

Issue 8 – Term 2 – Week 5

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MESSAGE FROM LISA

Last week we held our first family workshop which was a STEM night. It was a great deal of fun and hopefully informative to those families who like the technology area and have an interest in what is happening in relation to this at our school. We had a big group of parents, grandparents and family friends attend and have a play with our Beebots, Cubetto, Wedos, Edisons, Spheres and EV3 Robots. Mrs Moore was also able to work some families through the Coding activities our students are currently participating in.

We hope to hold these workshops once a term for interested parents with our workshop focus in Term 3 being Learning, Literacy, and Numeracy support strategies to use at home. We'll be calling it our **Learning at HPs Workshop** so keep an eye out for information coming home next term.

We are trying hard to connect our families into the functions, teaching and learning that occur at school so they feel more informed and connected to what is happening with their child/children. We aim to make the workshops fun and informal so that it's engaging for everyone. I would like to thank my hard working staff, yet again, for the extra hours they put in to support our students and families. Their effort goes above and beyond and I'm sure you appreciate it as much as I do. Don't forget a pat on the back every once in a while – it's a great way to let them know what you're thinking.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

Eleanor Roosevelt

NATIONAL DISABILITY DATA COLLECTION – FINAL NOTICE

All schools have now been required to participate in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability, learning/behaviour adjustment or special needs.

They will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability or learning difficulties who need adjustments or support. Better data will help the Government plan for students with special needs.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government's Privacy Policy can be found here: http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy.

Staff have been, and will continue to, contact parents of students who meet the criteria for inclusion either through disability or learning need. If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection please inform your child's teacher when they call. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive.

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:

http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collectiondata-school-students-disability

If you have any questions about your child being included in the data collection please contact the school.



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 5- Responsibility-Toilets >Being responsible in the toilets- keeping clean and a PLAY FREE zone

Week 6- Responsibility-Library> Using equipment in the Library correctly

TERM 2 CALENDAR

Week 5

Thursday, May 25	Multicultural Banquet Day
Friday, May 26	PSSA Touch Knockout (Boys – Laurieton)

Week 6

Monday, May 29	Students present speeches to class P&CMeeting
Tuesday, May 30	ICAS Science exam 12.00pm-1.30pm
Thursday, June 1	Athletics Carnival
Friday, June 2	Assembly

Week 7

Monday, June 5	Public speaking assembly from 1.30pm Families welcome
Wednesday, June 7	Small Schools Public Speaking at Manning Gardens PS 10am-2pm (Rep students only)
Friday, June 9	PSSA Soccer Gala Day Wingham

TERM 2 EVENTS & NOTICES

PAYMENTS FOR MAJOR EXCURSIONS

Major excursions for Years 3-4 and Year 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, 7th August – Wednesday 9th August, 2017

5-6 Excursion: Canberra and the Snowfields, Sunday 13th August –Thursday 17th August, 2017.

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

ASSEMBLY

During Term 2 we will be holding our assemblies from 2.00pm-3.00pm on Friday afternoons of our even weeks starting in Week 2. Our second assembly for this term was hosted by the Blue Room with a variety of dances from around the world. Our next assembly will be hosted by the Purple Room in week 6.

Don't forget if you have tallied 10 awards please bring them in so we can organise your Gold Awards. 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.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

This year Mrs Burrows coordinated Jump Rope for Heart. It was a great opportunity for our student to participate in a Fitness and Heart Health promotional activity. Our jump off was held last Friday despite the rain and the students were brilliant – Mrs Burrows posted some amazing actions shots on the school Facebook site.



ATHLETICS

This term all students are completing Athletics for their Friday sport rotations. Students who are 8 to 13 years will be eligible to qualify for the Small Schools Athletics Carnival (15th June), followed by the Zone Carnival (11th August). Participating students will commence elimination rounds in Week 5 for the Athletics Carnival in Long Jump, High Jump and Shot Put, with all students having three attempts at each event, their highest result recorded. I will ensure I get all students to attempt, so please do not stress if they are away sick one day, I will make sure they still get to attempt it another day.

The five finalists for Juniors (8,9,10), 11 years and 12 years will compete at the athletics carnival for final placings. If your child does not make a finalist event for field events they will still be able to participate in Friday sports in all field events. Due to time, we are only able to run finalist events at the Athletics Carnival which is why we hold elimination rounds prior to the day.

All track events will be held on the day. Please see the program (right) for details. Track placings will be allocated on times as we do not run finals if heats are required for an age event. This has been done over the previous years and has worked well. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours; yellow for Seagulls and green for Pelicans. All families are invited to come and watch. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mrs Woodward

A Poem about France

A place I'd really love to see Is France of course across the sea

A long journey it will be For me to go there, do you agree?

The Eiffel Tower I would climb

Then go with mum to get some fine wine

The Louvre Art Gallery is full of history
And we may find a puzzling mystery

A slimy snail I would try
If I don't like it, a croissant I will buy

We'd stand around the Eiffel Tower at night And be inspired by the dazzling light

So come with me, let's explore together Take lots of photos, to treasure forever

By Gemma Eady-Muxlow



Athletics Carnival Program At the Esmond Hogan Oval Thursday 1st June 2017

Students to arrive at school as usual

9.05 Mark roll and walk to oval.

9.20 March and chant

9.30 Commence carnival

Order of events

200m Junior Girls 200m Junior Boys 200m 11Y Girls 200m 11Y Boys 200m Senior Girls 200m Senior Boys

50m 5-7Y Age Races 100m 8-12Y Age Races (Novelty events held for 5-7Y)

800m Junior Girls 5&6Y Relay Races 800m Junior Boys 7Y Relay Races

> 800m 11Y Girls 800m 11Y Boys 800m Senior Girls/Boys

Approx 12.30pm – Lunch break. K-2 return to school after lunch

From 1.00pm

Junior Boys High Jump

Junior Girls High Jump

11Y Girls Shot Put

11Y Girls High Jump

12Y Girls Shot Put

11Y Boys High Jump

12Y Boys Shot Put

12Y Girls High Jump

Junior boy Shot Put

12Y Boys High Jump

Junior Girl Shot Put

Novelty events for students not participating in High Jump or Shot Put

Relays

Junior (8,9,10) Girls / Junior (8,9,10) Boys Senior (11,12,13) Girls / Senior (11,12,13) Boys

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 on Tuesdays. We would like to encourage as many of our students as possible to bank as saving is a great skill to learn

MULTICULTURAL BANQUET



We are holding our annual Multicultural Banquet tomorrow, **Thursday 25**th **May.**

This banquet is an opportunity for each class

to embrace one country or group of countries and research, prepare and serve foods plus dress up in colours or clothes representative of the culture they have chosen. Each class teacher will send home a note which outlines the country, the colours or type of dress from that country and provide a return slip with a request for \$8-10 per child to cover the purchasing of food, plates etc. for the children to prepare.

All the prepared food is then placed on a massive sharing table and the whole school gets to taste food from each country and learn a little about each culture.

MULTICULTURAL SPEAKING PERPECTIVES - K-6

This term we have a whole school focus on Public Speaking. Students have received an information booklet explaining what topics each class can choose from and offering some helpful hints. We have the chance this year to expand the opportunities for four students from Year 3-6 to compete at a Small School and at a Zone level.

Multicultural Public Speaking Perspectives is a whole school activity and will be mandatory for all students to participate at a class level. Please be aware that we understand that this will be an intimidating activity for some of our students and they will be supported to have a go in a safe and supportive way. All our staff care about your children and will not push them past their capacity but will nurture and encourage them to have a go. Public Speaking skills are incredibly important and easier to conquer when younger rather than older as many of you fully appreciate.

Our school Public Speaking Assembly for finalists from each class will be held on **Monday 5th June from 1.30 -3.00.** we will be holding an early second break on this day.

The *Small Schools Public Speaking Competition* for our chosen school reps is on:

Wednesday 7th June at Manning Gardens Public School from 10.00am -2.00pm

The NSW Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition for our chosen reps is on:

Tuesday 20th June at Cundletown Public School 10.00am - 3.00pm



FORTNIGHTLY ASSEMBLY AWARDS - WEEK 2

Rainbow	Principal Awards
Cruze	Dakota
Kobi	Aaleyah
Riley	Luke
Lucy	Paris
Hayden – PBL	Sabella
Yellow	Best Mannered Class
Akayla	Rainbow
Mya	

Lucas Mira-Lee Blake – PBL

Purple

Music Awards

Joel Sabella

Eli Blade

Cali Riley

Tia

Mia – PBL

BlueSuper Star Of The ClassBrodyIsaacCharli

Braydan Lili P

Isaac – PBL

GreenGold AwardMeganTiaHaydenLilyDarcyFinlayKarisaCalistaMakayla – PBLHonour StudentHayden

CHECK SKOOLBAG FOR:

- Sporting Schools 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.

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 cybersafety 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.

PBL - POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Our Peer Club sessions for Term Two are Dance with Chelsea and Gemma, Drama with Kirrah and Indi, Art with Jake and Sabella, Sport with Mitch and Hayden, Construction with Jennah and Alice, Gardening with Makayla and Nick, Technology with Max and Darcy and finally Science with Catherine and Cooper T.

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 also with a teacher there as supervision only.

© Thank you to the Saunders family for their donation of fresh soil for the garden beds!

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 29th June, 2017 from 2.00 - 3.00pm

Cost: \$5.00

A note will be coming home shortly with more details and a return cost slip. There will be a place on the return slip for siblings that may wish to attend at the same cost.

SCIENCE FAIR TERM 3 - SAVE THE DATE!

As a celebration for Education week we will be holding our 3rd Annual Science Fair on **Friday 4**th **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 with dates, times and general suggestions for K-6 Science projects will be coming home in Week 4 this term which will give students (and families) time to get stuck into their Science Fair projects.

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 will go home in Week 5 which gives families plenty of time to pay it off. 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.

PARENT ONLINE PAYMENTS (POP)

THE MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR ONLINE PAYMENTS IS \$10.

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card, and



can be made via computer, tablet or mobile phone. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school's website by selecting \$ Make a payment.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions and excursions. Please note that there is a minimum payment of \$10. There is also a category called 'Other'. This is to cover items not covered in the previous headings; 'Other' can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the \$ Make a Payment you must enter:

- The student's name, and class reference, OR
- The student's name and date of birth

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number (SRN) and invoice number if you are aware of them – these are optional fields.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before it is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the online payment process please contact the school administration office

P & C EVENTS

P & C Meeting

Our next P & C meeting is on Monday evening 29th May from 6.00pm in the staff Room.

We will be discussing arrangements for our upcoming Bush Dance! We would love anyone who would like to help out on the night to either pop in to the meeting or contact Lee Stevens, the P&C President, to let her know what you can do to help.

P & C Reminders/Events

Bush Dance and BBQ

On **Saturday 24th June** we are holding our first Bush Dance and BBQ. This is an open event to the community where the P & C are organising a 2 course meal and entertainment with Bush Dancing from 4-8pm.

Tickets will be available from a variety of venues plus the School Front Office. Posters, flyers etc. will be available very soon. We look forward to everyone supporting this awesome event and inviting friends and family to come along and join the fun!



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

Text or call Alicia – 0411 287 085

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