



HORSLEY HERALD



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A picture says a thousand words.....



DEBATING

The HPPS Debating team – comprising of John, Christopher, Julian and Maximus – participated in their final debate last Thursday, at Austral Public School, against Austral Public School. They were extremely thorough in their preparation and absolutely outstanding in the delivery. Winning this debate was a wonderful way to end the final round of the Cowpasture Community Inter-School competition. They represented HPPS admirably and should be proud of their achievements. Well done also to our shadow team (Jessica and Mia) for their effort and support throughout the competition. Thank you to Ms Afzal for her guidance and work with the debating team this year.

SASS Recognition Week 3 – 7 September 2018

Recognition Week is an opportunity to acknowledge the valuable work our School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS) do every day at our school. This week we recognise and thank: **Administrative Manager** – Anne Martin; **Administrative Officers** – Sandra Sechi, Nancy Manca & Ann Bertovic; **School Learning Support Officers** – Lillian Borg, Michaela Zammit, Sarah Stewart, Anna Orecchio and Beth Hudson and **General Assistant** – Charlie Bezzina

From all the staff, students and parents at Horsley Park Public School, **thank you to our wonderful SAS staff** who are vital to our school community.

THANK YOU AUSTRAL BRICKS

Over the past two years, we have been fortunate to have the support of Austral Bricks, a local business. Paul Isaac (Help Desk team leader) and Jeremy Fox (Chief Information Officer) have very kindly donated computer monitors, tablets and some computers. They have also organised the installation of an interactive TV, fixing it to a wall, in one of the support unit classrooms, ensuring the safety of students. Recently two TVs have been donated and installed in the office. One providing the opportunity for a permanent visual display of photos and the other to assist with accessing professional training for multiple participants, during meetings. We thank them for their generosity and continued support of Horsley Park Public School.



What's On?

Week 7

- 5/9 - 7/9 Stage 3 CAMP
- 5/9 Early Endeavours
- 7/9 Zumba

Week 8

- 12/9 Chess Day @ Bringelly
- 12/9 Early Endeavours & Parent Program
- 14/9 Zumba

Week 9

- 19/9 Yr 6 Fundraiser - Movie Night
- 19/9 Early Endeavours
- 20/9 ES1 Farm Excursion
- 21/9 Zumba

AWARDS

Class	Merit
K/6 D	Mathew Wellington
K/6 G	Anthony Antonio
K/6 L	Shayan Phuc
KE	Juliet Natalia
1/2O	Nicholas Romeo Kaylie Muhammad
3/4R	Rhys Paul Mia Anna
5/6A	Razaan Taleah Peter Clayton

School Information

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Thank you to the very generous community members of Horsley Park PS for raising \$2,063 for the heart foundation



PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS

Congratulations to all our finalists and our stage winners.

Stage	Winner	Topic
Early St 1	Jocelyn	Me
St 1	Peter M	When I grow up
St 2	Isabella	If I ruled the world
St 3	Maximus	How I can make a difference

Our winners will present their speeches at the Cowpasture and Fairfield Network Public Speaking Final on Tuesday 23rd October at William Stimson Public School. We wish them the best of luck! Thank you Mrs Borg for organising Public Speaking this year.



STEWART HOUSE CLOTHING APPEAL

Stewart House bags were distributed to students last week. We ask that all donations are returned to school during Week 1 Term 4 (15 Oct – 19 Oct).



SYMPHONY @ LCC

On Friday 24th August, K/6 Lavender, K/6 Daffodil and K/6 Green attended a Symphony performance at the Liverpool Catholic Club. Horsley Park students joined other schools in watching the Orchestra play a range of music styles. Each student was given a percussion instrument and played along with the band performing on stage. Students listened to a variety of instruments including the French horn, flute and clarinet. Students were even able to go up on stage and play the percussion instruments in front of their teachers. Everyone had a wonderful time and were extremely well behaved throughout the entire performance.

ZONE ATHLETICS

On Wednesday 29th of August, Mr Obeid and I had the pleasure of joining our Horsley Zone Athletics representatives at The Crest in Bass Hill. We had a great day cheering on our peers and trying to beat our own personal best. Thank you to all of the students for their fantastic behaviour on the day and for an excellent display of sportsmanship. Thank you as well to Mr Obeid for assisting with field events for the day. All children should be proud of not only making it to this level of athletics but also representing their school so well. A huge congratulation to Jessica Chi for making it to Regionals in Junior Girls Discus, what an awesome effort! Mrs Lewer



2019 KINDY & EARLY ENDEAVOURS

Horsley Park PS is asking parents who have a child turning five years of age by July 31, 2018 and are requiring enrolment in to Kindergarten, to please come to the office and enrol their 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 share this message with them.

Early Endeavours, our weekly early learning program for children commencing school in 2019, started on Wednesday 15 August at 2pm. Throughout the afternoon, the children were involved in play-based activities, reading, counting, drama, singing and art activities. Our program endeavours to assist children to transition to the 'big school' environment.

Alongside the class program, we will offer fortnightly parent workshops relevant to learning and development in the early years as well as an introduction to school learning expectations outlined by the Department of Education.

Term 3	Class Program	Parent workshop
5/9	✓	
12/9	✓	Mathematics
19/9	✓	
26/9	✓	21 st Century Learning and other Key Learning Areas
Term 4	✓	
17/10	✓	
24/10	✓	Positive Behaviour for Learning
31/10	✓	
7/11	✓	ORIENTATION
14/11	Children prepare for Special Assembly	Special Assembly 2:30pm

For further enquiries, please contact Mrs Martin in our school office.



Take a peek in

3/4 Ruby

Hello Families,

What a busy start to Term 3. Students have been busy in class as well as engaging in learning in a social context throughout education week and beyond with our fun packed Science day, NED show, our annual Book Parade and our Jump Rope for Heart activities.

Students in stage 2 will be participating in an excursion to Elizabeth Farm at the end of this Term to consolidate our history unit 'First Contacts'. The excursion is a wonderful way for students to develop a deeper understanding of the lives of families and convicts and, the impact colonisation had on the traditional owners. A permission note will be sent home in the coming week with more information.

Well done to those students who have worked extremely hard to achieve some wonderful results in their spelling and writing so far this term. Keep up the amazing work!

I have asked each student to donate a box of tissues and a pack of wet wipes for classroom use. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

Have a lovely week, Mrs Rositano



5/6 Aquamarine

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

How is it that we are now at the tail end of Term 3? There has certainly been a hive of activity in 5/6 Aquamarine – with our seniors engaged in many academic and social pursuits, that continuously extend their capabilities.

Congratulations are in order for our finalists in the school public speaking competition – Maximus, John, Scarlet and Jonathan. Well done to Maximus on reaching the next stage! Our seniors are continuing to demonstrate leadership and resilience, in mentoring their younger peers through recent events – from leading small groups for science day, jump rope for heart and the PBL rules. It is extremely rewarding, to see such growth at play from the wonderful cohort of 5/6 Aquamarine.

Tomorrow, our seniors are off to the Great Aussie Bushcamp! It is hoped that the outdoor extra-curricular activities programme, coupled with enriching education in the authentic Australian environment, will provide an appropriate challenge and many long lasting memories. Please look out for information on our upcoming fundraiser in Week 9 – movie night in PJ's! ☺

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

Have a wonderful week.

Ms. Afzal



Having a yarn, at the Yarning Circle

“It is not in doing what you like, but in liking what you do that is the secret of happiness.” Peter Pan (J.M. Barrie)

LIBRARY

The Reading Corner



Wow! What a busy time for the library. We have had a wonderful few weeks of celebrating books and reading. My favourite time of the year, ‘Book Week’ was once again a great success. Thank you to all our families who put in so much effort into making our students look amazing. Thank you to our parents and family members who could also make it on the day we hope you enjoyed our book week assembly as much as we did.

Well done to the following students who were our Book Week competition winners. It really was a difficult task for Mrs Sechi and I to judge this year.

KE- Elle 1/2O- Mackenzie 3/4R- Anna & Charlize K/6D- Josip
K/6 G- Gina K/6L- Kevin 5/6A- Scarlet & Jessica

Our Book Fair was also a great hit again. We were able to add just under \$200 worth of books into our library.

Premier’s Reading Challenge has now come to an end. Well done to all individual students and classes for completing this wonderful challenge. Certificates will be given out at the end of the year.

Have a great week,

Mrs Basak



PBL at Horsley Park

In Week 4, students were introduced to our new PBL playground initiative. This past fortnight, teachers looked for students who were being safe in the playground and handed out special tokens. The class with the most tokens each week received a certificate and special class reward. Congratulations to Week 4 & 5 class champions, K/6G and 5/6A!



Our focus rule for this fortnight is:

REMEMBER

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



Coming Up: Keep an eye out for some curious posters around the school

P&C NEWS

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Father's Day stall was very successful again this year raising \$347.50. Thank you to all the ladies that assisted during the set up and running of the stall.

SEPTEMBER IS..... SILVER MONTH P&C FUNDRAISER



3rd – 28th September 2018

Collect all of your spare change from home, family and friends and fill the jars in your classrooms. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards providing equipment in each class for STEM activities in Term 4. STEM education is the learning of science, technology, engineering and mathematics in an integrated approach.

There is a prize for the class that raises the most!!!