



Harrington Public School

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Principal's Report

Grant

On Tuesday morning we were very fortunate to have Mrs Leslie Williams, an Australian politician and member of the New South Wales Legislative Assembly who has represented Port Macquarie since 2011, come to our school. She viewed and spoke with students about the vegetable garden and congratulated the P&C in successfully gaining a \$10,000 grant which went towards the cost of the project. It was a wonderful morning and a great way to celebrate such an achievement.



Thank you to our superb P&C whose fundraising contributions went towards the school's grant agency who were successful in gaining the grant for us. It was wonderful to be able to have Jess and Kate of the P&C join us for the occasion also.

Lastly, thank you to Mr and Mrs Elmer who took photos and brought their drone in to capture aerial shots!

Attendance

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

Arriving at school and class on time is important because it:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Gives students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.



**Learning
Every Day
Counts**

Reports

Over the past month teachers have been working extremely hard behind the scenes writing student reports. The reports are a valuable analysis of the academic and social development which every student has made over the past semester. Reports will be sent home with students Monday of Week 10.

2021 Class Structure

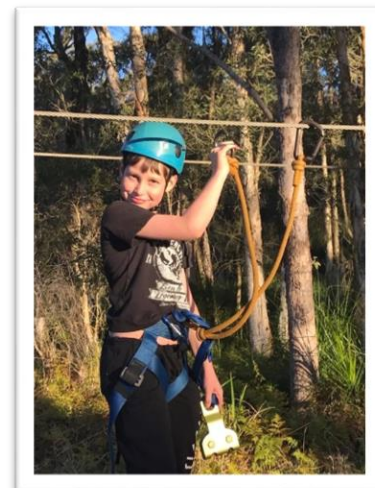
To help with a smooth transition for students leading into 2021, we will be holding two transition days.

The first one, held on the morning of Thursday 10 December, will last for approximately thirty minutes, where students will be placed in their 2021 class, and along with their teacher, will visit their new classroom. Here they will be able to talk to their new teacher and familiarise themselves with their new environment etc.

On Tuesday 15 December, students and teachers will be moving to their 2021 classroom.

Camp

I know there are a lot of Stage 2 and 3 students who are extremely excited about camp next week! It is going to be a fantastic opportunity for them to strengthen relationships with their peers and teachers and have an amazing time.



Year 6 Farewell

SAVE THE DATE: Monday evening, 14th December at Harrigans River Lodge! I am pleased to announce we have decided this year to invite the parents of our Year 6 students along to the Year 6 Farewell. With everything that has gone on this year with COVID-19, it is going to be a fantastic way to collectively celebrate all the Year 6 students reaching such a milestone. Please check your child's bag regularly as a note will be sent home shortly with further details.

Presentation Day

Presentation Day will look slightly different this year, with it being held at school and split so we have a K-2 Presentation, followed by a 3-6 Presentation, to allow for parents of all award recipients to attend. Further details will be sent home closer to the date, which at this stage is set for Monday, 14th December.

SOCIAL DISTANCING PROCEDURES FOR VISITING THE SCHOOL OFFICE DURING COVID-19

We would like to thank our families for their patience and respect for the social distancing practices at our school.

We again remind everyone to please ensure only one adult/family is in reception area at any one time.

To comply with guidelines, parent/carers are not permitted on school grounds, other than to visit the office.

Take care,

Paul Haste
Principal

Coming up soon

Swim School – Year 2

Our Intensive Swimming School Program is being held next week for Year 2 students, from Monday 30th November until Friday 4th December. This is an integral part of the curriculum where students learn basic water safety and skills that could save a life. Thank you to all who have already returned notes and payments. Outstanding payments can be paid via our online payment system, or brought into the office as cash.



Harrington's Got Talent – Postponed to 10/12/2020

Unfortunately our annual Harrington's Got Talent had to be postponed to Thursday 10th December due to staff illness. On the bright side, this gives students extra time to practice! Unfortunately due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, parents and carers will not be able to attend the day, however we will try to take as many photos as possible to

publish for all to see.

Principal Privilege Lunch

Mr Haste is currently working on details for his Principal Privilege Lunch, which will be held for Principal Award Winners of Semester 2 on Tuesday 8th December. Invitations will be sent out closer to the day.

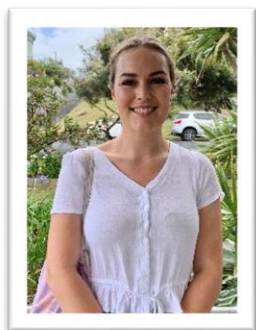
Enrolment

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2021.

We held our last orientation day on Friday, 20th November, where our 2021 Kindies got to meet their buddies. Everyone was very excited, and enjoyed the day. For more details on how to enrol, please contact the school office on 6556 1267.



News



Meet our New Breakthru Support team member – Caitlyn

Breakthru Services offer a variety of behavioral and vocational support to students on an as needs basis, helping them to build independence to transition through their educational environment. Through one-on-one sessions, they help students manage stress, anxiety, anger and depression, so they can live a healthier, happier life.

Caitlyn is our new Breakthru Support worker, who will be visiting students on a Tuesday of each week, offering them help and support while at school. She is very excited to be assigned to our school, and is looking forward to meeting everyone during her time here.

School Fees

Thank you to those families who have paid their school fees for 2020. We are asking families finalise their school fee payment for 2020. Your school fee contributions (**\$20 for one student, \$30 for two students, \$35 for three or more students**), go towards purchasing a variety of resources including: paints, glue sticks, pencils etc.

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Fees can be paid in cash (tucking this envelope), via EFTPOS at the Front Office or online at
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Students name(s)	
Amount enclosed	
Online receipt number	

Thank you for supporting our school!



K-6 Water Safety Briefing and Police Visit

Stage 1 (K-2) received a visit from Sarah and Brendan from Crowdy Head SLSC on Thursday 19th November to learn and discuss water and sun safety.

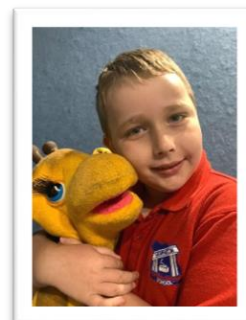
This was followed by a visit from Senior Constable David Russell of the Taree Police on Wednesday 25th November, who discussed Cyber Safety. Students were treated to a closer look at the police car, and were able to see and hear the lights and sirens.

Thank you to Sarah, Brendan and Senior Constable Russell for being able to provide us with the information and demonstration.



Healthy Harold Visit

All students were thrilled to receive a visit from Leanne and Healthy Harold of the Life Education Van last week. Leanne presented age appropriate, curriculum based material to every year, allowing them the chance to meet and greet Healthy Harold and learn about how to make healthy choices.



Touch Gala Day

Students in Years 1 to 6 participated in the annual Touch Gala Day on Thursday, 26th November. After walking to the Esmond Hogan oval, they were able to enjoy the morning learning important skills, such as teamwork, communication and ball skills. This is an exciting and fun way for students to fulfil part of their curriculum requirements and something which we hope to do again next year.



Emotional and Physical Development Workshop

All students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 participated in the mandatory personal Development, Health and Physical Education subject. Students broke off into boy/girl groups, where they were taught content appropriate information relating to their emotional and physical development. Congratulations to students who showed great maturity during what can sometimes be a sensitive subject. We are very proud of how you handled yourselves.





Student News

RAINBOW ROOM

I liked seeing the surf life savers in their special uniform. I learned not to go in the deep part and get a big person if I need help. I liked the big yellow and red flags.

Adalia

Yesterday we saw a policeman and he had lots of cool things on his belt. I got to

sit in the police car and turn the sirens and lights on. The pepper spray helps protect the policeman. *Dexter*



You have to stay in the shallow when you are at the beach and make sure you don't go in the deep end. You have to put your hand up if you are sinking and need help. The lifesavers will go out and get you and bring you back to the shallow so you are safe. *Nezelle*



YELLOW ROOM

Last week on Thursday the Life Savers came to the school and told us about how to be safe in the sun. *Ella*

On Thursday we had the Life Guards come into the school. One of their names was Sarah from our old school where most of our class went to. The other person was named Brendan. Brendan and Sarah went to Purple room. They told us what the red and yellow flags mean. *Tyler*

If I was in charge for the day, I would make money fall from the sky. I would make robot cars in space. I would let visitors recycle their fruits in the compost. I would give the good kids ice cream. If I saw Santa Clause, I would say hi! *Jack*

If I was in charge for a day, I would always talk nicely to people and make sure visitors make themselves feel at home. I will always imagine a nice place for everyone to get along too. Also I will have ideas for people to have friends. *Gemma*





Reading Hall of Fame

Congratulations River and Ethan who have both read for 100 nights and qualified for our Reading Hall of Fame! Photographs of both students will now be displayed on the school library's Reading Hall of Fame.



P & C News

P&C Meeting

Our last meeting of the year was held on Monday 23rd November at the Harrington Hotel. Thank you to our outgoing committee for their hard work during the year. Our next meeting will be the AGM, which is due to be held in February 2021 - new members always welcome!



Canteen

Our last Canteen day for 2021 will be our Hot Dog Day, which is being held on Friday, 11th December. All orders are to be returned to the Canteen by Monday 7th December. We note only a limited number of extra hot dogs will be available on the day, so please pre-order to save disappointment.



End of Year Christmas Raffle

Harrington P&C are running an end of year Christmas raffle, which will be drawn Tuesday 15th December.

The P&C are also asking for donations of goods suitable for Christmas hampers - non-perishable food, drinks, decorations, serviettes, bon bons, small toys, pencils/craft items, etc. If you are able to support the P&C with a donation, please drop items to the school office before Friday 11th December. Thank you.

Uniform Shop

We are still asking that all uniform orders be placed via the office using the order form, with correct money supplied. Should you require an order form, please contact the school office and one can be sent home with your child.



Thank You!

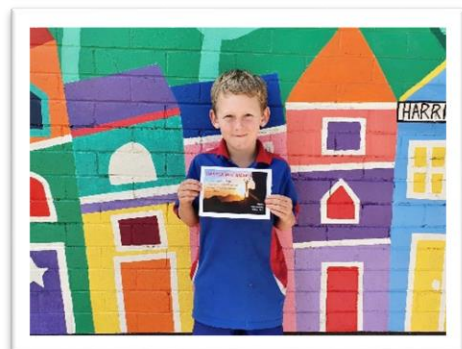
The outgoing committee for 2020 would like to thank everyone for their support during the year. We hope next year will be even more productive, and we look forward to meeting many new faces!



Assembly Awards – Week 6, 20th November

Congratulations to the award recipients from Week 4. Well done!

PRINCIPAL AWARDS: Jai, Kobi W, Addison, Ella-Rose, Tiarna
GOLD AWARDS: Mia, Issy
CHAPLAINCY: Hayden
CLASS SUPERSTAR: Ellsie
RAINBOW: Indii M, Lilly, Edward, Lillian, Jayde
YELLOW: Sienna S, Gemma, Ella, Ethan, Noah B
PURPLE: Taj, Jordan, Emily, Jack M, Gracie
BLUE: Aaleyah-Rose, Mya, Kaiden, Aidan, Finn
GREEN: Travis, Stephanie, Blake, Noah, Keiara



Chatham High School

Meet the 2021 staffing team and information evening.

Monday, 30 November at 6pm

Zoom details

<https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/62005763629?pwd=T0ljV05nZlAxVEhZa0JmaTJGL2FrZz09>

Meeting ID: 620 0576 3629

Passcode: 5r9ubR

Please forward any questions you may have to jodie.a.bird@det.nsw.edu.au
or through chat on the evening



FOR THE FRIDGE

Term 4 – November/December 2020

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
8	30 Nov Intensive Swim School Year 2 Camp Elim Stage 3	1 Dec Intensive Swim School Year 2 Camp Elim Stage 3	2 Dec Intensive Swim School Year 2 Camp Elim Stage 3 Camp Elim Stage 2	3 Dec Intensive Swim School Year 2 Camp Elim Stage 2	4 Dec Performance Band Intensive Swim School Year 2 Camp Elim Stage 2	5/6 DEC
9	7 Dec Canteen Hot Dog Orders Due in Today	8 Dec Principal Privilege Lunch for Semester 2 winners	9 Dec	10 Dec Harrington's Got Talent	11 Dec Performance Band Last day Canteen is Open For 2020 - Hot Dog Day	12/13 DEC
10	14 Dec Presentation Day Year 6 Farewell	15 Dec	16 Dec Big Day In LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2020 FOR STUDENTS	17 Dec	18 Dec	19/20 DEC