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IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 16 Mar Assembly—
hosted by G3

Wed 16 Mar School
Board Meeting

Wed 23 Mar P&C Meeting

Fri 25 Mar Good Friday—
no school

Mon 28 Mar Easter Monday—
no school

Tues 29 Mar Easter Tuesday—
no school

Wed 6 Apr Assembly—
hosted by G1 & F3

Fri 8 Apr Last Day of
Term One

Dear Parents and Caregivers

HPPS Parents and Citizen's Association

Thank you to the many parents who took time out of their busy schedules to attend the very important Annual General Meeting of our school P&C held on Wednesday 24th February. It was very exciting for me and the existing P&C members to welcome such a large group of interested parents, including some who are new to our school community this year.

Our P&C can now look forward to another most enjoyable and successful year of working together in the interests of all students at our school. With your continued support, our “Fabulous Food Factory” is well positioned to keep providing healthy, home-made lunches and morning tea food for our students each Wednesday. The recent introduction of online ordering for the canteen will make it easier for those parents who work to place lunch orders each week.

Please be sure to read the P&C update in the body of this newsletter for further information about 2016 committee membership and fundraising for 2016.

NAPLAN

The annual National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (***NAPLAN***) testing for our Year 3 and 5 students will be held from Tuesday 10th May to Thursday 12th May. All students (unless they have been formally exempt) will be assessed in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The data from ***NAPLAN*** gives schools and systems the ability to compare their students' achievements against national standards and with student achievement in other states and territories. It also allows the monitoring of student progress over time.

All students in Years 3 and 5 will soon bring home a ***NAPLAN*** information brochure. If you require any more information about ***NAPLAN*** tests after reading this brochure please feel free to talk to your child's teacher or contact a member of the administration team.

REMEMBER:

- ⇒ Canteen orders can now be placed via:
www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
- ⇒ “Message You” : \SMS for absences 0437 780 341.
- ⇒ You can also use Skoolbag to advise of absences.

NAPLAN is scheduled for the mornings of Tuesday 10th May, Wednesday 11th May, Thursday 12th May and catch up sessions on Friday 13th May.

National Day of Action against Bully and Violence

All classes have been working with their teachers and friends to strengthen our school's existing everyday messages that bullying and violence at school are not okay at any time. The fifth National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence will be held on **Thursday, 17th March 2016**. The theme of this year's ***National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence*** is **"Bullying. No way!"** All children will receive a wristband and have a class photo taken showing them being strong and taking a stand against bullying and violence.

Excursions

School excursions are undertaken to further students' learning and social skills development outside the normal school environment. At HPPS all excursions/in-school activities have a clear educational purpose.

During the planning phase for all excursions/in-school activities teachers do the following things:

- ♦ prepare a *Proposal for the Excursion*. This proposal includes the expected educational outcomes for students who attend the excursion and how the work carried out on the day will support further learning in the classroom after the excursion is over.
- ♦ submit the *Proposal for Excursion* to the Principal or the Associate Principals for endorsement and final approval.

During this term a number of our classes have taken part in excursions or in-school activities where we have visiting performers. Some excursions/in-school activities have taken the children off the school site, whilst others such as *"Captain Clean-Up"* were held at school. All excursions have been costed to reflect our *Charges and School Contributions 2016* that have been endorsed by our School Board at the end of last year. Many parents have chosen to pay the charges (*as per the Schedule in "Charges and School Contributions 2016"*) up front. This money is held by the school and charges that relate to excursions or in-school activities are deducted from this money. If you haven't paid the charges up front your child/children will bring home a payment envelope to return payment and permission to the school. Students can only participate in excursions/in-school activities if they have parental permission and have paid the charge.

Regards
Jennifer Lee
Principal



POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

This year the students at Hammond Park Primary School have been introduced to Positive Behaviour Support or PBS. PBS is a school-wide framework aimed at improving the academic and behavioural outcomes of all students. PBS uses proactive strategies and the explicit teaching of behavioural expectations.

For more information on PBS at Hammond Park Primary School please visit our school website.

At Hammond Park Primary School our four expectations are:

We are RESPECTFUL

We are RESPONSIBLE

We are SAFE

We are LEARNERS

As a part of this we will be focusing on the finer grained aspects of these expectations each week. Our focus areas for the next two weeks are:

Week 6 :

At school we learn: Independently:

- ⇒ Listen to and follow teacher instructions straight away
- ⇒ Have a growth mindset
- ⇒ Allow others to learn
- ⇒ Be the best you can be

Week 7:

At school we learn: Collaboratively:

- ⇒ Include others
- ⇒ Help others
- ⇒ Encourage others
- ⇒ Share ideas and resources
- ⇒ Take turns

Parents can support the school and your children by discussing and encouraging these expectations at home. For more ideas on this please see your child's teacher.

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Over the last few weeks our school has been celebrating, 'Clean Up Australia Day'.

This important day was launched in 1989 and boasts more than 500, 000 volunteers.

Some of the activities that happened in our school included a visit from "*Captain Cleanup*" for our Pre-primary children, fun activities with the *Worm Farm* for the students in M3 and an *Emu Bob* for litter around the school for our students from E1 and E2.

Captain Cleanup visited our Pre-primary classes on Monday the 29th of February. He drove his awesome *Captain Cleanup* car onto the school ground for the kids to admire and examine closely. The children learned all about the importance of reducing how much waste you produce, recycling right, composting, worm farming and more. The children and adults loved meeting *Captain Cleanup* and learning more about his important messages. *Captain Cleanup* was very impressed with our school and our sustainability programs. He couldn't believe that our school had no litter lying around!

In M3 the children are busy setting up the worm farm. They have used resources from REmida (a golden perspective on discarded materials) to adapt the worm farm and nominated some Worm Farmers. The children have been tearing up and wetting newspaper for the worms' habitat and learning about how materials change form when they're exposed to water, darkness and soil. They will be using the food scraps from the Murrumbidgee compost buckets to feed the worms. They've also been reading books about worm farming and learning more about the needs of living things.

On Friday the 4th of March, the Year One and Two students from E1 and E2 went on an Emu Bob around the outskirts of the school, collecting all the dangerous litter they could find. They learned about how animals in the Harry Waring Reserve, next to the school, may swallow the litter thinking it's food and either choke or starve (because they feel like their tummies are full). The E1 and E2 students also used an app called Adobe Voice (as part of our app of the month challenge) to make a presentation about their learning.

On Wednesday the 2nd of March we also announced our Green Guardians for 2016. Our new Green Guardians are:

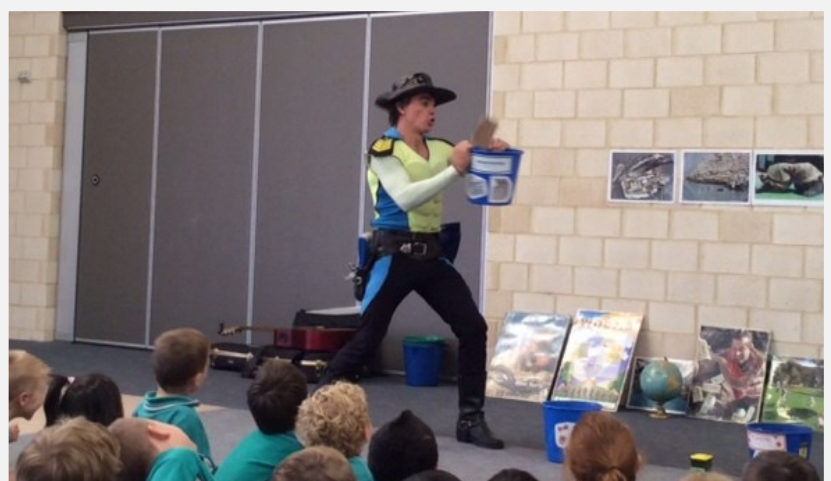
- * Halle Morris
- * Emily Grimm
- * Kiara Brown
- * Ty Rhodes
- * Matthew Wiltshire
- * Claudia Filoia
- * Ruby Hellens
- * Asher Tapley

These students will work with classes to teach them how to recycle, compost, grow plants, care for animals and be sustainable.

It's great to see so many children within our school caring for their environment and learning more about how to be sustainable.



Pre-primary classes learned about the importance of reducing how much waste you produce, recycling right, composting, worm farming and more from Captain Cleanup.



Worm Farming!

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Club LOOP for Parents

Issue 2 of Bookclub should have arrived home this week, orders are due online by Friday 18th of March. Please note that all orders must go through the LOOP online ordering platform as cash payments are no longer being accepted at the front office. If you are having trouble using LOOP please visit Davina in the library and she will happily help you out.

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

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent.aspx>

- 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.



NOW AVAILABLE!

A LOOP app for your Android devices!



LIBRARY NEWS



The **Make Your Own Story Book** Competition is held annually and attracts entries from young people statewide. It includes categories for picture books and story books. Winners are honoured at an event in August. Winners will be announced at an Award Ceremony on Sunday 23rd August and details will be added to the Programs for children section of this website after that date.

This competition is open to all WA students from Pre primary to Year 8. Private and school based entries accepted. Please read entry form for specific guidelines.

For full details, specific guidelines and entry forms go to:

<http://wa.cbca.org.au/wamyosb.htm>

F3 EXCURSION TO FRANCIS BURT LAW COURTS



SCHOOL NEWS

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!

Congratulations to Alex Clark who made it into the Under 9 state team for his tee-ball club Willetton. The team played at state championships on the weekend at Langley park and did very well. They came 5th overall.





Please help **Hammond Park Primary School** WIN some money in the Classroom Cash competition so we can purchase equipment to cater for **problem-solving, oral language, and creative thinking** in the early childhood classrooms.

What you can do to help?

Collect entry coupons that will appear in **The Weekend West** on weekends **March 5-6, 12-13, 19-20.**

Bring as many as you can to your class teacher.

P&C NEWS



Find us on
Facebook

Welcome to 2016 with the Hammond Park Primary School P&C Association (Inc.)

On Wednesday 24th February, we held our Annual General Meeting (AGM) which was well attended by those within the school community. At this meeting we formed a new Committee to steer the P&C through 2016. Some past members remained on the committee while we also welcomed new faces.

Hammond Park P.S. P&C 2016

Executive

President: Lianne Clark
Vice President: Tamara Ansell
Treasurer: Sarah Ingram
Secretary: Bethwyn Macukat & Lisa Carroll
General: Daniela Rebelo,
Vicky Dutton & Chantel Naude
Safety House Rep: Nichole Singleton

Fundraising

Rebecca Woodward
Clare Poole
Miriam Kirby
Sanskriti Thakkar
Michelle Pascoe
Serena Byrne
Belinda Tuckfield
Sarah Ingram

Canteen

Angela Tibbits
Megan Charlton
Suzie Bester
Erandee Wehalle

School Banking

Jodi Newman
Suzie Bester
Penny Taylor

News from the Fabulous Food Factory

Please ensure all orders are placed prior to **9am Wednesday** using the canteen drop box (checked daily) or on the day in person from 8am to 9am or by ordering online at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

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. Cupcakes are 80 cents each.

Absent from School?

If your child is not at school on a Wednesday for their lunch order, please email canteenhpps@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

Fun Facts from the Fundraising Committee

Welcome to a new year of fun and exciting Fundraising Activities. We have a full committee this year with members who are looking forward to everything that is planned.

Your new Fundraising Committee is: Clare Poole (Convenor), Rebecca Woodward (Secretary), Sarah Ingram, Serena Byrne, Miriam Kirby, Michelle Pascoe, Sanskriti Thakkar, and Belinda Tuckfield.

We are looking forward to a fun filled year with a few changes but a lot of old favourites. This year you can expect: a Free Dress Day every term, Disco, Family Photo Day, Athletics Carnival Zinc station, the Entertainment Book, Mother's and Father's Day Stalls, and the Eden Green Christmas Party Cake Stall.

We thank you in advance for all of your assistance in making sure these Events are successful for Hammond Park and the students.

The next Fundraising Committee Meeting is Tuesday 15th March @ 9am All welcome.

Next P&C Meeting - Wednesday 23rd March, 2016 @ 7pm in the Staff Room

Contact Us - hammondparkpac@gmail.com

CITY OF COCKBURN NOTICES

FREE, FUN PROGRAM



**DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN 7 TO 13 YEARS OLD?
ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT THEIR WEIGHT?**

The Better Health Program is a fun, interactive 10 week healthy lifestyle program for families. In a supportive and friendly environment, the program covers information about healthy eating and includes an hour of physical activity at every session!

NEXT FREE PROGRAM RUNNING AT:

Cockburn Youth Centre
25 Wentworth Pde, Success


Start date: 27th April 2016, for 10 weeks

Days: Mondays & Wednesdays

Time: 4.00pm – 6.00pm

**PLACES ARE LIMITED! REGISTER
NOW:**

 **Call us:** 1300 822 953

 **Text us:** 0409 745 645

 **Online:** www.betterhealthprogram.org



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