



# HORSLEY HERALD



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



### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope that everyone enjoyed a wonderful break and you are feeling well rested. Teachers were in a little earlier as they began the term yesterday, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April. During the day, we did some work around PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning), EAL/D (English as an Additional Language or Dialect) learning progressions and NCCD (Nationally Consistent Collection of Data). Teachers spent the last part of the day planning and working together in Stage teams.

With the Anzac Commemorative Service, Cross Country, Peer Support, Mothers' Day Stall, NAPLAN to look forward to over the next few weeks, we are certainly hitting the ground running this term!

I, Mrs Lisa Matthes will be relieving principal this term here at HPPS, whilst Mrs Raiti is on leave. I have enjoyed my first two days as Relieving Principal at Horsley Park PS. I had the opportunity last term to visit all the classrooms and meet some of the students. I look forward to getting to know everyone and working with the teachers, children and their families during Term 2.

### ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Our student leaders, Jonathan, Jessica, Maximus, Razaan and Lilly represented Horsley Park Public School very well at a moving and respectful ANZAC day Dawn Service at Smithfield RSL on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

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



## What's On?

### 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**

### Week 3

**13/5-17/5 NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5**

**14/5 P&C meeting at 2pm**

**17/5 Biggest Morning Tea mufti day**

**17/5 Peer Support lesson 1**



## School Information

### CROSS COUNTRY REMINDER

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

### 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<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and closes on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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>

### 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<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>th</sup> May**. Various gifts will be available from between \$2 and \$15.

#### NAPLAN 2018

Commencing on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May, the students in Years 3 & 5 will be completing the NAPLAN tests over three days. 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. (A well-rested student is a happy and productive student!)*
2. *Ensure that your child eats breakfast each morning (being hungry can greatly affect a student's ability to concentrate)*
3. *Reassure you child that you just want them to TRY THEIR BEST. (Student's need to know that their best is good enough!)*



### Label Everything

With the cold weather now upon us, the number of jumpers in the Lost Property box will start to increase. Students will quite often wear their jumper to school, but take it off when they are playing in the playground. If we find a jumper with a name on it, we return it to the child's classroom. Unlabelled items of clothing end up in the Lost Property box outside the office. Please ensure that your child's name is written clearly inside each item of clothing, to ensure that we can return it to them immediately. If your child has lost their jumper or hat, and it has not been returned, please come and check the Lost Property Box.

### 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.

Take a peek in .....

## 3/4 Orangutan

Welcome back to Term 2!!!

I hope everyone had a fantastic and well deserved break. Term 2 is full steam ahead with lots of fun and exciting activities planned for students in 3/4 Orangutan.

This term for English and Science, 3/4 Orangutan will be learning about the living world, observing and investigating processes of pollination and germination, the stages in a plant's life cycle and environmental conditions that plants need for growth. For History, students will be learning about the significance of country and place and cultural diversity within our unit 'community and remembrance'

Next week on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May will be our school cross country, so come along and show your support. In week 3, students in year 3 will undergo their online NAPLAN assessment.

I look forward for another spectacular term!

Regards,

Mr Obeid



## Library

### *The Reading Corner*

Welcome back to Term 2. We have a very busy and exciting term in the library. Once again, the library programs will run alongside the class programs and this term we will be looking at the History Unit.

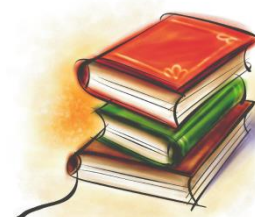
- In Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) we will look at 'Personal and Family History'
- Stage 2 (Year 1 & 2) 'Present and Past Family Life'
- Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4) 'Community and Remembrance'
- Stage 3 (Year 5 & 6) 'Australia as a Nation'

As the month of May is approaching it can only mean one thing 'Family Reading Month'. To celebrate this fantastic month we are once again having 'Booknic' at our school. For new parents this is a great time of reading and enjoying some food. If weather permits we have picnic rugs outside and students get to visit about 4-5 different groups to hear a story and eat some snacks. If you are interested to take part I do need some volunteers from our community mums, dads, grandparents, uncles, aunts etc please come and see me in the library.

Alongside our Booknic we will also have a mini bookfair. Please keep an eye out for more details as we get closer.

Have a great week

*Mrs Basak*



## 5/6 Albatross

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 2! I hope you enjoyed the break and are feeling suitably refreshed for what looks set to be an extremely busy term ahead. During week 5 of Term 1, our seniors partook in an overnight camp at Wooglemai EEC (Environmental Education Centre) at Oakdale – the purpose of which, was to prepare them for their role as Peer Support leaders during this term. The program will commence in week 3, and will run for half an hour on Friday afternoons, until week 9. This year, our focus is on *Anti-Bullying*. Our senior students will lead and mentor the younger students at HPPS through a variety of challenging and enjoyable activities.

In 5/6 Albatross, homework will commence this week; we will continue utilising the Google Classroom education platform for many of our KLA's – including weekly homework tasks. Homework is due back on Fridays and it is important that Stage 3 students, particularly those bound for high school next year, form the study and time management habits – such as the completion of homework; that help reinforce and extend upon their school work. It is also recommended that students participate in a home reading program for 20 minutes every night. We will also be taking part in various assessment tasks, to assist with the completion of Semester 1 reports. I will be sharing more details about our upcoming fundraiser, the book and toy stall, in coming weeks.

I would like to congratulate the 5/6 Albatross cohort for making it through the demands of Term 1 – you should all be extremely proud of your hard work and dedication. I look forward to building upon our efforts, through a myriad of enriching teaching and learning opportunities in Term 2.

Have a wonderful week,

Ms. Afzal

