

Hillsborough Public School Newsletter

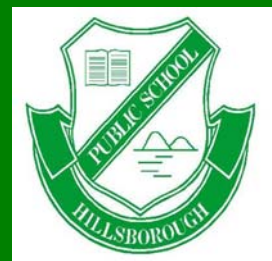
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Term 3 Week 7

26 August 2015

Principal's Report...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Proudly presenting our new buddy bench! Crafted by the 'Men's Shed' group at Cardiff, the Buddy Bench is a very welcome addition to



our playground. The idea behind the Buddy Bench is that if anyone is feeling lonely, they can sit on the bench at playtimes and someone will come along to chat and ask them to play.



As any teacher will tell you, the first two hours in the morning provide the most valuable learning opportunities in any school day. It is when our students are the freshest, most focused and ready to learn. In an effort to maximise our important morning learning time we have decided to stop holding morning assemblies, instead students will be lead directly to classrooms at 9am. Students are still asked to line up under the COLA where they will be met by their teacher ready to begin the day. Please note, as we are aiming for a smooth and quick transition into classroom learning time I would ask that if parents need to see their child's teacher they do so before 9 or make an appointment at the Office.

Next Thursday is our Book Week dress-up Parade. This promises to be a fantastic day and we can't wait to see everyone in their Book Week costumes. Students will be staying in costume throughout the day where practical, but please remember to wear [or bring] appropriate shoes for playground play and a hat. Mrs Norton will lead our Parade beginning at 9:30am under the COLA. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Our NAPLAN results arrived and were distributed to Years Three and Five families last week. In upcoming weeks, staff will examine the data looking at school wide trends, student growth and focus areas. In terms of individual's results, I would like to congratulate all our students who sat the NAPLAN tests, while reiterating the fact that school based assessment which incorporates a large number of work samples and a comprehensive collection of data is always a more reliable form of measuring student achievement. As ever, if any parents have concerns about their child's progress please make an appointment to see the class teacher.

Finally, this morning we farewelled our very excited Stage Three students on their way to Canberra. They have a great couple of days planned including the opportunity to participate in the Last Post Ceremony at the War Memorial on Thursday.

The school captains will be given a wreath to lay during the ceremony which will be live video streamed from 4:55pm. If you would like to watch this live video stream please visit <https://www.awm.gov.au/live/> at 4:55pm on Thursday.

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 under the COLA

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

Students will be able to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character next **Thursday 3 September, 2015**. The parade will begin **under the cola** at 9:30am.

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 Ethan P, Alex A, Chloe A, Abbie H, Taja N and Jacob Z on completing the Premier's Reading Challenge 2015.

The Premier's Reading Challenge has now closed. Congratulations to all successful participants. Certificates will be sent to the school by the end of Term 4.

Keep reading!

Toni Norton

Teacher Librarian

P & C News...

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.

Office News...

The 'H-FACTOR' is coming!! Our **WHOLE 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 at 6pm and introducing a matinee performance on Thursday 17th September 12 noon. **All students are involved in all performances.**



Tickets are on sale now through the Office \$5 each. 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.

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MERIT AWARDS

Term 3 Week 2

KH

Logan C

Vesper B

KM

Liam A

Zara C

1H

Cooper G

Lachlan P

2/1S

Nate R

Sienna R

2D

Mia K

Elle B

2H

Logan B

Carley W

3E

Callan P

Georgia H

4/3M

Zachary F

Isabella M

4A

Dominic S

Isabella G

5/4P

Abbie H

Tamara T

5R

Jarrold E

Jorja D

6B

Georgia B

Jakob M

Library

Tyler B

Canteen Roster

TERM 3

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Rebecca Pasovski Ph: 0412653097

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<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

Thanks



AIA Vitality
MINIROOS
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REGISTER NOW

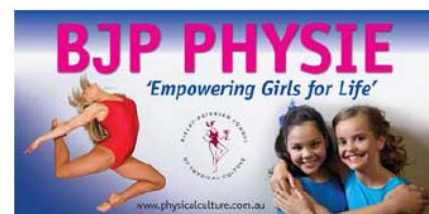
AIA Vitality MiniRoos Kick-Off for Girls is an introductory football program for girls aged 5-11 starting October 2015.

Visit the website to find a location nearest you.

NORTHERN NSW FOOTBALL

www.northernnswfootball.com.au/miniroosforgirls

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



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 **Ukulele Group**.



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

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND!



High ropes

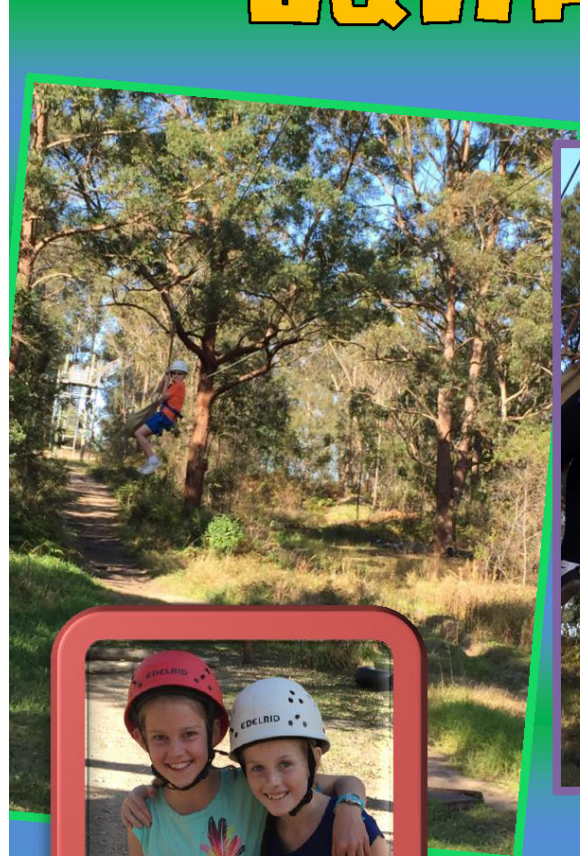


STAGE 2



Friendships

CAMP MORISSET



Dual Flying Fox



Tuesday 18th – Wednesday 19th August 2015



Canoeing



Bushcraft



Archery



County Fair



**WE
HAD FUN!**





SAVE THE DATE



FRIDAY 30TH
OF OCTOBER

WE INVITE ALL PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND CAREGIVERS TO
THIS YEARS MAJOR FUNDRAISER - THE HPS FUN RUN-A-THON.

It's set to be an exciting event with the children coming dressed in their house colours and running, jogging or walking as many laps as they can around a fun obstacle course.

After the event there will be stalls selling afternoon tea under the COLA.

As this is our major fundraiser we will encourage the children to get family and friends to sponsor them. Sponsorship envelopes and further details will be sent home at the end of term 3. Donations can also be made online at <https://chuffed.org/project/hpsfunrun>.

There will be lots of great prizes for children who raise over \$10 and all funds raised will be put towards a new netball/basketball court for the school.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- The fundraising committee are looking for sponsors to help provide incentive prizes for the children. If you know a business that would like to help please contact Amber or Ansley at HPSfundraising@optusnet.com.au for a sponsor pack

- If you have any unwanted new toys/gifts at home that could be used in as prizes we would be most grateful if you could leave them at the office.

- We are also looking for helpers on the day to assist with the obstacle course and running of the afternoon tea stalls. If you are able to help out please contact Amber or Ansley at HPSfundraising@optusnet.com.au or message us on the Facebook group 'HPS P&C events'

Looking forward to a fun and successful event for HPS!

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.



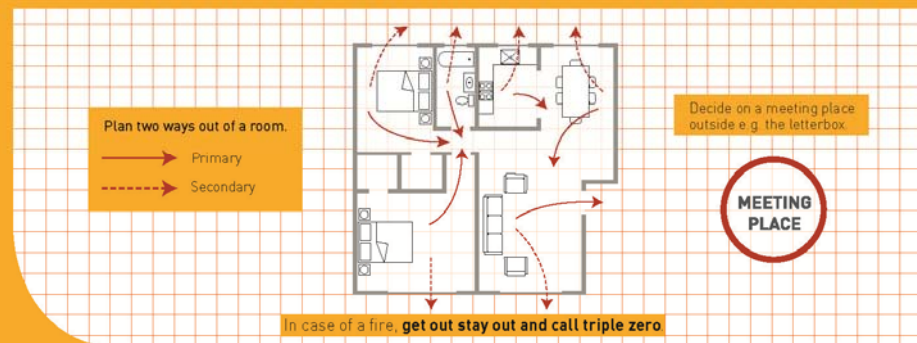
Blocked exits are a hazard. Keep exits clear.



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.





Child's Name _____ Class: _____

Quantity: _____ @ \$5 ea Wednesday 16th September 6pm

Quantity: _____ @ \$5 ea Thursday 17th September 12 noon

Quantity: _____ @ \$5 ea Thursday 17th September 6pm

**DON'T FORGET YOU CAN ALSO PAY ONLINE HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE AND CLICK ON
MAKE A PAYMENT ON THE HOME SCREEN**

Students name: _____ Class: _____

Cardholder name: _____ MasterCard / Visa (please circle)

Card Number: _____ Expiry date: ____/____

Amount: _____

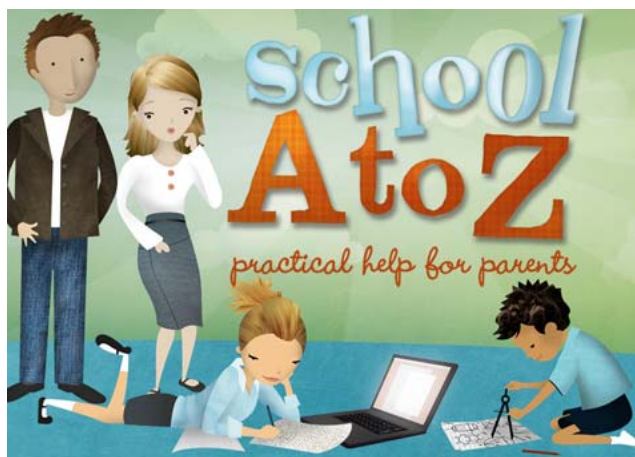
Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/2015

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Charlestown Uniting Church
24 - 26 Milson Street

Kid's Holiday Fun Club

Wednesday 23 September 2015
(Children in Years K - 6)

All Day 9.30am - 3.30pm

Cost \$10/Child (maximum family payment \$20)
(includes Morning Tea/Lunch/Afternoon Tea)

Registrations & payment essential by **18/9/15**

Charlestown Uniting Church

P O Box 449

Charlestown. 2290

Office Opening Hours:

Tues; Wed; Frid
9:30 - 1pm

All enquires please phone:

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OR 0409 445 933 - Cathy