



# Hammond Park Primary School

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## IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 9 Dec P&C Meeting

Wed 9 Dec 2.15pm As-  
sembly

Thur 10 Dec Shock Proof  
Energy Incursion K-6

Fri 11 Dec P&C Free  
Dress Day—Christmas  
theme

Wed 16 Dec Year 6 Grad-  
uation Assembly

Thur 17 Dec Last Day of  
Term Four for Students

## 2016:

Mon 25th Jan School  
Office opens

Mon 1 Feb Term 1 com-  
mences

Dear Parents and Caregivers

## 2015

As we approach the end of our second year of operation, it is timely to reflect on the many exciting things that we have achieved and enjoyed over the course of the year.

- School began for 75 Kindergarten students and 271 PP – Year 6 on Monday February 2.
- Our students enjoyed many opportunities to consolidate their learning by going on excursions, attending incursions at school and listening to visiting speakers and performers. These opportunities included:
  - ⇒ a Worm Farm Incursion
  - ⇒ a visit to Kelmscott Farm School
  - ⇒ a visit to ANZAC Cottage
  - ⇒ a visit to Scitech
  - ⇒ St. John First Aid
  - ⇒ Saluka African Drums
  - ⇒ RAC Cycle Safety, and
  - ⇒ Constable Care.
- Our ICT journey continued throughout 2015 with banks of iPads in each K – 6 classroom and Macbooks for the Year 4/5/6 classrooms.
- Our annual ICT Expo was held in Term 4. The focus for this year's expo was to showcase how we use ICT to integrate and enhance all learning opportunities for students in each and every classroom.
- Whole-school Wastewise Audits were conducted and the data analysed.
- Our "*Fabulous Food Factory*" (our school canteen) opened for business one day a week.
- We received a Bankwest Happy Communities Grant to purchase

## REMEMBER:

- ⇒ Last day of Term Four Thursday 17 December.
- ⇒ "Message You" : \SMS for absences 0437 780 341.
- ⇒ You can also use Skoolbag to advise of absences.



- a pie warmer for our *"Fabulous Food Factory"*.

  - Our P&C Association have had a very busy year. A team of committed members and volunteers have worked together throughout the year to run successful fundraising events that included:
    - ⇒ Four Free Dress Days – Funky Hair, PJ Day, Dress in Your Team's Colours and Christmas
    - ⇒ Adidas Fun Run
    - ⇒ A term 2 and a term 4 disco
    - ⇒ Mother's and Father's Day Stalls
    - ⇒ Zinc stations for the Faction Athletics Carnival and
    - ⇒ Bunnings Sausage Sizzle.
  - Our PP – Year 6 students attended Swimming Lessons at South Lake Leisure Centre.
  - Our Early Childhood Teachers are working towards meeting the standards of the National Quality Standards (NQS). Planning for Quality Area 3 (Physical Environment) has resulted in some amazing play opportunities for our K and PP students. These include:
    - ⇒ Mud Pie Kitchens
    - ⇒ Dress ups
    - ⇒ Lots of new construction toys
    - ⇒ Obstacles courses and
    - ⇒ Sand and water play equipment.
  - OSHClub continue to offer before and after school care from our Undercover Area. This service is now available to all families on our School Development Days.
  - Our school app is used to alert parents to upcoming events and remind them of closing dates.
  - Our Faction Athletics Carnival was spectacular. Magnus won the carnival. The *"Fabulous Food Factory"* provided a delicious and nutritious lunch for students, parents and teachers.
  - Year 3 – Year 6 students took part in our first school Cross- Country event. The winners of this event then represented our school at the Inter-school Cross-Country event.
  - Term 4 saw the arrival of our first two transportable classrooms. These rooms have been relocated to Murrumbidgee Block for the start of the 2016 school year.
  - Two more transportable classrooms will be relocated to our school over the school holidays in readiness for 2016.
  - Year 3 and 5 students sat NAPLAN tests in May.
  - Our senior students took part in the Summer and Winter Sports Carnival against other local schools.
  - We successfully applied for an Artist-in-Residence Grant from the Department of Education and the Department of Culture and the Arts. Our project *"The Red Thread"* was multi-layered. It was managed by our Visual Arts Specialist Teacher. Our Artist-in-Residence was Sam Hughes.



- Our students learnt about the history of the local area, life in Ethiopia, print making and writing autobiographies as part of “The Red Thread”.
- Our junior students celebrated 100days of school in many creative ways. They were joined by lots of teachers who joined in this fun-filled day.
- For the first time, our Year 5 and 6 students participated in the Cockburn Youth Parade for ANZAC Day.
- Our school held its first ANZAC Day ceremony to commemorate 100 years of the ANZAC tradition. Major Rachel Brennan (Mr Brennan’s daughter) from the Australian Armed Forces spoke to the assembly on the special occasion.
- We welcomed lots of excited Kindy students and their parents to our annual “Teddy Bear’s Picnic” in Term 4. Our newest students had a lovely time and met their teachers and explored the playground and their classroom in readiness for starting school next year.
- A large number of parents attended a Kindy Parent Information Session held in the library this week. This event was so successful that it will be included on our school calendar again next year.

I am justifiably proud of our school’s achievements this year. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of our Business Manager and School Officers who ensure that our school runs efficiently and effectively. Our teachers and Education Assistants are highly effective in providing engaging teaching and learning opportunities for each and every student in our school.

We look forward to welcoming a number of new teachers, students and their families to Hammond Park Primary School next year as we continue “Learning Together Every Day” in 2016.

### ***2015 HPPS Parent Opinion Survey***

Thank you to those parents who have already completed the Parent Opinion Survey for 2015. We are very keen to gather your opinions about our school this year. Your responses to this survey are anonymous. The survey should only take ten minutes (maximum) to complete. We value your opinions and they will be taken seriously as we plan for 2016 and beyond.

The survey is available on our school website and via our app.

The survey code is: wfUeyuKc

### ***Semester Two School Reports***

All students in Pre-Primary to Year 6 will receive their Semester Two report on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Please take the time to share this report with your children and celebrate the progress they have made both socially and academically over the course of the year. If you are not going to be at school on this day please let the Front Office ladies know and we will be happy to post your report to your home address.

### **Holidays**

School holidays begin on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December for all students in PP - Year 6. Quendas and Possums Kindergarten students attend school for the last time on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Numbats and Wallabies will have their final day of Kindergarten on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

### **School Watch**

Over the school holidays it is important to keep an eye on our school. If you see any suspicious activity in or around the school please call Ed Security on 9264 4771.

You are most welcome to continue using the basketball courts and the oval during the school break. Please remember to pick up after your dogs if you bring them to the oval. It is also important that bikes, scooters and skateboards are NOT ridden on the basketball courts as they damage the surface and leave marks that are difficult to remove. Thank you for your understanding.

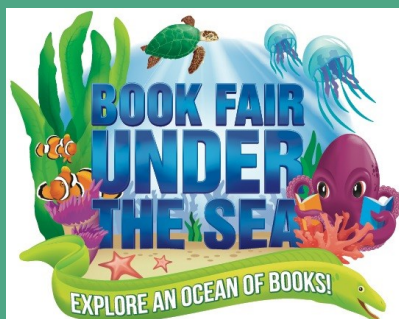
### **Merry Christmas**

On behalf of the team at HPPS, I would like to wish you and your families all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday! We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on **MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2016.**



Regards  
Jennifer Lee  
Principal

# Library News



## Book Fair is OPEN

### **Book Fair Under the Sea: Explore an Ocean of Books!**

Opens in the library today. This season's Book Fair will be an exciting celebration full of fun activities and hundreds of books kids want to read.

A percentage of all books sold at the fair go directly back to the library to purchase new resources for our students. There is also a library wish list set up if you would like to purchase a book to donate to the library. Come and take a look!

### **Book Fair Opening Hours:**

**Wednesday 2nd December 2.45pm—3.30pm**

**Thursday 3rd December 8.30 am—9.00am and 2.45pm—3.30pm**

**Friday 4th December 8.30 am—9.00am and 2.45pm—3.30pm**

**Monday 7th December 2.45pm—3.30pm**



# P & C News

## P&C News

### The Fundraising Committee

#### Christmas Free Dress Day - Friday 11th Dec

For a \$2 coin donation students are able to dress up in Christmas themed clothing to celebrate the festive season. These Free Dress Days have been well supported this year and we thank all parents and carers for assisting students in coming along to school on the day excited and in theme.

#### Eden Green Christmas Party Cake Stall - Sunday 13th Dec

### Save Our Cake Stall

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to bake and sell. At this stage we will be unable to go ahead with the cake stall unless we can get more volunteers. We need AT LEAST 5 more families to bake and AT LEAST 10 more parents or friends to help sell. Without enough volunteers we just are not able to make this Event happen. So if you are able to assist, especially on the night, for 30 min or an hour, please RETURN YOUR FORMS TOMORROW to the front office. Let's make this event as successful as it was last year!

#### End of Year Disco 2015

Thank you to everyone who came along and had a fun night dancing and catching up with friends. A big thank you to those parents who volunteered their time so this event could go ahead and also to Gavin from Groovy Entertainment who provided a fun environment and great music for the students to dance to.

#### Fundraising Committee 2016

We will be looking for enthusiastic parents and friends to assist in organising and running our events in 2016. If you are able to assist and would like to join please send us an email or speak to one of our friendly P&C members. Meeting times will be decided by the new committee and will take into consideration the needs of all members. All members will be well supported with admin and advice. We look forward to welcoming you in 2016.

### The Fabulous Food Factory

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec (Week 10 of Term 4)

## CANTEEN CLOSED

Please provide students with recess and lunch on that day. Thank you to all the families for supporting the canteen in 2015.

In 2016 the canteen will not open until Wednesday 10th February (Week 2 of Term 1)

The canteen summer menu will go home with students in the first week with some new items and menu price changes.

#### Sick on Canteen Day?

If your child has an order but will be absent, email [canteenhpps@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:hammondparkpac@gmail.com)



P&C Meeting - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December (Term 4 Week 9) @ 7pm, Staff Room



# Community Notices



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## Pre-school Programs

for children age 2 - 5 years

**Victoria Carlton Early Learners Programs**, an international research based approach program is now available at Agape Centre for Excellence.

Book your child into this intensive, multi-sensory, learning sessions that will stimulate their inherent intelligence and help them become creative and flexible thinkers.

These programs stimulate children's natural curiosity and help them become "school-ready" and excited and receptive towards future learning opportunities.



## 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.
- learn about the Chinese culture, traditions, festivals and virtues such as "XiaoDao" (Respect parents) and "QianRang" (Modesty).
- Class levels for both adults and children.

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# Coding

## WORKSHOP

**MORNING** - 9am to 1pm  
11 - 15 Jan 2016 (Mon - Fri)

**AFTERNOON** - 1pm to 5pm  
18 - 22 Jan 2016 (Mon - Fri)

## LEARNING THE LANGUAGE OF THE FUTURE

### WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO CREATE THEIR OWN COMPUTER GAMES?

Children will absolutely enjoy our exciting coding workshop over 5 half days to learn to create their very own computer game!

This camp will expand your child's creativity and develop their logical thinking skills. Each person gets a chance to present his game on the final day and let others try it out. Game with the most votes wins a prize! For children from 9 years of age.

**LIMITED to 8 in a class.**

**ENROL NOW or you will miss out!**

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This program is aimed at developing key skills like problem solving skills and creative thinking.

Children will be using the program 'Scratch' designed by a professor from Massachusetts Institute of Technology's (MIT) media labs.



### THE FACILITATOR

Yong Ning graduated with a First Class Honours in Electrical Engineering from the National University of Singapore and thereafter received a Scholarship to complete his Masters from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Computation for Design and Optimisation.

With a strong background in Mathematics and programming, his key expertise lies in applying analytics to ensure sound business decisions.

He has worked for various multinationals and does programming in his free time as a hobby. He delights in working with children and inspiring them to uncover the challenge of coding the language of the future.



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- > **Day 1: Introduction to Scratch**  
Explore scratch and familiarise with interface. Basic step by step animation (loops, events and parallelism techniques)
- > **Day 2: Animation**  
Hands on experience and application of techniques. Making your animation come alive (music, colour, costumes)
- > **Day 3: Telling Stories**  
Creating a story board using Scratch. Create your own characters, coordinate interactions. Manage timing and broadcasting of these events.
- > **Day 4: Gaming Time**  
Learn how to build interactive games. Add your own score count and games. Tackle 9 scratch programming puzzles. Learn to debug your game.
- > **Day 5: Project Showcase**  
Work on your game concept. Use the techniques you have learnt over the past 4 days. Show and tell. Best game wins a prize!

Usual Price : \$500 (5 x 4hr session)  
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- Boys & Girls aged 3 - 8 years
- Basic, skills based introduction to Soccer
- Indoor sessions
- Modified equipment
- Ideal for beginners
- Age appropriate programs
- Parent help for 3 & 4 year olds
- SOCCER BALL TO KEEP!

### Where

Atwell College Gym, Brenchley Drive, Atwell

### Starts

Saturday the 13th of February

3 year olds - 9.00am to 9.45am

4 year olds - 9.45am to 10.30am

5 and 6 year olds - 10.30am to 11.15am

7 and 8 year olds - 11.15am to 12.00pm

**REGISTRATIONS  
FOR TERM 1  
ARE NOW OPEN!**

No sessions on  
long weekends,  
but we will still  
run for 6 sessions

### Cost

\$90 for 6 weekly sessions and a soccer ball for you to keep!

To secure your place, you **MUST** register by one of the following methods:

- Email - [rego@getactivesports.com.au](mailto:rego@getactivesports.com.au)
- Phone - 1300 772 106
- Website - [www.getactivesports.com.au](http://www.getactivesports.com.au)



To register, please let us know the location of the program and your child's details as below.  
Once registered bring the completed, signed consent form and payment to the first session.

### ATWELL SOCCER FOR JUNIORS CONSENT FORM - TERM 1, 2016

Name: ..... D.O.B: ..... Male / Female

School/Kindy: ..... Email: .....

Phone (Home): ..... Phone (Mobile): .....

Any relevant medical conditions/medication taken? .....

*I acknowledge that I am required to stay with my child for the duration of each session and, if required, will administer any first aid. I hereby release Get Active Sports from any liability for injury incurred by my child at the Get Active Sports program.*

Parent/Guardian Name: ..... Parent/Guardian Signature: .....

Payment Method Cheque / Credit Card / Cash

VISA / MASTERCARD

### CREDIT CARD DETAILS

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Cardholders Name: .....

Signature: ..... Amount: \$ .....

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**FREE  
EVENT**

12 December 2015

# Christmas on the Green

Get set for Christmas with  
the City of Cockburn! Lots of free fun  
and activities for all the family.

Enjoy live music, Christmas carols, water slide,  
snow dome, appearance by Santa, switching on  
of the Christmas lights and much more to get you  
into the spirit.

5 – 8pm City Administration Grounds  
9 Coleville Crescent, Spearwood

[cockburn.wa.gov.au/carnivalofevents](http://cockburn.wa.gov.au/carnivalofevents)





# CELEBRATE ABILITY DAY

2015

## International Day of People with Disability

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Friday 4 December 2015, 10am - 1pm  
Opposite Azelia Ley Homestead,  
Manning Park, Hamilton Hill

- Come and Try Sports Expo
- Performance by DAPAK at 11am  
(Dance Ability Performing Arts Kelete)
- Giant games, animal farm & bouncy castle
- Plus lots more fun activities!

Stage open to attendees after the performance as a chill out  
viewing area (no more than 8 people at a time to be on stage)

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» BMX  
» SCOOTER

There are winners at each comp and a series winner\* for each discipline!

3 GoPros up for grabs plus lots of extras!

Register on the day

## XMAS SUPER SERIES

- » Friday 18 December, Coolbellup Skate Park  
Juniors 4 – 7pm, Opens 7 – late
- » Saturday 19 December, Atwell Skate Park  
Juniors 12 – 2.30pm, Opens 3pm – finish
- » Sunday 20 December, Spearwood Skate Park  
Juniors 12 – 2.30pm, Opens 3pm – finish

### For more information

Youth Development Officer 0418 907 942  
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\*Series winner must enter all comps and score most overall points in a category.



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