Dear Parents and Caregivers

Hammond Park Primary Independent Public School Board

Our school opened in 2014 as an Independent Public School (IPS). Our inaugural School Board was established in May 2014. Some of our current Board members have been appointed for a three year term whilst others have been appointed for a two year term.

Two School Board positions are now available for a two or three year term commencing in Term 2 this year. The Board is looking forward to welcoming parents/community members who have the capacity to work collaboratively with others, can work through consensus decision-making processes in order to achieve good outcomes for our students and enhance the reputation of our school in the broader community.

If you are interested in becoming a member of our School Board, please read the attached information and complete the nomination form and return it to the school in an envelope addressed to The School Principal, Mrs Lee and clearly marked “Private and Confidential” by 3.30pm on Tuesday 2nd March 2016.

On behalf of the School Board, I urge you to consider nominating for a position on the School Board and becoming part of a whole school team committed to making our already ‘good’ school a ‘great’ school.

Parking

Thank you to all those parents who have helped ease our parking problems in around the school in the afternoons by being courteous and respectful to all other drivers who are picking up their children. I am very pleased to see that a number of parents are parking around the school and walking to meet their children before returning to their cars – thank you for doing this as it helps ease congestion at this peak time. Other parents are parking on Gaebler Road or Frankland Avenue and walking across the oval to pick students up. To allow easy access across the gate at the top of the oval steps is unlocked before school and will remain open until OSHClub locks it at approximately 5.30pm

REMEMBER:

⇒ Monday 7 March—Labour Day Public Holiday
⇒ “Message You”: SMS for absences 0437 780 341.
⇒ You can also use Skoolbag to advise of absences.
Please be confident that I will continue working with the Department of Education so that we can consider any options available to us to make sure that all students are safe at the beginning and the end of the school day when they arrive at or leave the school grounds.

**Our First Assembly for the 2016 School Year**

Thank you to all parents and family members who attended our first assembly of the 2016 school year last Wednesday. Mr Brennan’s Year 3 class did a terrific job of hosting this assembly. They shared their knowledge about the settlement of Australia and entertained us with an energetic version of the song “Give Me a Home Among the Gum Trees”. All students then enjoyed singing “We are Australian”. Our Music Specialist Teacher, Miss Winfield conducted this special group singing opportunity – thank you Miss Winfield!

**P&C Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting of the Hammond Park Primary School P&C Association will be held **tonight** (Wednesday) in the school Staff Room at 7.00pm. We look forward to welcoming new and current members to this very important meeting.

Our P&C gives you the opportunity to work with other parents to share information and build positive relationships across the school. In addition to this our P&C helps raise funds to buy resources for all students in the school to use. Our P&C also runs our **Fabulous Food Factory** (our school canteen).

Regards
Jennifer Lee
Principal
The Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) committee are calling for resource donations. Not only will you be able to make more space around the home and shed but you will be supporting students in this wonderful curriculum area.

Items include old: Phones, video and cassette tapes, childhood games, toys, radios, cooking and kitchen utensils, floppy discs, typewriters and newspapers/articles to name a few.

Our goal is to provide a snapshot of the past to support students in developing their inquiry skills and appreciation of our great history.

If you are able to assist us please drop any resources off at the front office or alternatively contact Mr Brandon Docking at brandon.docking@education.wa.edu.au

Many thanks,
HASS team

School Uniform

We advise that there will be a price increase as of the start of Term 2.

Shorts, track pants and jazz pants will no longer be stocked.

We currently have supplies of good quality track pants and have reduced the price to $18.00.

Get in quick and save!
Scholastic Book Club

Issue 1 of Scholastic Book Club has now been processed; books should arrive for delivery in week 6.

Please note that as of Issue 2, payment will only be accepted via the LOOP online ordering platform.

There was one order this issue with a cash payment that did not have a name on it, if your child does not receive their books please see Davina in the library as they have been ordered but we do not know who to deliver them to.

Book Club LOOP for Parents


- Simply grab your Book Club Catalogue
- For a quick start, just click on ORDER
- OR Register first to save your details for next time (existing Scholastic Store customers can simply log in)
- Select your school and your child's class
- Add your child's first name & last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue
- All orders are sent directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child’s classroom if you order by the close date
- Afterwards, there's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details back to your school!

Scholastic Loop Android App supported models: Devices running Android 3.2 or later. To find the version number on your Android device, go to your device’s main Settings menu > About Phone or About tablet. Please Note: Blackberry devices are not supported.
Hammond Park Primary School P & C Association (Inc.)

Annual General Meeting (AGM) – TONIGHT!!!
Wednesday 24th February @ 7pm in the HPPS Staff Room

What choice will you make for your school this year?
þ Become a P&C Member           or           þ Join a P&C Committee

What’s the difference? A P&C member is someone who has decided they want to have a say with events and fundraising at the school but maybe doesn’t have the extra time to commit to organising events or sitting on a committee. A member will fill out a membership form, pay a $1 annual membership and then do their best to attend the two P&C meetings that occur each term. As part of your membership and attending meetings, you get to vote on issues at the P&C meetings and hear about what is happening around the school.

A P&C Committee member is someone who is also a P&C member but has decided to nominate themselves to join either the Executive Committee or one of the sub-committees. And this is where we need people to become involved and take on the roles listed below.

All positions on all Committees and Sub-Committees will be declared vacant at the AGM. If you would like to nominate for any position from the list below then please contact the P&C via the Facebook page or email hammondparkpac@gmail.com

We can’t wait to see everyone at the meeting tonight. Refreshments will be available along with a special “one night only” cake-tasting from the Fabulous Food Factory!

FABULOUS FOOD FACTORY

The canteen is open every Wednesday during the term at this point in time. There is NO pre-order Tuesday so please ensure all orders are placed using the canteen drop box (checked daily) or on the day from 8am to 9am Wednesday. Online ordering information will be sent home within the next few weeks for families to set-up.

Is your child having a birthday?
The canteen can bake and deliver cupcakes to your child’s classroom. Please come down and see us on a Wednesday to fill out an order form. Orders must be placed and paid for 7 days in advance.

Volunteering in the canteen
If you would like to support the canteen and volunteer with food prep, we have shifts from 9-11:30 and 10:30-1:30 or you can do a whole day if you like. All of our food is prepared in our kitchen and not bought in from suppliers. Tasks include making sandwiches and toasties, slicing vegetables for stir fry noodles, rolling homemade sausage rolls, baking muffins and flipping Pikelets.

Use the link http://vols.pt/mKaGr7 to secure a shift on volunteerspot.com

If you child is not at school on a Wednesday for their lunch order, please email can-teenhpss@gmail.com we will receive the message instantly and postpone the order to the following week. Please remember Kindy & Pre-Primary students cannot order recess, icy-poles or hot milo.
Dear Parents and Caregivers

Our school opened in 2014 as an Independent Public School (IPS). This means that we already have an active and committed School Board. Some of our current members have been appointed for a three year term as of May 2014.

Two positions have become available for a two or three year term commencing in Term 2 this year. The Board is very keen to have a parent or community member who has the capacity to work collaboratively with others; can work through consensus decision-making processes in order to achieve good outcomes for our students and enhance the reputation of our school in the broader community.

To give you an idea to the commitment required to be a HPPS Board member I have included the following information from our School Board’s “Terms of Reference”.

Board Meetings:
- The Board will meet twice per term - week three and week seven of each term. Other meetings may be called as required.
- The Chairperson of the Board is to convene Board meetings by giving at least one week’s notice. The meetings are to be conducted on the school premises commencing at 7.00pm on the Wednesday of the designated weeks for meetings.

The Board has the following powers and duties:
1) to take part in:
   - establishing and reviewing from time to time, the school’s objectives, priorities and general policy directions
   - the planning of financial arrangements necessary to fund those objectives, priorities and directions
   - evaluating the school’s performance in achieving them, and
   - formulating Codes of Conduct for students at the school.
2) to determine in consultation with students, their parents and staff a dress code for students when they are attending or representing the school
3) to promote the school in the community
4) to approve:
   - charges and contributions for the provision of certain materials, services and facilities under section 99(4) of the School Education Act
   - extra cost optional components of educational programmes, under section 100(3) of the School Education Act
   - items to be supplied by a student for use in an educational programme, under section 108(2) of the School Education Act
   - any agreements or arrangements for advertising or sponsorship in relation to the school under section 216(5) of the School Education Act.

The Board cannot:
- intervene in the control or management of the school
- intervene in the educational instruction of students
- exercise authority over teaching staff or other persons employed at the school
- intervene in the management or operation of a school fund.

If you are interested in the position/s please complete the attached nomination form and return it to the school in an envelope addressed “Private and Confidential” – The School Principal, Mrs Lee.

In the event of more than two nominations being received an election process will be conducted with each parent of children enrolled in the school entitled to a vote. In the event of an election, candidates will be invited to submit an election statement consisting of no more than 500 words to be distributed through the school newsletter.

On behalf of the School Board I urge you to consider nominating for a position on the School Board and becoming part of a whole school team committed to making a good school great.

Jennifer Lee (Principal)
Hammond Park Primary Independent Public Primary School
Nomination for 2016 School Board Position

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Nominations close with the Principal at 3:30pm on Wednesday 2nd March 2016.