



Chalkboard – Term 2, Week 2, Wednesday, 4th May, 2016



Friday Assembly

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

Naplan

Year 3 and Year 5 will sit NAPLAN testing next Week. 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.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2017

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

If you know of anyone in your neighborhood who has a kindergarten child to enroll, please let them know to phone the school on 49693695.

Enrolment packages are given out on our Information night held in August.

K- 2 Blackbutt Excursion

Our excursion to Blackbutt is on Tuesday 17th May at a cost of \$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.

K- 2 Teachers

P & C INFORMATION

- What events would you like to have at HNPS this year?
- Do you have any ideas for fundraising activities? T
- he P&C would love input from the school community.
- Come along to the annual event planning session at 5.30pm, Monday 9th May, at the Hamilton North Bowling Club. See you there!

Tamara Young, P&C Vice-President

Reminder:

- ♦ The Mothers Day Stall is on this Friday 6th May.
- ♦ We ask children to bring suitable donations to enable each student to purchase at least one item for their mother.
- ♦ Suggested items are perfume, chocolates, candles, coffee mugs, jewellery, soap, hand creams etc.
- ♦ Please leave donations in your child's classroom to be collected on the morning of the store.
- ♦ If you are able to help wrap and sell the items at the stall (at 9.00am Friday 6th May), please leave your name at the school office.
- ♦ It would be great to get some Dads involved in running the stall this year.

YEAR 3 & YEAR 4 GLENROCK EXCURSION

We are all looking forward to our exciting excursion to Glenrock!

Payment must be made by **this Friday 6th May, no late payments will be accepted.**

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

"Only a Donkey" by Celeste Walters

ID Number is 7404



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

NAME THE CHICKENS

This term we will be having a name draw for the chickens.

We will gather the names on Thursday and draw the winning chicken names out on Friday 6th May at the Friday assembly.

Just a reminder please, no silly names as they will be redrawn.

Thank you, Chicken Keepers

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder to any parent who wishes to purchase more school T-shirts from Newys, at this stage they are unable to accept EFTPOS and would request payments be made by cheque or cash.

Thankyou

Headlice

A case of headlice has been reported to the school. Please check your child's hair closely and treat if required.

Thank you

BOOKCLUB

Issue 3 of Scholastic Bookclub has been handed to the students. Orders are due in by next Friday, 13th May.

No money is able to be taken over the school office counter any more due to the new financial system. All orders MUST be online using the LOOP method. This process is easily explained in the brochure.

Classroom News

KB

KB children are now learning to be a little more independent in the mornings. They can get their water and fruit out in the mornings but leave it on the seat under their bag. They are NOT to bring anything into the classroom.

When the bell goes they collect their green bag, fruit and water and line up with them.

Thanks everyone for helping to increase their independence.

Hope you all have a wonderful Mothers Day

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**.

Gardening News

Thank you to our dedicated wonderful gardeners who have been working hard this week! The vegie gardens are looking very healthy, lush and full of new growth. You may have noticed the large pumpkin vines in the gardens—we have been hand pollenating flowers and hope for delicious pumpkins to begin growing soon.



Market Garden

Look out for delicious beetroot, cucumbers and corn that will be ready for harvest over the next few weeks!

All produce will be for sale at our Market Garden stall on Friday afternoons.

MEXICAN MONDAYS

CANTEEN OPEN MONDAYS FROM 9/5/16

From next Monday, 9th May, our canteen will be offering (Mondays only) Mexican Food for sale. **There will be Tacos for \$2.50 each and Burritos for \$4.00each.** All other food on our menu is available as well.

From the following Monday, 16thMay, there will be a **Special Surprise Snack** available for purchase (Mondays only). This special surprise will be different each week and will be advertised in the newsletter.

An updated menu will be available next week. Thank you for your support .



Support-A-Mathematician

Our wonderful Support-A-Mathematician (SAM) program is beginning again this term - and your assistance would be greatly appreciated!



Types of activities:

- * Using dice to count forwards and backwards
- * Doubling numbers under 20
- * Friends of 10
- * Using fingers to count on and back
- * Memory/match games using simple numbers

Training for interested parents will be on Thursday the 19th of May at 9am in the library. It will take a maximum of 20 minutes. Any parent that has previously completed the training will not need to attend this training session. The actual program will begin in Week 5 (23rd May) and finish at the end of the term.

The structure of the program involves children working through simple games using cards, counters or dice with a volunteer at 9am. Each session takes approximately 10 minutes. Usually parents would work with 1 child.

Please indicate on the slip below the days that you would be willing to help out and return to the office with your Working with Children Check reference number.

Thankyou and I look forward to hearing from you.

Miss Boyle

Requirements:

A Working with Children
Check

Support A Mathematician Confirmation slip for Parents/Volunteers

Yes I would like to volunteer to assist with SAM in weeks 5-10 for term 2.

I am available: (Please Circle) Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Please tick the boxes relevant to you:

- ☐ I am able to attend the training on Thursday 19th May at 9am in the library
- ☐ I have already completed the training and have provided my Working with Children Check to the office
- ☐ I have recently completed my Working with Children Check and my application number is _____

Parent attending: _____



State of Origin Night Game 1

Come and join our school for game 1 of state of origin on Wednesday June 1. Gates open at 6:30pm and the game starts at 8:00pm. There will be food and drinks available on the night and pre match games and entertainment. Bring along your family and friends for this fun filled night.

CD Launch

Heather Price who voluntarily teaches our K-2 Junior Choir has a CD Release which includes a free kids concert , see flyer for details . Heather has been invited to perform at Windsor Castle in England within the coming weeks . We wish her a safe and successful trip .



**2016
NEW ALBUM
RELEASE**

ALBUM LAUNCH

*Are you involved with
Children's Ministry or looking
for songs to sing with your
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Join us in celebrating the Australian
launch of Heather Price's new album
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UK to launch it internationally.

www.heatherprice.com.au

**SATURDAY
2.30PM 7 MAY**

**ADAMSTOWN UNITING CHURCH
228 BRUNKER ROAD**

A collection of exciting songs for Children
and Children's Ministry that follows on from
the 2015 success of **Carols In The Sun**.

Heather will perform her new album live in a
short afternoon kids concert, featuring songs
about unconditional love, self expression,
prayer and meditation. The album comes
complete with lyrics and backing tracks so
you can sing along at home or at church.

**Entry is free and ALL ages are welcome!
A small afternoon tea will follow the concert.**

Albums and merchandise will be available at the launch.
The album will also be available digitally on iTunes and
Heather's online music store (store includes sheet music).

P&C News

Hi everyone,

The first P&C meeting of the new term is due for Monday 9-May. The format is as follows:

5.30-6.30pm - fundraising meeting
6.30-7.00pm - open forum
7.00pm - formal meeting

On behalf of the P&C I invite anyone to have their say on HNPS issues they feel strongly about in the open forum – without any obligation to stay for the formal meeting. We'll put a couple of pizzas on for participants, and the kitchen will be open if you want to buy yourself dinner.

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.

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

Rich Ley President HNPS P&C Assoc.

COMMUNITY REQUEST

My name is Bea Sims (School Cleaner).

I am collecting **tea bag tags** for a friend to go towards the donation of a wheelchair.

If you could please collect them and hand them in to the school office at the end of each month it would be appreciated.

Thank you, Bea (HNPS School Cleaner)

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.

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> or you can pay by cash – just put the money in an envelope and place it in the P&C Dropbox (next to the canteen). If you have any questions, please call Gillian Donn on 0431 223381.

A sample of the offers available this year:

80+ Contemporary Dining Offers!	 \$45 value	 \$40 value	 \$30 value	 \$40 value
160+ Casual Dining Offers!	 \$30 value	 \$30 value	 \$40 value	 \$30 value
160+ Takeaway and Attraction Offers!	 2 for 1	 2 for 1	 2 for 1	 25% off
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday	6th May	Mothers Day Stall
Monday	9th May	P & C Meeting at Hamilton North Bowling Club 5.30pm – 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 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/ Saturday	14/15/16/17th/18th June	Starstruck
Wednesday	22nd June	Athletics Carnival
Tuesday	28th June	Semester Celebration
Friday	1st July	Public Speaking Finals

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 6th May	Wednesday 11th May	Friday 13th May
Shelley Brandon Tammy Wolfenden	Danae Norrish Natalie Edwards	Charlie Pfeiffer Jodie Cooper