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 With RESPECT and RESPONSIBILITY we strive to achieve our  
 PERSONAL BEST

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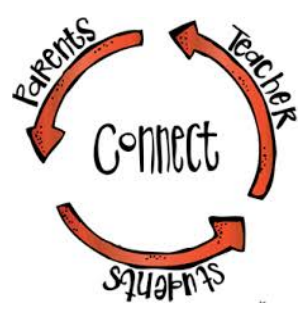
**MESSAGE FROM LISA**

It is crazy to think that we have now come to the end of another term! Term Two is always our craziest term in regards to sport activities, dance, public speaking etc. What we find though is that even though the students appear to miss a bit of school their work continues to improve and their enthusiasm never wanes. This supports the massive amount of evidence out there that extra curricula activities support the development of all areas of the brain which further enhances confidence and overall achievement. I congratulate all our students who have been involved in all the varied activities, they always put in 100% effort and represent our school with pride.

We need to also acknowledge two special events happening for staff members over the next little while. Miss Courtney O’Bryan is starting her maternity leave at the beginning of next term; we send her and her family our best wishes for the arrival of their precious new parcel. Mrs Kerrie Davison will be taking the Yellow Room for the rest of 2017. It will be exciting to have Mrs Davidson back on board. Mr Will Mander is also off on an adventure at the end of the week, as he is getting married on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June! We wish him and his new bride all our best and can’t wait for him to get back from his honeymoon to host our School CAPA Showcase. His days will be covered by both Mrs Eiggins and Mrs Ashlee Smith.

I would like to wish everyone a restful break for the end of Week 10. Take it easy and enjoy the time with your family as our days grow shorter and colder. Next term brings some exciting opportunities with our excursions, Education Week with both CAPA Showcase and Science Fair, NAIDOC Day, Book Week and a lot more.

**RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION REMINDER**



This is a reminder to all of our families that we strive for all communication between members of our school community to be respectful and appropriate at all times. This is for many reasons but primarily to model the expectations we have for our students.

Please remember that the school is our staffs’ place of work, similar to your office or the office of any other professional. Please wait in appropriate places, not in classrooms or outside windows/doors as this can be disruptive to lessons and students.

Our teachers’ time is valuable and often limited which is why scheduled meetings or conversations make it easy for everyone involved to get the information and answers they require. We ask that any communication at school be respectful at all times, the same as we expect our staff to be respectful at all times. If you have concerns, issues or complaints please let the teacher know first and then inform myself or our Assistant Principal, Mrs Woodward, so we can work it through and gain positive outcomes for everyone.

***We would like to remind families of expected usage of our various communication tools:***

**Newsletters:** School Information – dates, times, updates, classroom or school events, future events, school banking, business promotion, community events, P & C information.

**Individual Event Notes:** Information regarding school, class or small group events.

**Mobile Phones:** It is only appropriate to contact a teacher via mobile phone if that number has been supplied for an excursion or part of a negotiated arrangement. I have made it very clear to staff that receiving text messages or phone calls from families in the evening or on weekends isn’t within the confines of their job and to request families to



Term 3 is fast approaching! Please ensure all notes and payments are returned for camps and gymnastics as soon as possible! *Thank you.*

contact them during school hours. I understand at times there are emergencies or there needs to be contact for excursions or sporting events, but this would fall under negotiated contact. Please be mindful of this.

**Facebook:** Photos, celebrations, reminders, updates, emergency alerts, promotion of community activities that are beneficial or relevant for our students ***not for*** – questions, complaints, negative conversation streams or business promotion. Staff are advised via DoE policy and regulation that they are not permitted to ‘friend’ parents or students at their current school, this includes Messenger.

**Skoolbag:** School Information – dates, times, updates, emergency alerts, copies of newsletters, Canteen menus Uniform Shop price lists, P & C details. ***Not for*** – class letters or details pertaining to individual class events, questions and complaints.

If you need to contact a teacher or myself please contact the office to make a time, email the school, teacher or myself. Also, if you have any questions regarding upcoming events the front office has copies of all notes and are aware of what is happening at all times. I’m sure they can assist and if not will get the answers for you as soon as they can.

### SCHOOL VALUES & EXPECTATIONS

This term the Positive Behaviour for Learning focus has been on Responsibility – exploring what *Responsibility* looks like and what is expected in all areas across our school.

**Week 9- Responsibility-Lining Up:** *Stop play at the first bell*

**Week 10- Responsibility-All Setting:** *Owning my own actions*

### TERM 2 CALENDAR

#### Week 9

Thursday, June 22	Junior PBL Fundraiser <b>Pyjama Day!</b>
Friday, June 23	Assembly 2-3pm

#### Week 10

Wednesday, June 28	Southern Cross Dance Festival
Thursday, June 29	From Halfway Round the World Show
Friday, June	District Athletics Carnival

### TERM 3 CALENDAR

#### Term 3 – Week 1 NAIDOC Week

Monday, July 17	Staff Development Day
Tuesday, July 18	Students return
Wednesday, July 19	NAIDOC Celebration
Thursday, July 20	Kindergarten 2018 Teddy Bear’s Picnic

### TERM 2 EVENTS & NOTICES

#### PAYMENTS FOR MAJOR EXCURSIONS

Major excursions for Years 3-4 and Years 5- 6 are coming up quickly. Please do not forget to make regular payments so that your schedule is easier and you are not left with a large amount at the end.

School excursions are an extremely important part of the school curriculum not only academically but socially as well. Though your child may be nervous I promise you the experience will be very beneficial for their confidence, independence and self-esteem. We organise our excursions to keep them very busy so there is limited home sickness and a lot of fun.

If you are having difficulty making payments or would like some financial assistance to make sure your child can attend, please contact the front office. We will do everything we can to make sure every child is given the opportunity to attend.

**Year 3-4 Excursion:** Adventure Land, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.

**5-6 Excursion:** Canberra and the Snowfields, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August –Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.

**Year K- 2 Excursion:** Timbertown Colonial Village, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2017 (notes with subsidised costs for this excursion will come out early in Term 3).

#### JUNIOR PBL FUNDRAISER – PYJAMA DAY!



Don’t forget to wear your PJ’s on **Thursday 22 June** (and maybe a dressing gown, fluffy socks and slippers brrrrr!) and bring a gold coin donation for our Junior PBL Fundraiser.

## ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the wonderful Yellow Room for their performance at our school assembly last week. Congratulations to all the students who received awards.

We need to change our next assembly due to the need to hold the postponed Small Schools Athletics Carnival on the last day of term.

**We will be holding our final assembly for Term Two this Friday 23rd June from 2-3. The assembly will be hosted by The Kindergarten Rainbow Room.**

Don't forget if you have tallied 10 awards please bring them in so we can organise your Gold Awards. For every 10 awards your child is eligible for a Gold Award, Once they have received 50 Awards (5 Gold) they will become an Honour Student.

Once a student has received their 5 Gold Awards, Honour Student certificate and badge they need to collect and submit another 25 awards to receive **Diamond Status**.

Please note that Harrington's Got Talent Awards don't count towards the overall award tally for each level.

## PRINCIPAL'S PRIVILEGE – SAVE THE DATE!

As there have been so many things on in the last two weeks of school I've decided to hold our Principal's Privilege gathering on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July** during second break.

I will treat our lovely Principal's Awards students from Semester One to a **Principal's Privilege Pikelet Picnic** with ice cream and topping to add a special layer on top! A note will be coming home by the end of Term 2 to let lucky Picnic Participants know to be ready for their treat during the second week back.

## SPORT

Congratulations to the following students for their achievements over the past few weeks in athletics:

### Age Champions

	Boys	Girls
Junior	Brody / Riley	Gemma
11 yrs	Mitch	Chelsea
12 yrs	Darcy	Kirrah

### New Records

**Mitch x 3, Cooper T, Makayla x 2, Kirrah, Riley, Chelsea x 2**

Well done to all of our champions and all who participated

and did their best on the day – outstanding effort!

**Mrs Woodward**

## SCHOOL BANKING

Our School Banking Day is Tuesday. We would like to remind all our families that parents need to fill in the tab in their child's bank book with the details of their deposit so it can be stamped each week.

We now have Banking Bags for each class where students can put their bank books in on Tuesdays. We would like to encourage as many of our students as possible to bank as saving is a great skill to learn.

## BYOD – BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

As we are increasingly using interactive technologies at school we are developing a **Bring Your Own Device** policy where students will be allowed to bring an interactive device for technology sessions only.

We are currently working on this policy with the P & C to make sure we have it clearly detailed and expectations defined. A contract and information document will be sent home for students to discuss with their families and have signed by a parent or carer before they can bring a device to school.

The devices will be held in class-labelled boxes in the office and taken to classrooms only during technology sessions to ensure appropriate use and safe care of the objects. There will also be certain apps and programs students will be allowed to download at home onto their device for use at school – all other apps and games won't be allowed to be used at school or connected to school Wi-Fi.

## PHONES, HAND HELD DEVICES & SOCIAL MEDIA



This is just a reminder that all phones and hand held devices (iPods, mp3's etc.) are to be kept at the office throughout the school day. They can be handed to the office in the mornings and collected as the students leave.

**We would also like to make it very clear that the school does not support primary school students on Social Media.**

We have clear policies and procedures regarding cyber-safety and if need be will follow them up with students

bullying or inappropriately involving other students on social media sites if they cross over into the school domain.

#### CHECK SKOOLBAG FOR:

- School sporting details
- Friday Sport Organisation
- Event details for each week
- Newsletters and copies of letters/flyers that have been sent home.

#### SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE

Thank you to all those families who have supported the school and paid their annual school contribution payments. If you haven't yet we ask that you please make payments ASAP. These funds are a crucial part of purchasing school and classrooms supplies. So far we have had 31% of families pay their contributions.

Families please note that school fees are as follows:

1 student	\$20.00
2 students	\$25.00
3 students	\$30.00

Invoices have been sent home to families. Fees can be paid in the morning on any day.

#### PBL – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

With the change to assembly this week PBL has finished for Term 2. The team are looking forward to introducing new activities to students in Term 3.

Peer Clubs are run on alternate (odd) weeks from Assemblies. These are an opportunity to not only work on curriculum based activities but to develop a variety of social and emotional skills that benefit our entire student body. These lessons have been designed and developed by the Junior PBL Team and will be run by them, with a teacher there as supervision only.

#### SCHOOL PERFORMANCE TOURS – FROM HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD

On our second last day of school we are hosting a visiting performance called From Halfway Around the World. It is a living Puppet show and will not only match in with our term focus but help our students end the term with a bang!

*'From Halfway Around the World is a collection of seven stories plus chants, poetry, rhymes and children's games. There are true stories, a fable, a fairytale, a dreamtime story and by the end of the show when the same tall story is*

*being told for the third time the whole audience is involved'.*

When: **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 from 2.00 – 3.00pm**

Cost: \$5.00

Notes have been sent home – please return your slip with your payment as soon as possible.

#### FORTNIGHTLY ASSEMBLY AWARDS – WEEK 8

<b>Rainbow</b>	<b>Principal Awards</b>
Lucas	Lilyana
Melannah	Pearl
Hayden	Keiara
Aviana	Finlay
Lucy – PBL	Max
<b>Yellow</b>	<b>Best Mannered Class</b>
Luke	Purple Room
Nevaeh	
Lucas	
Aidan	
Charlie	
<b>Purple</b>	<b>Music Awards</b>
Bailey	Khalon
Isabella	Bailey
Myles	Kirrah
Lily	
Courtney	
<b>Blue</b>	<b>Super Star Of The Class</b>
Declan	Aaleyah
Jasmine	
Riley	
Katelin	
Charli – PBL	
<b>Green</b>	<b>Gold Award</b>
Alice	Riley
Blair	Paige
Cooper	Maddy
Catherine	Cooper
Chelsea – PBL	
	<b>Diamond Awards</b>
	Darcy
	Indiana
	Chelsea





### SCIENCE FAIR TERM 3 – SAVE THE DATE!

As a celebration for Education week we will be holding our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Science Fair on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August**. Last year was very successful so we are looking forward to what our Little Scientists are going to come up with this year. An Information Booklet has been sent home with dates, times and general suggestions for K-6 Science projects to give students (and families) time to get stuck into their Science Fair projects.

### NAIDOC DAY CELEBRATIONS – SAVE THE DATE!



We will be holding our annual NAIDOC Day celebrations on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July**. We will be starting the day with a community breakfast from 8.00 then a Welcome Assembly and Acknowledgment from 9.15.

Our Aboriginal Girls Dance Group will be a part of this assembly. All families are welcome to the breakfast and morning assembly. After that our students will participate in rotational activities that we feel will enhance their cultural understanding of our indigenous people.

We are hoping to host some special guests on the day but as we are unsure at this point we will provide more information closer to the time.

### GYMNASTICS TERM 3 – SAVE THE DATE!

As highlighted in the annual calendar of events and payments that went out at the end of last year we have organised for an external organisation to work with Harrington Public School during Term Three to provide high quality gymnastics sessions for our K-6 students every week of Term Three.

The cost for the term is \$45.00 which includes 10 sessions. The students will get the opportunity to do activities on different apparatus that they would never be able to do in school unless we organised something like this. We feel it is an important part of the PDHPE curriculum that students often miss out on and is greatly beneficial for co-ordination and core strength. We hope you can support us in this activity. The notes for Gymnastics have been sent home – please contact the office if you have not received one yet. We ask that families DON'T pay weekly during Term Three as this makes it very difficult to pay the invoice for the

activity when it needs to be paid. If all payments could be finalised by Week Three of Term Three we would greatly appreciate it.

### CHANGES TO SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Harrington Public School will transition to the new NSW Public Schools' finance system and a new bank account on **4 September 2017**.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

1. **EFTPOS payments:** We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between **30 August and 5 September 2017**. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before **30 August, 2017**. From **5 September 2017**, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.
2. **Cash and cheque payments:** Between **30 August 2017** and **4 September 2017**, we will also not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before **30 August 2017**. From **5 September 2017**, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

**Online payments (POP):** As of **25 August 2017**, payments to our current online payment facility will cease. You will not be able to use the Department of Education's Parent Online Payment (POP) system until **Monday 4 September**.

Please be aware that over the next three months both Karen and Kirsty will periodically be training for the transition to the new management system.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact the school office on 6556 1267.

## P & C EVENTS



## P & C MEETING

Our next P & C meeting is on Monday evening 24 July 2017 from 6.00pm in the staff room. Thank you to everyone who attended the last meeting.

## P&C NOTICES

### Bush Dance Fundraiser Cancelled

Due to unpredictable weather and low ticket sales we have had to cancel our Bush Dance Fundraiser. We are hoping to reschedule this event in Term 1 next year. Thank you to everyone who helped with the planning and ticket sales.

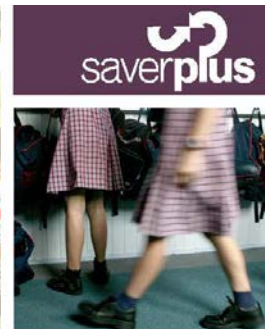
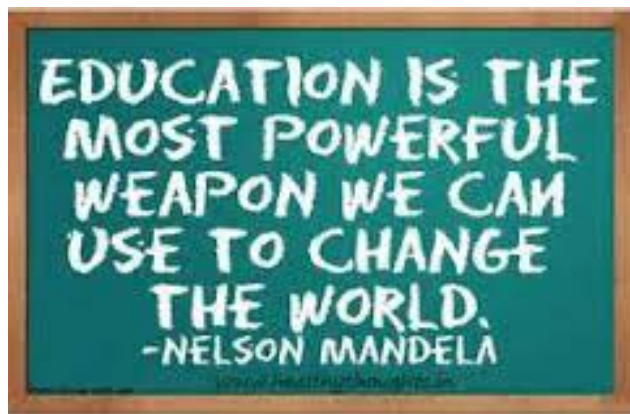
### Major Raffle

Keep an eye out next term for tickets coming home for the Major P&C Raffle – it's an exciting prize on offer!

### Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is fully stocked with all winter uniform requirements. \*\* ½-Zip Jumpers – all \$5! \*\* Limited sizes, while stocks last.

The Uniform Shop is open from 8.45am-9.15am on Wednesdays or by appointment. Please contact Lee on 0435 002 532 for enquiries.



**Is your child at school or starting next year?  
Would you like \$500 to help pay for uniforms,  
books, excursions or a laptop?**

To be eligible you need to:

- have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- have a child at school now or starting next year
- have some form of household income, for example, your partner or yourself may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment.

Saver Plus can match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500. Saver Plus is looking for new participants so enquire about signing up today!

To find out more, phone or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355, or email [saverplus@bsl.org.au](mailto:saverplus@bsl.org.au)



BEATS is a fun and friendly dance and movement studio encouraging fitness, confidence, social development and concentration skills.

We cater for kids 3 years through to 10 years old at this point. All classes are mixed dance and movement styles: ballet, modern, jazz, hip hop and prop (dance with balls, hoops, ribbons etc.)

- **Tiny Tots** – 3- 4 year olds – Thursday's 3.30pm – \$8 per class
- **Beginners** – 5-7 year olds – Thursday's 4pm - \$12 per class
- **Juniors** – 8-10 year olds – Thursday's 5pm - \$12 per class (term payment options available)

**CONTACT US TODAY FOR AN ENROLMENT FORM**

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