



# HNPS Newsletter

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## From the Principal...

### HORNSBY DISTRICT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Last Monday, the Hornsby District Music Festival began at the Hornsby RSL Club. During the morning the massed choir and individual groups rehearsed before putting on a most entertaining matinee at 12.30pm. Hornsby North was represented in a variety of performances: over 50 students were part of the massed choir, Miss Havron's Music and Movement group with soloist Amy (2G) charmed the audience, the Junior Dance Ensemble (Group 2) were splendid in their item "Rich Girl" whilst the entire 3-6 Hornsby North Choir of over 100 students with soloist Ellanah (5G) brought many a tear to the audience as they sang "You Raise Me Up" while the Signing Choir from Clarke Road School performed.



Music and Movement Group

Tonight the choirs and the dance ensemble will perform. I know our students will represent well and we will be very proud of their participation and enthusiasm.

### AREA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Wednesday eight students from Hornsby North represented the Hornsby Zone at the Area Carnival. Congratulations to Matthew (5H), Bronte (5H), Claire (5B), Connor (5B), Isabella (6M), Luna (6S), Alexander (5H) and Peter (6B). It was a very competitive field and all performed extremely well, some gaining personal bests, but Luna came first in the 100 metres sprint for her age group. There were 24 competitors in her race, so the achievement was an excellent result for this talented all round student. Luna will now move on to the State Carnival next term.



### PREMIER'S SPELLING CHALLENGE

Today four students, Johanna (4T), Krishna (4T), Jerry (6B) and Ivan (6S) will participate in the Premier's Spelling Challenge at Cherrybrook Public School. Best wishes to these students and good spelling!

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

As reported in last week's newsletter, School photos will be taken next week -

Monday 28 September - Class Photos

Wednesday 30 September - Group Photos

Because the warmer weather is upon us, some students have changed to the summer uniform. Please note that the uniform for the photos is **winter uniform**. Please ensure that students wear this uniform on photo day. Students who have a gymnastics lesson on Monday should **not** wear sports uniform. If they wish children may bring sports uniform to change into for their gym lesson.

On Wednesday, Group photos will be taken. Please note: students in the bands must bring their musical instruments and House Captains and Vice House Captains are required to bring their sports uniform.

### KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION EVENING - TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 7.30PM

Yes, it is that time of year again. It seems such a short time ago that we welcomed Kindergarten 2009. Soon these wonderful little students will be in Year 1 and helping us look after next year's Kindergarten students.

All parents who have completed their application forms have been notified of the evening and we are expecting approximately 100 students next year. Parents and community members who know of parents who intend to enrol kindergarten students next year, but have not completed the appropriate forms, please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible and / or tell them about the Orientation Evening on Tuesday at 7.30pm in the school library.

### SPORTING SUCCESS

Our roving reporter tells us that Ben (5G) was also a member of the winning Under 11B Soccer team, which won Gala Day. Congratulations Ben.



Amelia (2J) participated in her second ribbon day at the Sydney Equestrian Centre and achieved the following excellent results: 2nd place: Lead class; 3rd place: Best Presented; 4th place: Lady Rider. Congratulations Amelia.

A note to students and parents regarding outside school success. Space permitting we will always print successes and achievements, but we do rely on students to tell us of their achievements. As much as we would like to be able to link into all successes, at this stage we are not able to.

As children were advised today, the activities around the climbing wall have been postponed and will be held tomorrow, Thursday 24 September.

*Maree Sumpton*

Principal

### Coming Events....

Wed 23 Sep	Hornsby District Music Festival—Evening 7.30 pm
Thu 24 Sep	Dance for both Ensemble groups / Joey League Years 4 and 5 Climbing Wall
Mon 28 Sep	School Photo Day/Gym-3C, 3W, 5B, 5G, 6B, 6M, 6S
Tues 29 Sep	Gym - 3B, 3T, 4P, 4R, 4T, 5H / Lolly Day 7.30pm K2010 Orientation Evening in Library
Wed 30 Sep	School Photos - Groups
Thu 1 Oct	Fun Day - Mufti day

## From the Classroom .....

### SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS -

Bianca R. (6S), Brian (4R), Daniel (2C), Emily (5H), Luke (4T), James (2C), Emma H. (4T), Connor (5B), Bjorn (2M), Kaitlin (4T), Myra (1J), Lawrence (1J), Noah (1J), Derek (3C), Valeria (1M), Georgia (1M), Amy (3W), Luke x2 (3W), Grace (KA), Piper (2C), Aran (5G), Rohan (4P), Bianca I. (6S), Nancy (4R), Zoe (6S), Robert (3T), David (1H), Brittany (6M), Mikhail (3B), Dong x2 (5G), Jasmine (3T), Isabella (3T), Claire (5G), Tessa (3W), Cody (1H), Emily (3C), Mark (2G), Caitlyn x4 (2C), Tiffany (4P), Shawn (6M), Aaron (4T) and Bradley (2C).

### LIBRARY NEWS -

Hopefully the Chess competition will be finished next week and our 2009 champions finalised. The make up lesson for Thursday morning lessons will be on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October at lunch time.

[Helen.Stevens@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Helen.Stevens@det.nsw.edu.au) Helen Stevens, Teacher Librarian

### KINDERGARTEN NEWS -

News (Week 10) - Try to remember a book that you have read this term. It can be a home reader, a literacy group reader, a library book or a 'big book' we have read as a class. Try to remember it without having to refer to the book!

### DANCE NEWS -

Commencing tomorrow Thursday September 24 until the end of Term 4. Dance for both Ensemble groups will be held every Thursday morning.



### REP SHIRTS -

Please return washed school rep. shirts to school as soon as possible after they have been used. All shirts should be returned to school, apart from children in the summer PSSA teams.

### CLUBS -

We need flat plastic lids / trays for Clay. If your child brought home plastic trays could they please be returned to 1P.

We also desperately need more wood for woodwork. If you have anything that might be suitable, please see Mr. Gates.

### PSSA CRICKET -

Last Friday our opponents were Turramurra and we had a win and a loss. The juniors played well to win a close match 46-33, in a grand final re-match from last year. The seniors also played some good cricket but were defeated 55-46. This week the seniors do not have a match, but the juniors are playing against Hornsby South at Montview Oval. The meeting time is 12:30pm outside the school library and the drivers are: Kirk, Watt, Liddelaw and Claydon.

### PSSA SOFTBALL -

Well done to our PSSA Softball teams who played Turramurra on Friday. Both teams played fantastically! The Juniors won 21-12 and the Seniors were close, however they were defeated 11-10. Thanks to all those parents who helped out. This week our Juniors are playing Hornsby South at Rofe Park and the Seniors have a bye. We wish the girls the best of luck!!

### HIGH SCHOOL NEWS FOR YEAR 5 STUDENTS -

**Normanhurst Boys High School** - Information mornings for Year 7 2011. Two information mornings will be held for those interested in the 2011 Year 7 selective intake - Thursday 1 October and Monday 19 October 9.30-11.00am. For more information phone 9489 1077.

**AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL PERFORMING ARTS H.S.** - Open Day Sat 26 September 10.30am-2pm. 31-33 Allen St, Harris Park, Register your attendance by Sep 24: [admin@aipah.nsw.edu.au](mailto:admin@aipah.nsw.edu.au) For info contact 9637 0777 or visit the website [www.aipah.nsw.edu.au](http://www.aipah.nsw.edu.au).

### P & C NEWS -

#### CANTEEN NEWS -

Eucalyptus drops are only available on a lunch order bag.

Lolly Day Tuesday 29 September—preordered lolly bags 50c or \$1 will be delivered in the lunch baskets, normal sales at recess.

#### Volunteers:

Thu 24 Sep: Toshiko Shimizu, Jennifer Martin

Fri 25 Sep: Linda Pearson, Gaye Heap, Rebecca Nielsen

Mon 28 Sep: Jeong Seon Min

Tues 29 Sep:

Wed 30 Sep: Christina Martin

Vicki Stubbings

### BAND NEWS -

Just a reminder that school group photos will be taken next Wednesday 30 September. This includes students in all 3 bands. Could you please remember to bring in your instruments on the day. Full winter uniform is to be worn.

As advised in our latest band newsletter, we will be requiring a few committee positions to be filled at the end of this year, in particular 2 instrument coordinators and 1 tutor coordinator for woodwind instruments. Ideally we would like the instrument coordinators to start in Term 4, so that Cathie and Jacqui can show the ins and outs of this position. If you can help out, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me or leave a note in the P & C Box in the front office. We are a very friendly bunch and the band committee will support you in every way. Thank you.

Catherine Pedersen, Band Committee President

### UNIFORM SHOP NEWS -

Opening hours are Thursday and Friday mornings 8.30 am - 9.30 am.

### FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE NEWS -

Trivia Night - Tickets now on sale for \$15 each, tables are made up of 10. Purchase between 1 to 10 tickets and if you don't have a table organized, you will be put on a table. Don't forget to think of a theme for your table! Thank you for your hamper donations thus far!

Hornsby North Community Weight Loss Challenge - Lose weight and support our school. Cash prizes for biggest losers! Challenge starts Thursday 1 October 2009. For more info call Andrea 9476 3669.

### COMMUNITY NEWS -

**Rebel Sport Hornsby** - 20% off storewide Thurs 24 Sept. School members show your MVP card & save! Shop 3040, Level 3, Westfield, Hornsby. MVP cards available at the front office.

**St Patricks School Fete** - Saturday 26 September 9am-3pm Royston Parade, Asquith.

**Seminar for Parents - Parenting Anxious Children** - Thursday 24 September 10.30am-12.30pm. A seminar for parents of children aged 4-10 years. Where: Level 2, Old Maternity Building, Building 6, Hornsby Hospital, Palmerston Road, Hornsby. Cost: \$10, no charge for concession card holders. Contact CAFT on 9477 9190 or visit [www.caft.notlong.com](http://www.caft.notlong.com).

**Karate Classes for Self Defence, Discipline and Fitness** - Who: World Goju Ryu, Karate Do Academy. When: New children's classes (per term) commence Oct 20 weekly on Tuesdays from 6.30pm (First introductory class free). Adult classes commence from 7.30-9.00pm (Tuesdays). Where: Hornsby Heights Community Centre, 104A Galston Road, Hornsby Heights. Contact: Phillip (4th Dan) Instructor on 9940 3677 or 0403 821 022.

**Ryde Water Polo - Junior Development Training Day** - Boys and Girls ages 10-14. Saturday 3 October 11.30am-2.00pm. Cost: \$5 + pool entry, includes a sausage sizzle. Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre, 504 Victoria Road, Ryde. To book your place call Neil on 0408 884 808 or email [rydewaterpolo@hotmail.com](mailto:rydewaterpolo@hotmail.com). Hurry, limited places available!

**Looking for a team sport for girls?** - Come and Try Teeball ages 5-9 years and Modball ages 9-11 years. When: Thursdays 5-7pm 15 Oct - 26th November (Term 4). Cost: \$30. New players receive a bag and softball glove. Free: BBQ for every player after each game. Registrations due 1st October. For more details or to register, contact: Stealers Softball Club (inc. Chase Softball) [alison@datasync.com.au](mailto:alison@datasync.com.au) or 0419 011 828.

### HORNSBY AMATEUR SWIM CLUB

#### Missed Registration night, don't panic, come along to our Start of Season – Friday 25th September 2009

6.20pm for a 7pm start at the H.A.S.C Club House, Hornsby Pool. Bring your swimmers, a towel, goggles and your smile!

If you are unsure if Hornsby is the club for you, come along for a "Test the Waters" evening, free of charge (Pool Entry fee Applies). See the Committee in the club house to organize a 'Guest Swim'.

**Club Races: Every Friday Night:** 25th September '09 to March '10, include all stroke options, 25m, 50m and 100m alternatives too.

**Entries Close:** 6.45pm (suggested arrival time 6.20pm)

**Racing Starts:** 7pm

**Fees:** 1st Swimmer \$85, 2nd swimmer \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> swimmer \$65

**Who to Contact:** For further info or arrange a free "Guest Swim" call: Stuart Ellicott : 0411 883 235 or visit: [www.hornsbywimclub.com](http://www.hornsbywimclub.com) or email us at [hornsbywimteam@yahoo.com.au](mailto:hornsbywimteam@yahoo.com.au)



**Hornsby North Cricket Clinic & Sports Day**

**Date:** Wednesday October 7  
**Time:** 9:30am – 3:30pm  
**Venue:** Hornsby North Public School  
**Age:** 5 – 14  
**Cost:** \$35 per child or \$65 for 2 children

**The cricket clinic will include:**

- specialised coaching in batting, fast, swing, spin bowling & wicket keeping
- catching and fielding drills
- fun games of cricket, double wicket competition

**Sports & Fun Activities include:**

- soccer, touch footy, crazy catch
- dance, netball, basketball, t-ball
- oz tag, cricket, dodge ball,
- circus skills & skipping competition

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Drop the kids off at 9:30am and pick them up at 3:30pm after they have had a fun, active day of sports coaching with their friends.  
**(Children will have the opportunity to choose the sports & activities they wish to participate in on the day).**  
**To book** your child in please email his/her details (name, age, school, parent's name, phone no) to [sportsday@live.com.au](mailto:sportsday@live.com.au)



**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2009**  
 (plus our KickStart Carnival on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct)

KickStart is an awesome holiday programme for kids in **Kindy – Year 6** who want some extreme fun these holidays. The week is filled with crazy games, stacks of sport, fantastic craft and massive amounts of fun!

KickStart programme offers bookings for **8.30am till 1.00pm** or **8.30am till 5.30pm**.

The heart of KickStart is to nurture the kids in our community in body, mind and spirit.

For more details: [www.cch.net.au](http://www.cch.net.au) and follow links to KickStart and the registration form or phone Caroline on 0422 287 251 or Monique on 0435 093 776

*Thirsty - a youth group for years 5 & 6\**

Thirsty is a youth group for kids in years 5 & 6 and runs during term on Thursday nights, 6:30 - 8:30pm.

There are games, theme nights, supper, talks and we will be going rockclimbing towards the end of term 3. This term we will be learning about 'Heroes of the Faith' and what faith is all about.

For further information, please call Daina on 0413 172 091  
 St Luke's Anglican Church  
 157 Galston Rd, Hornsby Heights  
[www.stlukeschurch.com.au](http://www.stlukeschurch.com.au)  
 \*Year 4s welcome from Term 4



**HOLIDAY CAMPS**

Crusaders are running 5 awesome Christian camps for kids in school yrs 3-11:

Activities include: rock climbing > dirtbiking > waterskiing > sailing > canoeing > wakeboarding > BMX > wide games > ice skating > archery > Bible talks > new friends and more!

For a free brochure visit [www.crucamps.com.au](http://www.crucamps.com.au) or call (02) 9874 8933.

\*CRU Camps\* is a division of the Crusader Union of Australia which has over 79 years experience running safe, Christian camps for kids.

**Little Mandarin®**

New beginners' Chinese class (Seedling Mandarin) will be available on Tuesday mornings (8:00am – 9:00am) from 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Term 4. The existing Tuesday afternoon class, Wednesday morning and afternoon classes will remain the same, Term dates are 27 October – 16 December; Fees: 8x\$10 = \$80 for all classes. For more information please contact 99870148, 0417000291 or email us: [littlemandarin2009@gmail.com](mailto:littlemandarin2009@gmail.com)

**Soccer Camps**

Boys & Girls — Ages 4 to 15 — 9am to 3pm

**Tue 6-Fri 10 Oct + Mon 12-Fri 16 Oct**  
 Mona Vale, Dee Why, Cammeray, Mosman  
 St Ives, Epping, Five Dock, Sylvania, Waverley

**Camp Features**

- ✓ Group, weekly, daily & half daily rates available.
- ✓ Individual skills tuition and modified games.
- ✓ Aftercare available until 4pm if required.
- ✓ Prizes & awards on last day of each camp.
- ✓ Commonwealth Childcare Cash Rebate Scheme.
- ✓ Strict sun, safety & supervision policies.

Star Sports Camps is a Registered Child Care Provider  
 Phone (02) 9981 3472 / 0412 602 999  
[www.starsportscamps.com](http://www.starsportscamps.com)



**Annie**

Starring Hornsby North's very own  
 Ellanah (5G) as Annie  
 Abigail (5G) as Tessie  
 Brianna (3T) as Kate  
 and Amelia (3B) in the orphan chorus.

On  
 Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 8 pm  
 Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm  
 Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 8 pm  
 Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 2 pm and 8 pm.

Performances at Berowra Community Centre  
 Gully Road, Berowra.  
 Tickets now on sale go to [www.bmsi.org.au](http://www.bmsi.org.au)

**HOLIDAY FUN AT HORNSBY HEIGHTS**

Hornsby Heights Vacation Care @ Hornsby Heights Public School,  
 Somerville Road, Hornsby Heights, 2077 ph: 9476 6901.  
 Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16 October 2009 7.30am-6.30pm.  
 \$35 per day. Approved for Child Care Benefit CRN: 555 007 270K  
 Competitive Rates for Quality Care.

Every day we offer cooking, craft, sports and games. This holiday we will also have a bike day, Petting Zoo (\$5); Master Chef Marathon, DS Day, BBQ, Slime making and more! Excursions to Greater Union to see "Up" and "Aliens in the Attic" (\$14, optional drink/popcorn \$7.50) and Bowling (\$11 - 1 game or \$17 - 2 games). Please contact the centre for further information and enrolment.