

Harrington Public School

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Principal's Report

Welcome Back

Dear Harrington Public School families,

It's so wonderful to see all of the students back at school for the first week of Term 4, considering we were so close to returning to home learning. Although lots of families were unable to travel during the school holidays due to COVID restrictions, the students seemed to have enjoyed quality time with the family and have all come back with increased enthusiasm.

As part of welcoming students back to school, yesterday they enjoyed a free sausage sizzle provided by the school. By the looks on everyone's faces the sausage sizzle was a huge hit. A huge thank you to all the staff helping behind the scenes in putting the lunch together.



New Students

A big warm welcome to our new students who now call Harrington home – Jarrah, Kandace, Alivia and Parker.

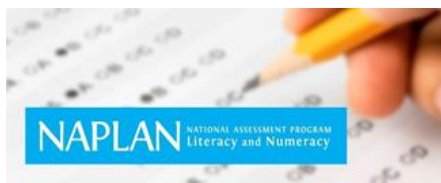


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Student Reports

Over the next few weeks teachers will be busy writing your child's Semester 2 student report. Because of lockdown/home learning, this semester's template will look slightly different to our usual student report (a copy can be viewed at the back of this newsletter). This semester's report will consist of English, Mathematics and a General comment with no A-E scale, in accordance with the Department of Education's recommendations.



National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy NAPLAN

At the end of last term, Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN student reports were sent home to families. Parents/Carers should be extremely proud of their child's efforts and the results will be used to help the school and teachers with future planning.

COVID-19 Level 3 Guidelines

Students must not attend work or school if unwell, even with the mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms must be sent home and not return to school unless:

- They have isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available
- They have a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.



In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement of a negative test.

Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Find your local testing clinic at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/health-and-wellbeing/clinics>

For more information on COVID-19 guidelines at NSW public schools, please visit: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>



150 Year Celebrations and Committee

During the holidays myself, our school captains Issy and Bailey, and the P&C President Sally Anthony appeared on the ABC radio, interviewed about the school's preparation for 2022 in celebrating the school's 150 years. We are very excited about this upcoming event, and are looking forward to being able to showcase 150 years of providing excellence in education to the children and community of our local area. If you have photos, etc you are willing to share with us for this event, we ask you please email them to the school: harrington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Historical Enrolments

We have hit a significant milestone! As of 7 October 2021 the school's enrolment stands at 121 students. Looking at past records this seems to be the highest enrolment Harrington Public School has ever reached in its 150 year history.



Congratulations

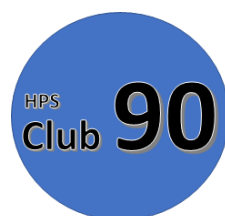
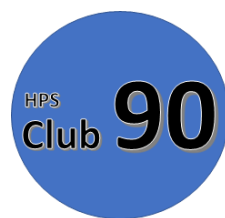
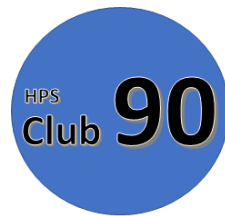
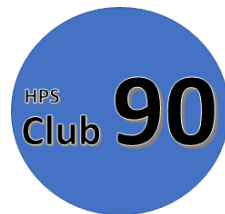
Congratulations to the school's P&C who, in consultation with the school, submitted a grant for a significant amount for the construction of a school hall! Even if we're not successful, we have set the scene in starting the process in getting a much needed school hall.



Attendance Club 90

Congratulations to the following students who made the Club 90 for weeks 6-10 of Term 3. This means they were in attendance for 90% of the 25 days including engaging with home learning. These students will receive an extended lunchtime next week.

Lilly P	Lillian S	Ozzy
William	Indi W	River
Pippa	Mia C	Ethan
Alexis	Sienna-May	Alivia
Dexter	Sienna S	Emma
Addison	Kruze	Logan
Lucas C	Georgia	Gracie
Tyler	Chanelle	Declan
Jack M	Noah M	Kailani
Laylah	Ella-Rose	Lucas F
Dakota L	Finn	Makayla
Kobi M	Archer	Wyatt
Molly	Lilyana W	Isaac W
Lily W	Aidan	Paige
Ebony	Jarrah	Nevaeh
Lucas P	Hayley	Michael
Issy	Stephanie	Cody C
Calista	Kaitlyn	Bailey
Mira-Lee	Ellsie	Matilda
Mia W	Keiara	Joel



Reading Hall of Fame

Congratulations to Hayden who has achieved 100 Nights of Home Reading. This is a wonderful achievement and he should be very proud of his efforts.

Reading is such an integral part of learning, and we encourage children to not only read to themselves, but to read aloud to their parents and carers. Even as little as 20 minutes a day will greatly assist in their progress.

Hayden now has his photograph on display with our other 100 Nights of Reading winners in the office and Library. Well done Hayden!

Please look after yourselves and stay safe.

Take care,

Paul Haste
Principal



We note the SCHOOL OFFICE is only to be attended if prior arrangements have been made

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.

Events Temporarily On Hold

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, the following events are temporarily on hold until further notice:

- CAPA night
- Chatham High School WOW day
- Grandparents and Carers High Tea
- Harrington's Got Talent
- Volunteers Morning Tea
- End of Year Family and Community Breakfast Day
- Christmas Concert
- Presentation Ass
- Cyber Safety Event / Police Visit
- Mini Olympics Gala
- Christmas Carols
- P&C Trivia Night
- Premiers Spelling Bee (for finalists)



The following events have unfortunately been cancelled for 2021:

- Stage 2 camp
- Stage 3 Camp
- Williamstown visit



We are hoping the following may proceed, even if in a modified format, depending on the COVID-19 guidelines at the time:

- Year 6 Farewell Fundraiser
- Girls and Boys Day In
- Remembrance Day Service
- Presentation Assembly
- Big Day In
- Swim School for Years 2-3
- High School Orientation Days
- Principal Privilege Breakfast Semester 2 2021
- Year 6 Farewell

Coming Up



Kindergarten 2022 Orientation Days

To comply with the current COVID-19 guidelines, we have put together a modified Kindergarten Orientation and Transition Program. The four sessions will consist of two Kinder Play afternoons and two of the more formal School Preparation Program sessions. The dates for these sessions are as follows:

Constructive Kinder Play
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School Preparation Program
School Preparation Program

Friday 15 October from 2.00pm to 3.00pm
Friday 22 October from 2.00pm to 3.00pm
Friday 29 October from 9.30am to 11.00am
Friday 5 November from 9.30am to 11.00am

Children will get to meet their Year 5 buddies at the first School Preparation Day, which our buddies are very excited about. Please ensure you bring a hat, a piece of fruit and a drink bottle for both School Preparation Program days. The above dates are subject to any updated COVID-19 guidelines. We will advise parents of any changes or amendments to the schedule if they arise.

ICAS Assessments

Our ICAS Assessments are due to be held by the end of October 2021 (dates are yet to be set). Further details will be made available as soon as we have them to hand.



Check-In Assessments

Check-In Assessments are being held for students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 students during Week 2 of Term 4. These are compulsory assessments which focus on reading and numeracy. Assessments will be held on the following days:

- Years 2 and 3 Thursday, 14 October, 2021
- Years 5 and 6 Tuesday, 12 October, 2021



News

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club have created a special digital Issue 8, which is jam-packed with amazing books for kids to read.

To view the digital issue, visit the following website:

https://scholastic.com.au/.../6534/bc-digital-issue-8_p3.pdf

To make a purchase, please visit:

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>

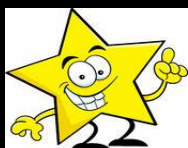


Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all of our the students who have made purchases during the Book Fair, which has continued to run during Week 1 of Term 4.

Under the circumstances it has been very successful, with lots of purchases being made.

Thank you also to Mrs Saunders for organising and running this event.



Spot Sammy Star!

Sammy Star is again hiding throughout our newsletter – how many times did you spot Sammy Star?

Student News



Yellow Room

I am excited to be back at school because I get to see all my friends and play soccer and handball. I also am happy I get to do gardening club and I get to see the chickens. *By Ozzy*

I am excited to be back at school because I get to play with the chickens and I get to see all of my friends. I missed them over the holidays. I'm happy to see Mrs Lockey and Miss Jasmine. *By Edward*



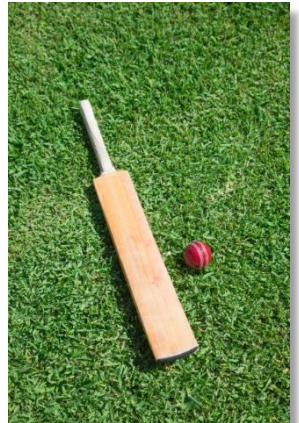
We are excited to do some fun learning. We love maths and writing. This week we have enjoyed counting by tens off the decade and reading "The Dot". It teaches us to keep trying. *By Ozzy and Edward*

Purple Room

In the school holidays my Dad bought me a cricket bat. I played cricket with my sister Mya. We had turns batting and bowling. I was really good at batting. When Dad went to cricket training he took me too. I trained with Dad and I got very hot and sweaty. I had a great time and I really love playing and watching cricket. *By Alyssa*

Hi my name is Emma and I went to a park with a jumping pillow in the holidays. I went there because I was having fun with my Nan and Pop. I went there I think the second week of the holidays. The most fun was meeting someone new named Katy. I was at the park with the jumping pillow for about an hour.

First we were at McDonalds having lunch and after that we hopped in the car. I didn't know where we were going but it sounded fun. Soon we were at a car park and I looked through the window of the big building. We hopped out of the car and went inside. I said "Wow this is incredible." After that I took my ticket, then took my shoes off and ran to the jumping pillow. While I was jumping I bumped into the girl named Katy. We became friendly friends. But then I had to go if I wanted to go to the beach. Quickly I said good by to Katy and hopped into the car. That is my awesome recount of my fun time. I hope you subscribe to the story writing. Bye everybody, good bye. *By Emma T*



Holiday sleepover time – in the first week of the holidays I slept at Mia's house. When I got there I unpacked my bags. Then we played on the playground equipment and then we went inside and got some slime. After this we went inside and we set up my bed for the night. We had chicken schnitzel for dinner and after this Mia had a shower and then I had a shower. After our showers we sat on the lounge and watched some TV. Then we went into Mia's room and watched Spy Kids. Then we had some time on our iPads for 10 minutes. We went to bed at 9pm and in the morning we made slime. We had our breakfast then we went on our iPads until my Mum picked me up. We had the best most amazing time ever! *By Sienna-May and Mia C*

In the holiday I went to Max and Riley's place at Moorland to have a sleepover. We rode motor bikes around their property which is pretty big. Their dad built a motor bike jump and we had fun riding off it. Riley and I played PS4. We played Minecraft together building a base and sweet berry farm. We all slept in the same room with their dog Blackie. We stayed up late playing Nintendo switches and tablets. We all had a good time and I am looking forward to another sleepover. *By Noah M*



Term 4 Week 1 – we had a welcome back sausage sizzle. Mr Haste bought 200 sausages for the hungry people of Harrington Public School. The rolls had onion, tomato and barbeque sauce. It was really yummy. Mrs Rowe, Mr Saunders and the school did a fantastic job cooking, preparing and cleaning up the sausage sizzle lunch. PS the sausages were delicious! *By Kruze and Jack M*



Rainbow Room

I am happy to be back at school because I had nothing to do in the holidays. We are learning about minibeasts and I like bees. *By Betty*

I am happy to be back at school and see my teachers. We are learning about minibeasts and I want to learn more about dragonflies. *By Chadd*

I love buying posters from the Book Fair so I can hang them up in my room. I bought pens and a book. I love it so much. *By Charlotte T*



P&C

Our next P&C meeting will be held in Week 3 via Zoom on Monday, 18 October at 6.00pm. The second meeting for Term 4 is set to be held in Week 8 on Monday 22 November. Details of this meeting will be provided closer to the date.

If you are interested in attending a meeting, becoming a member, being more involved, or are simply after more information, membership costs just \$2. Please contact the office on 6556 1267 for further details.

Uniform Shop and Canteen

The uniform shop is currently closed under the current COVID restrictions.

For future reference, a copy of the Uniform Shop price list and order form is available on SkoolBag and Facebook, if you need to prepare an order for when students are able to return to school.



Sub-Committee - 150 Year Celebrations

We are still looking at forming a sub-committee which will be involved with the co-ordination and preparation of our 150 year Celebrations. If you feel you would like to be involved in this event, please contact the school and provide your details. Alternatively, if you are a past student, teacher or a community member who has had a high involvement in the school and have photos, books, information and stories to tell, please let us know!

Term 4 2021 Report Template



Harrington Public School

2021 - Semester 2

Student: John Smith

Class: 6BLUE1

Teacher: Sally Smith

Year: 1



English

Effort **5** **4** **3** **2** **1**

Teacher Comment

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Mathematics

Effort **5** **4** **3** **2** **1**

Teacher Comment

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General Comment

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About this written report

Our school reports a summary of your child's progress with written reports twice a year and through interviews or meetings. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this report with your child's teacher, please contact the school and arrange an interview.

In line with the advice from the NSW Department of Education, our school reports for Semester 2, 2021 have been adjusted to cater for students learning from school and at home. Please be aware that all students may not have covered the same syllabus outcomes or content during this period.

The teacher's comments will focus on English and Mathematics and will also include a general comment. This report will provide information about student attendance and their commitment to learning. Submission of work from the Learning from Home period is reflected in the Semester 2 attendance and learning data.

Effort

As part of this student report we provide information as to your child's effort in English and Mathematics.

5: Exceptional 4: Great 3: Satisfactory 2: Low 1: Very Low

Attendance

Whole Days Absent	7	Partial Days Absent	1
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Attitudes to Learning

Commitment to learning

Area	A	U	S	R
Actively engages in home learning				
Follows instructions				
Plans and presents work with care				
Seeks assistance when required				
Completes tasks within set timeframe				
Strives for personal improvement				

A = Always, U = Usually, S = Sometimes, R = Rarely

Personal and social development

Area	A	U	S	R
Displays leadership skills				
Follows school rules				
Is courteous and considerate				
Respects the rights of others				
Works cooperatively with peers				
Works independently				

Teacher: Sally Smith

Principal: Mr Paul Haste

Harrington Public School

Enroling now for Kindergarten 2022



Term Three & Four Transition Program

All potential kinder enrolments for 2022 are invited to a Teddy Bears Picnic and play afternoons during Term Three + 3 Morning Transition sessions in Term Four, 2021.

For your enrolment pack please contact front office at
Harrington Public School
High Street, Harrington
02 6556 1267

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Welcome Back Student Lunch

Students and staff the opportunity to share holiday stories and enjoy a wonderful welcome back lunch on Thursday, 7 October!





FOR THE FRIDGE

Term 4 – October 2021						
Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
2	11 Oct	12 Oct Check-In Assessments Years 5 and 6	13 Oct	14 Oct Check-In Assessments Years 3 and 4	15 Oct	16/17 OCT
3	18 Oct P&C Meeting 6pm via zoom	19 Oct	20 Oct	21 Oct	22 Oct	23/24 OCT
4	25 Oct	26 Oct	27 Oct	28 Oct	29 Oct	30/31 OCT