

# Hamilton North Public School

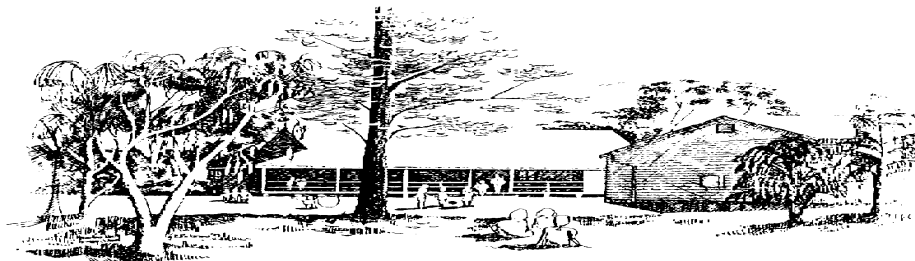
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*Chalkboard - Term 4 Week 9, Wednesday 3rd December 2014*



## Friday Assembly

Assembly will commence at 2.05pm this Friday. Class KB and K/1 will present an item.

## Christmas Scripture Service

Parents and Grandparents are all invited to our Christmas Scripture Service 9.15am, this 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.

*Students who do not attend Scripture will be provided with activities in a separate classroom.*



## 2014 Presentation Night

Our Presentation Night is on next Tuesday, 9th December from 5.30pm to approximately 6.45pm at Waratah High School hall.

All parents are very welcome to attend.

## K-6 Pool Party

Our end of year pool party is on Tuesday, 16th December 2014 at Mayfield Pool. Please see information and permission note at the end of the Chalkboard.

**No money or permission note will be accepted after Friday, 12th December as numbers for buses and pool have to be finalised.**

## Year 6 Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who brought money to school last week and took part in our second 'Funky Friday', a further \$65 was raised towards the Year 6 leaving gift to the school.

We will be holding our final Year 6 Fundraising, Crazy Hair Day, this Thursday (4/12/14). Students are encouraged to come to school with their craziest hairstyle, whether it is a wig, hair spray or their own unique style.

The leaders will collect a gold coin donation on Thurs-

day morning and there will be prize for the craziest hairstyle. Miss Drew and 5/6

## HAMPER DONATIONS

The P & C are asking for donations to make up Christmas Hampers for our annual Christmas raffle.

Any packed or tinned food, sweets, drinks, Christmas items etc are welcome. Donations should be given to class teachers. Thank you



## Water Fun Day

Next Friday, 12th December, we will be having our Water Fun Day for sport. All children will be placed in a "water" group and join in some fun water activities in the morning.

Everyone will need to bring their swimmers, C-shirt (or spare t-shirt), towel, thongs/sandals/spare shoes that can get wet, sunscreen and hat –

**NO HAT NO PLAY.**

Activities will be:

**wet sponge throw**

**water relays**

**car wash**

**"dribble, dribble, drench" a water run**

## Christmas Cards for Sale

Packs of Christmas Cards are available for purchase from the school office.

The cost is

**5 cards for \$3**

**10 cards**

**for \$5**

All proceeds from the sale of the cards go to the school.

Thank you to Alex Spelliers for organising this on behalf of the P & C.

## **Library News**

Premiers Reading Certificates and books have been handed out to the participating students today at the COLA assembly

## **Environment**

Our potato harvest raised over \$30 and the spring onions and onions \$23. The children have planted corn, asparagus, beetroot, watermelon and more spring onions during lunchtime gardening groups over the past week.

An additional water tank has been ordered along with irrigation for our back orchard, herb beds, native bush tucker and chickens. Installation is estimated to be around the 13th January 2015.

Thank you Mrs Deakin for organising this.

Mrs Novak will be taking over the gardens, Environment Club and all things "green" at HNPS next year.

## **Crunch n' Sip**

Our school is now officially a Crunch n' Sip school, this is just an official name for Fruit Break. Nothing has changed.

All children in the school should have received a free drink bottle, if you didn't please see Mrs Ramsay ASAP.

## **Nutrition at School**

A new display "The Lunchbox Dilemma" is outside the office with lots of great ideas and information for packing a healthy lunchbox for your child along with some interesting facts.

Each week we will be adding some great ideas to the chalkboard, a big thank you to the team at Live Life Well Hunter New England Health for providing these. We have also applied for a \$2000 grant through LLW@S. More information about the money and how it will be spent will be available in 2015.

## **Lost Property**

Unfortunately the piles of lost property are not getting any smaller. Not only a waste of money and resources it makes our school appear messy. The blue bin in the COLA is full of clothing as well as bits and pieces that are not labelled. Items are held up in front of the school students at COLA assembly.

This bin will be emptied early next week. I encourage you to check it if you have lost anything.

**NO HAT, NO PLAY!** Please make sure that your child has a wide brimmed school hat with them every day.

# **CLASSROOM REMINDERS**

## **Class KB**

This will be the last week of homework and reading. I will collect all homework folders on Friday. They will be given to your child's 2015 teacher next year for use in Year 1.

Could you please make sure all Reading Books are returned on Friday. Thank you to all who have helped with Reading every morning, it has been much appreciated.

This Friday, KB will be performing in assembly. Please come and watch! We are starting early, 2.05pm, so come and make sure you get a seat.

The following Friday we will be performing the song "Aussie Jingle Bells" at our Christmas assembly. Children will need to bring a singlet shirt, shorts, thongs and sunglasses if they have them. A "cool" hat would be good too.

## **K/1 Class News**

We hope that you love your child's art folder that was sent home this week, what talented budding artists you are all raising!!

Can you please send in a bag ( the green recycle shopping bags are a good size) with your child's name clearly marked on it ASAP. Children will be using these to bring all of their workbooks home early next week.

Reading and Maths groups will still run next week, homework finishes at the end of this week.

Please send in all home readers by the end of next week, but remember to continue reading with your child over the holidays.

Our class assembly item is on this Friday , Mrs Bell and the children are putting something super special on.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

<b>8th December</b> Gillian Donn Xanthe Roxburgh	<b>9th December</b> Michelle Morrison Leona clements	<b>10th December</b> Rachel Gaunt Nicole Bondini-Topic	<b>12th December</b> Charlie Pfeiffer Rebecca Ley
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### Canteen News

Next week is the last week of canteen for the year. Pizzas, Chicken Strips and Burgers will be available for lunch orders every day until stock runs out. Chocolate Chip Muffins will only be 30c.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the canteen another success this year. Hopefully we'll see you back next year with a new co-ordinator

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday	4th December	Crazy Hair Day
Friday	5th December	Scripture Christmas Pageant
Tuesday	9th December	Presentation Night – Waratah High School 5.30pm – 7.00pm
Wednesday	10th December	Year 6 Disco 6.30pm
Friday	12th December	Christmas Assembly – Water Fun Day
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.

**HAMILTON NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL  
SCHOOL PARTY DAY, MAYFIELD POOL  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2014**

All students K-6 are invited to attend an end of year Pool Party Day at Mayfield pool on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

Travel will be by bus which will leave the school at 9.15am and depart the pool at 2.00pm. The kiosk at the pool will be open and the cost of the day will be \$6.00 which includes bus and pool entry. As this is a school excursion all children are required to catch the bus to the pool in the morning so rolls may be marked, however, if parents notify their child's teacher, they are welcome to pick up their child from the pool at 2:00pm. *If you have a pool pass, which must be shown when entering the Centre, you will only need to pay \$4 for the bus.*

- ♦ All children must wear a T-shirt or C-shirt ALL day. They will not be allowed to swim without them.
- ♦ A hat is required when they are out of the pool.
- ♦ The children need to bring lunch, recess, drinks and money (optional) for the canteen.
- ♦ Sunscreen needs to be brought so it can be reapplied during the day.
- ♦ Suitable play clothes, shoes are to be worn.

*All children will wear a wristband during the day and is to be worn at all times. All Kindergarten and non-swimmers will be swimming in the small pool regardless of ability. They will however be allowed in the big pool if their parent accompanies them. The rest of the students will have one of two bands on their wrist depending on their ability. At the beginning of the day they will need to swim a lap of the pool to competently show they are able to swim in the deeper end.*

*Please complete the permission slip below and return to school office with money by Friday 12th December.*

**No money or permission note will be accepted after this date as numbers for buses and pool have to be finalised.**

Karly Boyle, Organiser

**MAYFIELD POOL PERMISSION NOTE**

I give permission for my son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the party day at Mayfield Public Pool on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2014. I understand that my child/children will be travelling by bus and the cost of the bus transport and pool entry is \$6.00 (or \$4.00 with a current pool pass).

☐ My child has a current pool pass that they will bring with them on the day

In relation to the proposed water or swimming activities, I advise:

- ☐ My child is a strong swimmer and is able to swim in the deep pool without help.
- ☐ My child's swimming ability is suited to the shallow pool only.

**PLEASE ALSO TICK ONE OF THE BOXES BELOW**

- ☐ Yes, I will be taking my child/children home from the pool at 2.00pm
- ☐ No, I will not be taking my child/children home from the pool. They will catch the bus back to school.

I advise that my child requires the following flotation device to assist him/her in the water. (Students are responsible for bringing and looking after these)

My child requires medication during the course of the day: (Please circle one) Yes/No  
If a child needs medication, please list medication and explain condition.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian/Carer)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Year 6 Farewell Disco

Don't forget that our school disco is on Wednesday, 10th December from 6.30 to 8.30. Entry cost will be advised. Food and drink is available to buy on the night.

Your help would be very much appreciated in helping to serve food and drink. Please return the slip below if you are able to help out.

### YEAR 6 FAREWELL DISCO

I am happy to help at the farewell disco.

I am able to help at :

☐ 6.30pm

☐ 7.00pm

☐ 7.30pm

☐ 8.00pm



Signed \_\_\_\_\_

## Hamilton North OOSH - DEC

Contact: 0448 739 789 or hamiltonnorthoosh@hotmail.com



Dear Families and Friends,

Hamilton North OOSH is currently arranging our operating hours for the Christmas break. We will be operating during the period of Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of December. We would like Parents to please indicate if they would require care during this period so we are able to see if numbers are viable for us to open. We would greatly appreciate if let us know if you need care during this time ASAP.

### December Holidays

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>
<b><u>Pool Party Day</u></b>	<b><u>Putt Putt Golf</u></b>	<b><u>It's Beginning to Look a lot Like Christmas' day!!</u></b>	<b><u>Only 2 more sleeps til Santa!</u></b>
Children will travel by bus and spend the day at Stockton Pool.	Come along for a fun day of Putt Putt Golf. Children will walk to Broadmeadow Super Putt and play a few games of mini golf. We will be leaving the centre at 10am	A day of Christmas Craft, outside games, activities, Christmas movies and lots of fun!	Come and celebrate our last day of the year with lots of Christmas activities and some yummy food.
(Please note- we need numbers for pool day for staff ratios so please book in ASAP)		<b><u>Craft –</u></b>	<b><u>Craft –</u></b>
<b><u>Cost: \$10.00</u></b>	<b><u>Cost: 10.00 per child</u></b>	*Christmas wreaths	*Reindeer Food
Christmas Party when we get back to the centre!		*Christmas balls	*Christmas Craft
		*Christmas cards	*Christmas Cards
		<b><u>Christmas cooking –</u></b>	<b><u>Come dressed in your most festive Christmas outfits and accessories!</u></b>
		• Chocolate balls	
		• Handmade choc	

## Hamilton North Vacation Care – January 2014 Program

Phone: 0448 739 789

Email: hamiltonnorthoosh@hotmail.com

Hours: 7:00 am to 6:00pm

Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Welcome to 2014 Art Attack.</b>  Start off the New Year with all your friends! Come and make funky posters, create some abstract art and play getting to know you games, as well as some other fun games.	<b>Wet, Wet, Wet, Day</b>  Come enjoy some fun in the Summer Sun! Join us for some -Marbling -Water painting -Water bombs -Water soakers -Slip and slide <u>Please bring along a change of clothes</u>	<b>Jewellery making/ Graffiti day</b>  Come along and make some beaded necklaces and bracelets as well as do some funky graffiti art and tag with Sophie.	<b>Rock Art</b>  At VC we will be doing some awesome rock art... We will be making: -Rock people -Pebble designs -Rock animals -Rock designs  As well as surprise art and craft	<b>Off to the Pool!</b>  Children will travel by staff cars and spend the day at Stockton Pool.  <b>(Please note- we need numbers for pool day for staff ratios so please book in ASAP)</b> <b>Cost: \$10.00</b>
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Wheels Day – playgrounds</b>  Bring along your bike, scooter or skate-board. <u>Please note that helmets must be worn when riding any of the above!</u> A course will be set up and children can road signs.	<b>Movie Day Excursion</b>  Children will travel by train to Greater Union Newcastle and watch the latest movie.  <b>Cost: \$15.00 (per child)</b>	<b>Indigenous Art</b>  Come along for a day filled of Indigenous Art. We will be exploring a range of Australian Indigenous Art as well as native from around the world.  -Dot Paintings -Indigenous Symbols -Dreamtime Stories	<b>Wet Wet Wet and Recycle Day</b>  Come enjoy some fun in the Summer Sun! Join us for some -Marbling -Water painting -Water bombs -Water soakers -Slip and slide <u>Please bring along a change of clothes</u> Chn will be doing fabulous and funky recycled artworks.	<b>Slumber Party</b>  Get comfy and wear your PJ's to VC and watch the latest movies. <b>Please ensure that your PJ's have sleeves!</b> We will be having hot chip sandwiches for lunch, which will be provided by us.
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	Tues 20 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>Water Fun Day</b>  Ready, aim WATER FIGHT! Get ready to be soaked - we will have: -the wacky octopus sprinkler out -wet sponge races -water targets And a whole day of water squirting fun!  <u>Please bring a spare change of clothes/swimmers &amp; towel!</u>	<b>Vacation Care has Talent.</b> Do YOU have the X Factor? Come and take part in Hamilton North's Got Talent.  Make newspaper costumes, posters and hair accessories. Create a performance arena and show off your talent!	<b>Off to the Pool!</b>  Children will travel by staff cars and spend the day at Stockton Pool.  <b>(Please note- we need numbers for pool day for staff ratios so please book in ASAP)</b> <b>Cost: \$10.00</b>	<b>Around the world in one day</b>  Enjoy a day filled with different foods and craft from around the world.  We are asking for children to bring in a plate of food of there choice country.	<b>Aussie! Aussie! Aussie!</b>  Celebrate all things Australian! Come make flags, pom poms, have your face painted and dress up in green and gold. We will play some Aussie games and make up some Aussie Day raps and songs. With Aussie specialty – Lamingtons!

Please note that this program is just a suggested plan of activities, some things such as water play and craft activities may be subject to change depending on weather and supply of resources. Thank you!

**ALSO: Vacation care fees need to be paid 2 weeks in advance, NO Bookings without payment!**

Payments can either be made by cash and cheque or by BPAY prior to booking. Bank Details:

Hamilton North Before and After School Care. BSB No: 650-000 Account No: 986063103