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Hammond Park Primary School

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

School Development Day

The teachers of HPPS worked together on our School Development Day on Monday 16th November. The team reviewed and analysed class and year level data collected over the course of the year to provide future curriculum direction and priority areas for 2016. Our school Business Plan will be adjusted to include strategic targets informed by 2015 data. This information will be presented to the School Board for endorsement at the final meeting for the year on Wednesday 25th November.

ICT EXPO

Thank you to the many parents who came to the *ICT EXPO* last week. We were so pleased to have the opportunity to showcase how all teachers in all classrooms across the school integrate the use of ICT to enhance learning for all students.

I am always amazed at the knowledge and confidence even our youngest students have when using iPads and MacBooks as an integral part of their learning.

This special event will be held in Term 4 each year.

Thank you to a large number of parents who have generously supported the iPad and MacBook co-contribution (K – Year 6) as part of our school's *Charges and School Contributions for 2015*. Your contributions have made it possible for us to provide a ratio of 1:3 iPads to students in K- Year 6 and and 1:3 MacBooks to students in Year 3 – Year 6. This co-contribution as an Extra Cost Item has also been endorsed by our School Board and is part of the *Charges and School Contributions* for 2016.

REMEMBER:

- ⇒ "Message You" : \SMS for absences 0437 780 341.
- ⇒ You can also use Skoolbag to advise of absences.

P&C School Disco

The end of year P&C School Disco will be held this Friday 20th November. The Pre-primary, Year 1 and Year 2 Disco will start at 4.30pm and finish at 5.30pm. The Year 3 – 6 Disco will start at 6.00pm and finish at 8.00pm.

These much anticipated events are organized and run by our hard working P&C volunteers. There is a strict process that is closely followed before, during and after each disco to make sure your children are safe at all times. When you bring your child to the disco, their name will be marked off a master sheet as they come in to the Undercover Area. Once the children have had their names marked off they will not be able to leave the disco (except to go to the toilet or get a drink) until parents or caregivers come to pick them up.

Thank you for your support in making sure that you are on time to pick up students at the end of each disco.

School Canteen

Our "Fabulous Food Factory's" final day of operation for 2015 will be Wednesday 9th December. To celebrate a busy and most successful year the canteen will be selling pizza for lunch on this day. Drinks, icy poles and recess food will still be available for purchase.

A pizza lunch order form will go home with all children this week. Please help the canteen by completing the form and handing it in by Wednesday 1st December.

I would like to thank you all for supporting our *Fabulous Food Factory* in its first year of operation. We look forward to another successful year, next year. Please remember that because our canteen is run by volunteers, it can only operate if you can give generously of your time in 2016.



Jennifer Lee

Principal



Art News

St Yared's Visit

On Tuesday and Wednesday last week we hosted two special visitors from Ethiopia.

Desu and Hamlete come from St Yared's School in Ethiopia. They will be running the *Red Thread* project with their students in the coming weeks. Desu and Hamlete came to Hammond Park as part of their professional learning. They had the chance to take part in the ICT Expo, Literacy rotations and Morning Meetings. Desu is responsible for art at his school,. He spent several hours in the art room with Mrs Gilks, gathering new ideas to take back to St Yared's



Art News

Red Thread Books

We still have a few copies of the *Red Thread* book available for purchase through the school office.

These books contain photos of all children's *Red Thread* artwork, as well as excerpts from their autobiographies. These books are professionally printed and make a wonderful keepsake.

Red Thread books are \$20.



Library News

Scholastic Book Club

The current Scholastic Book Club catalogue orders are due back at school by 3pm Friday November 27th.



Seeking Volunteers for Our Book Fair

Our new Book Fair theme for 2015 is **Book Fair Under the Sea: Explore** an **Ocean of Books!** This season's Book Fair will be an exciting celebration full of fun activities and hundreds of books kids want to read.

If you have some time to help with setting up, decorating, book sales or pack up please email Davina or pop in to the library on Monday, Wednesday or Friday to express your interest.

davina.hurst@education.wa.edu.au

Book Fair Opening Hours

Wednesday 2nd December - 2:45-3:30pm

Thursday 3rd December - 8:30-9am 2:45-3:30pm

Friday 4th December - 8:30 - 9am 2:45-3:30pm

Monday 7th December - 2:45-3:30pm



P & C News

P&C News

The Fundraising Committee

End of Year Disco - Fri 20th November

Our end of year disco will be happening this Friday! There will be two separate events on the night (an earlier event for the younger students and a later one for the older students). Glow sticks will be again available. Gavin from Groovy Entertainment will again be providing the tunes for the night, which we are sure the students will be happy about considering how popular and successful he was at our last disco.

Fundraising Planning for 2016

The Fundraising Committee is beginning to plan our calendar for the 2016 school year. To help make 2016 as fun and successful as this year we are asking parents to complete the following survey. It takes less than 2 minutes, consists of only 4 questions, and allows you to have a say in what you would like to see in the new year. Please follow this link to assist us https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QBYD5MZ

Thank you to those families who have already completed the survey your input has been most welcome.

Upcoming Events for Term 4

School Disco - 20th November*
Christmas Themed Free Dress Day - 11th Dec
Eden Green Christmas Party Cake Stall - 13th December *

* We will need parent volunteers to assist in running these events. Thank you to all parents and friends that have volunteered their time already this year, or are planning to do so for upcoming events. Without your help we would be unable to run these types of activities.

Please be sure to always take note of the return dates on notes, providing the correct money and dropping off notes/money to the correct location. These points all help to make the events run as smooth as possible for the organisers.

The Fabulous Food Factory

A friendly reminder for <u>orders to be placed on Tuesday's</u>. Our wonderful volunteers can then shop and cook for the canteen.

Pizza Day - Wed 9th December

Our last canteen day is Wednesday 9th Dec and we will celebrate by selling Pizza for \$3. In order for us to have no wastage over the summer break, please look out for the Pre-Order form in the next two weeks and complete by Wednesday 1st December. We are looking forward to having a wonderful last Pizza Day.

The canteen will be **CLOSED** on Wednesday 16th December (final week of school). Please provide students with recess and lunch on that day.

Sick on Canteen Day?

If your child has an order but will be absent, email canteenhpps@gmail.com and we will post-pone your order to the following week.

Volunteering

We would like to thank all the volunteers who have come in and helped us this term and last term. We have had fun and hope you have too. We look forward to continuing the roster for next year.

Re-Usable Lunch Bags - \$10 each

The bags are insulated to keep food warm or cold and are easy to wipe clean. There is a clear, zippered pocket to place the students order and money securely and a clear name display on the front for students to decorate or print out a name/class number tag. The bag folds into a wallet size when placing orders. You can head to stickybeaks.com.au to print off free order forms and name tags. The bags are available to purchase on a Tuesday/Wednesday from the canteen. We have sold over 30 so far!

* hammondparkpac@gmail.com





P&C Meeting - Wednesday 2nd December (Term 4 Week 8) @ 7pm, Staff Room

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Mandarin Classes

With China being Australia's biggest trading partner, it would be advantageous for us to learn the Chinese language, Mandarin.

Agape Centre for Excellence believes the approach to learning Chinese should balance linguistic skills with cultural knowledge.

The program is designed to:

- equip you to converse, read and write in Mandarin.
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