

Hamilton North Public School

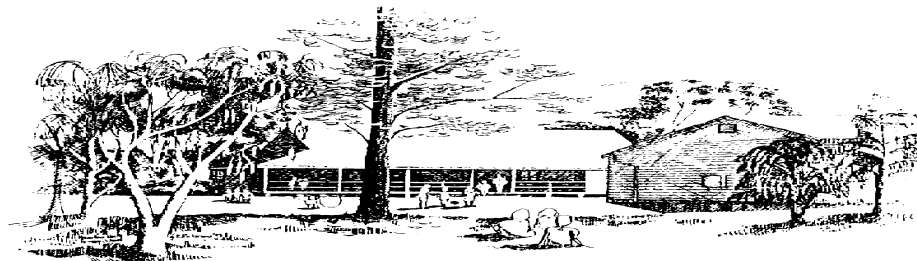
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Chalkboard - Term 4, Week 5, Wednesday, 4th November 2015



Friday Assembly

Assembly on Friday will commence at 2.30pm.



DIGITAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL – Waratah High 12th November (next week)

Once again, Hamilton North has entered a short film into the Digital Media Festival.

18 schools across Callaghan have written, acted, filmed and edited short films on their chosen topic.

This year we selected Thriller, Mrs Lyle choreographed a flash mob while Mrs Novak directed. It was amazing to see our wonderful students all dressed up and performing to our HNPS high standard. The film is in the final editing stage in preparation for the big night on Thursday 12th November from 5pm-9pm.

We would love to see as many students and families at the festival to support our short film.

This year's venue is Waratah High Tickets are \$5 each or \$10 per family (available from our school office) and there will be school performances, food and drink stalls plus the Marching Koalas. All money received from ticket sales go directly to HNPS!!

As an incentive, every family that buys a ticket will receive a digital copy of our short film via Skoolbag or email!

Come and support our school and have a great a great night out!!

Josh Sparke
Assistant Principal

P & C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who made the Halloween Family Disco and Canteen Spooky Day such a huge success. Particular thanks to the parents who volunteered their time to the organising and running of these events.

Between the two events we raised a total of \$1,085. All profits will go towards priority items in the HNPS school plan.

The P&C has recently funded the new shade sails above the parents' retreat and the playground and we look forward to supporting more great improvements and initiatives.

A reminder that VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to assist in the running of the HNPS corn-on-the-cob and popcorn stall at the Digital Media Festival on Thursday 12th November. Please text Tamara on 0413 232 293 if you can help out.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISING

Over the next few weeks, Year 6 will start to raise money for their leaving gift to the school. This Friday, we will be selling Zooper Doopers for 50c each after Assembly.

Year 5 and 6 Newcastle Permanent Maths Test

Merit and Distinction certificates will be handed out at this weeks assembly.

BUDDIES

The creative staff at Hamilton North Public School have begun putting together the FABULOUS BUDDIES magazine for 2016!

The yearbooks are the same price as last year \$30. **The final date for the \$30 to be paid to secure your BUDDIE book is Friday, 20th November, 2015.**

SWIM SCHOOL

Our Swim school will take place at Arnolds Swim Centre, The Junction, from Monday 23rd November until Friday 4th December.

The cost is \$100 per student for the ten days. Please return your permission slip and money to secure your child's place.

MOSQUITOES

As a result of the changing weather, the mosquitoes seem to have come out in force at Hamilton North School.

Please put insect repellent on your child before they come to school and it would also be a good idea to give them a roll on repellent for their school bag for them to use at lunchtime/recess. Roll on only – no aerosols are allowed. Thank you.

CHANGES TO SCHOOL STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME

The School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) gives eligible students free or subsidised travel between home and school, on the approved train, bus or ferry services.

From term one 2016, Transport for NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Transport Scheme via a new online application process.

Automatic Renewal

Most parents, guardians and students won't need to apply for a School Opal card if they have already been given a school student travel pass and will automatically receive a School Opal card in 2016.

However, parents, guardians and students will need to apply of the student:

- Is just starting school and has not had a pass before
- Is in a transition year (i.e. year 2 to 3, or 6 to 7)
- Is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school
- Or, if the student's personal details have changed (eg. address)

Opal cards will automatically be sent to schools for existing pass holders, however, all new applications received to travel from the start of 2016 will be sent directly to the student's nominated address.

From 2nd November 2015, parents are able to complete their application form on line, (transportnsw.info/school-students) print it out and return it to the school.

If the student doesn't qualify for free travel they may be eligible for a term bus pass which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.

Brochures with further details are available from the school office.

Classroom Reminders

Year 6 Students— Interrelate

Parents of Year 6 students will receive a permission note this 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 23rd November and Monday 30th November 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 next Friday 13th November.

Please see Miss Drew if you have any questions or would like more information.

NEWCASTLE CITY KNIGHTS JUNIOR REP TOUCH!

Do you want to be a KNIGHT then come and Trial for our Great Club the Trials will be held on Sunday the 8/11/215 at our fields at 4pm

Our Junior Representative teams attend 2 compulsory tournaments which are

Peter Wilson Memorial Championships - 6 and 7 Feb 2016 - Nelson Bay

Junior State Cup - 19, 20 & 21 Feb 2016 - Port Macquarie

We are very committed to ensuring the kids have lots of fun, whilst also focusing on developing age appropriate skills with high quality coaching staff. All the teams have compulsory training as a club, on Sunday afternoons. This allows friendship and bonding with all the teams and ages.

To be eligible to play representative touch for Newcastle City Knights, you must be registered and financial in at least one of our competitions (Junior or Senior), regardless of what division it is. Once registered, you must play a minimum of 5 games and then you are eligible and encouraged to attend our Representative Trials.

Rebecca Jackson Teacher
Hamilton North PS

Chickens

Sadly, you may have noticed we don't have chickens anymore. We are going to move the coops to the orchard and fence them in an enclosure. Volunteers for this project would be most welcome. Please speak to Ms Deakin if you have any ideas/suggestions for this project.

Thank you

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday	12th November	Short Film Festival
Tuesday	17th November	K-2 Wetlands Excursion
	Week 7	Hamilton North Idol
Friday	20th November	Idol Finals – Assembly 2pm
	Week 8	Leadership Speeches
Monday	23rd November	Year 6 Interrelate 9.00 - 1.30 Leadership Speeches
Monday	23rd Nov – 4th Dec	Swim School – Arnolds Swim Centre 1.30pm-2.30pm
Monday	23rd November	P & C Meeting, Hamilton North Bowling Club, 6pm
Friday	27th November	Carols by Torchlight 6.30 – 9.00pm
Wednesday	2nd December	Volunteer Morning Tea
Friday	4th December	Water Catchers Showcase Night
Tuesday	8th December	Presentation Day – Waratah College 9.30am – 11am
Thursday	10th December	Yr 6 Farewell Disco 6pm – 8.30pm
Friday	11th December	Christmas Scripture Service 9.00 – 9.45am
Tuesday	15th December	K-6 Pool Party - Mayfield Pool
Wednesday	16th December	Last day of Term 4 for students
Thursday, Friday	17th, 18th December	School Development Days

Canteen Roster

9th November - Eryn Duck
- Jenny Nicholas

11th November - Michelle Morrison

13th November - Eryn Duck
- Jenny Nicholas

Community Announcement

ABILITY LINKS "COMMUNITY LINK UP DAY"

Ability links is holding a "Community Link up Day" on Thursday 26th November 2015. This one day event is aimed at celebrating and promoting social inclusion for people of all abilities. I have sent this information to you in hope that there is an opportunity to communicate the event via your weekly newsletter.

There will be stalls set up on the day of various community groups to display their community group, activities and provide information for people of the wider Newcastle community. The purpose will be to provide an event for community to enquire and find out more information about what is available to them within the Newcastle Area.

I have attached the official flyer for the event with relevant details. If you could please add our event to one of your up and coming newsletters it would be appreciated. Please feel free to print the flyer and distribute within your networks and community.

Regards,

Rachel Lawrie

Rachel Lawrie | Ability Links Coordinator | Ability Links - Lake Macquarie | St Vincent de Paul Society NSW | (02) 4905 0715 | 0438 917 534

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OUTDOOR CINEMA FILM NIGHT

THURSDAY

12th NOVEMBER

5-9pm Gates open at 4:30pm

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE
TURTON ROAD, WARATAH



FOOD STALLS
DRINK STALLS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
SWEETS & TREATS
GAMES & ACTIVITIES
RAFFLES & COMPETITIONS

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES
SCHOOL
PERFORMANCES!
THE MARCHING KOALAS!



Support HNPS P&C
Corn Cob & Popcorn Stall!

\$5 pp./\$10 family. Buy at the school office. All ticket profits go directly to our school!
Bring a chair/picnic rug for a fantastic family night of entertainment provided by our local schools. We hope to see you there!