



HORSLEY HERALD



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A picture says a thousand words.....



Debating team

A very big congratulations to Ms Afzal and our debating team for attaining 1st place in the Cowpasture Community of Schools inter-school debating competition.

Return to school- Term 4

After what has been another busy term, Friday 27 September is the last day of Term 3. I would like to wish all our students a safe holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back on **Monday 14 October 2019**.

Supervision Responsibilities before school and after school

The effective supervision of students in the school grounds commences half an hour before school. Supervision of students commences at 8.45am daily. It concludes at 3.05pm for students being collected directly by parents and when the last bus departs, that is, approximately 3.20pm for students travelling home by bus and 3:10pm for students who are using Kiss and Drop.

To assist keeping our students safe at school, parents and guardians are encouraged to:

- avoid students arriving at school prior to 8:45 am, as there is inadequate supervision.
- provide adequate supervision for your own child entering or exiting the school and when crossing the road.
- avoid talking to teachers and learning support officers, who are on duty, about your child's progress and arrange another time for this discussion.
- never approach, threaten or physically touch another child.
- not use cameras or other photographic or filming devices in the playground.
- obey speed limits and other traffic controls to: - help to create a safe environment around the school - show respect to neighbours who live close to the school.

What's On?

Week 9

- 17/9 School spectacular rehearsal
- 19/9 Support unit afternoon tea @ 2pm
- 19/9 ICAS Maths assessment
- 20/9 Gymnastics
- 20/9 Public Speaking final in the hall

Week 10

- 25/9 Year 6 fundraiser movie night in PJs
- 27/9 Gymnastics
- 27/9 Last day of term 3

Term 4, Week 1

- 14/10 First day of Term 4, students and teachers return to school
- 16/10 Cowpasture CoS public speaking finals
- 18/10 Stage 3 Canberra excursion

AWARDS

Class	Merit	
K/6D	Romana	Antonio
K/6B	George	Sebastian
K/6Y	Gina	Kamel
K/6L	Jai	Phuc
KE	Paris	Calais Braxton
1/2O	Kaylie	Natalia
	Brodie	Muhammad
3/4O	Emily	Isabella
	Jake	Keiraleigh
5/6A	Scarlett	Clayton
	Maximus	Maddison

School Information

PBL celebrations



To celebrate the wonderful success and behaviour of our students throughout Term 3, Friday of Week 10, we will be having a disco during lunch. After eating time students from K-2 then 3-6 will have a chance to play games outside and a disco inside the hall. After these activities, there will also be 3 raffles drawn from all the tokens our students have collected throughout the term.



Hats in Playground

We encourage students to wear sun-safe hats that protect the face, neck and ears when outside. Students who do not have a sun-safe hat, will be asked to play in the shade or a suitable area protected from the sun.

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.

<https://grillex.typeform.com/to/Ami0YQ>

Twilight session

As part of staff professional learning the staff at Horsley Park P.S. participated in a 3 hour twilight session for CPR and Anaphylaxis on Tuesday 3 September. This professional learning was in lieu of the professional learning day scheduled by the Department of Education on Friday 20 December 2019.

Public Speaking finals

Just a quick reminder to students and families that H.P.P.S. Public Speaking Finals will be held this Friday 20th September from 12pm. Family members are invited to watch this event held in the assembly room. Good Luck to all our finalists.

Mrs Basak & Mrs Elwing



The Tell Them From Me parent survey (Term 3, 2019)

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements. The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 26 August and 25 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at:

https://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/images/FAQs/TTFM_Parent_Survey_FAQs_Parent_and_Carers_T3_2019.pdf.

To access the survey for our school go to:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/2019hpps>



Take a peek in

K/6 LEOPARDS

The holidays have snuck up on us again and we are finishing off another term. It has been a busy term and the boys in K/6L have had so many great experiences.

We had the opportunity to participate in technology lessons with Mrs Basak’s help. We worked on our coding with the Bluebots and Dash robots and learnt how to use the green screen. We will also be using the green screen to finish our Science unit as we film an interesting episode about the cool adaptations of living things.

K/6L had a great time at the P&C Fun Day in Week 7 as we took part in a Tennis workshop, Newcombe ball competition and raced through an inflatable obstacle course. We also enjoyed a sausage sandwich and ice block. It was an extremely fun day!

As we make our way to the last week of term, we start to count down to the last day of school. On Friday in Week 10, all students will enjoy a PBL Celebration. Students will have an extended lunch break and will have a lunch disco and outdoor activities. We will also join together as a school to hand out some PBL awards and cross our fingers to win the large raffle draw for the end of the term. This will be a perfect way to end off a fantastic term.

Have a safe and fun holiday!

Mrs Lewer



K/6 YAK

K/6 Yak had a fantastic Term 3!

This term, K/6 Yak had the opportunity to participate in whole school PBL lessons and Multisport each week which fostered our social-emotional skills and developed our gymnastic skills.

Our class were engaged in many lively school events including 100 Days of Learning, NAIDOC Day, Athletics Carnival, Multicultural Day, GALA Day, Science Day, Book Parade, Fun Day and OzHarvest Talk. Our class also hosted an assembly with K/6 Leopard.

K/6 Yak is looking forward to Movie Night in Pajamas at the end of this term! What an exciting way to finish Term 3!

Miss Yang



1/2 OCELOTS

1 /2 Ocelots have been working efficiently this term. We are embracing Number Talks in Maths and expanding our range of strategies used to solve mathematical problems.

In Term 3, Literacy has brought celebrations and challenges. We have participated in many events to stimulate our love of books. These have included Book-Week, The Premier's Reading Challenge, Book Fair, Library lessons, Literacy rotations, free reading, home reading and a wealth of activities to explore our Narrative texts. In our class we love to share and discuss books related to our interests, themes and just for fun!

The class has learnt about the difference between formal and informal letter writing. In response to our text, Blossom Possum, we drafted a letter to the main character. This led us to expand our letter writing skills, by writing a thank you letter to Mrs Borg and her team for organising The Science Day. We are also planning a letter to a large company to ask for some assistance with a project. We will keep you posted on the success of our powers of persuasion.

1/2 O are using technology and books to explore the external parts of Living things in Science and Literacy. The students have been reading factual texts, watching scientific video clips, studying a range of Life-cycles, as well as conducting experiments. Each day we record our observations of experiments and reflect on our learning in our class Science Diary.

Gymnastics has been a huge hit this Term. It is great to see 1 / 2 Ocelots embracing the activities and building their gymnastics skills. We have loved the challenges each week and have shown enthusiasm towards learning new skills and trying new equipment.

I am proud to say that 1/2O displays commitment to caring for our environment. Well done to the students who regularly attend Gardening Club and assist in caring for our gardens. We are also great bottle and paper recyclers, taking small steps to protect our planet.

Lastly, our class have worked with Blu-bots, Lego and the Green screen to create and explore on Tuesdays with Mrs Borg. The students show confidence in coding the bots and built bees circling around a flower using the Lego We-Do App. This is a valuable time for integrating technology with our class learning.

Mrs O'Keefe



HPPS Senior Debating Team 2019–

The Senior HPPS debating team represented our school last Thursday at Austral Public School for their final debate, against Austral Public School. They were extremely thorough in their preparation and absolutely outstanding in the delivery for the *negative* side of the topic “*School canteens should only be allowed to sell healthy food & drinks*”. In place of our 4th speaker, a member of the shadow team (Yorke) accompanied us. Winning this debate was a fitting way to end the 5th & final round of the Cowpasture Community of Schools Inter-school debating competition. With an undefeated record (winning all 5 debates!), our school attained 1st place in the overall competition. Our team – comprising of Christopher, Jessica, Maximus & Jonathan – represented our school admirably throughout the competition and ought to be extremely proud of their formidable achievements. The additional medallion winner, was Maximus.

Our students are incredibly fortunate to have such valuable opportunities to compliment their academic journey whilst in primary school. In Stage 3, we focus extensively on persuasive texts and high modality language, throughout the year – essentially, the hallmarks of debating & public speaking. All students in 5/6 Albatross, are given ample opportunities to develop their confidence through speaking & listening tasks; including the 1-minute topic talks / speeches littered throughout the year; and at present, in the form of the whole-school public speaking competition.

Our senior debating team leveraged these critical skills to structure logical arguments in line with their propositions. Through the course of the competition; stretching for almost 12-weeks; I saw tremendous amounts of growth in each of our speakers. They fine-tuned their research & critical thinking skills, to help prepare and support their evidence for each of the debates. It is fair to say, that it was steep learning curve for all involved.

As their co-ordinator / mentor, I was incredibly fortunate to have such dedicated students on the team; they demonstrated perseverance and a drive to excel in this extra-curricular endeavour. Having observed many a debate over the course of the last 3 years – I can attest to the fact that the 2019 debating team, raised the standard, exponentially. To this end, congratulations are most certainly, in order.

Ms Afzal



Year 6 Fundraiser – Movie night in PJs!

Year 6 will be having a fundraising movie, on **Wednesday 25 September, 2019** after school; from 5pm. Funds raised from this evening will go directly towards the Year 6 Farewell at the end of the year. Children can arrive from 5pm and the movie will begin at 5:30pm. Pick up will be at **7:30pm sharp** from the assembly room. Students are able to wear their PJs to the movie night!

Movie Entry Fee: \$5

Lollies, chips, drinks and other treats will also be on sale during the movie night, from 50c ...



White Ribbon Day Walk

Cowpasture Network Schools

Thursday 21 November 2019

10AM - Terone Park

Cowpasture network schools together with White Ribbon Australia are committed to:

- Empowering respectful relationships between young men & women
- Preventing violence and negative behaviours
- Educating our community to make a difference



Horsley Park After School Scripture Club

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The After School Scripture Club is on again this term. The dates for term 4 are

Tuesday, 12th November and

Tuesday, 26th November at 3pm.

Hope you/your kids can make it.

We are planning on having a fun day which will include afternoon tea, bible stories and lots of new games and crafts. It will run from 3pm to 4.30pm at Horsley Park Public School. You will find us outside or in the assembly room.

All students and parents are welcome and as usual it is free of charge. Ex-HPPS students and high-school students that are siblings of HPPS students are also welcome - please add the name to the permission note. Thanks.

If your child would like to attend After School Scripture Club, please fill in the form below and re- turn it to the school or have your child bring it on the day. If your child has attended last term's After School Scripture Club, you will not need to sign a new form.

If you have any questions about the club or are able to help on the day please talk to Johanna at school or give her a call on 0407 067 082.

I give permission for my child/children _____ from _____ (class) to attend After School Scripture Club being held at Horsley Park Public School, and being run by Johanna and Jeff Flood from Cabramatta Vineyard Christian Church.

My child/children has NO food allergies/ has the following food allergies/dietary requirements.

My emergency contact number is _____

Name: _____

Signed: _____