



Harrington Public School

ISSUE 7 – TERM 2 – WEEK 7
10 June 2022

Principal's Report

Ride2School

What a fantastic morning it was last Friday when some of the students and teachers participated in ride to school. Everyone first met at the boat ramp around 8am, including Charli the school's therapy support dog.



Although it was a cool morning it was lovely riding along the Beach Street footpath and onwards to school. For some students it was the first time riding to school and I'm sure they gained valuable knowledge about road safety etc. and will continue riding to school with friends in the coming months

School Improvements

SCHOOL HALL - progress has already started behind the scenes around the planning process. This is very exciting as I know how much the students, staff and community are looking forward to having a hall.

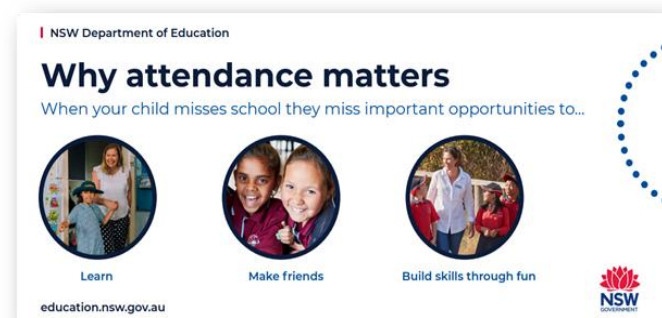


THE NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
Only a few more weeks until the new administration building opens!



Attendance Matters

The past few months has been extremely challenging for many families who have experienced being unwell. The greatest challenge is ensuring students are at school greater than 90% of the time to ensure they reach their full potential.



If students are sick/unwell without being positive for COVID-19, it is not a requirement for them to engage in Home Learning and are marked as S- Sick.

Happy Long Weekend

Wishing all families a safe and happy long weekend!

Take care,

Paul Haste
Principal



Parent Information

Safety Reminder

We understand parking is limited around the school, however we remind parents that recent weather events have alerted us to possible branch-drop from trees in the area near the small lane way next to the school.



We are again requesting families please avoid walking or parking in the general area of this lane way (known as School Street) until further notice.

Notes

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

NOTE NAME / TYPE	STUDENTS	DUE
LNC Dance Showcase	Selected	OVERDUE
3-Way Reflection Notes	All	OVERDUE
Athletics Carnival	All	14 th June
Timbertown Pie Orders and payment	All	15 th June
Girls Night In Note	Years 4-6	22 nd June
Gymnastics – Permission	All	1 st July
Gymnastics – Payment	All	29 th July

Digital Learning Packs

for Students Required to Learn from Home

We remind parents and carers that, in the event your child receives a positive Covid-19 result and needs to isolate, our Assistant Principal – Curriculum & Instruction, Julie Gray, will be overseeing their online Digital Learning 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>

Next Assembly - 17 June at 9am
Blue Room Performance

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, 27th 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 harringtonpspandc@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

Please remember 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.

150 Year Celebrations

2022 will see our school celebrating 150 years of Excellence in Education.

If you would like to help with this event, please contact the school office.

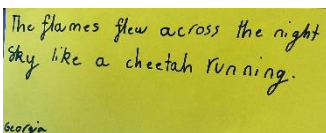
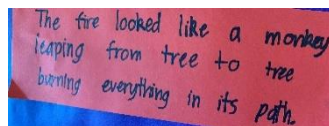
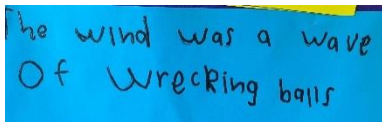
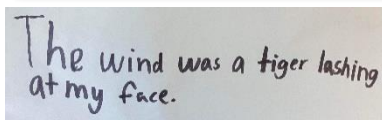
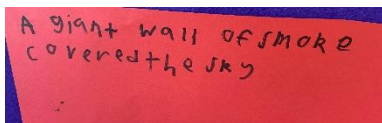


Student News

Blue Room

Over the last fortnight Blue Room students have been:

1. Learning about life cycles in Science, in particular the life of the butterfly.
2. Focusing on our cursive handwriting with Elise has earning her pen license!
3. Learning how to tell the time. We set goals to tell time to the half hour, quarter hour, minute and even 24-hour time!
4. Reading Jackie French's collection on natural disasters and using figurative language to write some fabulous descriptions on fire and flood.



Public Speaking

Harrington Public School students are to be congratulated on delivering their speeches to their class in Weeks 5 and 6. The quality of the speeches was outstanding from Kindergarten all the way through to Year 6. Students were then chosen based on criteria to present their speech at our Public Speaking Finals last Friday. Once again the delivery of the speeches were exemplary.

Well done to the following students for being school finalists:



Frankie, Frederick, Bryce, Isabella M, Billie, River, Addison, Kailani, Emily, Mia C, Molly, Lilyana Wde, Lily W and Finn.

The adjudicating for Stage 2 and Stage 3 was very close with Kailani, Emily, Molly and Lilyana W being chosen to represent Harrington Public School at our local Multicultural Public Speaking Event. These students will be filmed delivering their speech and submitted for judging. We wish them the best of luck.

Reconciliation Week



Stage 1 Billabong Zoo



Stage 3 Science and Engineering Day



Assembly Photos – Term 2 Week 6



PRINCIPAL AWARDS:

HONOUR AWARDS:

GOLD AWARDS:

ORANGE:

PINK:

PURPLE:

BLUE:

GREEN:

QUICKSMART AWARDS:

Chloe, Frederik, Indi W, Elise, Archer

Mia C, Lucas F

Mia C, Pippa, Sienna-May

Mila, Harper, Sadie, Saige, Dexter

Kora, Tristan, Chadd, Jackson C, Gus

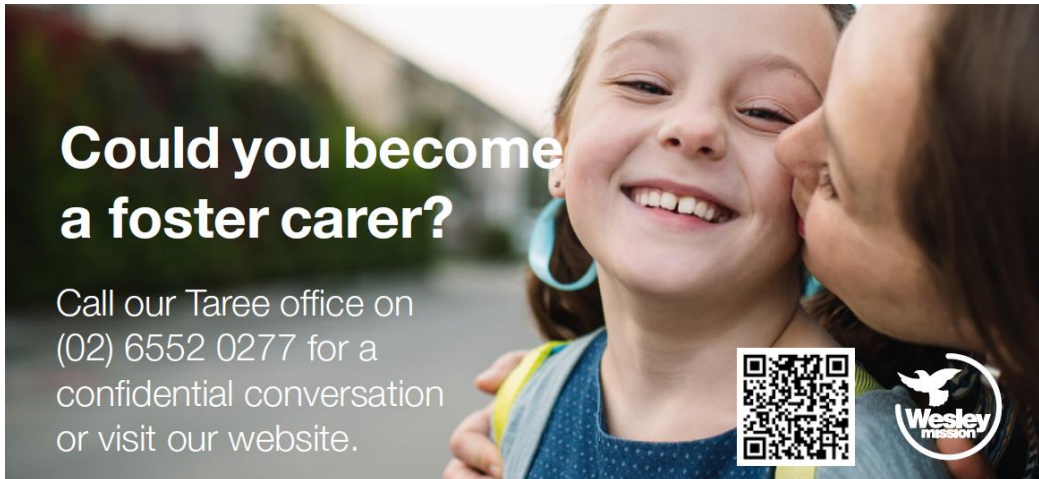
Katerina, Billie, Nezelle, River, Jai

Noah M, Emily, Gracie, Logan, Jordan

Lily W, Lilyana W, Lucas F, Wyatt, Jarrah



Charlie, Kaiden





Could you become a foster carer?

Call our Taree office on (02) 6552 0277 for a confidential conversation or visit our website.



The Resilience Project

Part 3: Empathy & Kindness

This next presentation from [The Resilience Project](#) is all about Empathy and Kindness.

Empathy is our ability to put ourselves in the shoes of others to feel and see what they do. We practice this through being kind and compassionate towards other people.

Brain imaging data shows that being kind to others registers in the brain as more like eating chocolate than like fulfilling an obligation to do what's right (e.g., eating brussel sprouts)!

Research shows that practicing empathy, such as performing acts of kindness, taps into our brain's 'mirror neurons', builds compassion and our behaviour becomes more social and community-based.

View Part 3 of the series here - Empathy <https://theresilienceproject.com.au/parent-and-carer-hub/>

Here's an activity to practise empathy and kindness:

1. Reflect on someone in your life who could benefit from an act of kindness today. It could be a friend who would love some affirmation about their work, your pet who deserves an extra treat, or a family member who would love a phone call or text message.
2. Make a plan for who you are going to gift an act of kindness to, and what you are going to do.
3. If you want to add accountability to your plan, share it with someone else and encourage them to do the same thing.
4. Follow up with each other in a few days time, to ask how it went!



Good for kids good for life



Screen-free Saturday

Challenge your family to dedicate one day a week to turning off screens. Reducing screen time will give your kids more time to play and connect as a family.

Tips

- Decide what 'screen free' will mean for your family.
- Be a role model for your kids – commit to the challenge too.
- Plan some screen-free activities to do together.
- Let your kids come up with their own ideas – start a new tradition.



Developed by Hunter New England LHD

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<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>

HOT OFF THE PRESS!



On Thursday 9th June our debating team consisting of Lily W, Finn, Molly and Lucas F represented Harrington Public School debating against Laurieton Public School. Our students needed to argue why 8 weeks of school holidays is not the right amount of time. **Congratulations goes to our team for successfully winning their first debate.** Thank you also goes to our other squad members Hayden, Jarrah and Ella-Rose for helping the team with their preparation. Our next debate will be against Hallidays Point Public School Dolphins in Week 10.



FOR THE FRIDGE

Term 2 – June/July 2022

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
8	13 Jun QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	14 Jun 3-Way Reflection Meetings Blue Room	15 Jun 3-Way Reflection Meetings Orange Room TIMBERTOWN PIE ORDERS DUE	16 Jun 3-Way Reflection Meetings Purple Room	17 Jun 3-Way Reflection Meetings Pink Room Assembly from 9am Blue Room Item	18/19 JUNE
9	20 Jun 3-Way Reflection Meetings Green Room	21 Jun LNC Dance Festival 5.30pm session at the Glasshouse Port Macq	22 Jun	23 Jun Principal Privilege Student Lunch LNC Dance Festival Showcase Performance Junior Dancers from 6.30pm	24 Jun	25/26 JUNE
10	27 Jun P&C Meeting at 6pm	28 Jun Girl's Night In	29 Jun	30 Jun	1 Jul Assembly from 9am Green Room Item	2/3 JULY