

HORSLEY HERALD



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A picture says a thousand words.....



END OF TERM

Here we are at the end of a very busy term and looking forward to the holidays! There has been so much happening this term at Horsley Park Public School, that it is not surprising that the students and staff are ready to enjoy some quality rest and relaxation time with family and friends. First day for students next term is TUESDAY 30 April. During Term 2, I will be taking long service leave. Mrs Matthes who has been successful through an expression of interest process, will be here at Horsley Park P.S. as Relieving Principal, during my absence. If you have any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact her through the office.

FAREWELL MRS KENDALL

Recently Mrs Kendall was successful through merit selection, and appointed to, the Support Unit at Blairmount Public School. This position will be commencing in Term 2. Whilst we are extremely disappointed to see her go, we are very happy to see that her commitment and dedication has been recognised. I'm sure that she will do a wonderful job at her new school. On behalf of our school community I would like to thank her for the professionalism and support she has brought to HPPS. She will be greatly missed.

NAPLAN 2019

Commencing on Tuesday 14 May, the students in Years 3 & 5 will be completing the online NAPLAN tests. These tests provide a snapshot of student performance and progress in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy. Unfortunately, this time can be stressful for students in these grades due to undue pressure placed on them by parents and the media. In order for students to successfully complete this process and achieve their best results, follow these simple rules:

1. Ensure that your child is in bed at a reasonable time.
2. Ensure that your child eats breakfast each morning.
3. Reassure your child that you just want them to TRY THEIR BEST.

What's On?

Week 11

- 11/4 Last Mindfulness lesson
- 12/4 PBL Mascot Launch, Easter Hat Parade & Activities
- P&C Easter Raffle Draw
- END OF TERM 1**

Term 2 Week 1

- 30/4 **TERM 2 BEGINS FOR STUDENTS**
- 2/5 ANZAC DAY Service at HPPS 10 am

Week 2

- 8/5 Cross Country Carnival
- 9/5 Mother's Day Stall

AWARDS

| Class | Merit | |
|-------|----------|------------|
| K/6B | Rafael | George |
| K/6D | Ryan | Waldon |
| K/6 L | Jack | Wellington |
| K/6 Y | Gina | Mathew |
| KE | Kaylah | Tommy |
| 1/2O | Tamishay | Brodie |
| | Alex | Noah |
| 3/4O | Layla | Isabella |
| | Paul | James |
| 5/6A | Peter | Razaan |
| | Kalvyn | Lilly |

SCHOOL INFORMATION

PBL Week 11



Applying For Opportunity Class in Year 5 In 2020

Applications for placement in a Year 5 opportunity class (OC) in 2020 open on Tuesday 30 April 2019 and closes on Friday 17 May 2019. Parents need to apply online if they want their child to be considered for Opportunity Class placement. No late applications will be accepted. A document containing full details about making an application can be downloaded from the High Performing Students Unit website at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

CROSS COUNTRY REMINDER

On Wednesday 8 May 2019, Horsley Park Public School will be holding our annual Cross Country Carnival. All students will participate in a long distance run as part of our whole school sports program. All children race according to the year they are born.

Recess will run from 11.00am - 11.20am, with the carnival commencing at 11.30am. The lunch break will be from 12.30pm – 1.15pm, and the carnival will conclude by 2.50pm. There will be a P&C fundraising sausage sizzle on the day.

We encourage students to wear clothing that represents their house colour, comfortable runners, a hat and sunscreen. We also ask that you ensure your child has plenty of water.

WEBSITE UPDATE

Our website has recently been updated to include copies of notes handed out to students for upcoming events. Please go to our website to access notes, particularly if an additional note is required.

<https://horsleypk-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

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P&C News

Next P&C Meeting

Tuesday 14 May - 2pm. All welcome to attend.

Mother's Day Stall

Horsley Park Public School P&C will be holding a Mothers' Day stall on **Thursday 9 May**. Various gifts will be available from between \$2 and \$15.

2019 P&C Easter Raffle

The Easter raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Friday April 12. Thank you for your generous donations.



Lost Property & Clothing

Please make sure you label all items of clothing and check the lost property bin (located outside the office) on a regular basis. It contains many items that do not have names on them.

Pre-Loved Uniforms

There are:

- Short sleeve polo shirts
- Sports uniforms
- Jackets

All in various sizes available for a small donation. Please see Mrs Martin in the office.

ANZAC DAY

Our student leaders will be representing HPPS at the ANZAC day Dawn Service at Smithfield RSL. If you wish to join them please meet at the entrance to Smithfield RSL on Thursday 25 April from 4:30 am for the march commencing at 5:00 am.

Our combined Horsley Public School and Marion Catholic Primary Anzac Commemorative service will be held at HPPS this year on Thursday 2 May at 10am. Community members are invited to join us for this commemorative event.

THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY

At HPPS we are fortunate to have an extremely supportive community. I would like to acknowledge and most sincerely thank the following for their generous donations over the past few months to Horsley Park PS:

IGA Horsley Park - \$600

Horsley Park Community Social Group & Friends - \$500

The Rotary Club of Wetherill Park - \$300

These funds will be used towards the purchase and installation of an outdoor hydration fountain in our playground.

Mrs Danielle Postaj (P&C) was also successful in her application for \$5000 from Mrs Tanya Davies office to be used specifically to support the school canteen and establishing a STEM room at HPPS.

We are indeed very fortunate to have such amazing support!

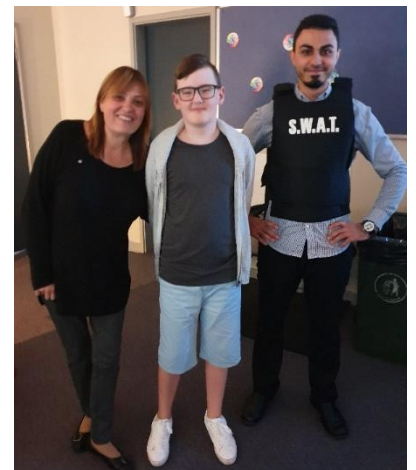


Year 6 Fundraising Update – Disco

Last Wednesday evening, Stage 3 held their second fundraiser for 2019 – ‘what I want to be when I grow up’ themed disco. There were all manner of characters and future career choices on display! ☺ From scientists, historians, athletes, hairdressers, musicians, medieval nobility, firefighters et. al.

We are delighted with the amount raised – **\$350.00!** We would like to extend a HUGE 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 (such as water bottles, packs of chips and treats), that were sold on the night. Thank you to the staff members that helped prior to, and on the night of the disco. The proceeds from this fundraiser go directly towards funding the Year 6 farewell at the end of the year.

Ms. Afzal



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