

Hillsborough Public School Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 6

19 August 2015

Principal's Report...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Today we are eagerly awaiting the return of our Stage Two campers who have been having the time of their lives at Morisset Outdoor Education camp. Students have enjoyed amazing adventure activities and from all reports have been having a ball! I am sure there will be lots of great stories to hear over the next few days.

Our School Final for the Premier's Spelling Bee will be held tomorrow in our School Hall. Please note, due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to move the finals forward to 9:15am. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Like the rest of the Newcastle area, Hillsborough PS is being hit very hard by the onslaught of flu and we have several diagnosed cases of the Influenza B virus. Our sick bay has been full and last Friday our sick bay had to send 15 children home. This virus is highly contagious and long lasting; we are therefore advising parents to keep your children off school if they are sick with flu-like symptoms allowing them time to recuperate and to try to stop the spread of the virus.



The 'H-FACTOR' is coming!! Our school musical performance the H-FACTOR will hit the stage on the 16th and 17th of September. This year we are having our two night performances and introducing a matinee performance on Thursday 17th September. Tickets are on sale now through the Office. Ticket sales to each session will be limited to 300 in order to ensure adequate seating in the Hall. To ensure all families have an opportunity to attend the show, initially sales will be limited to four tickets per family until Friday 4th September whereupon any remaining tickets will be available for purchase in any amount.

Finally, I would just like to take the opportunity to plug our school App. Available at the iTunes store or on Google-play, the app will keep you up to date with school messages, newsletter and school links. It also provides parents with the ability to submit absence letters or change of details. While previously somewhat glitchy, recent updates have improved the functionality and it is now working perfectly.

Lucinda Farrell
Principal

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 20 August

Premier Spelling Bee Yrs 3—6
School Finals 9.15

Wednesday 26—Fri 28 August

Canberra Excursion Years 5/6

Tues 1 Sept-Thurs 3 Sept

Book Fair
8am - 9am & 3pm - 3:30pm

Thursday 3 September

Book Parade
9:30am in the Hall

Wednesday 9 September

A Matter of Seconds
Water wise talk K,3&6

Wednesday 16 September

School Musical
Night performance 6pm

Thursday 17 September

School Musical
Matinee & Night performances
12pm & 6pm

Friday 18 September

Last day of Term 3

Tuesday 6 October

First day of Term 4

**UNIFORM
SHOP
HOURS**

**Thursday
8.30am - 9.30am**

Library News...

Book Parade

We will be celebrating Book Week in Term 3 Week 8. Students will be able to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character on **Thursday 3 September, 2015**. The parade will begin **under the cola** at 9:30am, start planning your costume!

Book Fair

The annual Book Fair will be held in the library.

When: Tue 1, Wed 2 & Thur 3 September 2015.

Time: Before School: 8:00am - 9:00am

After School: 3:00pm - 3:30pm

Cash and credit card payment options available. All purchases benefit our school!

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations Isabella M, Mia B and William Z on completing the Premier's Reading Challenge 2015.

The Premier's Reading Challenge closes at school this Friday 21 August 2015. Student Reading Records must be returned to the school library or submitted online by this Friday so that entries can be checked and validated by the closing date 28 August 2015.

If you have access to the Internet, the following steps can be used to **access KIDSPACE** and **enter Student Reading Records** electronically:

1. Go to www.det.nsw.edu.au and click on the LOGIN - STUDENT link.
2. Type in student's DET User ID and Password and click LOG IN.
3. On KIDSPACE click AGREE then + and >>More... on the Learning link.
4. Scroll down and click on PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE.
5. At PRC page, click STUDENT READING RECORDS link.
6. Enter your books by PRC ID Number or Title.

Please Note: Students in Years K-2 complete the Premier's Reading Challenge in class with their classroom teacher.

Keep reading!

Toni Norton

Teacher Librarian

P & C News...

Thank you to all the families who purchased Entertainment books this year. We raised \$1224 toward playground restoration.

The P&C will be holding a **cake stall** at the **book week parade** in week 8 on Thursday at 11.00 under the Cola. If you would like to donate some goodies to sell or help out on the stall please talk to Briony or Amber, or email HPSfundraising@optusnet.com.au

Father's Day Stall will be held Wednesday 2nd September. If you have any donations of Brand New gifts laying around the place and would like to donate them, you can drop them off at the office.

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY 30TH
OF OCTOBER



This year's major fundraiser will be a Fun-Runathon held on Friday the 30th of October in the school grounds.

It will be an exciting event where the children will be encouraged to run, jog or walk around a fun course. All parents, grandparents and caregivers are welcome to attend. All funds raised will be put towards the construction of a new netball/basketball court.

If you would like to get involved in the planning for this event or have any ideas please come along to our fundraising meetings in Term 3 or contact Ansley on HPSfundraising@optusnet.com.au

MERIT
AWARDS

Term 3 Week 6

KH

Beau W

Matilda C

KM

Ava L

Sam W

1H

2/1S

Edie F

Sam I

2D

2H

3E

4/3M

4A

5/4P

5R

Jade C

Darcy T

6B

Eli T

Phoebe C

Library

Georgia B & JonoW

Canteen Roster

TERM 3

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Rebecca Pasovski Ph: 0412653097

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| <u>Thursday 20th August</u> | <u>Friday 21st August</u> |
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| Rebecca Pasovski Michelle Reed Heidi Garnett | Mel Arthur Mel Ward Eleni Zissis |
| <u>Thursday 27th August</u> | <u>Friday 28th August</u> |
| Mel Smith Helen Singleton Sally Wallace | Tara Finn Lidjia Pearson Leisa Anderson |
| <u>Thursday 3rd September</u> | <u>Friday 4th September</u> |
| Jenny Charge Margaret Parkes Jane Newbold | Lauren Halloran Amiee Buckerfield VOLUNTEER NEEDED |
| <u>Thursday 10th September</u> | <u>Friday 11th September</u> |
| Amanda Rounsley Amie Jones | Mel Arthur Mel Ward Eleni Zissis |
| <u>Thursday 17th September</u> | <u>Friday 18th September</u> |
| Rebecca Pasovski Michelle Reed Heidi Garnett | Lauren Turner Kate Nicholls Alison Maher |

Uniform Shop News...

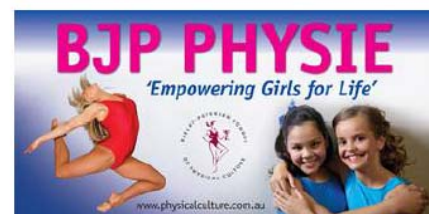
Would you like to see a return of the fleecy lined school jumper as an alternative to the bomber jacket? If so, please contact the school office and register your interest or contact Eleni direct: chrisnlen@telstra.com

Also to Year 5 and Year 6 Canberra campers

If you are requiring long grey pants or long green pants or any extra uniforms please fill in an order form and send into the school office or email the form direct to Eleni chrisnlen@telstra.com. If you could have these orders in by Wednesday 19th August so that the orders can be placed in time that would be great.

Thanks

KEEP YOUR KIDS
SAFE Online



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.

School Banking is on MONDAY



CommonwealthBank

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 1 September 2015**. The item will be performed by the **Ukelale Group**.



The next P&C meeting will be Monday 7th September 2015 6.00pm in the Staffroom.

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND!



Kindergarten Excursion to Blackbutt Reserve Wednesday 12th August

Our Kindergarten classes had a great day out on their excursion to Blackbutt Reserve. They got to meet with the Rangers to participate in some fun learning activities and enjoyed a yummy BBQ lunch cooked by some parent helpers. It was a fun day!



OPEN DAY



Hillsborough Public School is considering an exciting new music program to commence in Term 4, 2015.

The Music Bus will be visiting the school weekly to provide lessons in keyboard, guitar, drums, ukulele and singing. For more information on the program visit www.themusicbus.com.au or Ph 1300 168 742

To introduce the staff, parents and students to the program, we are holding a demonstration day at school.

Date: Monday 24th August, 2015 (Week 7, Term 3)

There will be 2 activities:

- 1) **Parent Info session** – 8:30am - 9am - parents can visit the bus, meet the teacher and ask questions
- 2) **Student Tour** - all children will take part in a short interactive session on the bus during the day.

The students will be given an Expression of Interest form to take part in the weekly lessons. This will need to be returned to the school within 7 days of issue.

MAINTAINING YOUR SMOKE ALARM

1. Test your smoke alarm batteries every month by pressing and holding the test button for five seconds. Replace batteries every 12 months.
2. Vacuum dust off alarms every six months.
3. Replace smoke alarms with a new photoelectric alarm every ten years or earlier, if specified by the manufacturer.

For more information on smoke alarms, visit: fire.nsw.gov.au and planning.nsw.gov.au



BE PREPARED BY MAKING A PLAN OF ESCAPE



Draw a floor plan of your home, including two ways of escape from each room. Plan an escape route and ensure everyone knows how to get out.



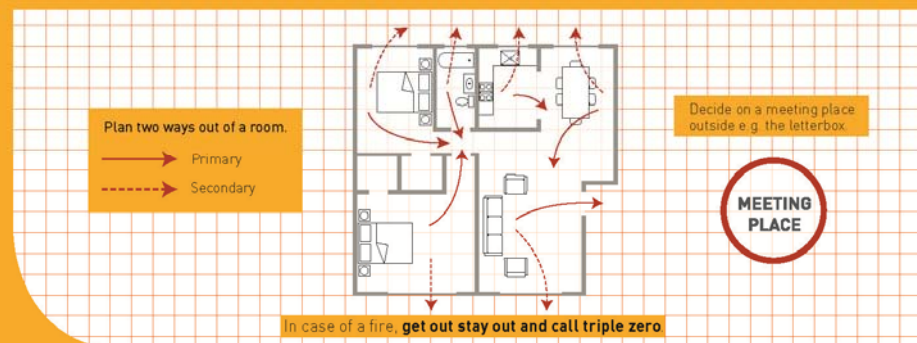
Blocked exits are a hazard. Keep exits clear.



Keep door and window keys in or next to locks so they can be opened easily.



Decide on a meeting place outside e.g. the letterbox. Provide alternatives and someone to assist for anyone with a disability.



VACATION CARE 4 – 12yrs

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2015



Come & Join Us These School Holidays, We Will Have You Reaching New Heights
Participating In Programs Such As:

- ♦ obstacle courses
- ♦ craft
- ♦ gymnastic skills
- ♦ cooking
- ♦ acro
- ♦ trampolining
- ♦ science
- ♦ tumbling
- ♦ athletics ... just to name a few

**VACATION CARE IS AVAILABLE FROM
MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER - TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER
7.30AM-6PM , MEALS INCLUDED**



The Hunter Sports Centre also runs gymnastics holiday programs and skills clinics each day. For further information visit our website www.hsc.org.au



BOOKINGS FOR ALL PROGRAMS ESSENTIAL

Contact the Centre
PO Box 3187 • Glendale NSW
Phone 4953 6366 Fax: 4953 6587
www.hsc.org.au

ALL eye examinations
Bulk BILLED to MEDICARE
Sports Eyewear Contact Lenses
Goggles Sunglasses
1/177 Main Road
Speers Point
Ph. 4958 7892
Health Fund Direct Billing
aie optical
Prescription Eyewear



SUMMER 6s For

U6, U7, U8, U9, U10, U11, U12

**KEEP YOUR LOVE FOR FOOTBALL ALIVE THROUGH
SUMMER**

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|---------------------|---|
| Commencing | Monday 12 th October 10 week competition |
| Days: | Monday U10, U11, U12 Tuesday U6, U7, U8, U9 |
| Times: | 4.30pm – 7.30pm |
| Registration Costs: | Per Child \$35 |
| Game Fees: | \$40 per team |
| Number of Players: | Minimum 6 Max 10 |
| Location: | Eleebana Oval |

To enter your team please complete the attached registration form and return to registrar@vefc.com.au by Monday 21st September

Positions are limited for each age group on receipt of your registration form confirmation details and competition details will be issued

