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### A picture says a thousand words.....



#### WELCOME BACK – Term 4

Welcome back once again, for what is sure to be a busy term ahead. I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful and relaxing holiday break, with plenty of time to spend with family and friends. A number of special programs and events will be running this term, providing great opportunities for our students and the wider school community. Key programs or events include: CCoS concert, public speaking final, Early Endeavours Transition program, Grandparents Day, Leadership Day, Halloween Disco, Swim School, Ambassador Celebration Day, CAEC Excursion to Casula, Presentation Days and Orientation Days, Year 6 Farewell and Reward Days. Please keep an eye on the 'What's On?' section of our newsletter and be on the lookout for notes coming home for further details regarding these great opportunities and events.

#### PLAYGROUND

Our play equipment needs an upgrade and we have been getting a number of quotes. Some of the quotes we received were not feasible as such, these have been disregarded. Please find attached at the end of this newsletter the three plans that have been prepared for our school that are all around a similar price. If you could follow the link and vote on the play equipment you would like to see at our school, your feedback will be greatly appreciated.

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# What's On?

#### Week 1

16/10 Cowpasture PublicSpeaking final16/10 Early Endeavours18/10 Stage 3 Canberraexcursion

#### Week 2

24/10 Cowpasture Community of Schools rehearsal and concert evening.
25/10 Mufti day- Day for Daniel
25/10 Basketball clinic starts for all students K-6.

#### Week 3

28/10 Aboriginal studentachievement awards evening31/10 Grandparents day31/10 Halloween Disco

#### AWARDS

Class	Merit	
K/6 D	Alana	Walden
K/6 B	Elliot	Anthony
K/6 Y	Gina	Josip
K/6 L	Phuc	Kevin
KE	Christian	Kaylah
1/20	Milani	Romeo
	Juliet	Degan
3/40	Kane	Paul
	Jacob	Zane
5/6A	Rhys	Marcus
	Saajidah	Tiana

## **School Information**

# GRANDPARENTS' DAY ASSEMBLY & AFTERNOON TEA

On Thursday the 31 October 2019, Horsley Park Public School will be holding a special Grandparents' Day afternoon tea to celebrate the important contributions that grandparents make in the lives of their grandchildren and in the community.

We will celebrating with an afternoon tea from 1:15 pm in the assembly room.

We look forward to seeing many grandparents joining us to celebrate this special occasion.



#### **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

The school Public Speaking Final was held on Friday Week 9, Term 3. All the stage finalists performed well and should be congratulated on their outstanding effort. Congratulations to the following stage winners:

Early Stage 1: Boston Stage 1: Elizabeth Stage 2: Isabella Stage 3: Maximus

These students will now be representing our school at the Cowpasture Network Final on Wednesday 16 October at William Stimson PS. We wish all these students the very best.

#### PBL REWARDS DAY

Friday 27 September we held our PBL rewards day. The students had a wonderful time at the disco and enjoying extra play time and games outside. Thank you to Mrs Lewer and the PBL team for providing this wonderful opportunity to our students.





#### **GRILLEX COMPETITION**

Grillex is giving schools the chance to win an outdoor makeover valued at \$10,000. If you would like to make an entry for our school, please go to the following link and follow the prompts.



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#### EARLY ENDEAVOURS 2018

Our Early Endeavours program continues this term as part of our Transition to School program. The program includes play-based activities that help your child learn school routines as well as how to interact positively with other children. It also supports the development of early language, literacy, and numeracy skills in preparation for your child's first year at school.

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.

If you would like to participate in our Transition, it will run from 2:10pm to 3:00pm on the dates below.

Term 4	Class Program	Parent workshop
16/10	$\checkmark$	L3 overview and Maths skills
23/10	$\checkmark$	
30/10	$\checkmark$	Future focus/ technology
7/11	$\checkmark$	
14/11	$\checkmark$	Orientation

For further enquiries, please contact our school office, Miss Ferrari and Mrs Elwing



# K/6 Bilby

WOW! Who can believe it is Term 4 already?

As I continue to marvel at the progress all the students in K/6 Bilby have made throughout the year, I wonder what leaps and bounds will be made in Term 4.

This term, students will continue to work in their small groups for literacy and numeracy. Focusing on letter/sound combinations, sight words and sequencing events. We will even be cooking up some great recipes, so keep an eye of for some pictures. In numeracy, we have begun daily number talks, encouraging students to share their knowledge and thinking with each other. We will also be revisiting our Geography unit, People Live in Places, focusing on building connections and a sense of belonging through communities. Mrs Brog will be working on developing our technology skills in Science using Blu-Bots. We have been practicing hard to learn our assembly item for this term, so we hope to see all our parents in our assembly in week 8.

Although we have a busy term ahead. The students have returned to school settled and ready to jump into their final term of Kindy.

#### Miss Bailey









# K/6 Dragonfly

I hope you have all had an enjoyable, safe and relaxing holiday break. I cannot believe just how quickly this year has gone by.

Term 4 promises to be another busy term, filled with learning, school events and fun for the students in K/6 Dragonfly. Students have settled in beautifully into their classroom routine after the holidays.

This term during Science, we will be looking at the Earth and the effects that the seasons have on living organisms. We will be looking at weather patterns and learning about the climate across Australia and how countries across the world experience different climates and weather events.

In Geography, we will be looking at places and spaces in our local area, including important indigenous areas and the native plants and animals that live in these areas. We will be learning about the importance of respecting places around us, ways to look after these areas and the reasons why places are special to people.

During English lessons, we will be focusing on improving our sentences and working towards making our writing more descriptive by using adjectives, nouns and verbs. Students have done very well during their weekly spelling tests. Students are working on remembering their sight words, blending sounds and sounding out unfamiliar words. Spelling activities and tests will be continuing this term and words that are used in Science and Geography Key Learning Areas will be incorporated into their spelling lists to consolidate student learning.

I look forward to a fantastic term with the students in K/6 Dragonfly.

Have a lovely week,

Miss D'Annunzio



# The Reading Corner



Wow Term 4!! This term during our Library lessons I will be incorporating Geography units with K Emu, 3/4 Orangutan and 5/6 Albatross and Science unit for 1/2. At the end of Term 4 I will also start my yearly stocktake in the library. If there are any books you cannot find please see me as soon as possible.

Hi I'm Isabella,

This is my second year as a library monitor. I like to help people that come into the library. There are so many fun things you can do in the library like: the computers, games, colouring and reading. We also help Mrs Basak with the returning and borrowing.

Have a great week

Mrs Basak



#### Year 6 Fundraising – Update

During week 10 of Term 3, Stage 3 held their Movie night in PJ's fundraiser. We are delighted with the amount raised – \$412.00! Thank you to the wonderful parents / carers, staff and students that contributed by way of attendance and purchasing the treats on offer. The proceeds from this fundraiser go directly towards funding the Year 6 farewell at the end of the year. Our very last fundraiser – The Halloween Disco, will take place in week 3 on Thursday  $31^{st}$  October, 2019. I look forward to seeing you all there S

Have a wonderful week!

Ms. Afzal











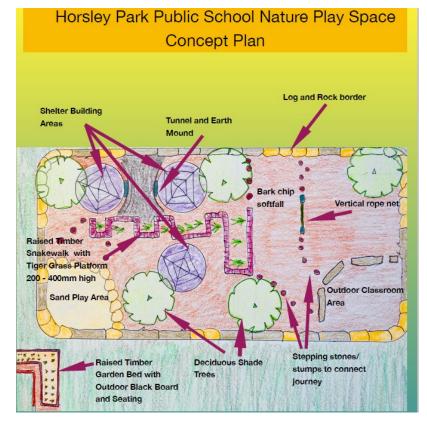


#### PLAYGROUND PROPOSALS

#### Option 1- A space playground



#### Option 2- Nature playground



#### Option 3- Imagination playground



Please vote at <a href="https://forms.gle/cMKu8FPtzaZ8yLsQ9">https://forms.gle/cMKu8FPtzaZ8yLsQ9</a>