From the Principal...

The countdown to the Autumn Fair has begun. Thank you all for your amazing support. With so many offers of help the event promises to be the “best ever”. By the 15th of March I am sure the rain will have moved to some of the drought stricken areas in rural Australia. Once again, I urge parents and students to read the P & C and Fund Raising Committee notes so that communication reaches all homes. Don’t forget the Mufti Day on Thursday. If your child tells you on Thursday morning that they need to bring an item to school and it is not possible, a donation of a gold coin will solve the problem.

K - 1 BOYS TOILETS -

I am pleased to advise parents and students that an automatic flushing system has been installed in the above toilets. Thank you to the P & C and all parents who support the P & C through donations of money and time, for providing the funds for this installation.

When the hot days return, we will be able to test the effectiveness of the automatic system.

YEAR 6 HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS -

Parents of Year 6 students are reminded that Expressions of Interest for high school placement in 2015 are due on Friday, 21 March. A number of parents have arranged interviews with me to discuss queries and concerns. Please note that I am available for interview regarding this important placement during the next few weeks. I also remind parents of two common misunderstandings -

- St Leo’s is not a Department of Education and Communities (DEC) school and should not be listed as a Non-Local School.
- The Form must be completed by parents of all students in Year 6 even if your child is enrolled at a Private School. For students enrolled in a non-government school, parents need to complete the details on the first page and complete Section D, which states that a place in a DEC high school is not required.

SCHOOL LEADER’S ASSEMBLIES -

Last Friday’s Leader’s Induction Ceremony was the final one for 2014. All Year 6 students have received their badges of office and I look forward to a wonderful year of leadership and school pride from our senior students.

There have been many examples of great leadership and responsible initiatives from a number of our leaders during the first weeks, so the teachers and I have high expectations for 2014.

Photos of many leaders appeared on the website last week, but the inclement weather on Friday prevented further photography. The remaining photos will be taken this week and next week and will be uploaded to the website in Week 7.

iPADS IN CLASSROOMS -

The first stage of iPads in classrooms began this week. Today, I had the pleasure of observing 1H as they used these devices. The students and teachers are very excited about the programs. These programs promote engaged learning and open up so many avenues for creativity and lateral thinking.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN -

Many parents, caregivers, relatives and friends contributed to the above program in 2013. Stickers for dockets were collected and sent to school and these dockets were counted and collated by Mrs Robinson who generously gave of her time to ensure that Hornsby North received the best possible benefits from this program. Thank you Mrs Robinson. Last week the fruits of Mrs Robinson’s work arrived at school …… a large array of teaching resources. These resources included products to support Maths, Literacy, Arts & Crafts and P.E. programs. The resources have been distributed to classrooms and many are in the Kindergarten rooms. See photo below.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT -

Last week Lucie V. (6B) participated in the NSW Cricket Carnival at Cobran-Barooga in Victoria. Lucie was the Captain of the North Sydney Regional Team. During the 4 day competition, Lucie scored 90 runs and took 5 wickets. Under Lucie’s Captaincy, the team finished in 5th place out of 13 teams—top half! As a result of her wonderful performances, Lucie was selected in a 24 member NSW Squad. During the Easter holidays, Lucie will participate in the 3 day camp, and from this camp, a final 12 member State Team will be chosen. Best wishes Lucie. We sincerely hope you are successful in gaining selection in the State Team. You are a talented and wonderful school member and school Prefect.

5 March, 2014

Marcy Sampson
Principal

Coming Events……

Thursday 6 March
Friday 7 March
Saturday 8 March
Sunday 9 March
Tuesday 11 March
Thursday 13 March
Fri. 14—Wed. 26 March
Saturday 15 March
Monday 17 March

Autumn Fair Mufti Day.
Turramurra H.S. Gifted & Talented Test
9.30am / Interim Reports Home.
AGHS & ABHS Enrichment Tests.
Working Bee / Teddy Bears Picnic.
Yrs 3 & 4 Gymnastics / Zone Swimming Carnival.
Selective High School Test.
Life Education.
HNPS Autumn Fair.
P & C Meeting 7.30pm.
From the Classroom ..........................

KINDERTGARTEN NEWS -
Week 7:  
Draw a picture using your textas, draw a picture of your favourite toy.
Sharon Gates.

LIBRARY NEWS -
Congratulations to the 37 people who logged on to the Premier’s Reading Challenge site on the first day and also to Annika N. (6K) and Yuna K. (2H) who have completely finished already. Don’t forget to log on regularly and record all the books you read. Check the library page and blog, on the school’s website regularly for activities in the library. Chess Club began last Friday after school. Look for more information on the website. Helen Stevens, Teacher Librarian. Helen.Stevens@det.nsw.edu.au.

PSSA CRICKET -
We are playing at Cliff Oval (Wahroonga) this Friday against Turramurra North P.S. The meeting time outside the library is 8:40am and the drivers are: Simpson, Beasley, Onslow, Curtis, Stevens and Schauwecker.
Next week (11-12 March) will be the last cricket training sessions until the competition resumes towards the end of Term 3. However, the State Knockout team will continue to train on Wednesday mornings. The new school cricket shirts have been handed out to most players. Please wash and return your old rep shirt to Mr Howard to receive your new shirt. Michael Howard.

PSSA LEAGUE TAG -
Our game last week was unfortunately, washed out. Hopefully, the weather will be kinder this week and we will enjoy a good game. Brad Keyes.

PSSA T-BALL/SOFTBALL -
Last week’s round of PSSA was unfortunately cancelled due to bad weather. The girls have been training hard and are excited to be playing a tough team this week. This week’s game is at Cliff Oval against Turramurra North. The drivers are: Judge, Wall, Johnston, Morrow, Rodgers, O’Brien, Raymond and Sharples.
Could all drivers and players meet outside the library at 8.40am sharp? Due to the distance that we need to travel, we must leave school promptly. Finger’s crossed the weather clears! 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.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS -
As raised in the P&C Newsletter, a new sports uniform was proposed by the P&C in 2014. Mrs Sumpton, the teachers and the P&C were in full support of the changes to the new sports uniform. Samples of the new sports uniform will be displayed in the front office in the coming weeks. The introductory prices listed below will remain the same until the end of 2014. Rollout for the new tracksuit will begin June 2014. Rollout for the new sports uniform will begin August 2014. The change of sports uniforms will be on sale at the following prices until all stock is sold.
The Uniform Shop will be open Thursday and Friday mornings between 8.30am to 9.30am. Thanks, Kim Urbaniak.

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CANTEEN NEWS -
Online ordering has commenced. Please come and collect your Munch Monitor tag from the Canteen. If you have any queries, please see Mrs Stubbings in the Canteen.

Volunteers:
Thursday 6 March: Gina Holbrook, Kathy Harniman.
Friday 7 March: Stephanie Pratt, Amelia Shaw, Gai Heap.
Monday 10 March: Leanne Franks, Christina Martin.
Tuesday 11 March: Toshiko Shimizu, Eva Austin.
Wednesday 12 March: Lily, Nathalie Gits, Anna Savenkova.
Vicki Stubbings, Canteen Manager.

BAND NEWS -
The Band Workshop was a huge success, ending in a fantastic concert by all bands. Junior Band, what a fantastic job, at the beginning of the day you couldn’t put a note together as a band, and at the end you played three songs! Well done. Thank you to everyone who helped out. Senior Band are playing on Sunday at Lisgar Gardens, the organiser of this event has advised that we won’t know until Sunday morning if the event will be cancelled due to rain and soggy grounds. If the event is cancelled, Michelle Kerr and I will let everyone know. Please remember full school uniform, music and a stand from home, the small foldable ones as they don’t provide stands.
The Autumn Fair is coming up and our Bands have been asked to play. An email will be going home with times and information this week. Thank you. Sharon Schweisfurth. 0415 052 660.

COMMUNITY NEWS -
HORNSBY NORTH BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE -
We will be running Vacation Care in the April holidays in the second week only, from 22–24 April. We will also be running the pupil free day on Monday 28 April. Registration forms will be available on Monday 10 March from the Centre.
From Term 2, there will be a price increase of $1.00 for the morning session and $2.00 for an afternoon session.

2015 Enrichment Class Examination
Asquith Boys High School is offering places in 2015 for a Year 7 Enrichment Class.  
Entrance into this class for academically gifted students, is based on the results of a placement test.  
The Enrichment Class placement test will be held on Saturday 8 March 2014.  
Applications close Monday 3 March 2014.
STEWART HOUSE CLOTHING APPEAL 2014 -
Stewart House Bags have been sent home. Please return filled bags to the office opposite the KG/KA classrooms, by next Tuesday, 11 March, 2014. Thank you for your help.

ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL -
NOTE: Applications to sit the Placement Test are open till tomorrow, Thursday, 6 March. Application forms can be requested from ABHS school office on 9477 3508 or can be downloaded from the school website www.asquithboy-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.

NORMANHURST OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE -
Maternity Relief Position:
We are seeking an OOSH Coordinator for a 6 month maternity relief starting mid March to work with our enthusiastic staff and fabulous students at Normanhurst Public School. Above Award Wages will be offered to the right person and possible ongoing employment as a casual staff member at the completion of the maternity relief appointment.
Email resume to attention Ellen:
normanhurstoosh@optusnet.com.au
Please peruse our website for further details about the Centre:

COMPASSION CAMEL CARAVAN -
2006 Cheltenham Girls’ High School HSC graduate, Hannah Purss, is currently engaged on a 4 person team trek on camelback of 1800 kilometres to raise funds for the homeless. Hannah’s mother has organised a premiere screening of the Australian movie ‘Tracks’ tomorrow evening, Thursday, 6 March, at 7.00pm—Event Cinemas, Macquarie Centre. Hannah was a stunt double in the movie due to her exceptional camel whispering ability!! 2 Lucky Door Prizes of 2 Gold Class Passes. $25, $20 Concession (includes goodie bag). Purchase tickets at bpurss@hotmail.com, or txt 0401 252 073. All proceeds go to Compassion Camel Caravan to support Backpack Beds—swags for the homeless. All donations will be gratefully received.

FAMILIES SHORT COURSE—Connection - Nurture - Growth
The Families Course covers 8 key areas of family relationships & forms a framework to build a healthy, strong and loving family life. Parenting is a journey - with twists and turns at every stage - this course will help equip parents for those times.
"Really impressive in range and depth, fun and engaging for participants, a huge help for any family situation" Steve Biddulph (Internationally acclaimed author & educator on raising kids). Fusion Sydney North is holding a course in Hornsby on Thursday nights 20th March, 27th March, 3rd April & 10th April (over 4 weeks), 6.45pm - 10.00pm (sorry no child care provided).
Course cost: $60 per person or $80 per couple (includes manuals & supper). Please contact Belinda Wade if you would like to register for this course or would like a brochure on: 0412 657 492 or email belinda.wade@fusion.org.au.

NEED TO DISPOSE OF AN OLD TV OR COMPUTER? -
Recycling these items recovers valuable metals, plastic and glass, preventing dangerous materials from entering the environment. Council is running a free trial e-waste drop off service until 30 June, 2014 at Council’s Waste Depot at 4 Chilvers Road, Thornleigh. Weekdays 9.00am to 4.00pm and late night Tuesday until 7.30pm. Batteries, light globes, ink and toner cartridges and mobile phones can also be dropped off at this location. For more information about what can be dropped off, check our A-Z Waste and Recycling Guide on our website or call the Waste Hotline on 9847 4856.

HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL—CHIPPING FOR MULCH DAYS -
Bring along your green waste for chipping and take home free mulch. For information about what is accepted and not, see Council’s website for full details. Sunday 16 March, 8.00am—2.45pm. Hornsby Council Depot, Johnson Road, Galston. FREE.

BENEDICTINE MONASTERY ARCADIA is holding their
49TH ANNUAL COUNTRY FAIR
121 Arcadia Road, Arcadia
9th March 2014

LOST PROPERTY HELD AT OFFICE
- Blue “XU1” cordless drill found in the school car park.
- Hooded short sleeved cream jacket with rainbows
- House key on black Smiggle spiral keyring.
- Purple “Twinkle-Toes” boot key ring.
- Silver house key on split ring.
- Navy blue satin headband.
- “Zoggs” purple/clear swimming goggles.
- Screen & back door keys on split ring found 24/2/14 near back gate.
- Black Smiggle cloth wallet with Zebra on front.

Become A Volunteer Host Family
World Education Program (WEP) is inviting Australian families to experience another culture within their own homes by becoming volunteer host families. Choose a student from Italy, Belgium, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands or South America and get a glimpse into the life of another culture without having to leave the comfort of your home! Our exchange students are just as excited about sharing their own culture and life experiences as they are about becoming a member of an Australian family.
Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family, including student profiles. Sylvia Kelly
Manager - Inbound Exchange Programs
Phone: 1300 884 733
Email: info@wep.org.au
Online: www.wep.org.au
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2015
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Saturday 8th March 2014
Ph. 9477 6411

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Congratulations
To the class of 2013
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- Two students First in Subject in the state
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Well done to all students!

Come and see our great school at work
Please join us for a school tour and morning tea with our Principal Ms Tam-Anne Ramsay on Thursday 13th March at 9:30am
Bookings are essential

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Autumn Fair Bookstall
Our Bookstall relies on donations for all its stock. We would love your unwanted clean, saleable books, DVDs, CDs and PC and console games disks. No encyclopaedias, atlases or text books, sorry! Please box or bag your donations and bring them to the front office at school. If you have any queries regarding items you wish to donate, or need assistance transporting a large donation, please contact Jennifer Martin on bazandjen@optusnet.com.au using subject line “bookstall donation”.

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HEALTHY LIVING FESTIVAL

SUNDAY 16 MARCH
10AM-4PM

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- Drumming Workshop
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