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Principal's Report

P&C

Congratulations Talia Juodeika who has been appointed Harrington Public School's new P&C President. A huge thank you to our outgoing President, Lee Stevens. Thank you for all your leadership, hard work and contributions during 2018/2019, it doesn't go unnoticed and is greatly appreciated.

Cybersafety

Last Tuesday evening Harrington Public School hosted a Cyber Safety workshop for parents/carers which was led by David Russell, Youth Police Liaison Officer. David spoke about key social media and internet issues and ways in which we could support our children. There was also hot pumpkin soup served with fresh bread and cream on offer, which went down really well. Please refer to the 'For the Fridge' handout for resources to further support your family with Cyber Safety.

School Fees

Thank you to those families who have already paid their school fees for 2019. We are currently asking families to show their support by finalising their school fee payment. Your school fee contributions are greatly appreciated and go towards purchasing a variety of resources including: paints, glue sticks, pencils etc. If you haven't already done so, please send your school fees in to the front office.

RSL Sub-Branch

On Monday I had the privilege of meeting with Paul Pannowitz and Rodney Green to discuss the school's strong affiliation with the RSL Sub- Branch and the key events coming up. Events for the remainder of the year include:

- Auctioning off the donation of a special Teddy Bear at the school's market
- Years 5 and 6 visiting Williamstown RAAF base
- Remembrance Day
- Students completing a project on 'What ANZAC and Remembrance Day means to them'

Lion's Club

Another agency who shares a strong relationship with Harrington Public School is the Lion's Club, where I recently had the privilege of attending their change over dinner, with a newly elected president and committee inducted for 2019-2020. I had the chance to meet significant members of the community within the Lions Club, Men's Shed and also members of The Chamber of Commerce. I was proud to be told that our school is held in high esteem within the community and look forward to working with those organisations to continue to build on our strong relationships. **Skoolbag App**

Currently we use the Skoolbag App as a way to communicate with families. Over the past few weeks it has been brought to our attention that some notifications haven't come through to some parents/carers phones. To help resolve this issue, it's been recommended to delete the current version of Skoolbag and download the newer version. Please see our 'For the Fridge' flyer for further instructions.

My Community Project

A few weeks ago you may recall that our P&C submitted an application for the school's proposed Harrington Cultural Community Hub which consisted of an outdoor kitchen, Indigenous and Community Garden. If successful in the first phase voting will open 15 July! Watch this space, as more information will follow.

Wishing everyone a safe and relaxing winter break – I'm looking forward to seeing everyone back for a busy Term 3! **Paul Haste**

What's been happening at Harrington PS?

Dance Festival.

On Wednesday the 19th June the 1-2 dance and 3-6 dance groups went to the glass house at Port Macquarie. When we got off the bus we had practise on stage and some of us had our costumes on. When we finished our practise we went to the Port Macquarie Primary School to chill out, relax and have dinner before we had to get dressed. Then when it was time we went to the glasshouse to perform. Just standing on stage in front of the huge audience was amazing. The 1-2 dance group danced to Do-Dah and the 3-6 group danced to WakaWaka. After the concert finished we went home all very tired. We had a great night.



By Steph, Mya, Lili, Ella and Lilyana.

Choir Eisteddfod

We went on the bus to the Eisteddfod. When we got there we saw other people sing. After a while we went on stage and sang. We came second. We were all so very excited. When we got back to school we listened to music and ate jelly beans.

By Chanelle and Kailani

When the choir went to the choir Eisteddfod in Taree the students did very well. We sat very quietly and patiently while the other schools were singing. All of the other schools sat nice and watched Harrington students perform they did excellent and Harrington Public School students came second. We were all so excited yay choir for coming second.

By Isaac and Jasmine.

Multicultural Banquet

On Wednesday we had the Multicultural banquet. We ate lots of food. My favourite was the strawberry jam tarts.

By Pippa



Athletics Carnival

The Athletics carnival was good. Pelicans won again! There were events such as running, high jump, shot put, relay Tug-o-War and Rob the Nest. Good job for the people who made it to Zone and the people who broke records.

From Hayden and Aidan.



Pelicans win the day!



Champions receive their trophies!

Debating

On Monday the 17th June the debating team Gemma, Jake, Tia, Brooke and Isaac went to Mitchells island for a debate against them. There is a total of 28 students that attended that school. The topic was kids should not be allowed to watch reality shows. The Harrington debating team were the negative side of the argument. In the end it came down to a 5 point difference; Mitchells Island won. Everyone had a lot of fun and it was a good experience and we were provided with morning tea before we left to go back to school. It was a very fun day.

By Jake and Gemma

Hohidiai Choir

On Tuesday the 25th of June the whole school got the opportunity to watch the magnificent Indonesian Hohidiai choir. They performed a variety of different songs, all having beautiful melodies within them. They also shared some of their stories about life back in Indonesia. Lastly they performed traditional dances from their homeland.

By Brooke.



Visiting Author

On Wednesday, 19th June the students had the opportunity to meet Aleesah Darlison, an internationally known children's author. Aleesah visited the school to read and interact with our students.

Awards!



Well done to our winners from last week's assembly - keep up the good work!

SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM

The Sporting Schools Program Term 3 will commence in Week 2, Term 3. It will start Monday afternoon 29th & Wednesday 31st July, from 3-4pm and run for 9 weeks. Students will be learning Monday- Soccer and Wednesday- Hockey skills. Numbers are limited, so please ensure you return your child's permission slip ASAP. It will be on a *First In* basis. Students will need to bring their own afternoon tea. Parents will be notified if your child <u>is not</u> able to participate in the program.

Could parents please ensure that students are aware of their afternoon pick up arrangements.

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Sporting Schools - Permission Slip Term 3, 2019						
I give permission for my child/children: Sporting Schools Program as outlined below.	to participate in the Term 3					
Please tick which Sporting Schools Program your child would like to participate in: (you may only select 1 sport per student)						
Monday afternoons, starting 29 nd July - Soccer, 3 - 4pm.						
□ Wednesday afternoons, starting 31 st July - Hockey, 3 - 4pm.						
Parent/Carer name:	Date:					
Parent/carer signature:	Contact No.:					

P & C News

The uniform shop has beanies \$2, scarves \$2 and a pair of gloves for \$1 that we will be selling through the uniform shop and canteen on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Community Information

2019 Kindergarten Enrolment

If you have a child or know of someone attending Kindergarten in 2020, please ensure they are enrolled. The Kindergarten transition program will be as follows:



Cyber Safety Resources

https://www.esafety.gov.au/



Additional Resources

Thinkuknow.org.au Cybersmart.gov.au Cybersafekids.com.au Staysmartonline.gov.au Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 Police Assistance Line: 131444



FOR THE FRIDGE

Term 2 / Term 3 2019								
Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN		
10	<u>1 July</u>	<u>2 July</u>	<u>3 July</u> NAIDOC Excursion	<u>4 July</u>	<u>5 July</u> Last Day Of School Assembly – (Choir Performance) 9.05am	6/7		
	<u>8 July</u>	<u>9 July</u>	10 July WINTER	<u>11 July</u>	<u>12 July</u>			
	<u>15 July</u>	<u>16 July</u>	HOLIDAYS	<u>18 July</u>	<u>19 July</u>			
1	<u>22 July</u> Staff Development Day	<u>23 July</u> Students return to school	<u>24 July</u>	<u>25 July</u>	26 July	27/28		

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Canteen Expression of Interest



We are in great need of some volunteers to join our canteen team.

If you can spare some time to help out please fill in your details below and return this slip to the front office.

Name ______ Phone/Mobile ______

Please circle the days you are avaliable 8.30am - 12.30pm below.

MONDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY

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	Harrington Public School			
Lecinoon.	Notification of student absence	(SCHOOL)		
Student Name	in class			
Date(s) absent	number of days			
Reason				
Parent/Guardian name	and signature			