

Hamilton North Public School

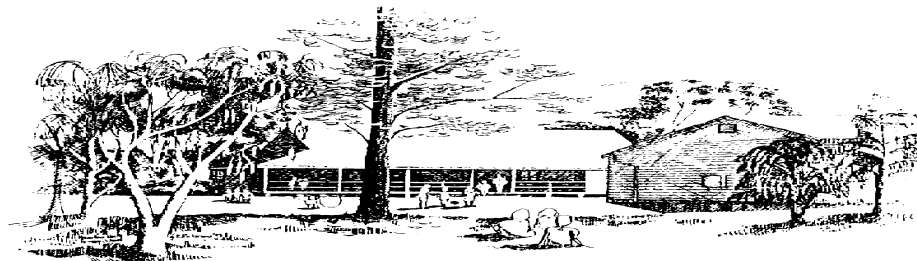
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Chalkboard - Term 4, Week 4, Wednesday 29th October 2014



Friday Assembly

Assembly will commence at 2.20pm this Friday, class 1/2 will present an item.

ICAS Certificates

Students who participated in the 2014 Writing and Spelling International Competitions and Assessment for Schools (ICAS) will have their certificates presented at this week's whole school Friday assembly.

Swim School

Our Swim School is filling up fast. If you wish your child to learn the important skill of swimming or if your child requires stroke correction, please complete and return the permission note along with the \$95 bus and swim instructor cost.

Application for Year 7 Selective High School Placement in 2016 – Government Schools.

If your child will be entering Year 7 High School in 2016 and you would like them to apply for placement in a selective government school:

- Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.
- Applications for entry in 2016 can be made online between 14th October 2014 and 17th November 2014
- All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 12th March 2015.
- No paper application forms are printed—applications are online only and will not be accepted after 18th November.
- An intention to apply letter is available at our office upon request.
- Information booklets are available at the office.

Murrook

Attached to the Chalkboard today is a copy of the Murrook excursion note, all notes and money must be returned to school no later than Wednesday 5th November. Thank you for the excellent response so far.

Year 6 Fundraising

Over the next few weeks Year 6 will start to raise money for their leaving gift to the school. Brodie and Grace (5/6) are helping Year 6 by holding a Jelly Bean guessing competition.

The guessing competition will take place each morning and afternoon for the next two weeks in the parent retreat; students can enter as many times as they like with 1 guess costing 50c or 3 guesses costing \$1. The winner will be announced at Assembly in Week 6 and will receive their prize.

Clue: There are less than 1000 jelly beans and there is an even amount.

Grace and Brodie 5/6

BUDDIES MAGAZINE

Congratulations to all the lucky families who have secured their copy of the Buddies Magazine! It really is a wonderful collection of memories for HNPS in 2014.

Your remaining balances are due next Wednesday 5th November. We have a strict deadline with the printers to ensure delivery at the end of the term so it is important you finalise payment at the office. The full price of each magazine is \$30. There are only 6 copies left to order for any families who would like one.

BUDDIES ADVERTISING

With only 2 weeks left to finalise the layout of the Buddies Magazine, it is now time to get your ads in. For best quality printing, please provide a digital hi-resolution file of your ad by emailing me - Emma.Novak1@det.nsw.edu.au

If you don't have a file, please provide a full colour quality print of your ad and I will scan it.

Full payment for your advertising is due by Wednesday 5th November to the school office. It is crucial you make payment on/before this date so I can finalise the publication for printing.

If you would like to advertise your business, there is still some space in the magazine. You can leave all details with the office and it is appreciated you let us know by the end of this week please.

Library News

Don't forget Issue 7 Scholastic Bookclub closes this Friday, 31st November.

Thank you to everyone who has bought Scholastic Bookclub books over the past year. The book rewards we receive from Scholastic, because of the books purchased by you, amounted to over \$500 in new books for our library this year.

Mosquitos

These biting critters are back and thirsty, please put insect repellent on your child before school. Children are allowed roll on repellents only in their school bag.

Environment Club

Thank you for supporting Bin Free Tuesday, we had absolutely no rubbish on the playground Tuesday this week which was fantastic to see.

Some children ask, " Why do we take our rubbish home and put it in the bin there instead, it is still rubbish? " Being Bin Free encourages the idea of a packaged free lunchbox, it also puts the spotlight on our waste as a society.

As we found out last term Australians as a society waste more than any other country. Thank you to those families who are making an effort to use less or no packaging in their child's lunchbox.

Lost Property

Please label your child's belongings and talk to your child about being responsible for their items. The lost property is getting out of control, it is not only a waste of money and space it also wastes people's time who have to sort it out.

Fresh Produce

Our gardeners have been busy in the gardens this term. The children have had fun weeding, composting and mulching the potatoes , with some potatoes being uncovered with much delight!

The raspberry bush is back on track, we have some massive beetroot, silverbeet, leeks and shallots , plus plenty of fresh herbs that will be on sale this Friday.

K/1 and KB spent last Wednesday afternoon out in the orchard mulching and Mrs Bradley and the Friday gardeners last week prepared a big garden bed ready for the Gooseberry Patch.

Our next project will be revamping the school grow tunnel with garden beds , this is going to be a big job!

If you would like to help out with our gardens we would love to hear from you. Please leave your details at the school office.

CLASSROOM REMINDERS

KB, K/1 & 1/2

PE is every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 10:40am -11am this term.

Your child must have a hat to participate.

CLASS K/1

Lunch Boxes

As the weather is heating up again please be mindful of lunch boxes. We will do our best to keep the children's bags out of the direct sun, however an ice pack or frozen water bottle near their food would be beneficial too.

K/1 & 1/2

Possum Magic tasting day has been postponed until next week.

CLASS 1/2

HEAD LICE

In 1/2 we have had a number of head lice cases over the last fortnight. It is very important to check your child's hair regularly and treat for lice. The second application 7-10 days after the first is crucial to eliminate the chance of them coming back.

1/2 are performing their assembly item this Friday. We hope to see you in the hall at 2:20pm. If you cannot make it on Friday, an email can be sent to you with the performance link. If you haven't already, please provide us with your email address and Mr. Sparke will send it out.

Year 6

Year 6- Interrelate

Parents of Year 6 students received a permission note last week for their child to participate in the Interrelate program.

The program "Moving into the Teen Years" explores a range of adolescent issues and offers a comprehensive education program designed specifically for this important time in life and prepares them for moving into high school.

The program will run on Monday 24th November and Monday 8th December at school and is designed for all Year 6 students to participate.

It would be appreciated if all permission notes and payments were finalised by Friday 21st November. Please see Miss Drew if you have any questions or would like more information.

Thank you Miss Drew

Idol Heats 2014

Week 5

| Monday 3rd November | Tuesday, 4th November | Wednesday, 5th November |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Charlie- piano | Grace White-Neale –dancing | Tommy C- piano |
| Grace White Neale- singing | Tommy and Jack-comedy | Bessie- singing |
| Alice and Ruby-singing | Kiana- singing | Leo- singing |
| Eve and Sabine-acrobatics | Jai- singing | Molly/Harmony-dancing |
| Shelby-singing | Maya- drama/dance | Alex- singing |
| | Ava White- singing | Senior Girls Drama |

SWIM SCHOOL PERMISSION NOTE

I give permission for my child to attend Swim School, which runs for 10 days from Monday 17th November to Friday 28th November, at Arnold's Swim School, The Junction.

I understand the cost is \$95 per child, which covers bus travel and swim instructor each day.

I understand the full cost of swim school is to be paid prior to the 14th November and if my child is unable to attend on any day there is no refund available.

My child has the following medical condition:

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Fresh Herbs for Sale

Fresh herbs straight from our garden are on sale every Friday at the Market Garden.

Herbs are also available pre ordered any day.

Come and see Mrs Bradley to order.

50c per bunch



ROSEMARY



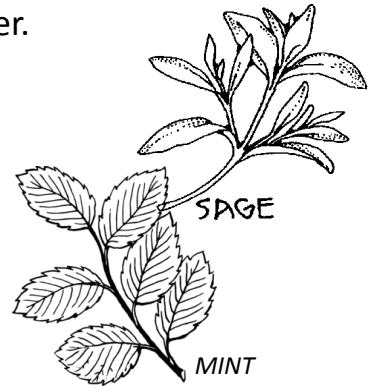
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Newcastle



28 October 2014

Dear Parents/Carers,

School Uniform Consultation

We are entering a period of consultation with regard to our school uniform and would appreciate your input. We have had a very simple uniform for many years and we want to find out if this still meets the needs of the school and the local community.

Staff, parents and some students have voiced their opinion that our current uniform is not as smart as those worn by other local schools. After initial surveys of senior students, some have said that they feel "scruffy" when they attend events at other schools. A similar view is often raised by parents.

Clearly a uniform sends a message about our school to students, their families and to the wider community. We believe that Hamilton North is an excellent school with excellent students and we would like to see a uniform that reflects that. To this end we have shown primary students, staff and our P&C a model of what a different uniform might look like. It would include the following:



PTO

(Skort and skirt not shown)

Clearly there is a cost implication of any decision. To keep costs down and affordable to families Hamilton North are attempting to work with local suppliers and businesses to attract sponsorship. This would assist our plan in offering every student their first uniform at a substandard cost. An indication of potential cost is given below:

Shirt - \$15 / \$17

Shorts - \$15 / \$17

Skirt - \$15 / \$20

Skorts - \$20 dependant on supplier

Socks - \$6

Although the supplying of uniforms must first be put to a tender. These prices are extremely competitive and consistently lower than all of our neighbouring primary and high schools.

In order for the school to make an informed decision we would be grateful if you would return the slip below to the office before Friday November 7. If slips are not returned we will assume you agree with the uniform change. Students are also able to register their own views and all will have the opportunity to do so.

We will inform you of the outcome of the consultation during November and if there is to be a change then we will inform you of the process including how we will support those families who might face financial difficulties.

Thank you for your support in this matter and we look forward to receiving your input.

Yours sincerely,

Josh Sparke
Assistant Principal
HNPS Uniform Committee

I support a Hamilton North Public School uniform upgrade.

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Yes

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No

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Hamilton North Public School Aboriginal Cultural Day

This term all students will have the opportunity to participate in a very special Aboriginal cultural day at Murrook Culture Centre. The purpose of the day for students to be immersed in Aboriginal Culture. The centre is run by Worimi people who will teach many facets of Aboriginal culture, from boomerangs, communication like art and dance, bush food medicine, cooking and craft (basket weaving, beading).

Students will be delivered a sound, authentic and relevant cultural experience by seeing Australia through the eyes of an Aboriginal person.

Where: Murrook Cultural Centre, Williamstown

When:

Years 3-6 10th November 2014

Years K-2 11th November 2014

Cost: \$17 (Lunch and Recess will be provided for the students on the day and is included in the cost)

Deadline: Could you please complete the slip below and return it to the office with \$17.00 by **Wednesday 5th November**. Because of the nature of this excursion, **no students will be accepted after this deadline.**

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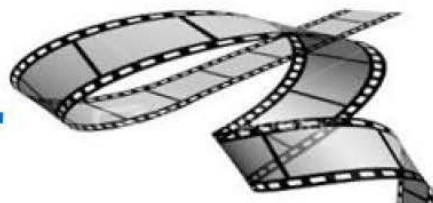
I give permission for my child _____ of class _____ to take part in the Aboriginal Cultural Day on Monday 10th November for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students or Tuesday 11th November for Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students. Travel is by bus (with seatbelts).

Parent/Guardian signature _____ Date _____

**Please return to office with
\$17.00 by 5/11/2014**

ShortlandPS MayfieldEastPS IslingtonPS WaratahPS PlattsburgPS
 WallsendPSCC WaratahCampus JesmondPS
 CC JesmondCampus TighesHillPS CC WallsendCampus HeatonPS
 MarylandPS MinimiPS HamiltonNorthPS

CEP Outdoor Digital Media Festival



2014



THURSDAY 6th NOVEMBER

5:30pm – 9:30pm

Callaghan College Wallsend Campus COLA

Come and support the first
 CEP Outdoor Digital Media Festival
 Featuring: Short Films from 14 CEP Schools
 shown on a BIG OUTDOOR SCREEN.
 The films have been written, acted, filmed and edited by
 students from K – 12.

Tickets are \$5 per person or \$10 family of four
 available at any participating school.

Bring a chair and indulge in the many offerings that
 will be available and support our local community of
 schools.

**PRE SHOW
 ENTERTAINMENT
 5:30pm – 7:30pm**

DANCE

CHOIRS

CEP ROCK BANDS

CEP BANDLINK

CEP PUPPETEERS

**FOOD COFFEE/TEA COLD DRINKS SPIDERS
 SAUSAGE SIZZLE FAIRY FLOSS CUPCAKES
 LOLLIES GLOW STICKS FACE PAINTING
 TEMPORARY TATTOOS POPCORN
 SUMO WRESTLING PUPPET CHASE + much more**



**SPECIAL GUEST PERFORMANCE
 by The Marching Koalas at 7:20pm**



SHORT FILMS

PREMIERE

Starts – 7:45pm



Hamilton North PS

Heaton PS

Islington PS

Jesmond PS

Maryland PS

Mayfield East PS

Plattsburg PS

Shortland PS

Tighes Hill PS

Wallsend PS

Waratah PS

CC Waratah Campus

CC Wallsend Campus

CC Jesmond Campus

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CANTEEN ROSTER

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| 3rd November Gillian Donn Emma McElligott | 4th November Xanthe Roxburgh Natarsha Rohlfs | 5th November Marilyn Donn Robyn White | 7th November Jessica Peattie Kim Sweetnam |
| 10th November Gillian Donn Michelle Foster | 11th November Michelle Morrison Leona Clements | 12th November Racehl Gaunt Nicole Bondini-Topic | 14th November Charlie Pfeiffer Rebecca Ley |

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Friday | 7th November | Idol Assembly |
| Monday | 10th November | Murrook Excursion – Years 3-6 |
| Tuesday | 11th November | Murrook Excursion – K-2 |
| Monday | 24th November | P & C Meeting HN Bowling Club 6.00pm |
| Monday | 24/11 & 8/12 | Interrelate – Year 6 |
| 2 weeks | 17th-28th November | Swim School |
| Wednesday | 3rd December | Parent Helper Morning Tea 10.30-11.30 |
| Friday | 5th December | Scripture Christmas Pageant |
| Tuesday | 9th December | Presentation Night – Waratah High School 5.30pm – 7.00pm |
| Wednesday | 10th December | Year 6 Disco 6.00pm |
| Tuesday | 16th December | Pool Party |
| Wednesday | 17th December | Students last day for 2014 |
| | 2015 | |
| Tuesday | 27th January 2015 | School Development Day |
| Wednesday | 28th January 2015 | Students return |
| | 28th-30th January 2015 | Kindergarten Best Start Testing |
| Monday | 2nd February | Kindergarten commence |
| Thursday | 5th February | Kindergarten 1st day photos |
| Thursday | 26th March | Whole School Photos |