From the Principal...

As the term draws to a close, I thank all members of the school for their co-operative work in school activities and wish all a well earned break at the end of next week. A number of staff and students have succumbed to the Winter colds and flu, so we have had an unusually high level of absenteeism. Hopefully the holidays will be a time of wellbeing and recharging of health for us all. Before the term concludes, we have a number of special events such as Glen Street Dance Festival, French Day, Honour Assembly and Bronze Medal Morning Tea, the Year 2 Science Expo and Fun Day for all on the last day of term.

FRENCH DAY -

Today is French Day. The celebrations began with an Assembly for Years 4, 5 and 6. Students from Years 5 & 6 spoke about the place of the French language in the World today. The audience learnt that French is a living language, it is spoken on five Continents by approximately 200 million people and that it is one of the two official languages at the Olympic Games. Additionally, the children were entertained by short role plays from Year 5 & 6 students. The role plays were most impressive. Congratulations to Tamsin, Emily, Santiago, Connor, Josh, Eva and Jordan. You all performed and spoke with amazing confidence.

Thank you to Madame Bennetts for her organisation of the day.

PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS -

The Public Speaking Finals for students in Years 3-6 were held last week. Students competed at Class level, Grade level and Stage level before progressing to the Finals. Mr Jenkins and I were the Adjudicators and we had an extremely difficult job. All presentations were of a high standard and our students are certainly showing growth and development in the skills needed for impromptu speeches. Congratulations to the following finalists:-

Aarya, Eddie, Felix, Elena, Shiv, Isabel, Maggie, Caitlin, Charlie, Alice, Noah, Nilank, Tamsin and Emily.

The winners were Year 6—Emily

Year 5—Shiv

Year 4—Caitlin

Year 3—Eddie

A job well done to all students!

GLEN STREET FESTIVAL -

The Glen Street Dance Festival began this week. Hornsby North students will perform next week. I thank Mrs Reeves, Mrs Hall and parents for their commitment to the Dance Festival. This Festival is a special one because it is not an Eisteddfod or a competition, it is an opportunity for the children to perform for the joy and excitement of performing in a special place with great sound and professional lighting. Additionally, it highlights the work of Public School teachers and students in the Performing Arts arena.

POLICE PATROLS -

I received a visit from the Highway Patrol at Gordon Police Station this week. The representative informed me that a list of the 8 schools in the area causing concern had been compiled and ... we made the cut! Parents are advised to comply with the traffic rules before school and after school. The Police have stated that they will be visiting and booking drivers of cars that block traffic and cause unnecessary congestion. Parents who are arriving at the Kiss & Drop Zone in Cawthorne Street, 10 to 15 minutes before school finishes are breaking the law. If this practice continues, the school will ask the Council if we can cordon off the area until 3.15pm, which is an appropriate time to arrive.

FUN DAY -

The Term 2 Fun Day will be held on the last day of this term, Friday 27 June. Because it is a PSSA Sport day, the activities will be held during the morning. There will be a BBQ lunch, however, the PSSA students will receive their lunch before they leave for the various sporting venues. A flyer from Mrs Butterworth and Year 6 will be sent out before the event.

MEDAL CEREMONIES -

Ceremonies for Bronze and Silver/Gold Medals will be held on Thursday and Friday of this week. Parents and students involved have been notified of the organisation.

FIRE BRIGADE VISIT -

Today the NSW Fire Brigade will visit the school to talk to Year 1 students. This is part of the Year 1 HSIE Unit on ‘Workers in Our Community’. I thank the personnel from the Fire Brigade for enriching the children’s educational experiences with this special visit.

Best wishes to all, and Year 2 as I look forward to your Science Expo next Wednesday.

Principal

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From the Classroom


From the Classroom ………………

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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.

CALENEWS -

Gluten free & ordinary cupcakes are available at the canteen for $1.00 each.

Volunteers:

Thursday 19 June: Luna Hrastnik, Ian Bostelman.
Friday 20 June: Rajvir Hansra, HELPERS PLEASE.
Monday 23 June: Sally Johnston.
Tuesday 24 June: Yuki So, Maki Stevens.
Wednesday 25 June: Lucy Bal, Sharyn Seery.
Vicki Stubbings, Canteen Manager.

BAND NEWS -

Band Awards Program

Junior Band have to complete the flying start with their tutors and hand it to me by the end of term 2. On Monday, 23 June we will be holding auditions for those who have completed the Bronze, Silver, Gold and Diamond Awards. Please have these forms to me by 18th June 2014. There will be another date to complete these awards and we will send out an email explaining this at a later date.

We have the date for the UNSW Band Festival which is Sunday, 27 July. Junior Band are to arrive at 8.00am, Intermediate Band are to arrive at 10:00am and Senior Band at 3:15pm. I will be sending a detailed note home in regards to this. Please book this into your diaries as it is a compulsory event for Band students.

Junior Band B are rehearsing on Monday 23 June at lunch time. After the holidays, the lunch time rehearsals will begin on Monday, 21 July for Junior Band A and Stage Band. Junior Band B will be on Monday, 28 July.

Thank you. Sharon Schweisfurth - Band Committee.

COMMUNITY NEWS -

HORNZBY 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, magazines on many categories like home & garden, woodwork, hobbies, motoring, boating, health and many more. As well as only the best available Greeting Cards and Wrapping, Party Balloons, Streamers, Candles etc.

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.
Hornsby North Public School Newsletter

HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL


For parents wondering what to do with the kids this school holidays, NSW Sport and Recreation have a number of fun and exciting holiday camps for kids aged 5-16 years.

Led by qualified instructors, our popular camps get kids outdoors learning new skills while making new friends. There are plenty of activities on offer, including fishing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling, rock climbing, cooking and snow camps.

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The Mobile Blood Service will be visiting the Hornsby War Memorial Hall
2 High Street, Hornsby
Tuesday, 1 July 10.00am to 3.00pm.

Drink Up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water/juice in the hours before you donate.

Eat! Have a good sized breakfast or lunch.
Please bring photo I.D. with you.
Call 13 95 96 or visit donateblood.com.au

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Snow White
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28 June – 12 July.
Monday to Saturday 11.00am and 1.30pm.
The Paterson Centre - Knox Grammar School, Pacific Highway, Wahroonga.
Children $20, Adult $24, Family of four $74, 15 or more $18 each.
BOOKINGS 1300 306 776 (Booking fees apply). www.mca.tix.com.au

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Saturday, June 14 – 9.00am, 12.00pm, 3.00pm
Sunday, June 15 – 9.00am, 12.00pm
Wednesday, July 2 – 9.00am, 1.00pm
Friday, July 4 – 9.00am, 1.00pm
Saturday, July 5 – 9.00am, 1.00pm

TICKETS

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Child $10.00
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Family $55.00

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