

From the Classroom

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS -

Alyse (2J), Wil (2G), Tom (2C), Oliver (2J), Hyo (1J), Erinn (3B), Emma (3W), Sophia (2J), Diana (2J), Georgia (3T), Thomas (6M), Abigail (2J) and Renee (4T).

LIBRARY NEWS -

Forty five children have now completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. Look on the website for the names. This is excellent reading. Keep it up everyone.

Chess - Due to unavoidable circumstances our chess teacher was unable to attend the class last Thursday. We are currently negotiating a time for a make-up lesson. I will let you know when it is scheduled as soon as it has been arranged.

Helen.Stevens@det.nsw.edu.au Helen Stevens, Teacher Librarian

KINDERGARTEN NEWS -

News Topic - Week 9: Bring in a picture of a dog or a dinosaur.

Autumn Fair - Don't forget to fill your wooden bucket and return them to me. I have about 25 buckets left, if you would still like one.

Sharon Gates

PSSA CRICKET AND SOFTBALL -

This Friday we will play the last match until the competition resumes in Term 3. We are playing against Wideview at Warrina Street (cricket) and Berowra Oval (softball).

The meeting time outside the library is 8:50am. This week's drivers are: Ludlow, Vandertouw, McFadden, Roberts, Stevens, Kirk, Claydon, Vogrig, Hall, Gracie, Ambrose, Vikas, Easy, Thompson, Jawahar and Whitlock.

GIRLS' SOCCER TRIALS -

This year we will again be having a girls' soccer team competing in the PSSA competition. Girls from Years 4-6 are invited to try out for this team at lunch time this Friday on the school oval.

REP SHIRTS -

All school representative shirts should be washed and returned to school after being used. Children involved in the AFL Paul Kelly Cup and the Zone Swimming carnival should have already returned their shirt. Children in the cricket and softball teams, please return your shirt to Mr Howard next week.

BOYS SOCCER TRIALS -

Soccer trials for Year 5 Boys will be held tomorrow, Thursday March 19 during first half lunch on the bottom oval. Please meet Mr Lawrence on the oval after eating time.

INTERRELATE - SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAMME -

A separate note was sent home previously with Years 3-6 students. The programme will be held on Wednesday April 1 at school.

Session 1: 6 pm Where Did I Come From? 1 hour Years 3 & 4.

Session 2: 7.30 pm Preparing for Puberty. 1 hour Years 5 & 6.

Family Admission: 1 session \$15; 2 sessions \$20.

P & C NEWS: CANTEEN NEWS -

Volunteers:

Thu 19 Mar: Luna Hrastnik, Michiko Beattie, Yuki Tatsuta

Fri 20 Mar: Melanie Clarke, Debby Inglis, Debra Murphy, Stephen Ackerman

Mon 23 Mar: Yan Gong, Jeong Seon Min, Yao Shen

Tues 24 Mar: Nicole Khallouf, Jennifer Gracie

Wed 25 Mar: Anna Scholey, Christina Martin

Vicki Stubbings

BAND NEWS -

A Band Newsletter as well as a Last Minute Band Workshop Reminder note went home after practice this week. Please see the office, if you didn't get one.

We look forward to seeing all students this Saturday at 9.45am for our Workshop Day. If you have a music stand, please bring it in but make sure that it is labelled. Get ready for a great music making day! Workshop Day also coincides with World Harmony Day, so don't forget to wear something orange. To all parents that offered assistance on the day, a note will be coming home with the Band Newsletter confirming your time. We did get quite a lot of offers to help, for which we thank you, but if your assistance is not needed

this time around, we will definitely ask you when Band Camp is on.

Finally, Term 1 Band Fees are due in by this Friday 20 March. There are considerable discounts to be had, if paid by the due date. Quite a lot of notice has been given with regards to the band invoices and therefore, unfortunately, if payments are received after this date, the discounts will not apply. Thank you.

Catherine Pedersen, Band Committee President

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS -

Opening hours are Thursday and Friday mornings 8.30 am—9.30 am. Any donation of unwanted uniforms will be accepted, including the 'old' pleated sports skirts.

Tracy and Lara

GROUNDS COMMITTEE NEWS -

Thank you to all the families who attended our first working bee of the year. We had a very successful day with perfect weather. Everyone worked very hard to get the grounds tidy for the Autumn Fair. Thank you to the Warne, Gates, Pedersen, Harvey, Broady, Dunne, Hampson, Murphy, Kaufman, Charman, Asprey, Hestelov, Young, Lee, Murnane and White families who all gave up their time to help. If I have missed your name please let the office know, so we can add you into next week's newsletter. Everyone's help was greatly appreciated.

If anyone lost a pair of green handled secateurs on Sunday, please contact the office to collect them.

Meredith Burke and the Grounds Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS -

Babysitting - Laura, former Hornsby North Public School student, currently at Asquith Girls High School. Great rates. Phone: 9482 8937.

Bunnings Thornleigh - Ladies and Family Night Thursday 19 March 6pm - 9pm. Free Fun for All the Family - Lucky Dip, Entertainment, BBQ & refreshments. Bookings essential phone 9479 9000 or email Thornleigh@bunnings.com.au.

www.kidstimes.com.au - Online directory for parents. Whats on for kids calendar; kids activities; clubs & classes. Buy & sell baby & kids items; childcare & local school listings; party & entertainment & more.

Sports 4 Schools—Super Sports Day - Date: Tuesday 21 April 2009.

Time: 9.30am-3.30pm. Ages: Boys and Girls 5-13 years. Venue: Hornsby North Public School. Sports played will include: soccer, basketball, netball, oz tag, touch football, AFL, T-ball, cricket, volleyball, dance. Circus skills including: Fling Nets, Flip n Flyer, Spin Stix, Spinning Plates and Twirling Poi! To enrol your child please email your child's details (name, age, school, phone number) to sport4schools@live.com. For more information please call Greg on 0419 124 369.

Rebel Sport Hornsby - NSW Waratahs in store on Thursday 2 April between 6pm-7pm. Don't miss your chance to receive stickers, posters and autographs from "The Tahs". 10% off all Waratah's merchandise Thursday 2 April - one day only!! 10% off All Footwear until 30 April.

Depression Support Group - This is an 'open' group which means anyone can drop in and attend the group when they want to, there is no obligation to commit to any length of time. There is no charge. This monthly support group is ideal for people living with depression, families, friends and anyone who would like to learn more about depression or if you simply want to cope better with life when things get you down. The group is held on the first Sunday of each month from 2pm onwards at Hornsby RSL Club, 4 High Street, Hornsby. The sponsored support group is run in conjunction with Depression & Mood Disorders Association of NSW (DMDA) and the Association of Relatives and Friends of the Mentally Ill (ARAFMI).

Friendly Home Visiting Program -The Friendly Home Visiting Programme is a component of the Home and Community Care (HACC) Neighbour Aid Services which links a volunteer willing to regularly visit an isolated, house bound older or disabled person. Anyone can refer to the service. Berowra Neighbour Aid programme provides services to the area of Berowra, Mt Kuring-gai, Mt Colah, Asquith, Cowan and Brooklyn. Phone 9456 3344.

Asquith Soccer Club - is looking for players in the following age groups: Boys and Girls turning 7,9,10 or 11 this year who would like to play in the Saturday Mixed Small Sided Games (SSG) competition; Girls turning 9 or 10 this year who would like to play in the Girls Under 10 Sunday SSG competition; Girls or Boys turning 12 or 13 this year who would like to play in the Mixed Junior Saturday competition. If interested call Robyn at junioryp@asquithsc.org.au or 0415 051 618.