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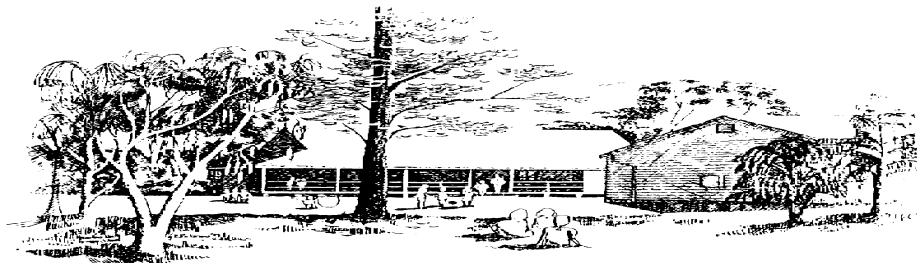
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*Chalkboard - Term 4 Week 7, Wednesday 19th November 2014*



## Friday Assembly

Assembly will commence at 2.20pm this Friday. Class 2/3 will present an item.

## URGENT - Uniform change notes have to be in by Friday 21 Nov

If you haven't already returned your 'yes' or 'no' vote for whether or not you would like to change our school uniform please do so by Friday this week as that is the last day that we will be accepting your responses.

As described in the original note and the past two newsletters, a nil response will be counted as a 'yes'. In the past, many families have not responded in situations such as this so it is difficult to move forward and discuss proposals. This is why nil responses will be counted as 'yes'.

There are still a significant number of families who have not responded so please do so by Friday. The outcome of votes will be discussed at our P&C meeting on Monday 24 Nov.

At this stage, a 'yes' majority is only Step 1 in the process of upgrading our uniform. There are still many criteria to be discussed and met before a final decision will be made.

## Year 6 Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who brought money to school last week and bought our beautiful cakes. We raised \$275 towards the year 6 leaving gift to the school. Our next fundraiser 'Funky Friday' will be this Friday at recess. 'Funky Friday' will include Nail painting- \$1, Hair braiding- 50c and Zooper Doopers- 50c.

**DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR MONEY ALONG!**  
Miss Drew and 5/6

## 2015 School Leaders speeches

I would like to wish all students in Year 5 who will be presenting their leadership speeches next week the very best of luck. Congratulations! You are already champions because you are standing up and having a go.

I look forward to listening to each of you.

Parents, you are very welcome to come and listen to your child speak. Miss Drew has included a copy of the timetable below for speeches. You will see that the actual voting day has changed from 4 December to Friday 28 November. This is so that the speeches are fresher in everyone's minds for when they vote.

## Leadership Speeches 2015

Leadership speeches will take place next week (Week 8 during COLA assembly).

Please see the timetable below as well as the additional information that was sent home with each student.

### Monday 24/11:

Jack  
Riley  
Bella

### Tuesday 25/11:

Brodie  
Jake S  
Kobi

### Wednesday 26/11:

Grace  
Shelby  
James

### Thursday 27/11:

Abbey  
Brooke  
Leo

### Friday 28/11:

Voting

## Office Closure

As a result of the end of year school financial rollover, the school office will be closed on Monday, 1st December, until 10.00am.

No money is able to be receipted after 9.00 am on Wednesday, 26th November. Receipting will commence again after the 1st December 2014.

## Swim School

The students participating in swim school need to bring **their own goggles**. The pool is no longer loaning them out as they are not being returned. Goggles are available for purchase from the pool for \$5.00.

## Library News

A reminder that this is the last week for borrowing. Students will be given a notice today listing all books that the student presently has out. Please ensure that all books are returned to the library as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Healthy Lunchboxes

It's been great to see so many children coming to school with a healthy lunch that is going to provide them with the necessary sustainable energy that they need in order to concentrate in class and get through the remainder of the day.

Sandwiches / wraps , fresh fruit and vegies, and some dairy products are good options. Please try to avoid high sugar and high salt options such as biscuits and chips, lollies, etc as much as possible as these foods do not give students the vitamins and nutrients that will produce the long term energy that they require for a busy day at school.

## 4th Annual Archibull Prize Awards (from press release Monday 17/11/14)

Local schools have brought home a swag of awards from the 4th annual Archibull Prize national awards ceremony in Sydney on Friday, for the world famous agriculture themed art and multimedia competition.

In a feast of colour and creativity, the event showcased the original Archibull artworks (life-size, fiber-glass cows) representing the grain, cattle and sheep, wool, cotton or dairy industries and celebrated the outstanding work of all 40 participating schools from across New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria.

Hamilton North Public School took out the National Champion Archibull Primary School title of all participating primary schools, while Bolwarra Public School was named Runner Up Champion Archibull Primary School.

On a regional level Hamilton North Public School's wool themed entries won Best Blog, Best Multimedia Animation, equal runner up for the regional Champion Archibull award and came equal third for the National Grand Champion Archibull Prize award (between all participating schools).

Archibull Prize art judge, Wendy Taylor, said, "Hamilton North's entry 'Mr Archiwool' has loads of character and a great sense of fun and playfulness. His story is that of wool, its texture and feel, its uses and its connection to people and places. The connections to their local area and community are cleverly tied in through the mimicking of the colours on the Newcastle logo."

The full press release and photos are featured at:  
<http://www.farmonline.com.au/multimedia/46652/archibull-winners.aspx>



### **Presentation Day 2014**

Don't forget that Presentation Day is on Tuesday 9 December from 5:30 to approximately 6:45pm at Waratah High hall. Could I ask people with perpetual trophies and shields to please return them to our school office as soon as possible.

### **Christmas Scripture Service**

Parents and Grandparents are all invited to our Christmas Scripture Service 9.15am Friday 5th December in the School Hall.

All students will be participating.

Come and enjoy the Junior Choir, Christmas Carols, a Christmas play and a message from our Principal.

Father David and Mrs Heather Freeman



## **CLASSROOM REMINDERS**

### **YEAR 6**

#### **Year 6- Interrelate**

Parents of Year 6 students have received a permission note 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 24<sup>th</sup> November and Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 this **Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> November**. Please see Miss Drew if you have any questions or would like more information.

Thank you  
Miss Drew

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **RAY WHITE HAMILTON**

A gift drive has been partnered by Ray White and Rotary to deliver an inspiring Christmas campaign for disadvantaged children who may need a little extra light in their festive season.

All you need to do is drop your unwrapped gift (this has been requested by Rotary for gifts to remain unwrapped) into the Ray White Hamilton office, 102 Tudor Street, Hamilton. You will be provided with a special gift tag for you to complete and then the gift will be placed under the tree.

Your gift will be delivered by the team at Rotary to a child who will appreciate the lift to their festive season.

Ray White has run this initiative across Australia and New Zealand each December since 2012. Ray White Hamilton can be contacted directly on 02 4032 5000.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

<b>24th November</b> Gillian Donn Xanthe Roxburgh	<b>25th November</b> Michelle Morrison Leona Clements	<b>26th November</b> Rachel Gaunt Eryn Duck	<b>28th November</b> Shelley Brandon Tammy Wolfenden
<b>1st December</b> Gillian Donn Emma McElligott	<b>2nd December</b> Xanthe Roxburgh Natarsha Rohlf	<b>3rd December</b> Marilyn Donn Robyn White	<b>5th December</b> Jessica Peattie Kim Sweetnam

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday	21st November	Year 6 Fundraising – Funky Friday
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
	<b>2015</b>	
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
Saturday	25th April	Anzac Day Dawn Service – Gregson Park – To march, form up Cnr Tudor & Beaumont St at 5.00am.