



## Principal's Report

### Attendance Matters – Did You Know?

Research highlights a clear correlation between student attendance and the achievement of quality academic, socio-economic and health outcomes.



### Book Parade

Many thanks to all the grandparents/parents/carers who travelled from far and wide to attend our Book Character parade last week. I was so proud of all the students (and mums and dads) in the effort they had gone to in creating some truly inspiring authentic book characters. I am sure that you would agree that the photos looked amazing which were taken by our lovely Mrs Elmer against the school's media wall. We hope that everyone enjoyed the morning tea which was provided. A huge acknowledgement to the following who kindly donated books for our students to borrow from the library:

Kruze and Willow; Elise and Emma; Makayla; Chloe; Dakota L; Saige and Indianna; Georgie C; Harry L; Ryan and Sarah; Freya; Jabiru Teaching and Learning Centre.



### 150 Year Celebrations

Behind the scenes there has been an enormous amount of work in putting together the school's Formal Dinner and Expo held in October. A special mention to Sally A, Jess M, Leona C, Sienna, Janelle Mrs Saunders and Mrs Lockey who are part for committee, especially Jess M who has put in an enormous amount of time in creating two amazing days of celebrations.



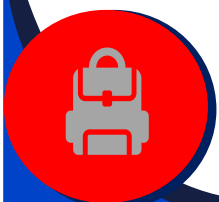
### 150 Year Celebrations

Wednesday	Friday	Saturday
<i>CAPA Showcase</i> 5:30pm-7:30pm	<i>Formal Dinner</i> 6pm-9:30pm	<i>Expo</i> 10am-2pm



### P&C Father's Day Stall

What a wonderful Father's Day stall the P&C put together! The students were so excited in choosing a special gift for the special father figures in their lives.



## Hall Construction

Exciting news!

Construction on the school's hall will commence in March next year! This will be such a valuable space for multiple purposes.



## CAPA Groups



Last week saw the start of CAPA groups, with groups ranging from Kindergarten to Year 6 students. Over the next four weeks students will be busy preparing for the Week 2 Term 4 CAPA Showcase.

## Staffing Update

A big warm welcome to Kayla Orphin who has started working here at Harrington Public School in Orange and Pink room as an SLSO-teacher aide. Kayla is also studying to be a teacher and is a great asset to our school.



## Congratulations

I would like to offer a huge congratulations to our Chaplain, Mark "Chappy" Smith, who has been recognised by Generate SU Australia (who support Schools Ministry across NSW through Chaplaincy and SRE Teaching), for 10 years of service in helping children, young people and their families. Well done Chappy!



## Thank You

I would like to pass on our thanks to Harrington Adventure Hire for allowing us to utilise their small bus for our upcoming Touch and Netball Gala Days. We appreciate it!



Take care,

Paul Haste  
Principal

## Parent Information

### Uniform Shop

PLEASE NOTE  
CHANGE IN  
PROCEDURE:  
Orders for the school uniform shop will now be placed directly with the school office.



Orders can be dropped in any day of the week and will be processed as soon as practical. A staff member will continue to be at the Uniform Shop each Wednesday morning from 8.40am – 9.00am.

Please drop the order form into the office, making your payment via EFTPOS or cash (please provide correct money as cash is not kept on the premises and change will not be available). Payments can also be made online (using UNIFORM ORDER as a reference). For further details please contact the office.

### Year 6 Photos

As per the note sent home to Year 6 families recently, we looking to make a photo presentation for the Year 6 Farwell and as such are asking parents to send in approximately 10 photos of their Year 6 child. These photos can be newborn, toddler, preschool age or even kindergarten and primary school shots.

Photos can be printed or in digital format, and we ask they please be handed into the office **PRIOR TO THE END OF WEEK 9 (16 September, 2022)**. We will then make copies and return originals to families as soon as possible.

### 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
Stage 3 Camp Note	Years 5 & 6	<b>OVERDUE</b>
Stage 3 Camp Deposit	Years 5 & 6	<b>OVERDUE</b>
Chatham HS WOW Day	Years 5 & 6	<b>5 Sept</b>
Zone Touch Gala Day	Select	<b>5 Sept</b>
Zone Netball Gala Day	Select	<b>14 Sept</b>
Year 6 Baby Photos	Year 6	<b>16 Sept</b>
Stage 3 Camp Payment	Years 5 & 6	<b>12 Nov</b>

## 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 is set to be held on **Monday, 5 September** at the school from 6pm. Should you wish to attend a meeting, or if you would like to become a member, email [harringtonpspandc@gmail.com](mailto:harringtonpspandc@gmail.com).


### Canteen

We are always looking for more helpers in our canteen – if you are able to help, please contact the school office on 6556 1267. We appreciate any time you can give, no matter how great or small. Thank you.

Our new menu is available on Skoolbag and Facebook. When placing an order, please provide correct change (if possible) or the lowest denomination available.

Canteen Contact: Susan Peterkin  
Open: Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
Payment Options: Cash only  
Menu: Available to download via Skoolbag and Facebook  
Wanting to help?: Please contact the school office on 6556 1267.

# Win, Win, Win!



## Tell Them From Me

### Parent Survey

Our school is again asking families to participate in our Tell Them From Me survey. The 5-10 minute survey is used to capture parent and carer voices.

Families completing the survey will again **go into a draw to win one of many prizes** thanks again to Col Howard and Harrington Wholesale Cars – further details will be sent home and posted on the school Facebook page and Skoolbag shortly.

## Student News

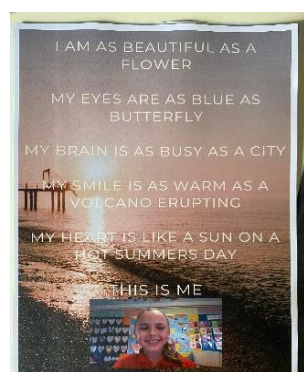
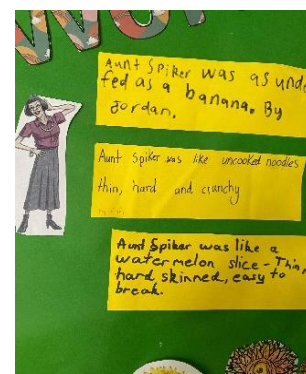
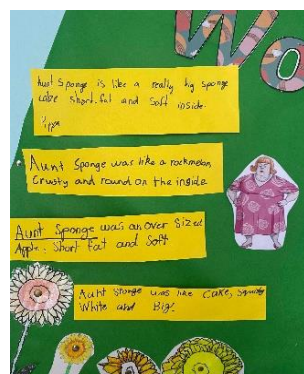
### Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Harrington Public School students who turn 11, 12 and 13 in 2022 are again participating in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. It is a task they will be undertaking in class, conveying the message, “Lead with Compassion.”

### Blue Room

This last fortnight in Blue Room, students have been:

- Creating watercolour turtle art, after reading our book Kensukes Kingdom.
- Exploring simile writing by describing some characters from James and The Giant Peach.
- Writing a simile poem about ourselves which we wrote and published in Canva.
- Learning about measuring angles, using protractors in our Maths groups.



## Parent Engagement with Home Learning

From AP C&I, Julie Gray

### Handfuls

Handfuls is an activity that's all about quantifying collections and exploring how numbers work. Whether it's pasta shells or beans, it's a fun way to get your child estimating and playing with quantities.

· Things you need - household ingredients (lima beans, shell pasta, etc.), pencils or markers, paper.



### The Challenge

#### Step 1

Get your child to take a handful of whatever household item you have collected for this game.

#### Step 2

Ask your child to estimate how many they are holding in their handful.

#### Step 3

Talk to your child about their estimate. How many items do they think they have, and why do they think that?

Tip: Support your child in using evidence to estimate. For example, you might ask them "do you remember how many pasta shells you picked up, I think it was 15? The lima beans are a little bit smaller. Do you think you have more of them, or less?" Be careful not to say their estimate was right or wrong. Instead, help them describe their estimate as being reasonable, and guide them to refine their thinking if they need to.

#### Step 4

Encourage your child to organise their handful so they can work out how many items they have by looking and thinking. For example, putting the items into groups of 5 in the same layout as a dice pattern is one way to describe how many they have.

#### Step 5

Get your child to arrange their items in a different way and record their thinking. You can be the recorder, or they might like to write down their own ideas and show you.

#### Step 6

There are a number of important questions you should ask your child throughout the activity, including: "How many do you think you have?", "How have you organised your collection?", "How many do you have?", "Can you organise them differently?"

# Assembly Photos – Term 3 Week 6



PRINCIPAL:

GOLD:

HONOUR:

KINDERGARTEN:

YEAR 1:

PURPLE:

BLUE:

GREEN:

CHAPLAINCY:

Freya, Gus, Alivia, Logan, Ava

Noah B, Frederik, Dakota L, Gracie

Dakota L, Gracie

Jed, Jaxon, Brookie, Kora, Indianna

Betty, Charlotte T, Charlotte A, Harry, Kandace

Harry, Ryan, Indi, Alexis, Sienna S

Jack G, Pippa, Ethan, Elise, Chance

Taj, Isaac, Byron, Jarrah, Maddie

Chance



**Harrington Public School**



# Enrolling now for Kindergarten 2023



## **Term Three & Four Transition Program**

*All potential kinder enrolments for 2023 are invited to a Teddy Bears Picnic and play afternoons during Term Three + 2 Morning Transition sessions in Term Four, 2022.*

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

**Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best**

Crowdy Head SLSC

# *Nippers Pool Proficiency*

**Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2022**  
at  
**YMCA Taree**  
(Manning Aquatic Leisure Centre)

Under 6's, 7's and 8's	from 10.00am
Under 9's, 10's and 11's	from 10.30am
Under 12's, 13's and 14's	from 11.00am

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS, SEE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**  
or send an email to [enquiries@crowdyheadslsc.org.au](mailto:enquiries@crowdyheadslsc.org.au)

To become a member visit: <https://members.sls.com.au>

A conversation could change a life.

Thursday 8 September will see our school participating in R U OK? day.

R U OK? Day is our national day of action dedicated to reminding everyone that every day is the day to ask, "are you OK?" and support those struggling with life's ups and downs.

Students are invited to wear **yellow** in support of this day.

## Active indoor play

Try these fun activities to get kids moving indoors!

- Play games that get kids moving e.g. Twister, balloon tennis, Simon Says, hide & seek
- Use Apps that get kids physically active e.g. yoga, dance
- Get your groove on! Have a dance party, with lots of movements e.g. jumping, hopping. Freeze the music and balance on one leg!
- Set up a gym circuit using home equipment e.g. mini trampoline, balls, hula hoops, skipping ropes. Include star jumps, squats, running on the spot, bridges

**Get active with your kids, its fun!**

Source: Keeping kids active indoors: Top tips from our experts | Boston Children's Hospital  
<https://answers.childrenshospital.org/kids-active-indoors/>

Developed by Hunter New England LHD

HNELHD - GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au  
<https://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au>

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS

# Spring

FAIR

HARRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

1872-2022      22ND OCTOBER 2022

10AM TIL 2PM

TICKETS ON SALE SOON

RIDES - PETTING ZOO - TIME WARP - OUTDOOR CAFE - RAFFLES - BBQ - LIVE MUSIC

# The Resilience Project

## Empathy.

This fortnight we are looking at Empathy. Working on empathy helps us to identify, understand and feel what another person is feeling. When we show empathy or we do something kind for someone else our brain releases oxytocin. This leads to us increasing our self-esteem/confidence, energy levels, positivity and overall happiness.

## Kindness Challenge

Choose an act of kindness (from the picture on the right) that you would like to do for a neighbour or family friend. Feel free to do more than one and spread the kindness even further!

When we have empathy, we put ourselves in the shoes of others and feel and see what they do. We practice this through being kind and compassionate towards other people. This not only makes other people feel good because of your kindness – it actually makes you happier!

- Invite them on a walk.
- Invite them over for a afternoon tea.
- Design them a Thank You card.
- Put on a concert for them.
- Pick some flowers to deliver to them.
- Offer to take their pets for a walk
- Choose a little plant from your garden to give them.
- Make them a gift from things around your house.
- Let them borrow one of your favourite books to read.
- Say hello next time you see them and ask them how their day is going.
- Offer to do a job for them like wash their car or water their garden.
- Cook them something delicious like a cake, hot bread, or cookies.
- Write a note to put in their letter box thanking them for being a great neighbour or friend.

# FOR THE FRIDGE

## Term 3 – August / September 2022

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
8	5 Sep P&C Meeting from 6pm	6 Sep Tell Them from Me Parent Survey opens	7 Sep Touch Gala Day	8 Sep Green Room Visit to Chatham High School WOW Day  R U OK? Day	9 Sep Assembly  Gymnastics	10/11 SEPT
9	12 Sep	13 Sep	14 Sep	15 Sep	16 Sep Netball Gala Day  Year 6 Photos due  Kinder Orientation	17/18 SEPT
10	19 Sep	20 Sep	21 Sep Staff Twilight Professional Learning	22 Sep	23 Sep Assembly  Gymnastics	24/25 SEPT