanner, and two HPS alumni,

Doug Warbrick, co-founder of the business Rip Curl and inductee to the Surfing Hall of Fame, and Danielle Matthews, who had carved a significant career as a singer, cabaret and musical theatre performer.

All speakers were engaging, amusing and at times profound in their recollections of the impact of school life upon them.

Special guest at the dinner, the Federal Member for Hotham, Clare O'Neil MP spoke warmly of her experience of the school.

Our School Council president Liz Chackola acted as Master of Ceremonies and did an exceptional job of keeping the whole night on track.

A big thank you to Parents and Friends for all their hard work in making it literally a once in one-hundred-year event and HPS parent Lynne Franke for her incredible eye for detail creating the Gala brand and collateral!

Overall, the gala strengthened the sense of community, leaving everyone looking forward to the next school event!

Dean Napier
Principal

CENTENARY GALA DINNER A NIGHT TO REMEMBER.



GALA GATHERING; ALUMNI REUNITING AND REMINISCING
SOUTH OAKLEIGH COLLEGE BAND ENTERTAINING AT THE GALA.
3 MEMBERS OF THE BAND AND THE SINGERS ALL HPS ALUMNI.

CENTENARY GALA DINNER

EXTRACT FROM HPS SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT LIZ CHACKOLA

“Good Evening...

May I firstly acknowledge the traditional custodians on the land in which we meet today... the lands of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation... and pay respect of their elders past, present and emerging and to any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people here this evening. Hughesdale Primary School... sits firmly on the land of the Wurundjeri people and we are grateful for this beautiful land, that we care for and share.

Welcome everyone to Hughesdale Primary's night of nights...

It would be amiss for me to say it but tonight really is a once in a 100-year event!... and the penultimate event in Hughesdale's centenary year celebrations.

My name is Elizabeth Chackola and I am the current school council president for Hughesdale Primary and a proud mum of a grade two student.

And tonight, I will be your Master of ceremony... I am thrilled to be able to stand here and represent our school... and guide us through what will be a celebration of our beloved Hughesdale Primary School.

I am honoured to welcome our special guests this evening ...

- The Honourable Clare O'Neil - Federal member for Hotham, Minister for Housing and Minister for Homelessness
- Mr Doug Warbrick - Hughesdale Alumni and Co founder of Rip Curl
- Ms Danielle Mathews - singer, musical theatre and cabaret artist
- Mr Craig Tanner – Hughesdale past Principal

We know that there has been a huge amount of co-ordination from all of you to be here this evening including travelling from interstate - thanks Doug!!

And we thank you for all being part of our special celebration...

Hughesdale Primary's centenary year festivities kicked off with the 100 year aerial photo shoot with all the current students and staff, then came the 100 year dress up day and the burial of the time capsule, a tradition that occurs as each decade passes, last month we watched our year 3-6 students in the 100 year school production, and here we are tonight at the Centenary Gala dinner. And we'll be rounding out our year of celebrations with a bang at HPS School Carnival on the 23rd of November.



Tonight is about honouring the past and embracing the future of our beloved HPS. And can I just say HPS you've all scrubbed up well and looking on point for the evening!

Can I give a big shout out to the Hughesdale staff who are here tonight. These are the passionate educators and leaders that work tirelessly to create an environment where our students can thrive. A huge thank you for coming out to supporting the school on this special night.

And how wonderful it was to meet and chat with some of our past students earlier tonight who have shared their fondest memories from their primary school years at Hughesdale.

I just wanted to share with you all one piece of reflection, and I hope Rodney and Keith don't mind me sharing this...

It reads:

“One of my highlights was a school excursion to the MCG for the opening ceremony of the 1956 Olympic games. I think the Queen or the Duke was there and with other schools we formed part of the human tapestry on the oval. They go on to say my family and Keith's family had 9 kids at the school over a period of 54 years. All went on to tertiary education with 4 medical practitioners.

2 primary teachers, 2 engineers and a pharmacist. My father also taught grade 4's for about 3 years. This will be a fraction of what this school and it's teachers contributed to our society.”

Isn't that just a beautiful reflection of our school? I think you have just about summed up exactly what we are here to honour and celebrate tonight.

Now, as I invite our speakers on stage can we please make sure we give them a huge, roaring Hughesdale welcome.

Our next speaker is someone that needs no introduction, someone who dons on the orange vest everyday rain, hail or shine and greets his community. An avid Swans supporter and let's be honest who can hold that against him, someone who can go from doing the worm at the senior school disco, to being the first to roll up his sleeves at the school working bee. He is blazing the trail with the work he is doing the inclusion space and has firmly implemented an allied health team at HPS. He is steadfastly committed to driving improvements in the learning models aimed at getting better outcomes for our students.

Please welcome to the stage none other than our Principal Mr. Dean Napier...

CENTENARY GALA DINNER ADDRESS BY OUR PRINCIPAL.



“Good evening and welcome to this truly momentous occasion. It is with great pride, I stand here today as Principal of Hughesdale Primary School, as we gather to celebrate the centennial anniversary of our beloved school.

It is wonderful to see so many alumni together in the same place, spinning tales of yester year, it truly brings me great joy to see so many different generations of old Hughesdaliens. Tonight, we reflect not only on a century of educating our community, but also on the countless lives that have been impacted and transformed within our walls.

I would like to start by acknowledging Craig Tanner, for his dedication and perseverance to keep this wonderful school open. Without Craig’s ability to influence and advocate for Hughesdale PS, it would have suffered the same fate as many state schools in the 90’s. Craig, on behalf of everyone here, our past, current and future HPS community, we thank you.

One hundred years ago, our school started as a humble endeavour, a beacon of hope and knowledge in our community. From those early days to the present, we have evolved into an institution renowned for nurturing young minds and fostering spirits. If our walls could talk, it would tell tales of friendships forged and academic growth spanning a century.

From its early days as a fledgling institution, it has witnessed countless eager minds enter its halls, each leaving their mark on its history, as we will hear from our speakers tonight.

ABOVE LEFT: PRINCIPAL, DEAN NAPIER

ABOVE RIGHT: GALA PRESENTATION AND TABLE DECORATIONS

Reflecting on the past century, we celebrate not just our achievements but also the challenges we have overcome. Through times of adversity and prosperity alike, through war time and peace time, from being one of the highest populated schools in the state, to nearly closing down, societal shifts, and technological advancements, it has remained steadfast in its mission to impart knowledge and inspire greatness.

Nelson Mandela once said that “Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” I hope over the last 100 years HPS has changed the worlds of ten of thousands of students, that have passed through its gates.

As I look around tonight, I am reminded of the generations of students, educators, and supporters who have contributed to our success. It is your dedication, passion, and staunch commitment to education that has shaped the foundation upon which we proudly educate today.

Tonight is not just a celebration of history, but also a testament to the bright future that lies ahead. As we look forward to the next hundred years, let us continue to uphold the school values that define us and embrace the opportunities that await us.

To our alumni, thank you for your enduring loyalty and for continuing to be ambassadors of our school’s legacy.

To our staff, past and present, whose dedication and expertise have been instrumental in shaping the minds of tomorrow’s leaders. Your tireless



efforts do not go unnoticed, and we are immensely grateful for all that you do.

Lastly, to our community and supporters, thank you for your unwavering belief in our school. Your generosity and support have enabled us to flourish and thrive throughout the years.

As we raise our glasses tonight, let us celebrate a century of achievements, memories, laughter and milestones. Here’s to a future filled with continued success, boundless opportunities, and a commitment to excellence in education.

In the words of John Dewey “Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”

Thank you all for being part of this extraordinary journey. Happy 100th anniversary to our beloved school!”

Dean Napier
Principal

CENTENARY GALA DINNER

EXTRACT FROM HPS SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT LIZ CHACKOLA



I would like to now invite Honourable Clare O'Neil, Federal Minister for Housing and Minister for Homelessness to the stage to say a few words.

Our first key note speaker tonight- a Hughesdale Alumni, was born on the Sunny Coast Queensland and began surfing as a child in Maroochydore. His family moved to Melbourne and he attended Hughesdale Primary School before going on to complete his high school education at Brighton Grammar.

In March of 1969, towards the end of a surfing trip he asked his mate "Do you want to start making surfboards together?" His mate said yes... the timing was perfect... and just like that an Aussie icon and global success Rip Curl was born.

He is credited with bringing international surfing competition to Bells Beach aptly known as the Rip Curl Pro. He has mentored the likes of surfing greats like Tom Curren and Mick Fanning. And in 2010... he was inducted into the Australian Surfing Hall of Fame, may I hear the biggest Hughesdale roar as you put your hands together for Mr. Doug Warbrick.



Our next guest speaker is a former student at HPS who was taught by Mr. Tanner himself. She has gone on to pursue a career in the arts. She is a singer, musical theatre and cabaret artist. Danielle is best known for her portrayal of Shirley Bassey in the biopic *The Songs of Shirley Bassey* that she performed at sold out shows. She has featured in various concerts and TV appearances including *Carols by Candlelight* and performing the Australian national anthem live at the MCG. She is the co-artistic director of the award winning Choir of Hard Knocks.

In 2020, she brought us *The musical parodies of her in a wheelie bin* which became a youtube sensation where she shared her reflections on being in the most locked down state in covid. Could you please put your hands together for Danielle Matthews.



Our final guest speaker is a passionate leader within the education space. Craig Tanner was the principal of Hughesdale Primary School from 1993-2017 – an incredible 24 years of service to our community.

He used his transformational and adaptive leadership style alongside his strong advocacy to save the school from merger in the late 1990's.

Craig used his experience to drive positive policy changes inside the Department of Education. He is continuing to shape the education landscape through his contribution to the National Curriculum Services an organisation that provides education consultancy, professional learning services.

Craig's legacy continues in the new classroom building named in his honour at our school known as the Tanner Building - although Craig in your building a veranda could have been helpful for those hail storms that hit as the bell goes at 3.30 - but we won't hold that against you... can I now welcome to the stage the legend himself, Mr. Craig Tanner.



Last but not least we have a few thank yous. As I mentioned earlier, nights like tonight would not be possible without the vision and dedication of an army of volunteers. A very special thank you to Emma, Jodie, Janice, Sian, Shannon and Camille for the months of hard work and co-ordination behind the scenes in bringing this event to life.

Another very special mention and thank you to parent Lynne Franke and her business Grenade Studio for the creative direction for the 100 year branding, the programs the menus and all the collateral- they look amazing.

On a personal note I'd like thank my husband Tim for his unwavering support and positive reinforcement and racing back from Lorne after a trail run to support me tonight. And to Dean, Aaron, Emma and Jodi for their encouragement to take on tonight's role and vetting my notes so that I didn't go rogue.

And finally thank you to the Hughesdale community both past and present for your active involvement in our HPS community which will continue to grow in strength and ensure the success of our school for the years to come.

Before I leave you ... please check under your seat to see if you have won a prize. Tonight's prizes have been generously donated by Rip Curl.

Well.. that just about concludes the formalities for the evening. You really have been great audience. Please enjoy your desserts, my name's Liz and I look forward to seeing you on the dance floor."

CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

HONOURABLE CLARE O'NEIL;
CRAIG TANNER;
DANIELLE MATTHEWS;
AND DOUG WARBRICK.

CENTENARY GALA DINNER A NIGHT TO REMEMBER.



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HPS PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, STAFF, (PAST & PRESENT) PARENTS, AND ALUMNI
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CENTENARY GALA DINNER PARENTS & FRIENDS COMMITTEE

What a night!!! The 100 Year Gala Celebration was organised by Hughesdale Primary's Parent and Friends Association and it was nothing short of spectacular! Held on Saturday, August 17th at the elegant Huntingdale Golf Club, the event truly lived up to its billing as a once-in-a-century celebration.

Plenty of planning and effort went into the event and a lot of fun was had in the process to ensure this was an event that suitably captured 100 years of HPS. Liz Chackola, our School Council President, did an exceptional job as MC, and Principal Dean Napier set the tone with a fantastic introduction. The evening was further enriched by the inspiring address from Clare O'Neil, Honourary Federal Member for Hotham.

Doug Warbrick, co-founder of Rip Curl and HPS Alumni, captivated the audience with entertaining anecdotes from his time at Hughesdale Primary. Danielle Matthews, a celebrated entertainer and HPS Alumni, shared heartfelt memories of how the school shaped her future and the profound impact of a single teacher in understanding neurodiversity.

Humble brag alert!

Over the last few months I've had the absolute privilege of getting to know Doug 'Claw' Warbrick (co-founder of Rip Curl and absolute legend).

Doug is an esteemed alumni of HPS.

I was so shocked when I stumbled across an article from the 90th Anniversary of HPS written by fellow alumni Bob Beynon, to find that Doug not only used to live around the corner from me (when he was a youngster) but that he also attended the school.

I made it my mission to connect and invite him to be part of the centenary celebrations. This was made somewhat easier for me as in a twist of fate his grand daughter is also my second cousin (long story)... Maybe a bit of nepotism? But who cares!!!!

Not only was Doug thrilled to be contacted - he leapt at the opportunity to be part of the centenary and accepted the invite to be a keynote speaker at our Gala held on in August. And the chance to reunite with some of his old mates and his sister Laurel who also attended HPS and joined us at Gala.

As Doug now resides on the Gold Coast - this was quite a coup to have him and some generous Rip Curl merch donated for prizes.

Craig Tanner, Principal from 1993 to 2017, recounted the transformative journey of the school through challenging times and its evolution into the thriving institution it is today. Each speaker brought their own unique perspective of the school, its community and humour, ensuring the evening was filled with laughter and reflection.

Another feature of the night was the reunion of many HPS Alumni, after decades apart they travelled far and wide and spanned decades back to the 1940s. It was heartwarming to witness their joy as they reconnected with old friends and shared their personal stories of Hughesdale Primary.

As the evening unfolded with dancing, socialising, and endless laughter, it became clear that this was a once-in-a-century celebration to remember. The dedication of the organising committee was evident in every detail, from the beautifully designed invites and venue décor by Lynne Franke to the event coordination by Emma Saddington, Jodie Davis, Janice Boynes, Sian Naulls, Shannon Isaac, and Camilla Govier-Cole.

My second mission was to track down his bestie Bob and ensure he too could attend. Mission accomplished to the delight of both men and on Saturday 17th August 2024 the founding members of the 'Ellendale St Gang' were once again together laughing and reminiscing of days gone by and mischief made. They hadn't caught up in almost 50 years - but you wouldn't know it if you saw them together. Was magical.

Not going to lie - was pretty special seeing them together and a poignant moment when Doug asked Bob to share the spotlight with him. The audience were captivated hearing tales of sneaking into surrounding orchards, kangaroos in the paddocks (that may or may not have been target practice... Luckily no roos were harmed), the 'scary house' up where McDonalds is and many more stories of the 'good old days'.

As a nostalgic person myself, I loved witnessing this reunion. And felt honoured to have made it happen.

And to top it all off, Doug thought the evening itself had 'great energy' and the brand and collateral I designed for our centenary and gala were 'world class'. Made my year!

Lynne Franke
HPS Parent



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who came along and supported this historic event. Your presence and enthusiasm made it a night for the ages. Here's to many more celebrations and the continued success of Hughesdale Primary and its community.

ABOVE: EMMA SADDINGTON & JODIE DAVIS, MEMBERS OF HPS PARENTS & FRIENDS COMMITTEE.



TOP: DOUG WARBRICK & LYNNE FRANKE
ABOVE: BOB BEYNON AND DOUG WARBRICK - THE ELLENDALE ST GANG.

MY REFLECTIONS RODNEY LAMBERT

MONITORS

One of the features of all schools in Australia in the 1900s was the use of monitors as student volunteers to undertake specific duties.

Hughesdale was no different and in the 1950s and 1960s had monitors for at least the following tasks:

- distribution of milk;
- distribution of ink;
- cleaning and maintenance of blackboards;
- housekeeping in the staff room.

In the 1950s fresh pasteurised milk was delivered by the state government to all primary schools nominally as a public health measure, to ensure all school children were well nourished. (This policy also provided a guaranteed and lucrative market for the dairy farmers and supporters of various political parties at the time.) Generally, daily milk rations were appreciated by most of the students and there were never any leftovers at the end of the day. Delivering a fresh milk ration daily to more than 1100 students presented a significant workload at Hughesdale and this is where the Milk Monitors came into their own. I believe there were about 6 monitors at any given time, selected from the more senior (and stronger) year 5/6 students. My memory is that the monitors were mostly boys.

Milk was delivered by a truck/van at about 7.00 am and left in the outside quadrangle. It was contained in small 1/3-pint bottles with



crimped aluminium foil caps. Each wooden crate contained about 50 bottles and there were about 22 crates of milk to be delivered to the classrooms where it was consumed.

Milk monitors arrived at school early and ensured each classroom had its correct milk ration before the first lessons commenced around 9.00 am. The monitors also presented to their own classrooms for roll call and to commence their own lessons for the day.

By 10.00 am it was time for the Monitors to fetch empty milk bottles and crates from the classrooms and return them to a stacking area where they were retrieved by the delivery truck next morning. I remember noting on

one morning that I returned to the classroom at 11 am after the milk bottle retrievals were completed. I then had to finish my assigned work before the lunch break commenced.

Students didn't receive pen licences in the 1950s and 1960s. Rather, at a particular time – I think it was grade 3 – they just automatically moved from pencils to pen and ink. Each desk had an inkwell that had to be filled each day by the ink monitors. The more senior monitors had the job of mixing up the ink powder with water and distributing the resultant ink to each classroom. The subset of monitors then filled each inkwell.

Each class had a blackboard monitor who had to make sure the blackboard was clean at the start of each day. This was sometimes problematic if a teacher had come in over the weekend, or stayed for a while after school, to prepare some complex piece of work or drawing on the blackboard – only for it to be erased before the class started! The blackboard monitors also had to ensure the blackboard dusters were clean and ready for use.

And finally, a group of mostly girls were on duty as monitors in the staff room after little lunch each day to wash and dry the crockery and generally clean up after the teachers' morning tea.

The use of students as monitors really instilled in all of us the value of volunteering. Most students wanted to be a monitor at some stage of their school life at Hughesdale.

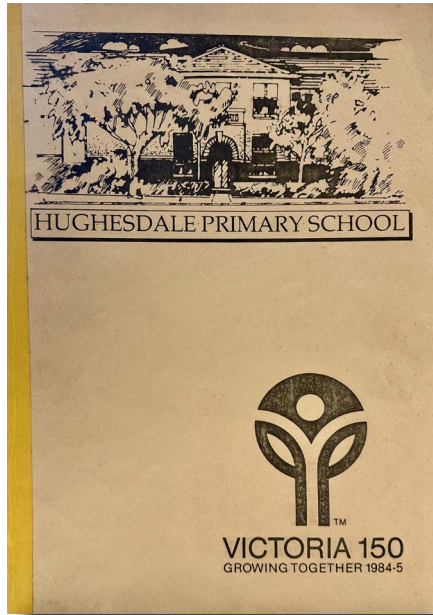
RODNEY LAMBERT
Past Student 1950'S



ABOVE IMAGE
GEOGRAPHY LESSON AT HPS.

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MY REFLECTIONS
KARMA WILSON



As a past student and a current parent at Hughesdale Primary, I thought it would be nice to share my experience with this amazing school.

I grew up in Murrumbena and attended Hughesdale back in the 80's when Bernard Greenwood was the school Principal. I moved back into the area with my husband about 15 years ago and it was a very easy decision to send both our children here. My eldest son graduated last year and my youngest son is currently in Grade 3.

To help refresh my memories I dug out my old school photos and was surprised at how hard it was to find one of me wearing the school uniform. Casual dress was very common back then and all I could think of was my poor mum having to decide what to dress both her daughters in each day. I will never forgive her for the excessive use of skivvies though.

My dad was on the school council for a number of years and to this day he still talks about when the school purchased a 'state

of the art' colour photocopier. Progressive times indeed. My mum spent many hours helping the school out with readers and being a part of the Parent's Association. When she went back to work my sister and I would walk to and from school using the path that used to cut through from Brine St to Oakleigh Tech which is now Argyle Reserve. It's all houses now.

We weren't so sun smart back then either. We didn't have to wear hats and there was no 'Great Green' or 'Big Blue' to protect us and we certainly didn't have an indoor gym for assemblies. I still remember standing out in the quadrangle rain, hail or shine to sing the national anthem God Save the Queen!

I learnt Greek as a language and in Grade 6 I was House Captain for Churchill (Red). School camps to Somers and Canberra were a lot of fun and I remember getting my 15 minutes of fame when I was one of the students in Mr Davidson's class selected to go on a Channel 7 gardening show. This is where my lifelong love of gardening began.

My fondest memory, like many kids back then, is of the old Milk Bar on Brine St where our lunch orders came from. I invested a lot of 20 cent coins on bags of mixed lollies there. Perhaps it's a blessing in disguise that it's gone now as I'm certain my kids would be big spenders there too.

I was really pleased that my youngest son was able to stand in the 100 year aerial photo this year. Many years ago, I was a student standing in the 60 year photo. Mine was taken out of an upstairs window though as drones did not exist then!

A lot has changed since I was a student, but the wonderful sense of community has remained which makes it a truly special place for both students and parents alike. I am certain both my sons have loved being a part of Hughesdale Primary School as much as I have.

KARMA WILSON nee Sleeth
Past Student 1980'S



FROM STUDENT TO TEACHER

1999 - 2024

KRALOGLOU EDITION

MISS KRALOG'S TIME AT HPS



Hey everyone, most of you now know me as Miss Kralog or Miss K. My Hughesdale Primary School journey began about 25 years ago in 1999 (a very long time ago).

When I went to HPS, I was a quiet and happy learner and I loved going to school. The playground looked very different, there were fewer buildings and more areas to play. There were also significantly fewer students and teachers back then.

I have 4 siblings that all went to HPS at different stages to me, I got to share my time at Hughesdale with all of them except my smallest brother Anthony. Our time at HPS was recorded on one of the bricks near the Great Green.



Returning to Hughesdale PS as a teacher has felt like stepping back in time. The buildings and classrooms look exactly the same but now I'm seeing it all from the viewpoint of a teacher.

Miss Kralog with former school principal Mr Craig Tanner (2005)



Teaching here certainly feels like a reunion. Coming back, I've gotten to work alongside my old teachers (Mr Richards, Mrs Amiet, Mrs Anglim). This has been surreal and honestly quite fun to continue to be supported by these incredible teachers.

I also get the tremendous pleasure of seeing my mum at work and getting to see her interact with the students reminds me of when she took care of us 5 kids, she handles 5 problems all at once with ease (and lots of stickers for being brave). I even enjoy having my little brother Steven here on placement.

This year I've been lucky enough to work alongside my old school friend and classmate Mischa Abrham whom I graduated with. Definitely feels like time has stood still and we're back in school again.

Here are my siblings that went to HPS with me



Miss Kralog in Grade 2 (2001)

I get the absolute pleasure as a CRT to get to know and teach all the grades and classes at HPS, for me every day is different and I wouldn't have it any other way. Teaching at Hughesdale, has been a great experience where I can guide students in the same classrooms where I once sat wide-eyed and eager to learn.

Miss Kralog



HUGHESDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

CENTENARY CARNIVAL

SAVE THE DATE!

★ NOVEMBER 23RD 2024 ★

Hughesdale Primary School is thrilled to announce a spectacular event to mark the end of its centenary year! Join us on **Saturday, November 23, 2024**, for a day filled with nostalgia, celebration, and community spirit. Whether you are a past student, a current attendee, or a valued community member, we warmly invite you to be part of this memorable occasion.

Morning Tours and Memorabilia Display

Kick off the day by booking a guided tour of our school starting from **10:00am**. This is a fantastic opportunity for former students to revisit their old classrooms and see the incredible changes that have taken place over the decades. After your tour, don't miss the chance to explore our **memorabilia display**, showcasing

100 years of Hughesdale Primary's history, along with some limited edition HPS 100 Year merchandise which is available to purchase. It's a wonderful way to reflect on the school's journey and the many lives it has touched.

Carnival Celebration

Starting at **midday**, the excitement continues with our vibrant carnival!

This celebration is packed with activities for everyone, ensuring a day of fun and laughter.

Enjoy thrilling rides for all ages, a petting zoo where kids can interact with animals, and a silent disco that's sure to get everyone dancing. Indulge your taste buds with a variety of food and drink stalls, and enjoy live music to set the festive

atmosphere. There will also be free sporting activities and many other engaging attractions and stalls to participate in.

This is not just an event; it's a celebration of our past, present, and future.

Let's come together to honour the legacy of Hughesdale Primary School and make new memories that will last a lifetime.

For more information about the Open Morning and Carnival, including unlimited ride tickets and tour bookings, please visit: hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au/centenary/carnival/

We can't wait to see you there! Let's celebrate 100 years of Hughesdale Primary School together in style!



HUGHESDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

CENTENARY CARNIVAL

NOVEMBER 23RD 2024

OPEN MORNING & TOURS 10AM – 12PM

CARNIVAL 12PM – 5PM

- * CARNIVAL RIDES * FOOD & DRINK * PETTING ZOO *
- * STALLS * LIVE MUSIC * SPORTS CLINICS *
- * HUGHESDALE PRIMARY ART & MEMORABILIA *

TO BOOK TOURS OR PRE-PURCHASE RIDE PASSES - SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE:



[HUGHESDALEPS.VIC.EDU.AU/
CENTENARY/CARNIVAL/](https://hughesdaleps.vic.edu.au/centenary/carnival/)

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CAN YOU HELP MAKE OUR CENTENARY CARNIVAL A SUCCESS?



Carnival Plant Stall

We are seeking donations of succulents, seedlings, indoor or outdoor plants or vegetables - these can be ones you have propagated yourself! Also decorative plant pots.

If you can donate, please drop off your plants at the school by Wed 20th November.



Cake & Bake Stall

We are looking for donations of baked goods and preserves for our Bake Stall. Not only would we love donated cake items such as cakes, cupcakes, muffins, slices, biscuits etc, but this year we are also looking for preserves such as jams and chutneys.

More details to be issued shortly about when and where to bring your baked goods to school, but in the meantime, get your thinking caps on about what you can bake and donate for the Carnival. All proceeds go directly to the school.



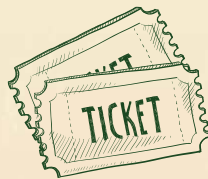
Book Stall

We are seeking donations of good quality, 2nd hand books - kids, non-fiction and fiction accepted.

Please donate to the HPS office during school hours.

TICKETS AND TOURS

PURCHASE RIDE TICKETS AND TOUR TIMES HERE



Ride Tickets

We are offering an Early Bird Special to purchase an Unlimited Rides Wristband to be used between 12pm - 5pm on our Carnival Day, 23rd November 2024.

\$40 per wristband, limited available.

Book your ride pass here:

[www.trybooking.com/
events/landing/1307620](http://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1307620)

BACK
TO
SCHOOL

School Tours

The staff from HPS will be conducting tours of the school for past students and community members from 10 to 12. As well as a large memorabilia display to view.

Book your tour here:

[www.trybooking.com/
events/landing/1307628](http://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1307628)

ANY QUERIES, PLEASE CONTACT HPS.PFTEAM@GMAIL.COM

HPS TOURS AND MEMORABILIA

JOIN US ON A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE!

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Tours will start from 10.00 am and finish around midday.

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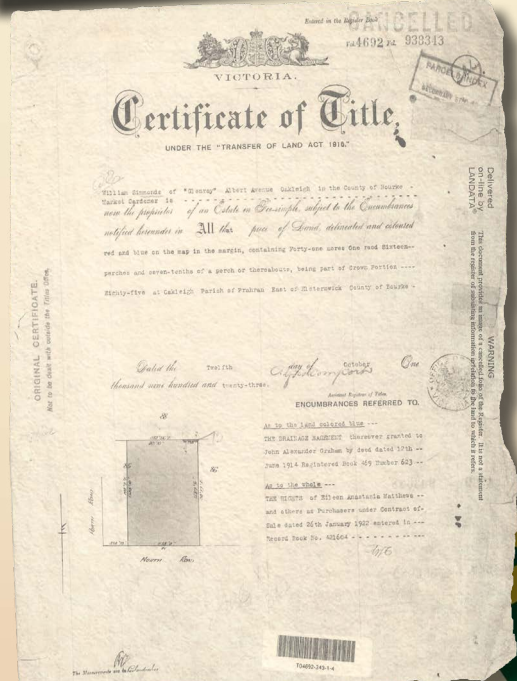
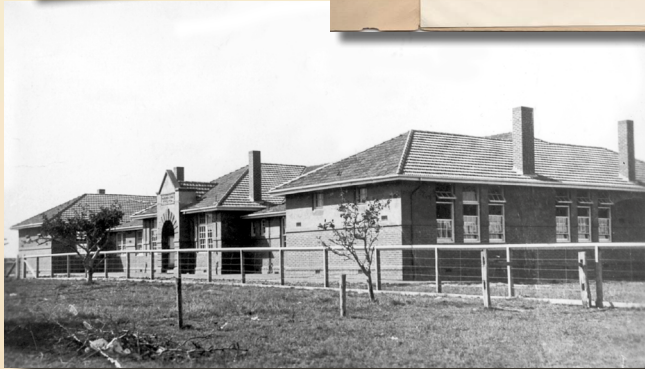
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Memorabilia Display

After your tour, be sure to visit our memorabilia display! It features hundreds of photos and heartfelt memories shared by past students, along with old school uniforms, past student work and fascinating items from our archives. You can also enjoy videos from the 80s to the present, showcasing school productions and digital presentations from past and present students.

To celebrate 100 years of Hughesdale Primary's history, don't miss the chance to check out our limited edition HPS 100 Year merchandise available for purchase.

It's a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the school's journey and the many lives it has touched.



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CARNIVAL COMPETITION TIME!

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO WIN!



Have you spotted the HPS Centenary Carnival real estate board in your local area? Or as we like to say - 'in the wild'!!

'HPS Signs in the Wild' competition, is your family's chance to win **2 unlimited ride tickets** for the carnival on 23rd November 2024.

To be in the running, simply locate each of the **6 signs** around the Hughesdale and Murrumbeena area, take a selfie in front of each sign and send your photos and the sign address to us at hps.pf.team@gmail.com.

First family to locate all signs will win **X 2 unlimited ride passes valued at \$80**.

Thanks again to Centenary Carnival Major Sponsor - Harcourts Next Gen Oakleigh for supporting us and getting our 'signs in the wild'!

See below - this is what you are looking for x 6...





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PET COMPETITION

GET READY TO SHOWCASE YOUR FURRY FRIENDS AT OUR
EXCITING PET COMPETITION DURING THE CARNIVAL!

Categories:

- 1. Cutest Pet:** Is your pet the epitome of cuteness? Whether they have big, soulful eyes, an irresistible waddle, or a fluffy coat, we want to see them shine!
- 2. Best Dressed Pet:** Does your pet have a flair for fashion? From whimsical costumes to stylish accessories, show off your pet's unique style and creativity!

Prizes:

Winners will receive an incredible **KONG Prize Pack!** This prize includes a variety of KONG toys and treats, perfect for keeping your pet entertained and happy.

How to Enter:

- **Entries:** email a photo of your pet to hspetcomp2024@gmail.com and don't forget to let us know which category they are entering.
- **Voting:** There will be a display of all our wonderful entrants at the carnival. Attendees will have the opportunity to vote for their favourites throughout the day and by voting you will also go in the draw to win a KONG Prize Pack. Make sure your friends and family come out to support you!

Start sending your entries in and let's make this competition a memorable one. We can't wait to see all the adorable faces and stylish outfits!

WHAT TO EXPECT

CARNIVAL

- 12pm to 4/5pm -

Rides & Attractions

Kiddie Carousel
Chair-O-Plane
Cup & Saucer
Dodgem Cars
Sizzler/Cha Cha
Music Trip
Petting Zoo

The Stalls

Bakes & Preserves
Plants
Pre-loved Books
Jewellery

Games and Events

Salesian College Crafting
Sacred Heart Girls School Face Painting
KONG Pet Competition
Lucky Dip
Crazy Hair
Lob-A-Choc
Auskick
Little Sporty Legends Netball
Kando Martial Arts
Kelly Sports
Silent Disco
DJ
HPS Choir & Band
HPS Centenary Art Auction
HPS Memorabilia Display
and Merchandise

The Food

Bearded Brewmaster
Spud Stick
Hot Jam Donuts
U C Food 2 Go
BBQ
Drinks
Pizza
Choc Tops and
Zoooper Doopers



OPEN MORNING

- 10am to 12 noon -

HPS School Tours
(must book your tour)



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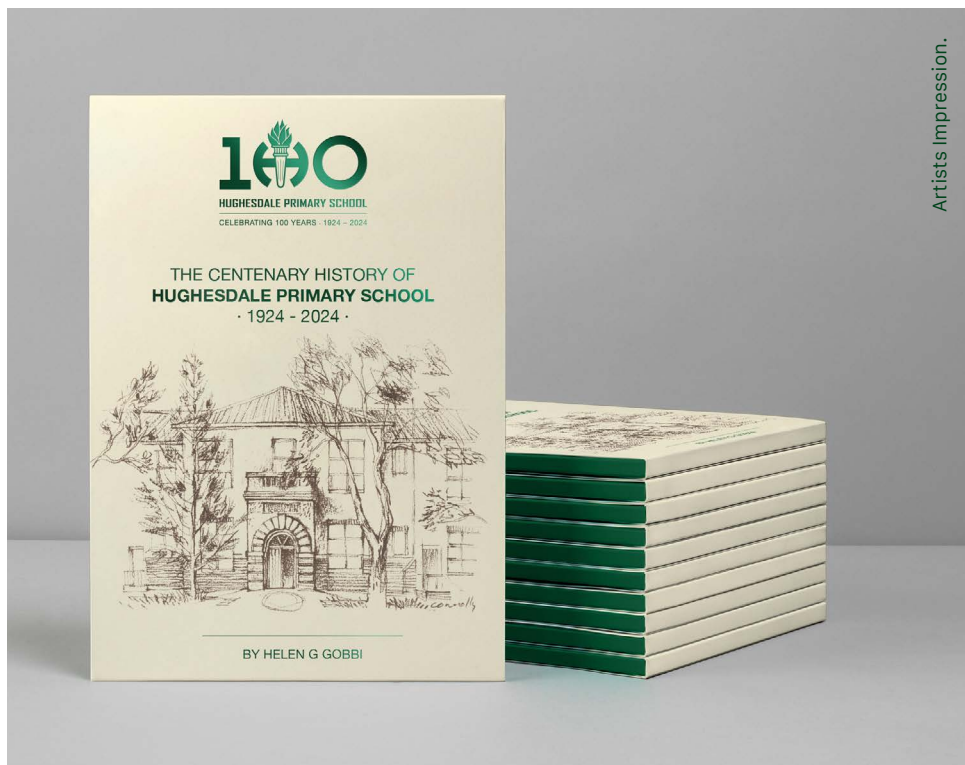
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100 YEARS OF HISTORY OUR STORY



We are delighted to announce that esteemed author H. G. Gobbi has finalised the next edition of our history.

Aptly entitled: The Centenary History of Hughesdale Primary School 1924 - 2024. This follows on from Helen's previous publication for our 80th anniversary in 2004. Thank you Helen for your continued passion for capturing our history.

The books are currently at the printers being printed and bound and we look forward to having them available at our upcoming Centenary Carnival. There are only a limited number being printed, so be sure to secure your copy.



Scan here to pre-order your copy, or use this link www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1271114

CENTENARY MERCHANDISE LIMITED EDITIONS

To further celebrate our 100th anniversary, we are offering a small range of limited edition merchandise to mark the occasion.

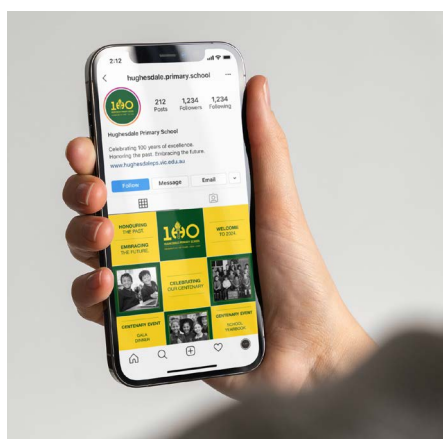
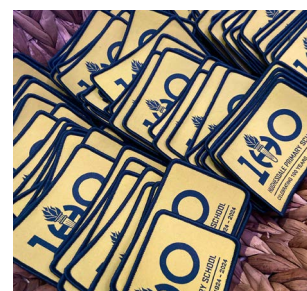
Available to order via the QR code or web link below and collection from the school.

OR purchase at the HPS Centenary Carnival on 23rd November 2024. Merch stand will be next to the memorabilia display in the gym.

Only a limited quantity of each item is available, so be sure you don't miss out.

- HPS Tote Bag \$7
- HPS Centenary Glasses \$12
- Koala Teddy Bear \$20
- Metal Keyring \$5
- Plastic Keyring \$5
- Cloth Badge \$3

Scan here to order your centenary merch or use this link: www.trybooking.com/CSXZP



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Stay updated, follow, like, share and invite others to join us on our digital media journey. Links below.

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