



HORSLEY HERALD



Phone: 96201301 Fax: 96201791

Web: www.horsleypk-p.school.nsw.edu.au

Email: horsleypk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

A picture says a thousand words.....



SCHOOL SWIMMING and WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

Students from Year 1 to Year 6 participated in the School Swimming and Water Safety Program from Monday 29th October until Friday 9th November. The program is designed to teach students who are unable to swim 25m confidently in deep water. The students travelled by bus to and from Prairiewood leisure Centre to engage in the program. Students from Horsley Park should be very proud of the way they listened to the swim instructors and engaged in the program. A big thank you to the teachers who went along each day to support this very worthwhile program.



AMBASSADOR DAY OF CELEBRATION

On Thursday 8th November 2018, our School Ambassador Aymielee along with Mrs Raiti and Miss D'Annunzio attended the Ambassador Day of Celebration Day at the Liverpool Council Chambers. Ambassadors from 31 other schools across the Liverpool area presented their group projects in front of an audience of parents, teachers, Principals, Directors and the Mayor. Throughout the year, Aymielee met with students from Cecil Hills Public School, Kemps Creek Public School and Green Valley Public School to identify an issue that was common to their schools and work on a project to rectify this issue. Students ran a project to improve student attitude and engagement towards their learning. They incorporated the use of surveys and interviews to gain an insight into how students and teachers felt about teaching and learning in the classroom. Pre and post surveys were completed and all schools saw an increase in positive attitude towards learning as the project progressed. Congratulations Aymielee, on the dedication shown as the School Ambassador at Horsley Park Public School. Thank you Miss D'Annunzio for facilitating this program at our school this year.

What's On?

Week 5

- 13/11 After School Scripture
- 14/11 Last Early Endeavours
- 16/11 CAEC Excursion – Katoomba

Week 6

- 22/11 P&C Canteen Open

Week 7

- 26/11 P&C Meeting 2:00pm
AGM 3:00pm
- 27/11 Last Scripture Class
- 29/11 End of the Year Mass- Marion

AWARDS

Class	Merit
K/6 G	Antonio
KE	Prashant Elle
3/4R	Mia B
5/6A	Dominic Tyler William Clayton

School Information

PBL NEWS



Rule for Weeks 4 & 5 – “**Play games Respectfully**”. Discuss the importance of showing respect to peers while playing games.

Before you speak:

THINK

T = Is it True?

H = Is it Helpful?

I = Is it Inspiring?

N = Is it Necessary?

K = Is it Kind?

Encourage your child to think what this behaviour would;

LOOK LIKE SOUND LIKE FEEL LIKE



In the different areas of our school.

REMEMBER: When schools and families work together towards a common goal of helping all children and young people to be successful, it is much more likely to happen.

P&C NEWS

NEXT MEETING

Monday 26 November 2-3pm

I hope that many of you can attend, and join in the discussions on how we can continue to improve our school.

AGM – Monday 26 November 3pm

At the AGM, **all P&C Office Bearers become vacant** and can be filled by nomination. The positions to be made vacant are as follows:

The President , The Vice President , The Treasurer and Secretary.

2018 Horsley Park Public School

P & C CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



Tickets \$1 each or \$10 a book
A variety of vouchers and Christmas hampers to be won!

Drawn: 12th December, 2018 @
the Presentation Assembly.
Thank you for your support!
Horsley Park Public School
P & C 2018


RED DAY FOR DANIEL

This annual event, is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and harm prevention. As a school, we join in the Day for Daniel as part of our SLT charity support program each year. We use Day for Daniel to annually focus on our responsibilities in regard to student protection. Students wore a red shirt or red accessories on 26 October, in support and recognition of this important day. The gold coin collected amounting to \$115.50, has been donated to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

2019 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION AFTERNOON: A SUCCESS!

On Wednesday, 7 November, we held our **2019 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION** afternoon for parents and children enrolled at our school attending Kindergarten next year. It was a wonderful opportunity to welcome the new families into our community. The informative session was positively received and it highlighted some important dates for the first weeks of school in 2019. We want to thank all those in attendance as well as the staff involved who coordinated the presentation and prepared ‘**School Library Bags**’ filled with activities to support the children as they transition into school next Year.



 **PLEASE NOTE:** If you have a child turning five years of age by July 31, 2019 and requiring enrolment into Kindergarten, please come to the office and enrol your child. If there are any of our school community who know of new families that have moved into the area, it would be greatly appreciated if you could please pass this message on.

Twilight Training

As part of teacher professional learning the staff at Horsley Park P.S. will participate in a second 3 hour professional learning twilight session on Wednesday 28 November. This professional learning will be in lieu of the professional learning day scheduled by the Department of Education on Friday 21 December 2018.

Take a peek in

3/4 Ruby

Hello Families,
Can't believe Term 4 is here already! Students in 3/4 Ruby have been busy completing set assessment tasks to consolidate their learning and support their upcoming reports.

As part of our Geography unit this Term students will be examining features and characteristics of places and environments with a focus on National Parks. 3/4 Ruby will also be working on a National Parks research task as part of their Library lesson.

We are also super excited to be using our Stage 2 STEM Boxes during our science lessons this Term. 3/4 Ruby continue to work on designing and making a winter hat to keep their heads warm as part of our unit covering Physical Sciences.

Students have also been engaged in Technology, with the assistance of Mrs Borg, where students have had the opportunity to attempt to code a path for our Dash robots. During technology lessons students are learning to problem solve and use computational thinking. Students are able to send commands to the robots to move them, light them up, and have them detect the world around them using coding applications on the iPads.

Have a happy week,
Mrs Rositano :)



Students in 3/4 Ruby creating their Winter Hats and working in the technology room with DASH!



Library



The Reading Corner

Due to swim school, the library was closed during lunch times but the good news is we will once again be open from this week onwards.

Thank you to students and staff who have returned library books. I am still in the process of stocktake. Students will only be allowed to borrow from Non-Fiction this term. Thank you for your understanding.

Have a great week

Mrs Basak



Students from KE are describing what their home looks like and what they have to do to look after it.



Library Remembrance Day Display

5/6 Aquamarine

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

As we race towards the finish line of the 2018 academic year, it is imperative to reflect upon the gains made by our seniors, across the curriculum. Whilst the general hustle and bustle of Term 4 can seemingly overtake all else – rest assured, that in 5/6 Aquamarine, we take time to celebrate the progress made by each of our wonderful students, on a daily basis. The imminent school report card is only one such avenue of reflection and celebration of achievement. This term, our HSIE (geography) unit, *A diverse and Connected World*, is giving students an opportunity to explore countries of the Asia region and the connections Australia has with other countries across the world. A research project is currently underway, for students to showcase their learning. In English, we are continuing to build capacity in *writing*, whilst immersing ourselves in rich, literarily experiences, across Key Learning Areas.

In week 2 of this term, a group of aspiring leaders, from amongst the year 5 cohort, joined me for Captain’s Club. Thus far, their commitment to the program is pleasing to note. Please keep your eyes peeled for further details on our candidates for captaincy positions in 2019, in weeks to come.

During week 3 of this term, Stage 3 held their Halloween Disco fundraiser – and we are absolutely thrilled with the amount raised – **\$442.30!** Once again, I would like to extend a HUGH thank you to the wonderful parents / carers, staff and students that attended on the evening. Thank you also to the Stage 3 families for donated items that were sold on the night. A sincere thank you to the staff members that helped prior to, and on the night of the disco. The generosity of the Horsley Park Community is deeply appreciated. The proceeds from this fundraiser go directly towards funding the Year 6 farewell – which is fast approaching 😊 I am looking forward to working alongside the Year 6 parent farewell committee, in preparation for this momentous occasion.

Thank you again to all the parents / carers that have sent supplies to our classroom, your generous contributions are appreciated.

Have yourselves a beautiful week,

Ms. Afzal



Halloween Disco Fun



500 Schools Tree Planting Program – student perspective

Last Wednesday 7 November, Ms Afzal, Mrs Rositano and 34 students from stages 1 to 3 participated in the 500 Schools Tree Planting Program at Western Sydney Parklands; more specifically at The Dairy. The target was 200 trees, but while the weather wasn't on our side, we managed to plant over 700 trees, plants and shrubs!

The program involves students from all around the Cumberland Plain district coming together to revive the environment through the everlasting tradition of planting trees. The excursion lasted for around an hour and a half. The students got to enjoy themselves and were able to establish an idea of how modern infrastructure affects our natural environment. The main idea of this excursion, was to educate young minds to conserve our natural resources. The aim of the program is to engage students into school-based habitat, as well as environmental action.

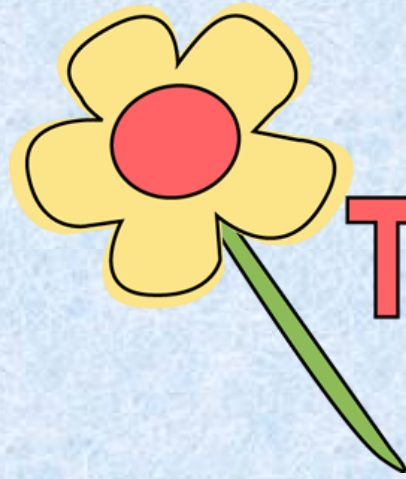
We all loved the outdoor experience and the sense of freedom it brought to us; while appreciating how to preserve nature for years to come. Some students even made mud-balls and quite a mess of themselves in the rain; condolences to parents from us, for all the laundry! Special thanks to Paden Wilson and Greening Australia who allowed us a second chance to bring nature alive again this year. We look forward to meeting with you again. For more information, please visit www.greeningaustralia.org.au.

-5/6 A Students – Maximus and Christopher



**Schools Tree Planting Program
Western Sydney Parklands at *The Dairy***





Thank
You

Morning Tea!

To all our wonderful community who have volunteered their time to support our school community at Horsley Park Public School throughout 2018.

*We would like to invite you to our annual
Morning Tea*

on

Tuesday 27th November 2018.



Morning tea will be served in the Assembly Room at 9:45am.

*Thank you for all your support in 2018,
from the staff and students at
Horsley Park Public School.*

*Please RSVP to Mrs Martin
Friday 23rd November.
9620 1301*

