



Harrington Public School

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13 May 2022

Principal's Report

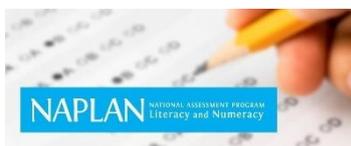
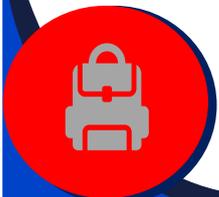
Upgraded Music Room

Our school's new music room is almost complete! In 2020 Harrington Public School applied and were successful in receiving additional funding through the Regional Renewal Program. As a result, the sports shed, which was originally built in 1955, has now been totally refurbished, lending a new lease of life to a building which needed much care. With the band/music program to commence in the coming months, the new music room includes sound proofing pin boards, multiple built-in cupboards, air-conditioning, a window overlooking the garden and new carpet, which students will be able to enjoy and use for many years to come.



NAPLAN

Congratulations to all of those Year 3 and 5 students who completed Writing and Reading this week. We are very proud in how they applied themselves. Next week they will be completing conventions of language and numeracy and we wish them all the best.



Meet, Greet and Eat

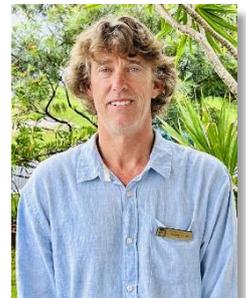
It was absolutely wonderful to see so many families once again back on school grounds for the school's Meet, Greet and Eat evening.



All of the students, parents/carers and family members had a wonderful time having tours of the classrooms, meeting their child's teacher, catching up with other parents and enjoying the yummy barbeque.

Staffing Update

Welcome Mr Jeremy Smith, a temporary teacher who will be taking on the role of the school's librarian, physical education teacher, Covid tutor and digital support officer. I'm sure you will join me in welcoming Mr Smith to the Harrington Public School community.



Take care,
Paul Haste
Principal

Parent Information

Student Lunchboxes and Cutlery

We have become aware of several students bringing food items in their lunch boxes such as fruit packs and yoghurt. If your child is packing their lunch box themselves and including these types of items, please



ensure they are made aware they need to bring their own spoons to school which they must clean themselves before returning to their lunchbox.

Notes, Postponements and Cancellations

We are excited to announce current COVID-19 guidelines allow us to plan excursions and external activities again. Please keep an eye out for upcoming notes which will be sent home shortly:

K-2 Billabong Zoo excursion

3-6 Cattai Wetlands visit

3-6 Community Sport

3-Way Reflection (Parent/Teacher/Student) Meetings

Please note the following permission slips and notes are due to be returned to the school office as indicated:

NOTE NAME / TYPE	STUDENTS	DUE
Emergency Contact Note	All	OVERDUE
LNC Dance Festival	Selected	OVERDUE
Police Liaison Visit Cyber Safety	Adults only	18th May
Zone Cross Country	Selected	23rd May
MSP Photography Forms	All	26th May
Wrap Around Meetings	Selected	1st June

Digital Learning Packs

for Students Required to Learn from Home

We remind parents and carers that, in the event your child needs to isolate due to a positive Covid-19 result, our Assistant Principal – Curriculum & Instruction, Julie Gray, will be overseeing the online Digital Learning Packs which have been provided by the Department of Education. The link to access the digital learning is:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/learning-at-home/2022-digital-learning-packs>

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Friday, 20 May, 2022

P&C News

Meetings

P&C meetings are usually held in Week 3 and Week 8 of each term.



The next meeting of the Harrington Public School P&C will be held on Monday, 6th June (due to the long weekend) at the school. Should you wish to attend a meeting, or if you would like to become a member, please email harringtonspandc@gmail.com.

Uniform Shop

P&C Uniform Contact: Jenny Peters

Open: Every Wednesday
from 8:30am to 9:00am
Please check in at the school office prior to attending

Payment Options: Cash

Order Form/Price List: Available to download via Skoolbag or Facebook, or from the school office

Canteen

Our lovely canteen helpers would like to let families know they have paper lunch bags available for free for any student wishing to place a lunch order. Simply have your child call into the canteen and a small pile will be given to them to take home. Alternatively, parents can purchase their own bags from any major grocery store for approximately \$2 per pack of 100 bags – a much more economical option than plastic zip lock bags!

Recess orders can also be placed with the canteen in the morning, for students to eat at second break. Simply add your order of non-perishable items to the bottom of your lunch order and items will be supplied to your child with their lunch order (in a separate bag). Please see sample order at the end of this newsletter.

Please provide correct change (if possible), otherwise the smallest denomination note available.

Canteen Contact: Susan Peterkin

Open: Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Payment Options: Cash only

Price List: Available to download via Skoolbag and Facebook

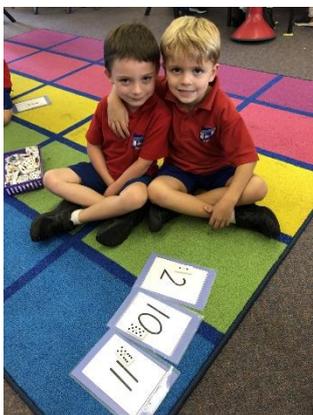
Wanting to help?: Please contact the school office on 6556 1267.

Class News

Pink and Orange Rooms

Over the last fortnight Pink and Orange room students have been using their Mathematical brains. They have been:

1. Learning how to solve addition and subtraction problems using one- and two-digit numbers.
2. Breaking two-digit numbers into tens and ones.
3. Adding dot patterns together to find a bigger number.
4. Writing addition and subtraction number sentences using the plus, minus and equals symbols.



Thank you from all HPS Students

The students and staff of Harrington Public School would like to thank every member of the P&C who was involved in organising and running of the Mother's Day stall last Friday.



It was wonderful for students to be able to purchase gifts that were thoughtful and so beautifully wrapped, which they could give to the special people in our lives.

Thank you

We would like to thank the following groups for their generous donations of money, books and vouchers at the recent ANZAC ceremony:



- Harrington Evening View Club
- Harrington Lions Club
- RAAF Williamtown – Airborne Surveillance Control and Intelligence Systems Programs
- Harrington Crowdy Head RSL Sub-Branch
- Harrington Tennis Club

Thank you also to Manning River Oyster Farmers who also posted a cheque donation last week.

The financial donations will be used to supplement items such as pens, pencils and classroom equipment, while the books will enhance our wonderful library.

Congratulations

We are very excited to advise Year 5 student Finn was selected to represent our region at the Hunter PSSA Football trials for 2022.



Finn came across some pretty tough competition and conditions, and while he wasn't selected to represent the Hunter team, he played an amazing game of football. Congratulations Finn for your efforts!

Cross Country

Well done to all of our students aged 8 years and over who participated in our school Cross Country, and congratulations to those students who have qualified to participate at the upcoming Zone carnival.



Assembly Photos – Term 2 Week 2



Congratulations to our award winners from Week 2!



PRINCIPAL AWARDS:
 HONOUR STUDENT:
 GOLD AWARDS:
 ORANGE:
 PINK:
 PURPLE:
 BLUE:
 GREEN:
 QUICKSMART AWARDS:



Mila, Tristan, Harry L, Jack M, Lilyana W
 Hayden
 Hayden, Sienna S
 Audrey, Bryce, Charlotte A, Taylani, Jaxon H
 Indi M, Damon, Isabella, Skylah, Summer
 Archie, Ryan, Lillian, Athena, Alexis
 Lucas C, Kobi W, Ethan, Dakota C, Jessie P
 Ebony, Molly, Archer, Nevaeh, Lucas F
 Alexis, Declan



Congratulations to the following students for having their efforts recognised externally:

Hayden – who has been accepted into Aurora College where he studies online with the selective opportunity class cohort for Year 6 2022.

School Captains Jarrah and Kaiden, who have received recognition for their involvement in this year's Australia Day Awards ceremony.

Introducing

The Resilience Project

This year we have had the privilege to partner with the wellbeing program 'The Resilience Project' to support the wellbeing of our school community. [The Resilience Project](#) delivers emotionally engaging programs and provides evidence-based, practical strategies to build resilience.

The Partnership Program consists of online presentations and weekly lessons for students, professional development for staff, and Parent & Carer Hub (inc. digital presentations) for our parent and carer community.

Over the coming weeks, we'll be sharing the Parent & Carer Hub with you. The videos are 5-10 minutes long and walk through the key pillars of resilience:

Gratitude, Empathy & Mindfulness.



You'll hear stories and be introduced to activities to show how these strategies can support our kids' learning and development, and also support you as parents and carers.

This program is an important part of our school's effort to look after the mental health of our community.

[View the first presentation of the series, Part 1: Meet Martin and learn about The Resilience Project, here:](#)

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/parent-and-carer-hub/>

We will be in touch fortnightly to share the remainder of the program, including research and wellbeing activities integrate into day-to-day life.

Good for kids good for life



Active travel to and from school

Active travel involves walking, bike riding, scooting or catching public transport when travelling between home and school. It can be all or part of the way!

Tips:

- Plan your route ahead of time – what way is safest?
- Practice the journey as a family on the weekend
- Join up with other families in your neighbourhood
- Park your car further from school and walk the rest of the way
- Children under 10 should always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road



If your child can't safely walk or ride to school incorporate physical activity into your day another way.

Source: Healthy Eating Active Living - Active travel to school (nsw.gov.au)



Developed by Hunter New England LHD

HINE.LHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/

John Smith Purple Room

LUNCH

1 x Chicken Burger	\$5.00
1 x Orange Pasio Orchy	\$2.00
Lunch Total	\$7.00

RECESS

1 x Blueberry Muffin	30c
1 x Popcorn	50c
Recess Total	80c

TOTAL ORDER

TOTAL ORDER	\$7.80
Money Given	\$8.00
Change	20c

Example of a canteen lunch order bag

FOR THE FRIDGE

Term 2 – May 2022

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
4	16 May	17 May	18 May	19 May Police Liaison Visit Cyber Safety (adults only)	20 May Walk Safely to School Day Assembly at 9am	21/22 MAY
5	23 May	24 May	25 May	26 May	27 May Zone Cross Country	28/29 MAY
6	30 May RECONCILIATION WEEK School Photos	31 May RECONCILIATION WEEK	1 Jun RECONCILIATION WEEK	2 Jun RECONCILIATION WEEK K-2 Billabong excursion 3-6 Cattai Wetlands visit	3 Jun RECONCILIATION WEEK Ride to School Day Wrap Around Support Meetings Assembly at 9am incl Public Speaking Finals	4/5 JUN