

Enrolments

1. Our current enrolment is 440 students.
2. Significant numbers of bookings for school tours.

Strategic Goals and Priorities

Goal 1 – To increase the learning growth of every student in literacy and numeracy.	
Key Improvement Strategy (KIS)	<i>Build teacher capability to embed rigorous practice.</i>
Actions to support KIS in Feb/Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Improvement Team (SIT) members have had two 1:1 coaching sessions this term to build leadership capacity. • Year 1/2 and 3/4 teams have worked with instructional coaches Chris Egan and Mary McQuilten to continue to build skills, knowledge and understanding of writing and reading pedagogy linked to our whole-school approaches. • Year 5/6 team facilitated a workshop with Janine Reid and Mary McQuilten to begin the construction of a new spelling inquiry model.
Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Staff performance and development goals ✓ Individual SIT leadership goals ✓ 5/6 Spelling Inquiry document
Key Improvement Strategy (KIS)	<i>Build teacher capability to differentiate practice to ensure challenge and progress for every student.</i>
Actions to support KIS in Feb/Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All teaching staff participated in a workshop in week 7 with Jeanette Breen, linked to building knowledge on appropriately challenging our students in reading • Staff built a whole school data wall (reading)
Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 20 days of writing THPS document ✓ Whole school assessment schedule ✓ Reading Data wall
Goal 2 – To improve student wellbeing.	
Key Improvement Strategy (KIS)	<i>Develop and integrate wellbeing approaches across the school.</i>
Actions to support KIS in Feb/Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julia Laidlaw facilitated the second Autism Awareness Group catch up. • All classrooms continue to utilise the positive education enhanced curriculum initiative. • Celene Black, Julia Laidlaw and myself met with Forest Hill College's executive leadership group to plan parent workshops and liaise as a small community of practice network. • Celene Black, Julia Laidlaw and Andrew Veal attended a full day Appreciative Inquiry model at Heathmont East Primary, looking at the impact of positive education in a primary school setting. • Julia Laidlaw and Celene Black facilitated a parent workshop on Empathy and Team Work

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff continue to participate in weekly tasks linked to positive relationships, as part of the wellbeing strategy of “Live it” and aligned to our wellbeing curriculum.
Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Wellbeing fortnightly newsletter ✓ Workshop flyers ✓ Staff briefing minutes ✓ Year level team weekly planners

Staffing

- We have provisionally appointed a First Aid Officer (5 days 10:30-2:30pm). Successful candidate will commence first day of term 2.
- Ross Toogood married his partner Amanda (and mother of his daughter Jasmine) on 7th March. A beautiful ceremony in the Carlton gardens attended by many staff who wanted to make sure he said I do!

Professional Learning

- I attended a regional forum (approximately 200 schools made up of Manningham, Boroondara, Whitehorse and Monash school networks) where the focus was on sharing regional and state NAPLAN data and challenging schools to continue to work towards the State’s targets.

Community Life

- Foundation students have now commenced full time at school. Cassie, Ashleigh, Jacqui and Ross have done an outstanding job ensuring a supportive and positive transition for all students. At last week’s assembly all Foundation students received their starting school certificates.
- Despite the weather we had a fantastic turn out for our annual Welcome picnic. Thank you to the Parents & Friends for organising all the food and drinks, and a big thank you to all the staff that worked on the BBQ or canteen. All money raised was donated to Warrandyte CFA.
- Parent/teacher discussions were held in week 5 and had high attendance rates.
- Special badge presentation to take place at assembly on Friday week 4, special guest will be School Council President David Barnes.
- House Captains have posted videos presenting interschool sports reports as a vlog called their Sports Channel.
- Coronavirus-** There were many initial queries from families in the lead up to when school resumed. We continue to follow DET’s guidelines.
- Steering committee for our 50 years celebration met and are busily preparing relevant responsibilities for subcommittees. Once established there will be a call to arms for volunteers to begin actioning the plan.
- Lunch time clubs have commenced, providing an opportunity for students to participate in experiences they have an interest in. Some of these clubs are supported by our STEM and Enviro captains.
- Our Junior School Councillors and Enviro Leaders have met for their designated fortnightly meetings. During these meeting they share and plan ideas that lead into actions to support our school.
- The school production steering committee have officially had their first meeting to start preparing for our biannual school musical production held in second last week of term 3. Sylvia Petrovska as established the theme and will commence writing the script with students. Main cast auditions will be in early term 2.

Resources

- Some minor works and resources to be discussed in Andrew’s report.