

# Hillsborough Public School Newsletter

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## Term 1 Week 4

19 February 2014

### Principal's Report...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 4. It has been another busy week, with lots of things happening in and out of the classrooms. Our parent information sessions last week were fantastic and extremely well supported. Thank you to teachers for giving up time away from their own families to hold these sessions and thank you to all the parents who were able to begin the relationship with their child's teacher. Please remember that children need to be supervised if meeting with teachers in future so we can ensure the safety of every child on the school site.

We have introduced a Quality Bookwork award for 3-6 students, which is in line with our Quality Work awards for K-2. These awards are to recognise students for outstanding effort and achievement in their daily school work. The first of these awards was handed out at assembly this week.

A huge thank you to Ben Pike this week! Ben volunteered to help us beautify our school throughout the week and gave up many hours of his time to pressure clean the courtyard area off our main office block, giving it a much needed tidy. **Calling all concreters, carpenters, tree loppers, handymen, painters!!** In the interest of school pride, we are trying to maintain and improve our school grounds. The first area we are attacking is the courtyard behind the staffroom. We require a small patch to be concreted, some minor adjustments to the overflow from air conditioners (running a length of conduit approx. 4 metres), the construction of a wooden bench seat, some serious pruning and eventually painting the surrounding brick walls. Any help with materials or your expert support in helping us complete these jobs would be much appreciated. Please contact the school if you can assist in any way.

Finally this week, it is with great sadness that I have to announce that Mrs Raelene Thorn will be leaving us for the remainder of Term 1, Raelene has been seconded by the department to be trained and then assist in the roll out of the Department Of Education's new administration system, LMBR. Raelene has been selected as one of 25 members in the LMBR Change Team to provide support to school staff in the 229 initial implementation schools to use the new processes and tools delivered by the LMBR Program. She will receive intensive training in the new solutions and as a Schools Implementation Change Officer, will be part of a supportive and collaborative team, learn a range of new skills and have the opportunity to make a difference to SASS colleagues across the state. A wonderful opportunity for Raelene, which is thoroughly deserved. We wish her well in this new position and hopefully in the second phase of her secondment, we will be lucky enough to have her based back at Hillsborough PS. Mrs Shannon House will move into Raelene's School Administration Manager position while she is gone and we welcome Mrs Rachael Montgomery, who will take Shannon's place as one of our School Administration Officers.

#### Quote of the Week

*If you want success; just do what you love and believe in, and it will come naturally*  
David Frost

B. Thomas

Relieving Principal

### Dates for the Diary

**Friday 28th February**

Clean up Australia Day

**Don't forget your gloves!**

**Wednesday 19th March**

Whole School Photos

**Friday 11th April**

Last Day of Term 1

**Monday 28th April**

Staff Development Day

**Tuesday 29th April**

Students First Day of Term 2

**Tuesday 13th to Thursday**

**15th May**

NAPLAN

**Friday 27th June**

Last Day of Term 2

**KEEP YOUR KIDS  
SAFE Online**



**UNIFORM  
SHOP  
HOURS**

**Thursday**

**8.30am - 9.30am**

## Uniform Shop News...

The Uniform Shop is opened every Thursday morning between 8:30am – 9:30am. This shop is run purely by the P&C (not by the school). Due to the fact that this is run by parent volunteers the uniforms are able to be sold at a reasonable price, with all proceeds coming back to the school. We understand that only being opened on Thursday mornings doesn't suit everyone, so if you are unable to make it at this time you can complete an order form (found further in this newsletter) or grab a form from the ladies in the office. We will then fill this order the following Thursday. It would be great if we could follow this procedure as this will reduce the need for double handling of orders. Thank you for your understanding.

## P&C News...

The P&C have a Facebook Group called **HPS P&C Events**, we use this as a reminder for up coming events. Feel free to join this group so you can receive notifications of P&C events.

Any questions, comments or suggestions please don't hesitate to contact me. Danielle Whiting - P&C President [dwhiting75@gmail.com](mailto:dwhiting75@gmail.com)

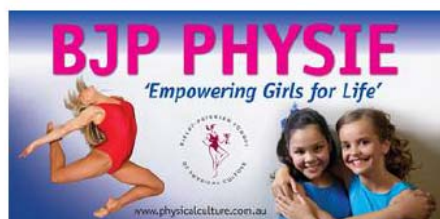
## Community Notes...

### United Netball Club

Netball Registrations for 2014 are on Thursday 20 February at Kahibah Bowling Club from 6.30pm.

We are in need of players for under 8's, 9's, 11's and 13's. Saturday competition is held at Charlestown Netball Courts.

For more information on playing netball please see our website at [www.unitednetball.com.au](http://www.unitednetball.com.au)



### 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** or [mandy.smith139@gmail.com](mailto:mandy.smith139@gmail.com).

Looking for a new way to celebrate your children's birthday party?

- Trampolines
- Bars
- Foam Pit
- Beams
- Ropes
- Sprung Floor
- Games
- ...and much more

The fun starts at the gym!

**49536366**  
**[www.hsc.org.au](http://www.hsc.org.au)**

## Book Club will be back SOON!



The next P&C meeting will be held Monday 7th April  
At 8:30am  
In the Library

**ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND!**

### 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 on **Tuesday 1st April**. The item will be performed by 6/5D.

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active SCHOOL APPS

Great for Schools ... Even Better For Parents



# Staff Profile



My name is Clare Pratten. I am relieving in the position of School Counsellor this term while Janne Post is on leave. My background is in Psychology, and I am also a qualified high school teacher. I have been working as a School Counsellor in various schools throughout Newcastle for the past 18 months. I have a beautiful son who has just started Year One this year, and I am also starting the process of becoming a Registered Psychologist. If you have any concerns about how your child is going at school, or feel that they would benefit from having a talk with someone about their worries, please feel free to call the school and have a chat. I am at Hillsborough Public School every Wednesday. I am looking forward to getting to know the school community better whilst working with the staff to help support your wonderful children.

## Community News...

### Fundraising for 2014:

We have an exciting calendar of events planned for 2014, with a few more still to be confirmed (see below). We look forward to your continued support to help raise extra funds for HPS. Last years fundraising efforts enabled the purchase of 16 new notebook computers which will be in classrooms very soon, as well the expansion of wi-fi technology in the school, lots of books and classroom resources, and much more! This year we hope to be able to continue the wi-fi installation and are looking into the purchase of new uniforms for some of our super-talented sports teams.

### Fundraising Committee Meeting:

	EVENT
<b>Term 1</b>	
Thursday 6 March	Disco – BBQ, drinks and glow products
Friday 11 April	Easter Hat Parade - Raffle
<b>Term 2</b>	
Thursday 8 May	Mother's Day Stall
June	TBC
<b>Term 3</b>	
Thursday 31 July	Education Week BBQ
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Disco – BBQ, drinks and glow products
Thursday 4 September	Father's Day Stall
<b>Term 4</b>	
October (TBC)	Spring Fair
Nov – Dec	Christmas Basket Raffle

The first Fundraising Committee meeting for the year is being held next **Thursday 20th February from 2.15pm in the COLA**. All welcome. Please come along if you are interested in helping out with any of the events planned for 2014, or just to share your ideas and meet some other mums and dads. It should be a fun year ahead! If you can't make it to this meeting but would like to be involved in the committee, please contact Julie Byrne on 0414 434 497 or email: [julieandmick4@bigpond.com](mailto:julieandmick4@bigpond.com)

### Disco BBQ:

The first school disco for the year is being held in **Thursday 6th March from 5.30pm until 7pm**, for all students from K-6. The P&C will be selling sausage sandwiches, drinks and glow products in the COLA from 5pm. If you're able to help with the BBQ please let Julie know (details above).



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# OPERA HUNTER'S

PRODUCTION OF

## Disney THE AristoCats KIDS

*Music and lyrics by*

**Richard M Sherman, Robert B Sherman,  
Al Rinker, Floyd Huddleston and Terry Gilkyson**

*Music adapted and arranged and additional music by*  
**Bryan Louiselle**

*Book adapted and additional lyrics written by*  
**Michael Bernard**

*Based on the 1970 Disney film "The AristoCats"*

**By arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd  
exclusive agent for Music Theatre International.**

**Tickets:** \$25 Adults, \$15 Concession

\$10 Children (15 years and under) \$60 Family (2 Adults and 2 Children)

Contact: 02 4943 1672 or email [mbuck@exemail.com.au](mailto:mbuck@exemail.com.au)

**Lake Macquarie  
Performing Arts Centre**

**Warners Bay  
April 22, 23, 24, 26  
2pm and 6pm**

**Wesley Centre**

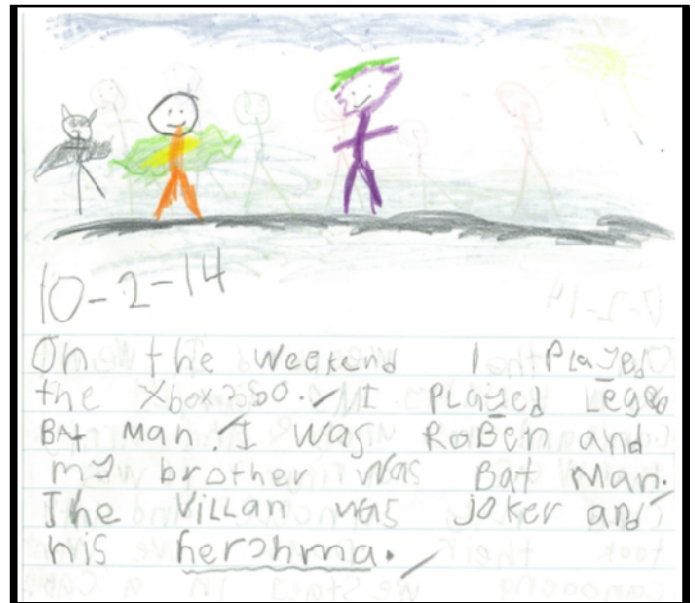
**Beaumont St  
Hamilton  
April 27  
2pm and 6pm**



High Quality @ Hillsborough  
Student work samples- Week 3



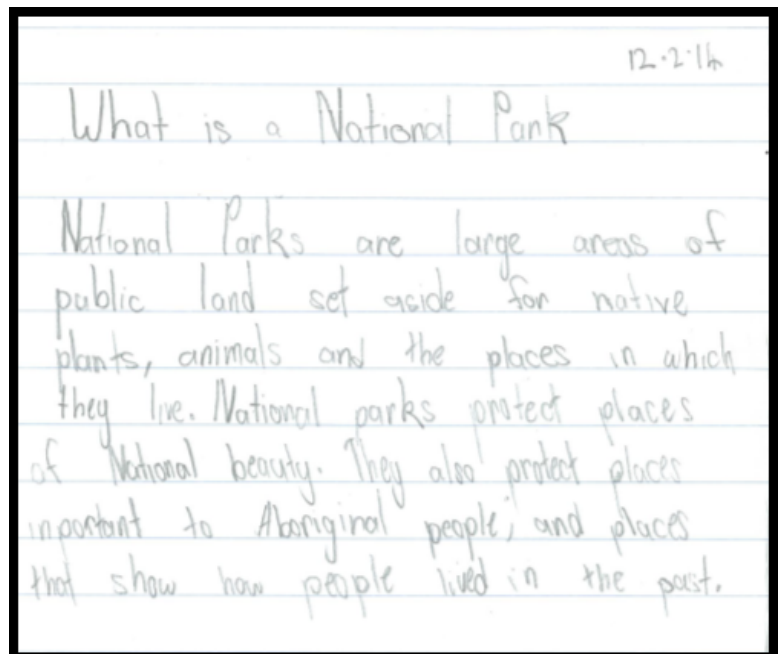
Sienna (KH)



Blake (1R)



Mia (3M)



Charlie (3/2S)

# Canteen Roster

TERM 1 ROSTER

## THURSDAY & FRIDAY

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<u>Thursday 13th February</u>	<u>Friday 14th February</u>
Jan Newbold Fiona Freeman Margaret Parkes	Mel Arthur Eleni Zissis Melissa Ward Renee Bailey
<u>Thursday 20th February</u>	<u>Friday 21st February</u>
Rebecca Pasovski Michelle Reed Heidi Garnett	Kylie Coates Lauren Halloran Narelle Kirsch Esther Hampshire
<u>Thursday 27th February</u>	<u>Friday 28th February</u>
Fiona Freeman Margaret Parkes Michelle Baker	Sally Wallace Adam Pirona Helen Singleton Amanda Roundsley
<u>Thursday 6th March</u>	<u>Friday 7th March</u>
Jenny Charge Sally Rich Amiee Buckerfield	Lara Strickland Melanie Evans Lauren Turner Kylie Coates
<u>Thursday 13th March</u>	<u>Friday 14th March</u>
Jan Newbold Fiona Freeman Margaret Parkes	Tara Finn Leisa Anderson Kelly Gibson Lidjia Pearson
<u>Thursday 20th March</u>	<u>Friday 21st March</u>
Rebecca Pasovski Michelle Reed Heidi Garnett	Mel Arthur Eleni Zissis Melissa Ward Renee Bailey
<u>Thursday 27th March</u>	<u>Friday 28th March</u>
Fiona Freeman Margaret Parkes Michelle Baker	Kylie Coates Lauren Halloran Narelle Kirsch Esther Hampshire
<u>Thursday 3rd April</u>	<u>Friday 4th April</u>
Jenny Charge Sally Rich Amiee Buckerfield	Sally Wallace Adam Pirona Helen Singleton Amanda Roundsley
<u>Thursday 10th April</u>	<u>Friday 11th April</u>
Jan Newbold Fiona Freeman Margaret Parkes	Lara Strickland Lauren Turner Melanie Evans Kylie Coates

School Banking is on  
**MONDAY**



### Late Arrival & Early Pick Up of Students

Parents/carers are advised that children who arrive late to school need to come to the office to get a "Late Arrival" note, regardless of whether they are accompanied by an adult.

If you are picking up your child early from school, parents/carers or a designated person **MUST** come to the office to get an "Early Leaver" note before collecting their child. Teachers will not allow your child to accompany you unless you provide them with the Early Leaver note.



**Don't forget  
fruit break!**

### 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.**



## Children's Dental Benefit Schedule

Helping kids to grow up smiling....



LAKE MACQUARIE  
**DENTAL PRACTICE™**

Have you received a letter from Medicare about dental treatment for your child/ren? The **CDBS** is a new dental health program covering most general dental needs for your child/ren capped at \$1000 per 24mths.

Call us on  
**4948 7651**

- **Yes we are participating in this fantastic government program!**
- **Yes we are BULK BILLING for ELIGIBLE children!**

**Call us now to book your child's dental check-up and help them to grow up smiling!**

*\*If you are not sure of your child's eligibility or have not received a letter from Medicare you can call them on 132011*

## This Week's Featured App



This free app is another great family fun app which combines the fun of the good ol' days with the fun of iPad/iPod technology. The **Guess Who** app is the game just as you remember it, but this time it is on a tablet. The beauty of the game is that it engages students in using descriptive language which supports students' English skills. Students can play against the computer or each other for loads of fun!

### STAY COOL AT SCHOOL THIS SUMMER



Win a CommBank Marquee for your school and \$50 for a student just by depositing to your CommBank School Banking account in Term 1.

The school with the highest percentage of active students at the end of Term 1 will win a marquee. There are 4 marquees to be won in the Newcastle area. Every student who completes a minimum of 3 school banking deposits in Term 1 will also be in the running to win one of two \$50 credits to their School Banking account. Competition opens 28/01/2014 and closes 11/04/2014. For full terms and conditions please visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking).

Banking day at Hillsborough PS is every Monday



**Hillsborough Public School P & C Uniform Shop – Order Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Order #: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash / Cheque      Goods Taken / Fill Order

**PLEASE SPECIFY QUANTITY REQUIRED**

ITEM	Price	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	S	M	L	TOTAL
Girls Tunic/Dress	\$50											
Girls Green Tailored Pants	\$35											
Girls Green Tailored Shorts	\$17											
Girls Green Jazz Pants	\$20											
Girls Green Sports Skort	\$20											
Green Button Up Shirt	\$25											
Green Sports Shorts	\$18											
Sports Shirt	\$30											
Green Tracksuit Pants	\$15											
Green Bomber Jacket	\$38											
Green Fleece-Lined Raincoat	\$35											
Green Bucket Hat	\$10	size	51-55cm		53-57cm		55-59cm		57-61cm			
Boys Socks	\$8.50	size	5-8		9-12		2+		3-8			
TOTAL COST OF ORDER												

Also available:

Green Gloves \$4 (one size fits all)

Girls Green Scungies \$5 (size 12-14, 14-16)

Hair Pack \$2 (green - brush, scrunchie, elastic)