From the Principal…

Are we there yet? Not quite but we are well on the way and very close to our destination. The Hornsby North Autumn Fair in all its glory will happen next Saturday, March 14. The rides are ready, the stalls are ready, the KindiFarm is on its way, there will be lucky dips, showbags, Devonshire teas and many delicious foods including the good of Aussie Bar-B-Que and yummy International Foods. Entertainment from our own “home grown” students and local community groups will add to the excitement of the day. Not to forget….the dunking of teachers!

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL


A full report and photos will be published in next week’s newsletter.

WORKING BEE

I continue to be astounded by the amazing support from our school community and last Sunday was a perfect example. Over 300 people attended our Working Bee and the children who came worked tirelessly alongside their parents or in groups at designated jobs. At the end of the day the grounds looked splendid, the fair items were wrapped, collated and sorted ready for the big day. The Kindergarten area received a face life with brightly painted signs, hopscotch games wrapped, collated and sorted ready for the big day. The Kindergarten is on its way, there will be lucky dips, showbags, Devonshire teas and many delicious foods including the good of Aussie Bar-B-Que and yummy International Foods. Entertainment from our own “home grown” students and local community groups will add to the excitement of the day. Not to forget….the dunking of teachers!

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NOTIFICATIONS OF ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

I remind parents of the importance of notifying class teachers or the office when a child is absent from school. Once again I state that this is a legal requirement and the school is accountable for unexplained absences. Last Friday, a number of Year 6 students attended an exam at Turramurra High School. This is not an absence. It is noted as school business as they are attending a function or activity at another Public School. However, parents should still notify the class teacher that their child is participating in this activity.

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Every second year Hornsby North hosts an Interrelate Program for families. It is a high quality Sexuality and Relationship Education program for parents and children. Sometimes parents choose to attend these programs so that they have a starting point with their children, others use them as family discussions while some parents elect to address sexuality and relationships without any intervention from outside agencies. The choice is entirely one which belongs to parents. The sessions at school on Tuesday, March 17 are as follows-

Session 1: Where did I come from? (1 hour session, Years 3-6)
Session 2: Preparing for puberty (1 hour session, Years 5-6, Years 3-4 at parent’s discretion).

Session 1 commences at 6.00pm and Session 2 will commence at 7.15pm.
Flyers were distributed to families two weeks ago. Copies are available on the website or from the front office.

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The Premiers Reading Challenge went live last Monday. There must be a different selection. The books are actually in the library and can be taken from there. The books are supplied by Carnival Books and will be a different selection. Children will receive a brochure this week. The school receives a percentage of sales, in keeping their strongest batting pair to just 6 off his over. The final score was 42-26. Fantastic job today boys.

The junior team were keen to remain undefeated as they bowled first in their clash with Warrawee. Matt R. (4G) and Evan D. (4M) were the pick of the bowlers with only 1 run being taken between them. All other bowlers pitched in and did their bit as we were able to restrict Warrawee to 86. Brodie W. (4R) and Evan D. (4M) came out firing notching a 29 run opening partnership. Not to be outdone, Arjun N. (4G) and Jim H. (4N) smashed 31 off their 12 balls together leaving us in a commanding position. Evan D. (4M) and Matt R. (4G) batted well and didn’t give away any wickets before Sean B. (4N) and Ethan J. (4G) scored an extra 29 runs. Liam W. (4R) and Zen S. (4G) saw our score tick past the 100 mark and Rhys M. (4R) and Kent M. (4N) finished off the innings with an impressive 25 and helped us to a 145-86 run win.

Our senior team was keen to get back in the winning books. We batted first and our openers came up against a strong bowling pair. Our middle order maintained a steady flow of runs as our four middle pairs scored 10 runs each from their two overs. All batters did their job however special note needs to go to Harry B. (6P) and Jack S. (5F) who put great value on their wicket and batted very maturely and sensibly. Our total was 42 at the end of the 12 overs. With a new ball in hand, Ben H. (5F) and Seth M. (5S) were unplayable as they had the ball swinging and moving off the seam. Max S. (6W) bowled a maiden (0 runs off the over) and Dylan S. (5F) did a remarkable job of keeping their strongest batting pair to just 6 off his over. The final score was 42-26. Fantastic job today boys.

Brett Pickup

PSSA LEAGUE TAG
Round 3 of PSSA League Tag was a very successful one for our teams. Our Junior 1s and Senior 1s played out the battle of the compass points with North vs South. The Juniors were too strong for Hornsby South 1s, winning 9-4 and the Senior 1s were even more convincing in their win over Hornsby 1s, 7-2. The Junior and Senior 2s both faced up against Asquith 1s. The Juniors could have come away with a victory, however, a lapse in concentration and communication allowed Asquith to score a late try to tie the game 9-9. Our Seniors were involved in a tight tussle. They put in a great performance considering they were down 3 of their regular players to scrape home with a 5-4 victory.

Brad Keyes

PSSA T-BALL/SOFTBALL
Our Softball and T-ball teams both played Warrawee P.S. this week at Rofe Park. Warrawee is traditionally a very strong softball & T-ball school and this game was to be the benchmark of how much we have developed as a team. The t-ballers started off strong with almost equal scores in each innings. In the end, it came down to some good batting and a real desire to win. Thanks to a great catch by Inge A. (4N), Hornsby North managed to scrape through with a 14-13 win.

Player of the match was Anabel W. (6P) for her consistent effort all round. Special mention also goes to Mhairi G. (6P) for her great fielding and another double play!

This week’s game is again at Rofe Park so no drivers are needed. 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.

HNPS MUMS & DADS FACEBOOK GROUP
Join the Facebook group called “Hornsby North Public School Mums & Dads”. It is a place where parents can connect with each other, share information or ask questions about the school.

CANTEEN NEWS
SUSHI IS NOW AVAILABLE ON THURSDAY & FRIDAY ONLY, SUPPLIED BY TOKYO SUSHI, WESTFIELD HORNSBY.

The choices are:-
Tuna & Avocado: Tuna & Cucumber; Plain Chicken Teriyaki; Beef & Lettuce; Avocado & Cucumber. The cost is $3.50 each. These MUST be ordered by 9.15am.

Volunteers:
Thursday 12 March: Belinda Greer, Lydia Zhao
Friday 13 March: Dilek Jolliffe, Beth Williams, Sarah Johnson
Monday 16 March: Janet Parise, Tim Brackenreg
Tuesday 17 March: Helpers please

Wednesday 18 March: Jean Ryan, Nicole Nicholls, Mamta Nair
Vicki Stubbings, Canteen Manager.

BAND NEWS
All bands are performing at the fair this Saturday. Please arrive on time at KA classroom Senior 10.00am, Intermediate 10.15am and Junior 10.30am. Please do not be late and remember your music and instrument. Dress is Mutif. Permission notes are now due in the P&C box.

Senior Band are performing at the Lisgar Gardens Teddy Bear’s Picnic this Sunday. Arrival time is 11am. Please remember your music, instrument and a light weight music stand. Dress is full summer uniform. Permission parents are to meet Sharon Schweisfurth at the hall at 10am before the performance to transport percussion gear to Ligar Gardens. All permission notes were due in on Monday. Please return asap. Thank you.

Catherine Pedersen, Band Committee. cjpetersen1@bigpond.com.
SCHOOL BANKING -
Could all students please leave their accumulated Silver & Gold tokens in their yellow banking wallet, to assist with keeping track of rewards. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS -
WHAT’S ON IN THE HORNSBY SHIRE -
Energy Efficiency and Save $$$ Workshops. Wednesday 18 March, 1.00pm to 3.00pm & Tuesday 7 April, 7.00pm to 8.30pm. FREE. Hornsby Library

ASQUITH NURSERY & PRE-SCHOOL -
We are looking for students who attended Asquith Nursery & Pre-School. Hornsby Council have decided to close the Asquith Nursery & Pre-School to make way for a high-rise residential development. Due to this, about 15 staff who have been employed there for between 10 and 17 years, are losing their jobs. Some of the parents are planning to make a photo book of past and present children and their families as a ‘thank you’ gift to all members of staff. If anyone in your family attended the Centre and would like to be involved and included, please email Kristy Probst at ANPS.gift@gmail.com for more information.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS BLOOD SERVICE -
Mobile Blood Service visiting: William Street Car Park, Hornsby. Monday 16 March 9.00am to 2.00pm, Tuesday 17 March 10.00am to 3.00pm and Wednesday 18 March 9.00am to 2.00pm.
Drink Up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or 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.

LOST PROPERTY HELD AT OFFICE
PLEASE ENSURE NAMES ARE ON ALL ITEMS, SO THEY DON’T END UP IN LOST PROPERTY.

- Assorted keys.
- School head band and plain black vinyl headband.
- Small Frangipani hairclip.
- White leather band with glittery “PERISHER” letters on it.
- “Mister Minute” silver house key found in Rofe Park playground 24/2/15.
- Black “Lundun” adult sunglasses found 25/2/15 in Ida Street
- Avon silver necklace with stone pendant found 10/03/15
- Harry Potter found in 3-6 quadrangle 10/03/15

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If you are interested in playing rugby league come visit the Asquith Magpies Junior Rugby League Club at the fair. We have vacancies for U8, U10, U12, U14 & U16 age groups.

Saturday 21st March from 10am to 2pm
Ralgo fees for 2015 are:
U6 years: $300.
U7 to U12: $70.
U13 to U19: $300.
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Michele Kelly on 0433 506 148
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SCOUTS

1st Asquith Scout Group

Come and Try Night

Cubs - for ages 8 to 11
Wednesday 18th March, 2015 from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Scouts - for ages 11 to 15
Tuesday 17th March from 7.00pm to 9.00pm

At our meeting hall
43 Lords Ave, Asquith, NSW 2077

Scouting is a fun way to learn new life skills, experience the outdoors, get in touch with our community and learn how to help others and the environment. Everybody welcome, just turn up, come and give it a go.

See our website - www.asquithscouts.com.au
or email group@asquithscouts.com.au
For more information on Scouts visit www.nsra.scouts.com.au

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Enquiries: Contact Club Secretary/Levy Envelope P.O. 4080 14 439, email registrar@youth.f.u.marc哂
Webpage: Junior Coaching, Goal Sponsorship, Player Development