



Hammond Park Primary School

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IMPORTANT DATES

Thur 17 Dec Last Day of
Term Four for Students

2016:

Mon 25th Jan School
Office opens

Mon 1 Feb Term 1 commences

Wed 17 Feb School
Board Meeting

Wed 24 Feb P&C AGM

Mon 7 Mar Labour Day
Public Holiday

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Class Lists for 2016

Class lists will be displayed on the doors of the Administration Block on **Thursday 28th January 2016**. These lists are confidential and should not be reproduced or posted on any social media site. You are welcome to take photos of the list/s that relate/s to your child/children and keep it for personal use only.

These classes are provisional and based on anticipated enrolments for 2016. Once the class lists are posted they will not be changed unless there are exceptional circumstances, but as the Principal I reserve the right to transfer students from one class to another if the need arises. I may also need to change the class configuration in response to changes in the enrolment profile over the holidays and the start of the 2016 school year.

When we establish classes we sometimes have to form Multi-age or composite classes. These classes are made up of students from different year levels. They are created when either there are too many students for one class - but not enough to form two classes of the same grade level. These classes are carefully constructed by teachers who know the students from the year before.

Research clearly shows that:

- it makes no difference to performance whether students are in a straight year group or in a multi-age class. The most important factors in determining how well a student does are the quality of the teacher and the teaching.
- multi-age classes may benefit students both socially and emotionally.

Any concerns you may have with class placements can be addressed to me or the teacher who will be supporting your child in 2016.

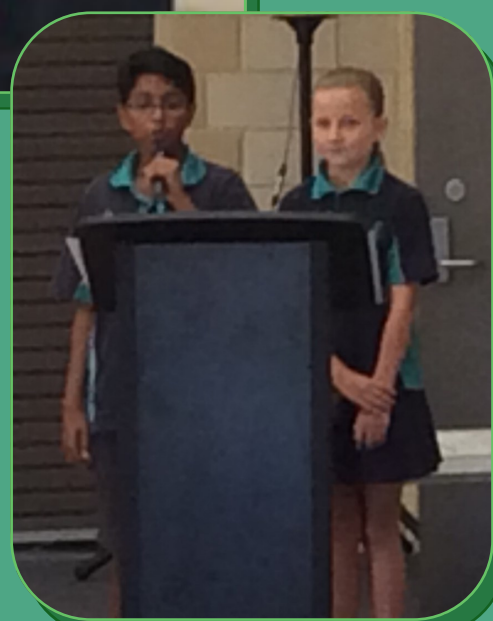
I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and safe holiday with your children. Thank you for another successful year of "Learning Together Every Day" at Hammond Park Primary School. I look forward to welcoming our returning students and lots of new students to school on **Monday 1st February 2016**.

Regards
Jennifer Lee
Principal

REMEMBER:

- ⇒ Last day of Term Four Thursday 17 December.
- ⇒ First day of Term One 2016 Monday 1 February
- ⇒ "Message You" : \SMS for absences 0437 780 341.
- ⇒ You can also use Skoolbag to advise of absences.

Year 6 Graduation Assembly





P & C News

It has been our first full year as a P&C and what a year it has been! I want to say a huge Thank You to our amazing P&C Executive, Fundraising, Canteen and School Banking Committees. The money we have raised this year has gone into buying all of the equipment needed to open our Fabulous Food Factory. We also received a Bankwest **"Happy Communities Grant"** of \$1,000 that went towards the purchase of a pie warmer. Some of the latest equipment purchased was put to work straight away with the 250+ homemade pizzas ordered for Pizza Day last week. The Fabulous Food Factory would like to extend their thanks to the school community for their support and the volunteers who have worked tirelessly to bring the students and teachers' high-quality, homemade food for recess and lunch.

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The recent cake stall at the Eden Green Christmas Party was also so successful that we have enough funds to begin fulfilling the Art Wish List with the purchase of equipment and books to assist the students in their learning and understanding of the history and theory of art. The P&C will begin working with all teachers to help fund other projects and purchases to benefit the school and students.

A very special thanks to our Principal, Jennifer Lee, the school Administration team, parents, caregivers and all of the teachers for allowing us to do what we do and helping and supporting us when we needed it. We need all the help we can get to continue raising funds to support our kids and our school. If you would like to join us in the new year, please contact us through hammondparkpac@gmail.com

Until then, I wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy new year!

Lianne Clark

P&C President