

Hamilton North Public School

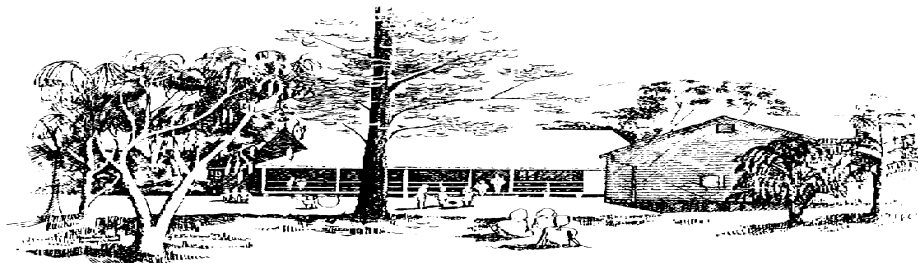
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Chalkboard - Term 3 Week 7 Wednesday, 26th August 2015



Friday Assembly

Assembly on Friday will commence at 2.20pm. Class 2J will present an item.



FATHERS DAY STALL

Fathers Day is on Sunday 6th September and at Hamilton North the P & C hold a Fathers Day Stall so that the children have an opportunity to buy something exciting for their dad/stepdad etc.

To do this we rely on donations of suitable items, such as tools, aftershave, coffee mugs, etc. Your donations are greatly appreciated and they can be left in your child's classroom to be collected and wrapped by the P & C and volunteers.

Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition

All year 5 and 6 students participated in the annual Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition this morning.

Certificates of participation will be handed out later this term and results will be sent home next term.

NAPLAN Results

Congratulations to our clever Yr 3 and Yr 5 students for trying their best in NAPLAN this year. Our overall results are fantastic with our school performing exceptionally well in comparison to the National average. Thank you also to our teachers who work so hard to provide excellent teaching and learning opportunities.

Cluster Choir

Thursday 3rd September 6pm



We can't wait to watch our amazing Stage 3 students perform at Waratah High next week! Students have been tantalising our ears with their wonderful rehearsals.

Please come along and watch our students sing a school choir song and participate in the whole choir songs. All for the cost of a gold coin!

Don't forget there will be a sausage sizzle and drinks for sale from 5:15pm if you would like to keep dinner simple before watching the performance.

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOKWEEK PARADE

BOOKS LIGHT UP OUR WORLD

Our Bookweek parade will be held next Tuesday, 1st September, commencing at 2.00pm.

Children dress up as a favourite book character and parade in class groups.

All parents, grandparents, friends are welcome to come along and see the children parade in their amazing costumes.



2015 HNPS Spelling Bee Champions

Thank you to all of the family and friends who came along, the children definitely put on a great show!

Congratulations to the following students.

Early Stage 1

Winner - Chloe Norrish
Runner Up - Xanthia Nash

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Winner - Joseph Donn
Runner Up - Reuben Moir

Stage 2

Winner - Madeleine Newton
Runner Up - Mitchell Sweetnam

Stage 3

Winner - Linh Dinh
Runner Up - Liam Phung

HEADLICE

A case of headlice in the school has been brought to our attention. Please check your child's hair carefully and treat if required.

Thank you

Office News

We now have EFTPOS available. Payments can be made using Visa or Mastercard. EFTPOS is not available for American Express or Diners Club cards. There is no facility for cashout.

It is a departmental requirement that anyone (parent/grandparent etc.) working with children in the school needs to complete a Working with Children Check. This form must be completed even if you are helping with reading under the supervision of the teacher. If you have not completed this form (which once completed lasts for 5 years), please see Mrs Michelle Curtis-Allan in the school office.

GUITAR LESSONS

Unfortunately, the guitar lessons for Friday the 4th September have to be postponed until week 1 of next term as Mr Paul Nickerson cannot take the lesson that day.

Apologies from Paul for any inconvenience.



Our boat needs some help!

Our boat in the sandpit has seen better days. She requires some TLC (repairs, etc) if students are going to use it. Please see Ms Deakin if you would like to help make her 'sandpit-worthy' again.

Short Film Festival

Once again Hamilton North (and Fluffy) have entered the CEP Digital Media Festival to be held at Waratah High in Term 4.

This year our theme is Thriller and Mrs Lyle has created a flash mob to accompany our short film. Wednesday 2nd September will be 'Thriller Day' and students are asked to come in fancy dress (remember not too scary!) to participate in our Thriller Flashmob.

See our flyer on last page.

If you have any questions please ask Mr Sparke or Mrs Novak.

Touch Football

Newcastle City Knights Junior Comp

Emails will be sent to those who have entered a team. Please follow the prompts to register online. Competition starts Monday 12th October.

Mrs Jackson

MARKET GARDEN PRODUCE

Our oranges from the orchard are juicy and delicious right now.

Also grab some beautiful beetroot, spinach, carrots and celery grown with love in the school gardens.

All are available for sale on Friday in the Parents Retreat.

Scholastic Book Club — Issue 6

Please have all money and orders to the office by this Friday, August 28.

CLASSROOM INFORMATION

Class 1R

1R 100 Days of School Celebrations

Last Thursday the children dressed up like it was 100 years into the future.

They wrote stories about what life on Earth will be like in 100 years from now, made a tower by stacking 100 cups, did Maths activities based on 100 seconds and adding to 100, measured 100 steps from the school gate and finished the special day with an afternoon of making props for our Wacky Machines Competition play.



STAGE 2 SYDNEY EXCURSION

Any balance owing for the above excursion can be paid off with the green payment card, with final amounts due by NEXT Monday 31st August.

Thank You!

STAGE 3 Cluster Choir

Thank you to all students who have already returned their permission notes and \$4 for cluster choir. Please ensure that money and permission notes are returned to the school office by Friday 28/8/15 (Week 7).

Hats

Please be aware that children who don't have their hat at play time will go to 1R or 4/5 so that they are not in the sun. This will change back to the parent retreat once we get shade sails. Please ensure your child brings a hat each day.

Price Increase

Due to a price increase from our supplier, hats will be \$8.00 each from the beginning of Term 4.

School Sport - Walking

We have been on some fantastic walks this term.
Here are some photos from a great park which we walked to a few weeks ago.



Canberra Excursion



Congratulations to all Year 5 and 6 students who attended the Canberra Excursion last week. They represented our school beautifully and we are very proud.

Whilst in Canberra students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

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Some of the highlights included visiting the Australian War Memorial, Old and New Parliament House, holding a mock election at the Australian Electoral commission and seeing how coins are made at the mint. Our students also enjoyed testing their skills at the Australian Institute of Sport and experiencing hands on science at Questacon.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards the cost.



P & C News

Monday 31 August is our next P&C meeting, and there's been developments regarding parking and road safety, the proposed uniform changes, and the school's funding requests there'll be plenty to talk about.

If you want to contribute to these or other issues which affect our school community, I encourage you to join us at the Hamilton North Bowling Club from 6pm.

Rich Ley
President
HNPS P&C Assoc.

Canteen Roster

- 31st August - Eryn Duck
- Jenny Nicholas
- 2nd September - Mel Keegan
- Michelle Morrison
- 4th September - Eryn Duck
- Jenny Nicholas

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday	28th August	Bookclub money and orders due
Monday	31st August	P & C Meeting 6pm, HN Bowling Club
Tuesday	1st September	Bookweek Parade – commences 2.00pm
Wednesday	2nd September	Thriller Day filming (full costume)
Tuesday	3rd September	Cluster Choir Performance
Tuesday	8th September	Science/Engineering Day – Yrs 5/6
	15th Sept – 16th Sept	Yr 3 & 4 Sydney Excursion
Friday	18th September	Last day of Term 3
Monday	5th October	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday	6th October	1st Day of Term 4
Wednesday	28th October	Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Day 10am – 11.30am
Monday	23rd Nov – 4th Dec	Swim School – Arnolds Swim Centre 1.30pm-2.30pm

MICHAEL JACKSON'S THRILLER

HITS HNPS ON SEPTEMBER 2ND AS A

STUDENT FLASHMOB



BE PREPARED. PRACTICE & MASTER THE ROUTINE. ON THE DAY COME DRESSED UP AS A ZOMBIE AND DANCE WITH YOUR SCHOOL IN A **THRILLER FLASHMOB** TO CREATE OUR ENTRY INTO THE 2015 SHORT FILM FESTIVAL.