From the Principal...

Thank you to parents who assisted with the hampers last week. The foyer is looking very festive with the baskets of goodies. Parents and students are invited to view the hampers and of course, all are encouraged to sell tickets. Remember, first prize is a large screen TV. Other prizes were mentioned in last week's Newsletter which is available for viewing on the website. My thanks also go to the parents, students and teachers who contributed to the hampers. Once again, well done to the Hornsby North School Community.

REMEMBRANCE DAY -
Yesterday, the 11 November was Remembrance Day. Students observed the 1 minute's silence in their classrooms at 11.00am and Martin (School Vice Captain) spoke to the students via the school intercom system, acknowledging the solemnity of the occasion and asking all students to remember with gratitude those who served in World War I and those who are still serving in war torn countries today. Emma and Rohan accompanied me to the Hornsby Cenotaph and took part in the laying of wreaths with community members and neighbouring High Schools. Once again, Rohan and Emma represented our school with dignity and pride. As their term as School Leaders comes to an end, I take this opportunity to acknowledge their wonderful work in 2014. They have been outstanding role models and leaders. Congratulations Emma and Rohan.

HONOUR ASSEMBLY -
The final Honour Assembly for Silver and Gold medals awardees will be held this Friday, 14 November. Medals achieved after this date will be presented next year. Year 6 students will receive their medals at the Year 6 Final Assembly. Parents of Bronze medal awardees will be advised next week of the date for the Bronze Medal Morning Tea.

2015 LEADERS -
Year 5 students are busy preparing their speeches and thoughts for leadership roles in 2015. The speeches for Prefects will be held on Friday, 21 November and students from Years 2-5 are eligible to vote. This year voting will be electronic and the results should be available sooner than in previous years. After the Prefect results have been decided, elections and decisions regarding Library Monitors, Sports Captains, Office Monitors and leadership on Committees such as IT and Environment will be made. I wish all students every success in their endeavours for these elections but advise that out of over 100 students, only two can be School Captains. To be a School Captain is indeed an honour but to assume any leadership role within a school is also an honour and an individual’s success in a leadership role depends on the commitment and success put into that role. Parents and students, I ask that you not put pressure on your child or yourself to achieve one particular position which could result in disappointment and tears.

The student that says, “I will try for ___,” will be far happier at the end of the process. We value every student and every contribution.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS -
Parents of Year 5 students are reminded that applications for Selective High School placement in 2016 close on Monday, 17 November. All applications must be made online and late applications will not be accepted.

YEAR 4 SCIENCE EXPO -
The final Science Expo for 2014 will be held on Wednesday, 19 November. We have seen many exciting scientific demonstrations this year and I am sure Year 4 will send the year of Science Expos out with the biggest and best.

K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL -
After many setbacks with soggy grounds and inclement weather the K-2 Athletics Day will be held on Thursday, 20 November. I believe hot weather is forecast! Shade will be provided and if necessary, the program will be modified to suit the weather conditions, but the event will proceed. I am looking forward to watching our Junior Champions competing and having fun.

MOVEMBER -
This year we have 6 staff members participating in November to raise money for men’s health. Mr Pickup, Mr Keyes, Mr Lawrence, Mr Jenkins, Mr Strange and Mr Gates have sacrificed the aesthetic appearance of their top lip with the challenge to raise over $1,000. In Week 7 they are giving up their recess and lunchtimes to the highest bidder and pick up playground duties. In Week 8 they plan to accept challenges from students who wish to donate to the Hornsby North MoBros. Last year’s challenges included dancing in Mrs Reeves’ dance group and facing the Senior Boys Cricket Team in the cricket nets. If you have a challenge for these MoBros or would simply like to donate, please see any of the teachers with lip foliage.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS -
The time has come for Kindergarten Parents to help with their one big event - The Christmas Raffle!! We still need volunteers to sell more tickets on Carols Night. If you can assist Tuesday, 2 December in the School Hall - 3.00pm-7.00pm, Go to http://doodle.com/3pxwf69nimkarvcn.

CAROLS NIGHT -
The time has come for Year 4 Parents to help with their one big event - Carols Night!! This involves helping out in the Canteen and BBQ Area on Carols night. There are activities to help with during and after work hours so that everyone can help out.

* Christmas Carols Night Helpers - CANTEEN - From 3.00pm - 8.00pm or there are hour slots available - Go to http://doodle.com/2p3fc4c6bs95um7.
* Christmas Carols Night Helpers - BBQ COOKING & SERVING - From 3.00pm - 8.00pm or there are hour slots available - Go to http://doodle.com/6paaafnxduw3cm.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS -
As always, any questions, contact Alexi on 0424 568 712.

HNPS P&C - FAMILY PHOTO FUNDRAISER -
Please note, there are only 2 time slots remaining for this Sunday – 9.00am and 12.00pm. If you are interested please call Christine Ashton on 0419 709 519 ASAP. See more details on Page 3.

Marco Symton
Principal
From the Classroom  

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS  


KINDERGARTEN NEWS  

Week 7 News Topic:  

Make a Christmas card or decoration and tell us how you made it.  

Sharon Gates.

LIBRARY NEWS  

There are just 2 weeks of library borrowing left. Please encourage children to change their books. If your child receives a yellow overdue notice, please don’t ignore it. Let me know if the books have been returned to school and we can look for them here. If they are lost or damaged please contribute $5 toward replacement and your child’s card will be cleared to have a fresh start next year. Thank you for your continued cooperation in ensuring that our library runs smoothly.

There is a Christmas Book Fair beginning on 21st November. The books will be supplied by Carnival Books. Please come to the library before or after school to find some good books for Christmas gifts.

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

ZONE ATHLETICS SHIRTS  

Could students who were given a Zone shirt, please return them to Mr Lawrence as soon as possible. Thank you.

PSSA CRICKET  

Our Junior Team continued their run of excellent form with a comprehensive 134-34 victory over Turramurra North on Friday. It was another great team performance, where every player contributed with the bat, the ball and in the field. Our Seniors batted first and amassed an incredible 188 runs from 12 overs, thanks largely to Rohan R. (5/68) [41 runs from 11 balls], Shaan A. (6W) [27 runs from 7 balls], Martin C. (5/68) [23 runs from 6 balls] and Max S. (5H) [16 runs from 6 balls]. Tight bowling and fielding restricted the opposition to 18 runs from 12 overs. Congratulations to all players – this is the largest run total I have seen in the 11 years that the competition has been played!

The last match before the finals is against Waitara P.S. this Friday at James Park. The meeting time outside the library is 8.45am and the drivers are: Nicklin, Amarsinghe, Nadanapatham, Simpson, Curtis, Stevens and Schauwecker. Thank you, Michael Howard.

PSSA LEAGUE TAG  

Round 10 of the PSSA League Tag was another successful round with 3 wins from 4. The Junior 1s bounced back from their first loss last week with a 8-6 victory over Waitara. Special mention must go to Anthony B. (4G) who put on a one-man show scoring 5 of the tries and saving many with his outstanding tagging ability. The Junior 2s tried hard to make it two-from-two but went down to a determined Mt Colah. Fundamental errors again let the 2s down. The Senior 1s produced another fine team effort to beat Waitara 2s 9-3 and the Senior 2s overcame Warnowee 2s in a great team display with everyone contributing. All our teams have continued to play their games with great spirit, sportsmanship and fun. In a bonus for everyone involved, the competition has been extended to Friday, 28 November, Week 8. Monday afternoon training is now on the school oval. Thank you, Brad Keyes.

PSSA T-BALL/SOFTBALL  

Last Friday the Softball & T-ball teams went to Cliff Oval, Wahroonga to play against some of the toughest competitors, Turramurra North. Our Softballer’s started strong and with our usual pitcher out, Sophia and Amy stepped in and did a great job. Our girls fielded very strongly, and battled hard but unfortunately, Turramurra North was a little stronger in their base running and managed to come away with a 13-9 win. Our T-baller’s also had a hard game, having many players absent. Many girls had to play in unfamiliar positions, and a very assertive team rattled them. Once our girls got their breath, we saw some fantastic batting and excellent base running. Their enthusiasm was infectious. Unfortunately, we were a little late, as Turramurra North, had made too big a gap and went home with a win 20-9. Well done girls – your resilience and fighting spirit was great to see. Both teams did very well, playing without some of their regular teammates. Our T-baller’s only played with 7 on the diamond for most of the game.

Thanks again to the drivers for your assistance and the parents who stepped in to help the girls this week. We are playing our last game of the season this week against Waitara at Waitara Oval. Drivers please meet outside the library at 8.40am. A separate note went home regarding this. Driver’s are: Morrow, Wall, Johnston, Rogers and Judge. Thank you, Fiona Gleeson.

P & C NEWS  

Please join us on Facebook to keep up-to-date on all matters P&C. Simply search for Hornsby North Public School P&C Association on Facebook and Like us to join.

CANTEEN NEWS  

SUSHI IS NOW AVAILABLE WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS.

New Varieties: Tuna, Tuna & Cucumber, Chicken, Chicken & Cucumber or Vegetarian (carrot & cucumber) - $3.00 each.

Volunteers:  

Thursday 13 November: Debra Murphy, Linda Muncey.
Friday 14 November: Sue Walters, Jennifer Martin, Dilek Jolliffe.
Monday 17 November: Janet Parise.
Tuesday 18 November: Deb Nicklin, Mamta Nair, Jennifer England.
Wednesday 19 November: Jean Ryan.
Vicki Stubbs, Canteen Manager.

APPRENTICE P&C TREASURER  

Expressions of interest are sought for the position of Apprentice Treasurer for Hornsby North P&C for 2015, with the intention of fully handing over the role in 2016. Ideally, the Treasurer would have bookkeeping experience, although most skills and responsibilities can be easily taught. Should you have any interest in taking on this position, please contact Tracey Watson on 0420 413 225.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE FUNDRAISER  

**STOP PRESS** Due to a FABULOUS response from all classes there are no less than 29 hamper to be won at this year’s Christmas Raffle! PLUS the major prizes ever! They are: 1st Prize - A 42-inch TV from JB HiFi Hornsby! PLUS a Massive Christmas Hamper!

2nd Prize - A Christmas Tree Pack donated by Hornsby Heights Plants! PLUS a beautiful home made Christmas Cake!

3rd Prize - A HUGE Christmas Ham from Mount Kuring-gai Village Butchery! PLUS a Massive Christmas Hamper! So get selling!! Tickets are only $2 each, if you need more tickets to sell, the Office has more available. Remember if every child sells their raffle tickets, that’s over $16,000 we could raise! Prizes are drawn on Carol’s Night and all winners will be notified by text.

LOST PROPERTY HELD AT OFFICE  

- Various keys (one on red tag, one on black plastic spring, two on a keyring and one on a keyring).
- 3 keys on “Winnie The Poo/Piglet” keyring.
- School Headband.
- “Yolo” adult cap, Cancer Council straw hat and ladies purple/black/white hat left after Band Festival.
- Black OPSM hardcover glasses case found in Computer Room 28/10/14.
- “Elements” blue digital watch found in 4N 10/11/14.
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**HNPS P&C - FAMILY PHOTO FUNDRAISER** -
Due to late cancellations we have had two spots open up for this Sunday’s Family Photo Fundraiser.

You pay $15 which is donated directly to the P&C and in return you receive a 10" x 13" photo to keep. Additional photos will be available for purchase, with no obligation. An adult must be in the main photo.

If you are interested please call Christine Ashton on 0419 709 519 ASAP.

Available times on Sunday, 16 November - 9.00am and 12.00pm.

For those who have already booked and paid, please arrive at School on Sunday about 5 minutes before your reserved time slot and proceed to the library. You will be directed from there to the photographer.

**UNIFORM SHOP** -
Unfortunately there is still a delay with the girl’s Summer uniforms, due to a fabric shortage. We are currently out of sizes 4, 6, 8 & 12.

The new dresses are due to arrive 1/12/2014. Once they have arrived, all outstanding orders will be filled immediately.

Thank you for your patience. Kim Urbaniak.

**STUDENT SCHOOL BANKING** -
We are still looking for parent/grandparent volunteers to help with the Student School Banking. Banking only takes a short time on a Wednesday morning, until approx. 10.30am. If you can help, even on a monthly basis, please let the Office know or come to the Staff Room during banking time. The last day for school banking is Wednesday, 3 December.

**BAND NEWS** -
Band Auditions are this week and so far no major problems with the children getting to them, so thanks to everyone in helping make things run smoothly.

We are still missing a few responses from families with regards to Award paperwork. Please email me to let me know the status.

Junior Band 8 lunchtime rehearsal next Monday 17th and Junior Band A Monday 24th. Please note that we still need all children attending all band rehearsals, as we have a few important events coming up at the end of the year. Just because auditions are over, this isn’t reason to not come to band.

Thank you, Catherine Pedersen, Band Committee

**COMMUNITY NEWS** -
**BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE** -
Our Annual General Meeting will be held at After School Care on 17 November at 6.30pm. All welcome. There will be a BBQ, nibbles and drinks. The Meeting starts at 7.00pm.

**Pupil Free Days** - We will be running the pupil free days this term on Thursday 18 & Friday 19 December, and Tuesday 27 January. The cost is $55.00, all meals & snacks included.

**TINNED FOOD APPEAL** -
1st Hornsby Heights Scouts are again helping the Salvation Army by collecting tinned food and non-perishable items for the needy & homeless in the Hornsby area. Our Joeys, Cubs and Scouts are asking all our class mates to donate some tinned food or non-perishable items for those less fortunate, which will be passed on to the Salvation Army.

For example:- soup, baked beans, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, tuna, tinned ham, biscuits, tea, sugar, cereal, pasta, jam, pasta sauce, coffee, cordial, rice, noodles, condiments, sauce & jelly crystals. There is a box in the office from now until 21 November.

**HORNSBY HEIGHTS NEWSAGENCY** -
Hornsby Heights Newsagency is in your local shops, Shop 4 - 110 Galston Road, Hornsby Heights, with parking behind the Caltex Service Station. Please call in and browse—we carry all school and office supplies. You can buy or order your spare toners.

We have children’s activity books and magazines on many categories like home & garden, woodworking, hobbies, motoring, boating, health and many more.

As well as only the best available Greeting Cards and Wrapping, Party Balloons, Streamers, Candles etc. 9476 2060.

**LEARN TAE KWON DO** -
(Australian Tae Kwon Do Chung Do Kwan Association). Established in the Northern Suburbs of Sydney since 1974. Training:- Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm (Hornsby North Public School Hall); and Saturday 12.00-1.00pm (Asquith Community Hall, Storey Park). For enquiries please phone 9981 7788.

**DIAMOND LEAGUE TRIALS—HORNSBY HEIGHTS F.C.** -
Trials for the Hornsby Heights Football Club Girls Diamond League Teams will be held this Sunday, 16 November at Mills Park in Asquith. (Baldwin Avenue).

* Trials for the G11 Team will run from 9:00am to 10:15am (Born on or after 1 January 2004).
* Trials for the G12 Team will run from 10:15am to 11:30am (Born on or after 1 January 2003).

If you are keen to know more about our Girl’s Football Development Programs and/or Diamond League, please call Malcolm Waldock on 0409 655 348. All players should pre-register before attending by sending an email with the player’s name and DOB to malwaldock@bigpond.com.

**Kmart Wishing Tree** -
The Kmart Wishing Tree Appeal aims to make Christmas brighter for Australian’s in need, by collecting gifts for people who would otherwise go without during the festive season. The Appeal has collected more than six million gifts over the past 26 years and this year, aims to raise more than 500,000 gifts nationally. Our store received 5,632 gifts from members of the local community in 2013, and we hope to help even more people this year. Take a gift tag from the tree to identify the appropriate age and gender of a suitable recipient and place it with your gift. Alternatively, people can make a cash contribution at any Kmart Register or leave change in the coin collection boxes in Store.

**School Rewards Program** -
A great fundraising opportunity with $5 from every pair of shoes purchased being donated back to your school. This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual shoes.

Ask one of our friendly staff in store for more details.

**NEW STUDENTS AT KU-RING-GAI CREATIVE ARTS HIGH SCHOOL** -
We highly recommend you book a half hour time slot so your child can be professionally fitted for their new school uniform.

This will ensure you avoid the queues!

Bookings open online 1st September and fitting appointments commence 1st October.

Saturday’s are available but bookings are essential. Please visit our website to make your fitting appointment.

Uniform price list & online shopping available at: www.alintaapparel.com.au

**The Uniform Shop**

(02) 9499 3070

kuringahighschool@alinta.com.au
PLEASE HELP ME GET HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
My name is Tussock and I have been lost since 20/7/14.
My family has been looking everywhere for me but they have no idea where I am. If you know someone who has found a dog like me, please ask them to take me to a Vet so they can scan my microchip, as all my details are on there. (02) 9440 2008, 0430 830 280 or 0403 412 298. They will give $4,500 if you can help me get home.