



*Chalkboard – Term 2, Week 1, Wednesday, 27th April, 2016*

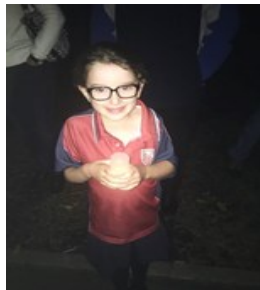


### Friday Assembly

Friday assembly this week will be held at 2.30pm.  
There will be no class item.

### ANZAC Day

Thank you to all the students and parents who attended the dawn service. Our students as usual, looked very smart. Ms Deakin received several positive comments from community members regarding the respectful behaviour of our students. Well done.



### Mothers Day



Mothers Day is on Sunday, 8th May 2016.

Our school holds a Mothers Day stall (this year on Friday, 6th May) and we ask you for suitable donations to enable the students to purchase at least one item for their mother.

Suggested items are perfume, chocolates, candles, coffee mugs, jewellery, soap, washers, hand creams etc.

**Donations can be left in your child's classroom and will be collected on the morning of the stall.**  
If you are able to help wrap and sell the items at the stall (Friday, 6th May, 9.00am), please leave your name at the office.

### Naplan

Year 3 and Year 5 will sit NAPLAN testing in Week 3. The test goes over 3 days (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). Students have begun preparing with test papers. We try not to make too much fuss about it so that students don't feel anxious.

### Guitar Lessons

Guitar lessons commence week 3 (Friday, 13th May).

### *Kindergarten Enrolments for 2017*

We are now taking details of students who wish to enroll at our school in Kindergarten next year.

Please phone or call at the office with the student's details. Enrolment packages are given out on our Information night held in August.

## FRIDAY SPORT

A big thank you to all those parents that offered to help transport children to and from sport on wet days and for our special walks.

Please check at the office that you have updated your Authority to Transport Students by private car details and have completed your Working with Children Check.

Unless criteria for both these applications have been met, unfortunately you are unable to help with the students.

The Authority to Transport Students requires that the office site the following paperwork:

- Drivers Licence
- Car Registration
- Green Slip Insurance Policy
- Comprehensive Insurance Policy (optional)

The walking group are planning a bushwalk and picnic lunch on Friday 20th May. Parents are welcome to come along with us.

### **K- 2 Blackbutt Excursion**

*All children in K-2 received a note regarding our excursion planned for Tuesday 17th May, ( week 5 term 2). Cost is \$10.*

*Please ensure that payment and permission slips are returned to the school office no later than Friday 6th May as no late payments will be accepted. Cost is \$10..*

*K- 2 Teachers*

## **YEAR 3 & YEAR 4 GLENROCK EXCURSION**

It is now only 4 weeks until our exciting excursion to Glenrock! It is crucial that payments are made by next Friday 6th May please. Payments can be made to the office.

We will have a meeting with students about this wonderful day closer to the excursion date early this term. Thank you.

## **Library News**

### **Premiers Reading Challenge**

*Mrs Robinson's Premier's Reading Challenge book read to KB and K/1 is:*

*"Noises at Night" by Beth Glass*

*ID Number is 8129*

*and*

*Class 1/2*

*"Highway Rat" by Julia Donaldson*

*ID Number is 30723*

## **Classroom News**

### **K/1**

A new roster for parent helpers has been pinned up outside of the classroom . If you can please check , add your name or delete that would be great . Thank you for your ongoing support , what lucky children to have all of your help!

### **K-2 ANZAC Day Morning**

**Today all children from K-2 were broken into 4 groups to learn more about the history and meanings that we commemorate as part of ANZAC Day. They baked ANZAC biscuits , made a poppies, reenacted Simpson and his Donkey and learnt the significance of the dawn service , the date (25th April) and Australia's landing in World War 1 at Gallipoli.**

### **Car Garden Make Over**

Last term some creative students spent lunchtimes designing a new car garden . We need some short off cuts of plumbing pipe, scrap wooden planks around 3 inches wide, packing sand , bricks or pavers of similar width, a couple of hollow pool noodles and pebbles/ garden rocks.

Later in the term we will be asking for donations of old cars , trucks that could be used outside so if you are having a clear out please don't throw any of these away .

If you would like to help some of the children rebuild the garden please leave your name at the office .

Mrs Ramsay

### **Year 5 Entry to Opportunity Class in 2017**

If your child is currently in year 4 and you would like them to apply for an opportunity class in 2017, please have them complete the 'intention to apply' form they received last term, complete, sign and return it to the school office.

The 'intention to apply' needs to be completed to let the school know you are applying, however, it is not an application for entry to an opportunity class.

Entry applications are on line and how to apply is shown on the 'intention to apply'.

The application website opens on 26th April 2016 and closes on **13th May 2016**. No late applications will be accepted. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday **27th July, 2016**.

# P&C News

Hi everyone, I hope you're all ready for term 2!

I have a few items to share with the school community this week. I'd firstly like to congratulate Kelly and the school for its participation in the ANZAC Day Dawn Service at Gregson Park. I usually attend with Air Force colleagues at Pelican Flat, though I was really proud to see the leaders, candle bearers and marchers participating in this important community event. It was also great to see them all in their new school shirts!

Speaking of which, the new school shirts are available for purchase at Newy's Workwear on Broadmeadow Road, and there are still plenty of shirts available in all sizes. Of course the requirement remains as just one shirt per child till the end of the year, though families are welcome to buy more if they so choose.

The first P&C meeting of the new term is due for Monday 9-May. I'll be advising the format in next week's chalkboard and on skoolbag, and it will include an informal forum prior to the actual meeting where I'll invite anyone to "have their say" on HNPS issues they feel strongly about - without having to stay around for the formal "P&C business" meeting. If you want to raise an issue, please be prepared to discuss the following:

*What is the issue?*

*Whom does it affect?*

*What solution are you seeking?*

*How can you help achieve it?*

Within the formal meeting the P&C will consider the issues that were raised, and report back on how these issues are addressed by the P&C. This is your opportunity to contribute, and shape our future. I'm happy to take suggestions and issues otherwise through [president.hnps@gmail.com](mailto:president.hnps@gmail.com), especially if you prefer to retain privacy.

Lastly, we've had some more contact with our State Member the Hon Tim Crakanthorp's office which is coordinating our request for a 40km/h school zone on Griffith's Road. We've been able to add details of recent near-miss incidents that highlight our concerns, and await further advice on their progress (hopefully success) with the appropriate authorities. Please remind your kids to play it safe on and around this 70km/h arterial road, and look out for cars and bikes when opening your doors if you're forced to park around there.

Have a great week, and let's keep making this great community even greater.

Rich Ley  
President  
HNPS P&C Assoc.



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### NRL TEST MATCH TICKET OFFER

Here's your chance to receive a free child ticket for each adult ticket purchased for the upcoming Australia vs New Zealand Test to be played in Newcastle on Friday the 6th of May.

You need to provide the following promo code when you go to the link to purchase tickets:

**Link :** <http://www.ticketmaster.com.au/Australian-Kangaroos-tickets/artist/2205493>

### Entertainment Books Have Arrived

The NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment Book and Digital Memberships are available now and are packed with thousands of up to 50% OFF and 2-for-1 offers.

Anyone who pre-ordered their book will receive their copy today, or if you ordered the digital version you should have received the download via email.

Congratulations to our lucky winner, Anthony Hart who will get their money refunded for pre-ordering their book.

The books and digital memberships sell for \$60 with \$12 from every book sold contributing to P&C fundraising. They can be ordered online at <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/3426j1>



# Install Office 2016 on your PC

All children and staff in the NSW Department of Education have access to downloading the Microsoft Office 365 for FREE!

## STEP 1

Google NSW DEC student portal login ( NOTE : Internet connection is necessary for this installation)

## STEP 2

Enter your child's username and password

## STEP 3

( You may be asked to accept conditions of use)

The home page will open and there is a tab/ heading called Learning . Click the + sign and click more if you cannot see Microsoft Office 365.

Double click on Microsoft Office 365



## STEP 4

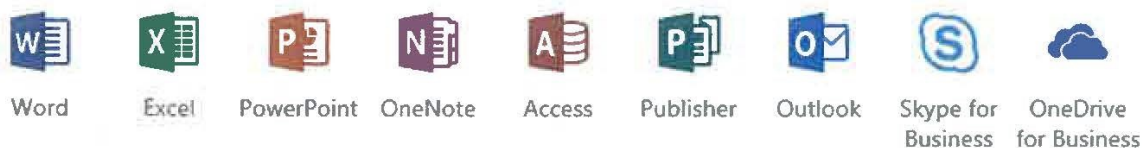
Click Install! now or if you have a Mac follow the prompts.



## STEP 5

Follow the prompts eg Click RUN etc

When the download is complete you should have full access to the following applications even when not connected to the internet.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

|                                  |                            |   |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Wednesday                        | 4th May                    | Zone Touch Football   |
| Friday                           | 6th May                    | Mothers Day Stall   |
| Monday                           | 9th May                    | P & C Meeting at Hamilton North Bowling Club<br>6.00pm – Everyone welcome |
| Tuesday-Thursday                 | 10th –12th May             | NAPLAN  |
| Friday                           | 13th May                   | Guitar classes commence   |
| Monday                           | 16th May                   | Starstruck Rehearsal  |
| Tuesday                          | 17th May                   | Yrs 3-4 Glenrock Excursion<br>Yrs K-2 Blackbutt Excursion                 |
| Tuesday                          | 17th May                   | ICAS – Computer – Exam  |
| Wednesday                        | 18th May                   | Yr 5 Sports Gala Day  |
| Thursday                         | 26th May                   | Starstruck Rehearsal  |
| Tuesday                          | 31st May                   | ICAS – Science –Exam  |
| Monday                           | 6th June                   | Whole School Photos   |
| Monday                           | 13th June                  | Queens Birthday Public Holiday  |
| Tuesday                          | 14th June                  | ICAS – Writing Exam   |
| Wednesday                        | 15th June                  | ICAS – Spelling Exam  |
| Tue/Wed/Thur/Friday/<br>Saturday | 14/15/16/17th/18th<br>June | Starstruck  |
| Wednesday                        | 22nd June                  | Athletics Carnival  |
| Tuesday                          | 28th June                  | Semester Celebration  |
| Friday                           | 1st July                   | Public Speaking Finals  |

## CANTEEN ROSTER

|                             |                                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Friday 29th April           | Wednesday 4th May               |
| Eryn Atkinson<br>Wendy Bell | Eryn Atkinson<br>Jenny Nicholas |