

Hillsborough Public School Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 3

23 October 2013

Principal's Report...

A Model School

Mrs Stothard is a leader in the Regional Primary Executive Reference Group. I am proud to advise Mrs Farrell is very much involved also. The group's function is to support and up skill executive staff from other primary schools in order for them to then be able to support the teachers in their schools. Last Monday evening the group met in our library for presentations given by both Mrs Stothard and Mrs Farrell on the implementation of the National Literacy Curriculum that all schools will be teaching from in 2014. Just on 60 executive teachers attended this. The feedback I received backed up my belief that the quality of executive staff we have here is second to none. For our staff to be leading other schools in the process of introducing and implementing a new curriculum should assure us all we are well placed to continue to provide your children with the quality education they deserve.

Selective High School 2015

Parents of children currently in Year 5 may wish to have their child considered for an academic selective high school for 2015. Information on this process is further in. Please do not hesitate to seek clarification from me should you have any concerns. It is preferred an on-line application is made, however, I have hard copy applications available upon request.

ThinkUKnow

ThinkUKnow is an internet safety initiative which aims to raise awareness of the issues which young people face online and whilst using mobile phones. It is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and Microsoft Australia, and is now proudly supported by ninemsn and Datacom. Our school will be hosting a ThinkUKnow presentation on **21st November from 6.30 pm** and all parents encouraged to attend. **I am happy for you to bring friends and relatives irrespective of what school their children attend.** This presentation will cover topics such as how young people are using technology to have fun, online grooming, cyber-bullying, inappropriate content and e-security. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about how young people **have fun** online, how you can help them to **stay in control** on the net, and how to **report** a problem. For more information, you can visit the ThinkUKnow Australia website at www.thinkuknow.org.au. I look forward to seeing you all at the presentation.

Congratulations

Success continues for our students. Abbey B returned last Wednesday from the State Athletics Carnival and I am proud to say she is the 10th best long jumper in the state in her age group. Congratulations to Abbey and her family.

Please remember to regularly visit our website.

Have you downloaded our App ?

Steve Purdon

PRINCIPAL

Dates for the Diary

Every Thursday from 24th October to 21 November
Kinder 2014 Orientation
2:15pm - 3pm

Monday 11th November to Friday 22nd November
K-2 Learn to Swim

Thursday 21st November
Think You Know 6.30pm

Wednesday 4th December and Thursday 5th December
School Musical

Wednesday 11th December
Year 6 Farewell

Thursday 12th December
Presentation Day

Monday 16th December
Class Parties

Wednesday 18th December
Students Last Day of Term 4

Friday 20th December
Staff Last Day of Term 4

Tuesday 28th January
Staff First Day of Term 1

Wednesday 29th January
Kinder & Year 6
First Day of Term 1

Thursday 30th January
Years 1-5 First Day of Term 1

Wednesday 5th February
Swimming Carnival Yrs 3-6

ASSEMBLY

Assemblies are on a fortnightly basis on a Tuesday at 2.15pm in the hall. Parents are welcome to attend. The next assembly day will be **Tuesday 29th October**. The assembly items will be performed by **Kinder Dance Group**.

P&C News...

Calendars & Cards for Christmas

Last term all students created amazing artworks with a "family" theme. These masterpieces can now be turned into personalized calendars, cards and diaries – the perfect gift for family and friends this Christmas. Further details and order forms have been sent home with the children today. If you wish to view your child's artwork before placing your order, please see the lovely ladies in the office. Orders and payment are due back to the office by **Thursday 31st October**. If you have any other questions please contact Julie Byrne on 0414 434 497.



Office News...

Absent Letters

Absent letters were sent home last week. If you receive an absent letter please fill it in and return it to your class teacher.

If you have submitted a note to the teacher on or after Monday 14th October you may still receive an absent letter. This is because your note has not been processed at the time of printing. Please fill in the absent letter anyway and return it to the teacher. This ensures that the absence is explained.

If you have any questions please contact the office.

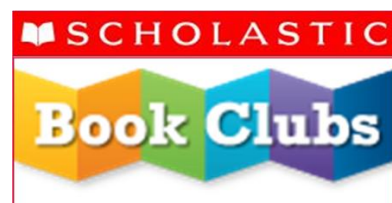
Invoices

Student invoices were sent home this week. Don't forget you can now pay online. Instructions on payments further in.

SCHOOL BANKING HELPER REQUIRED

A parent volunteer is required to help out with the student banking. This is done each Monday. Deposits need to be collated and entered into a computer and cash taken to the bank. If you are interested please see the office.

**Book Club is due
Friday 25th October**



The next P&C meeting will be held 4th November
from 7pm
AGM from 6.30pm

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND!

**School Banking is on
MONDAY**



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What Can You Do With It?

Newsletters	Sick Notes
Events Dates	Change of Details
Notes Due	Pop-Up Alerts
Venue Maps	Contact Us

 **active
SCHOOL APPS**

Great for Schools ... Even Better For Parents

**UNIFORM
SHOP
HOURS**

**Thursday
8.30am - 9.30am**



Gopher Finding is a sight word app developed for younger readers. It is important that students practice reading and recognising sight words in a range of different contexts. This app has five different levels increasing in word complexity. The app reads the word to the student that they need to identify and tap on out of four words. With cute animations and verbal feedback this is a good app for students K-2 and for all students needing practice with sight words.

TERM 4 CANTEEN ROSTER

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

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Email: g.frendo@bigpond.com

TERM 4

Thursday 24th October

Melinda Smith
Margaret Parkes
Fiona Freeman

Friday 25th October

Sally Hinds
Amy Tanchevski
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Thursday 31st October

Heidi Garnett
Michelle Reed
Rebecca Pasovski

Friday 1st November

Melanie Arthur
Melissa Ward
Eleni Zissis
Renee Bailey

Thursday 7th November

Tracy Wink
Margaret Parkes
Fiona Freeman

Friday 8th November

Lidija Pearson
Tara Finn
Leisa Anderson

Thursday 14th November

Melinda Smith
VOLUNTEER NEEDED
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Friday 15th November

Sally Hinds
Lyn Frendo
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Thursday 21st November

Melinda Smith
Margaret Parkes
Fiona Freeman

Friday 22nd November

Michele Edson
Amy Tanchevski
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Thursday 28th November

Heidi Garnett
Michelle Reed
Rebecca Pasovski

Friday 29th November

Melanie Arthur
Melissa Ward
Eleni Zissis
Renee Bailey

Thursday 5th December

Tracy Wink
Margaret Parkes
Fiona Freeman

Friday 6th December

Lidija Pearson
Tara Finn
Leisa Anderson

Thursday 12th December

Melinda Smith
Jenny Charge
Margaret Parkes

Friday 13th December

Sally Hinds
Lyn Frendo
VOLUNTEER NEEDED



WARNERS BAY PHYSIE AND DANCE

PHYSIE IS GREAT FUN - WHY NOT TRY SOMETHING NEW?

'Physie' is a combination of ballet, aerobics, gymnastics and jazz dance all rolled into one!

Classes range from 3-4 Years through to Ladies.

Team and individual events available at a low cost.

Enquiries are welcome to Mandy on [0408 206 349](tel:0408206349).

TENNIS COACHING

Percy Street Hillsborough
VACANCIES

Fri- 9am Ladies

Tues/Thurs/Fri- 4pm Jnr

Sat- 9am Juniors

10am Intermediate (Jnr)

OR

Form a group (Min 3) and
arrange a time

Motto: FUN - FITNESS - SKILLS

George Williams 4942 1634
(24/7) TCA

Wendy Slingsby

Domestic Cleaning

mobile: 0452 491760

LOST SOMETHING?

**There is a lost property box
located in the office in sickbay.**

**Please remember to label all
items that are brought to school
so that they can be returned to
your child if they go missing.**





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Intention to apply: Year 7 entry into selective high schools in 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is selective high school placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for selective high school placement will be determined mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 13 March 2014.

If you would like your child to apply for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2015, you need to do so soon.

Most applicants are expected to apply on the internet and submit their application online. They will need to have an email address (not the student's email address), access to the internet and a printer.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 15 October 2013 at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. Online applications close on 18 November 2013.

If parents do not have internet access, commercially printed application forms become available from the school on 22 October 2013. They must be completed and returned to the school by 18 November 2013.

The applications will be processed by the school in exactly the same way whether parents apply online or submit a commercially printed form. Parents are to submit only **ONE** application for each student.

Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

*Note: This is an intention to apply only, **NOT an application**. You will need to submit either an online or a paper application to be considered for placement.*

Intention to apply: Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2015

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I am interested in applying for selective high school entry in 2015: Yes ☐ No ☐

if Yes:

EITHER

I have internet access and will be applying online ☐

OR

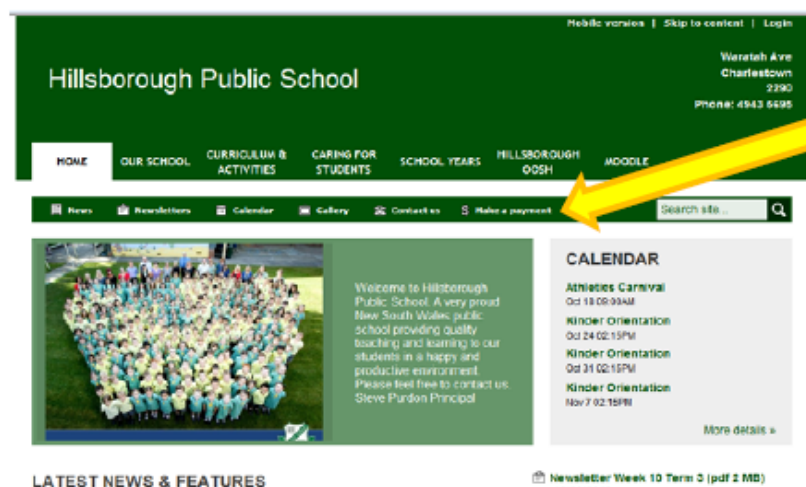
I do not have internet access and would like to receive a printed application form ☐

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

*Note: This is an intention to apply only, **NOT an application**. You will need to submit either an online or a paper application to be considered for placement.*

Make Online Payments

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting [\\$ Make a payment](#)



Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice. Uniform shop and P&C fundraising cannot be paid online.

When you access the [\\$ Make a payment](#) you must enter:

- the students name, and
- class and reference number OR
- the students name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are **optional** fields and are **not required** for most payments.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

Westpac settles online payments at 6pm each day and sends a list of daily payments to the school the following morning. **Any payments made after 6pm will not reach the school office for 2 days.**

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Office on 4943 5695.

Payment Details

Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory.

The process for making a payment is as follows:

1. Fill out all the required fields on this page.
2. Fill out credit card payment details on the next page.
3. Preview and confirm your payment details on the confirmation page.
4. Review your payment receipt and optionally print it, or send it as an email.

Student Details

Student Registration Number

If this 8 digit number is on the Student card issued by the school it will sit to the left of the student's name.

Given Name

Surname

Class or Year

Ref. or Invoice Number

This number may be on the top of the invoice or statement issued by the school. It may have the heading Ref.

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)

e.g. 15/01/1995

Required: If only one of 'Class or Year' or 'Invoice Number' are filled.

TERM 4 FUNDRAISER: **Calendars/Cards/Diaries**

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's a scary thought but Christmas is just around the corner and the P&C Committee have a fantastic opportunity for you to purchase some unique gifts for your family and friends and get your Christmas shopping underway!

Last term all the children created amazing artworks with a "FAMILY" theme. These artworks will be turned into masterpieces for all to see in the form of **personalised cards, calendars, and diaries** – the perfect gift for friends, grandparents, aunts & uncles, or even for yourself!

An order form with further details is attached. Prices are as follows:

- **Cards (set of 8, incl. envelopes): \$12**
- **2014 Calendars: \$12 each**
- **2014 Diaries: \$16 each**

All profit from the sale of these items will go to the HPS P&C Committee to fund the purchase of educational resources for your children – a very worthy cause!

ORDER FORMS AND PAYMENT MUST BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE BY THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER (cash or cheque only – cheques to be made payable to HPS P&C Committee).

If you wish to view your child's artwork before you place your order please see the ladies in the office. Orders are expected to arrive back at school by the end of Week 7 – exact date to be advised closer to that time.

For any other enquiries contact Julie Byrne on 0414 434 497.



PARENT ORDER FORM

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL'S FUNDRAISING

CALENDARS, CARDS AND DIARIES



Your child's
artwork/photo
here



Please
turn
over



I WISH TO ORDER

Child's name: _____
 Parent's name: _____
 Parent's phone: _____
 Classroom name/number: _____
 Return to school with payment by: 31 / 10 / 13

Photo sent via www.submitphoto.com.au

All photos and artwork to be submitted by the due date stated above.
 Please make cheques payable to your school or kindergarten.

	Price per calendar	Quantity	Total Amount \$
Calendars	Art		
	Photo		
Cards	Art		
	Photo		
Diaries	Art		
	Photo		
Please your school/centre if prices above are not stated.			
Total amount enclosed:			