

Hamilton North Public School

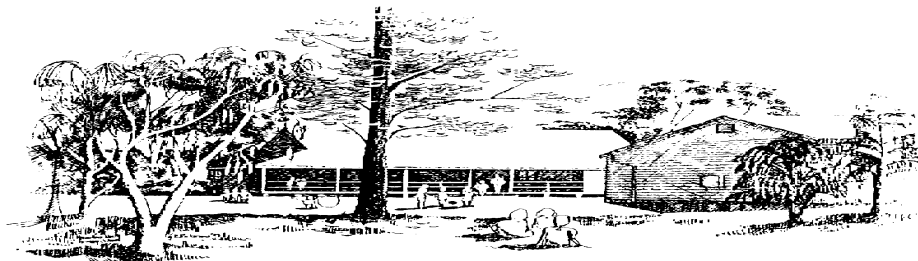
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Chalkboard - Term 4, Week 6, Wednesday, 11th November 2015



Friday Assembly

Assembly on Friday will commence at 2.30pm.

DIGITAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL – Waratah High, 12th November (tomorrow)

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. The big night is 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!!

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

Josh Sparke, Assistant Principal

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

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.

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

To secure your place in Swim School which commences on 23rd November and runs for two weeks, permission note and money must be handed into the school office by 19th November 2015.



Library News

Next week, week 7, will be the last week of borrowing for students, this allows 3 weeks for students to return all books to the library.

Headlice

Class 2J have had a report of head lice in their class. Please check your child's hair and treat if required.

**HAMILTON NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL
SCHOOL PARTY DAY
MAYFIELD POOL
Tuesday 15th December 2015**



All students K-6 are invited to attend an end of year Pool Party Day at Mayfield pool on Tuesday 15th December 2015.

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 \$11.50 which includes bus, pool entry, lifeguards and inflatable obstacle course hire. 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 \$9.50 for the bus, life-guard hire and blow-up obstacle course. Pool passes must be handed to Miss Boyle before getting on the bus, and these children will enter the pool with her as well.*

Please note: The cost of this activity has increased due to new requirements to pay for lifeguards and also to pay for the inflatable obstacle course.

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.

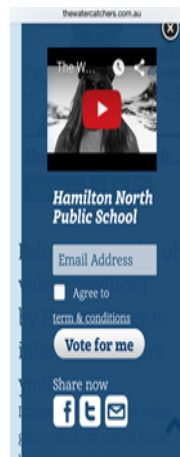
Suitable play clothes, shoes are to be worn.

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 the length of the pool to show swimming ability. This determines what area of the pool/depth they are to swim in. Due to financial rollover, permission notes will be handed out on December 1st with payment and permission note due by Thursday 10th December.

Karly Boyle
Organiser

Fundraising Sensation!!

Congratulations Edie Ley (1R) who recently decided to fundraise for The Smith Family rather than receive presents for her birthday. Family and friends donated online (many of them her school friends). She has raised over \$700—(at time of print). Wow! Good on you Edie!



Vote to win!

As you may remember, some students from the Environment Club had an amazing filming opportunity to act in a short film selected for a competition to win \$5000. The film has now been produced and has been posted online for public votes! The more votes we get, the closer HNPS gets to winning the big prize! Please have a look and vote for our amazing students for yet another amazing achievement by our wonderful school.

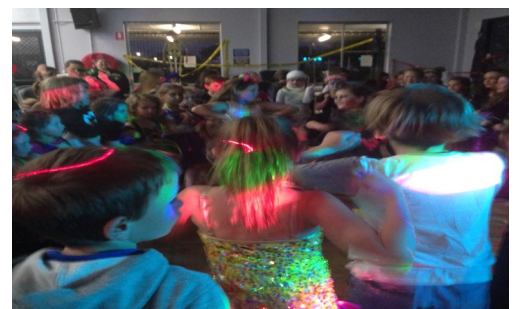
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Gallery 2015

Congratulations to all involved – you have done us proud with your talents, charm and creativity! Well done!

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Here are some great photos from our recent Halloween Disco :



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

16th November - Rachel Gaunt
- Gillian Donn

18th November - Eryn Duck
- Kelly Wilson

20th November - Shelley Brandon
- Bridgette Oakes

Support Hamilton North Public School

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!



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MEDIA RELEASE

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE STUDENTS WIN NATIONAL STEM CHALLENGE!

Year 12 Students from Callaghan College Jesmond campus have won the 2015 Australian schools STEM Video Game Challenge. The winners were announced at the PAX technology convention held in Melbourne last weekend. More than 1500 teams entered the competition in over 6 categories with the schools category being the largest.

The team of Josephus Paye, Ben Mildren, Heath Tyler and Byran Burns were mentored by ICT teacher Jason Fairweather.

This event is regarded as the best of the best for school students due to the difficulty in producing a marketable product. The student's develop a game app, Dolphin Dive, which was placed on the PAX Australian convention floor for the tens of thousands of guests to play. The students each received their prize of a laptop computer and did a number of media interviews.

The award ceremony was chaired by Dr Chad Habel from the University of Adelaide, considered a leading researcher in 21st century learning and gamification. His words to the students were: "This is a very big deal, it's huge, and what you have achieved is beyond remarkable".

Teacher Jason Fairweather, himself a former National Excellence in Teaching Award winner, said, "This is a huge award to receive, and the work and dedication shown by this team of students was extraordinary." Jesmond Campus Principal, Allen Littlewood, acknowledged the quality of the student's preparation and support that complemented their individual skills and dedication.

Callaghan College Principal Graham Eather said, "This is another outstanding award for Callaghan College confirming the College's recognition as one of the top 40 Innovative schools nationally in 2015 as judged by The Educator magazine.

In 2013 Callaghan College was named as a top 3 winner in the world in the Pearson International 21st Century Learning Schools conference and in 2016 leading international educator Yong Zhao will work with our 200 teaching staff, further affirming the outstanding work going on at Callaghan College."

The judging panel for the STEM Award was made up of leading Australian university lecturers, ex- winners and members of the media.

Further Information:

STEM Video Game Challenge: Jason Fairweather, Callaghan College Jesmond campus, telephone 4952 3922

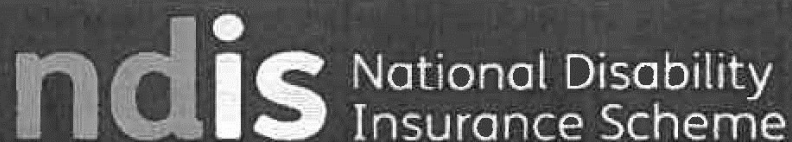
Callaghan College: Graham Eather, Principal's Unit, telephone 4960 3777

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If you live in Maitland, Newcastle or Lake Macquarie and are under 65 you may be eligible to access the NDIS.

Visit us

Find out how the NDIS might assist you, your family member or friend by visiting our information stands between 9.30 and 4pm at:

Rutherford Marketplace

28th October, 18th November & 9th December

Lake Macquarie Fair

4th November, 25th November & 16th December

Morisset Square

11th November & 2nd December

Bonnells Bay Shopping Centre

9th November & 1st December

Phone: 1800 555 727

www.ndis.gov.au