

# HORSLEY HERALD



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



### CCoS CONCERT AT MARCONI

On Thursday 18 October our students made us very proud with their performances at the Cowpasture Community of Schools Concert at Marconi. Their commitment to rehearsals throughout the year in both dance and choir are to be commended. Special thanks to Miss Kennedy, Mrs Elwing and Mrs Lewer, for their expertise, patience and gift of time throughout the year preparing each of the performances to such a high standard. Thank you to the staff members who came along on the night to assist and support our students.

Thank you to parents, family and friends who came along to enjoy the show and support our students.

### GRANDPARENTS' DAY ASSEMBLY & AFTERNOON TEA

On Thursday 25 October 2018, Horsley Park Public School held a special Grandparents' Day Assembly to celebrate the important contributions that grandparents make in the lives of their grandchildren and in the community.

Thank you for joining us at Horsley Park PS to acknowledge and celebrate grandparents as a significant source of help and for playing such an important role in the lives of your grandchildren and this community. It was fantastic to see so many grandparents at our school during the afternoon tea and assembly.

Thank you to all the students and staff of Horsley Park PS for your help and contributions to make the afternoon a memorable experience. Grandparents, you are our heritage and important members of our families and communities.

### P&C AGM – Monday 26 November 3pm

At the AGM, **all P&C Office Bearers become vacant** and can be filled by nomination. The positions to be made vacant are as follows:  
The President, The Vice President, The Treasurer and Secretary.

## What's On?

### Week 3

- 29/10 Swim School Begins
- 31/10 Early Endeavours 2-3pm
- Halloween Disco

### Week 4

- 5/11 Swim School Continues
- 7/11 Early Endeavours 2-3pm
- 7/11 Kindergarten Orientation
- 7/11 Tree Planting – Non Swimmers
- 8/11 Ambassador Project Presentation

### Week 5

- 14/11 Last Early Endeavours
- 16/11 CAEC Excursion – Katoomba

## AWARDS

Class	Merit
K/6 D	Wellington
K/6 L	Phuc Sebastian
KE	Noah Jocelyn
1/2O	Nicholas Milani Layla
3/4R	Rhys Saajidah Charlize
5/6A	Christopher Jessica Shontel Lilly

## School Information

### PBL NEWS



Rule for Weeks 3 & 4 – 'Be Respectful and Follow Instructions'. Discuss the importance of showing respect to staff and peers and following instructions as soon as they're given. Encourage your child to think what this behaviour would;

### LOOK LIKE SOUND LIKE FEEL LIKE



In the different areas of our school.

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

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be An Active Learner



### P&C NEWS NEXT MEETING

**Monday 26 November 2-3pm**

I hope that many of you can attend, and join in the discussions on how we can continue to improve our school.

Following the P&C meeting there will be the AGM – annual general meeting where all office bearers become vacant and an election is held.

## White Ribbon Initiative – Breaking the Silence

Last week Ms Afzal and I began training for the Breaking the Silence Program, with a workshop for staff from several other Cowpasture Network schools participating in the White Ribbon initiative.

The program supports schools wanting to challenge the attitudes and beliefs that promote domestic and family violence, while encouraging the development of respectful relationships. It is important to start educating children about domestic violence at an early age to prevent future generations from facing these problems.

Domestic violence is a major issue in all communities and sadly affects everybody in the community.

The workshop outlined the facts and figures behind domestic violence; how other schools have used the Breaking the Silence model; and we began planning a combined venture with neighbouring schools for Thursday 22 November.

You can find out more about White Ribbon at:

<http://www.whiteribbon.org.au/about>



### Public Speaking Finals

Congratulations to Maximus, Peter, Isabella and Jocelyn the Public Speaking finalists who represented our school at the Cowpasture & Fairfield Network Public Speaking Finals at William Stimson Public School on 23 October. We are very proud of your achievements.

## 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 in Terms 3 and 4 from 2:10pm to 3:00pm.

Term 4	Class Program	Parent workshop
31/10	✓	
7/11	✓	ORIENTATION
14/11	Children prepare for Special Assembly	Special Assembly 2:30pm

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

## SCHOOL SWIMMING and WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

Students from Year 1 to Year 6 commenced the School Swimming and Water Safety Program on Monday. Learning to swim is fun, provides health benefits and could save your child's life. Drowning is one of the most common accidental deaths in children, so learning to swim is an essential life skill.

Thank you to the teachers who are going along each day to support this very worthwhile program.

Take a peek in .....

ITALIAN AND  
FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT SKILLS

Welcome all parents and carers to Week 3,

Since my last contribution HPPS, Italian students have pieced together what they have learnt to produce some outstanding work.

Kindergarten have learnt their numbers up to ten and then used them to answer how old they are. Currently the class is learning about colours. In semester two kindergarten have been learning the fundamental movement skills of the vertical jump and the catch.

1/2 Orange have learnt how to exchange courtesies and this term are learning how to respond to classroom instructions in Italian. So far this term, Stage One has concentrated on the fundamental movement skill of the vertical jump.

3/4 Ruby successfully completed their unit on the calendar by creating a dialogue incorporating days, months, seasons and weather. At present the class is learning about the family. The class's fundamental movement lessons this term have centred on the skill of kicking.

5/6 Aquamarine also finished their unit on invitations. By the end of this unit, Stage 3 created and performed a telephone conversation in which they invited a friend to their birthday party, providing all details such as: Where?, When?, At what time? Etc. The class also created a birthday invitation card.

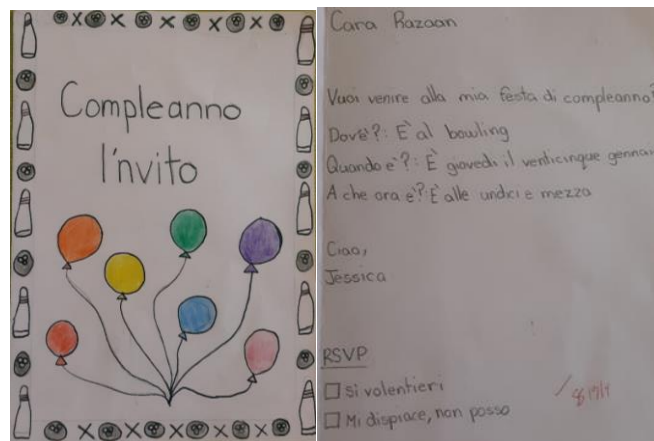
Stage Three's fundamental movement skills focus so far this term has also been the kick.

The Support Unit classes have concentrated on perfecting the vertical jump and the catch this semester.

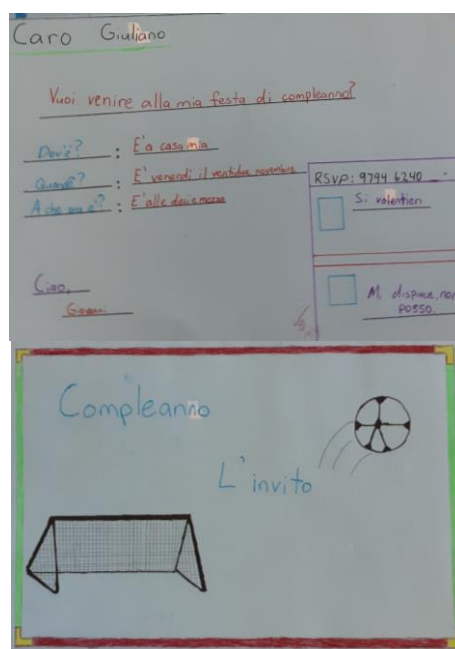
Congratulations to all the students on their excellent progress.

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5/6 Aquamarine's Invitations



3/4 Ruby's Calendar

## Kindergarten Emerald

Good afternoon Kindergarten families,

Here we are in Term 4, our students are nearing the end of their first year of schooling, and probably like you, I can't believe it! Importantly, we are all travelling along with smiles on our faces as we progress with learning!

We have another busy term upon us, as we draw closer to an exciting Kindergarten graduation on the students' last day of the year, Wednesday 19th December. We commenced with a move to a new classroom! We appreciate your patience and support with new procedures at pick up time (meeting students at the stage area), thank you. The move has been successful and we all love learning in our new room, as much as our old one!

This term, we will continue to embark on exciting learning journeys! Thanks to some amazing parents from the P & C, for donating their time to our school (many from our class!), we have some exciting new resources to share with the students this term, to enhance Science lessons. We will have a greater design and making focus this term, as we learn through our "On the Move" unit of work. Students will have more hands on experiences to use equipment in the best way they feel possible, while working on STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) activities and through the use of robotics and coding in classrooms.

This term we will also focus on Drama and Dance for Creative Arts, along with a new Geography focus, "People and Places." Our Geography unit of work will be a focus during library lessons also, where students will investigate the significance of places and how they are designed. Back in our classroom, we will focus on preserving places and keeping our environment as special as it should be.

I'd like to also encourage more families to support students where possible with home learning tasks. Listening to, reading and writing coloured rocket (sight) words, reading and changing home readers and working on our home/school internet programs (Reading Eggs, Mathletics, Studyladder) are Kindergarten Homework tasks. The connection with learning through school and home really is beneficial for our young students.

I wish you all a happy week!

Smiles,

Mrs Elwing

## Grandparents' Day Pics



### CCoS Concert Pics

