

Hornsby South Public School Newsletter

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CALENDAR

Thursday	19 March
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Wednesday	25 March
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Selective High School Test – Year 6
Stewart House Clothing Appeal Collection Day
Multicultural Day / Harmony Day – 2:15pm
P&C AGM 7.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

HIGH SCHOOL FORMS

Parents of Year 6 students will receive an Expression of Interest form today for high school choices for 2010. Please contact our office if you have any questions. It is important that the forms are returned to us by Friday 27th March at the very latest.

SELECTIVE SCHOOL TEST

Also for Year 6, the Selective Schools test for Year 7, 2010 entry will be held on Thursday 19th March from 9am to 1.15pm at Hornsby Girls High School.

Parents of students who applied last year to sit for the test should by now have received a letter from the Department of Education with full details.

If your child is sitting for the Selective Schools test and you have not received the letter, please contact me at school.

CLASS CHARGES

Thankyou to all the families who have paid the class charges for their children, and also the voluntary P&C contributions.

A reminder note has been sent out to families who have not yet paid the class charge-fee. All money raised goes directly to benefiting the children in the classrooms.

PARENT INFORMATION FORMS

If you have not returned the blue information and contact form please send it in as soon as possible. It is very important that we have up to date emergency contact information for all the children. Thank you for your cooperation in these matters.

Rob Stirling

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

UNSUPERVISED STUDENTS AT SCHOOL ON WEEKENDS

Parents are reminded that the school premises are not considered to be a suitable place for unsupervised children to play during weekends and holidays. Students may view our school as an attractive place to ride their bikes or skateboards however an accident arising at school on a weekend could go unnoticed for quite some time. In addition to this work involving heavy equipment is sometimes carried out on Saturday in the school.

STEWART HOUSE CLOTHING COLLECTION

Stewart House collection bags have been distributed to the students today. These bags can be filled with any unwanted and useable clothing and returned to school by Wednesday 18th March. Bags can be left in the canteen area. **Please do not send bags after this date.**

Peter Lee

HAT PARADE

You and your family are invited to attend the annual Hat Parade at Hornsby South Public School. Come along and see some spectacular hats on parade by K-2 and some very unusual hair designs by 3-6. The children in K-2 will be making their hats at school with the help of their teachers.

WHEN: Thursday 9th April

WHERE: Hornsby South Public School Assembly Area

TIME: 11:30AM – 1:00PM

We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Mrs Jennifer Davey

LIBRARY

Premier's Reading Challenge 2009

Completed Student reading Records may be sent to the Library office at any time for entry into the Challenge.

Some children have asked how to register their books online. The Premier's Reading Challenge webpage is:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge/

To logon enter your child's DET user name e.g. john.smith and their school password. Then select Student Reading Records. The ID number is written at the top of the title page of each book.

Remember that only two books from any series may be included in the Challenge. Once the required number of books has been read, the system will tell you that this needs to be validated. Only the school can do this. Mrs Phillips will check the site every week and will validate any completed reading records.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB CATALOGUES

The new catalogues were distributed to the students last week. All orders must be placed in the white P&C box in the office foyer by **Friday 13 March**. Please include your child's name and class and the correct money if paying by cash.

Thank you to those families who placed an order from the previous catalogues. Remember all orders mean more reward points for our school!

Nicola Krejci
Book Club Coordinator

BULLY BUSTING

Hornsby Shire Council in conjunction with Child and Adolescent Parenting from Northern Sydney Central Coast Health are holding a workshop for parents. Topics include:

- What is Bullying?
- Who is Affected by Bullying Behaviour?
- How to Help Your Child if :
 - they are being bullied
 - they are doing the bullying behaviour
 - they witness bullying behaviour

The workshop is in Hornsby Library meeting room on Friday 13th March from 10.15am – 12.45pm.

The workshop is FREE but bookings are essential. For more information please call 9887 5830.

RECORDER GROUPS

Thursday – 8.30 in Mrs Inder's room.

Beginners

Please bring a recorder and be prepared to practise.

Friday – 8.30 in Mrs Inder's room

Advanced



P & C

The school relies on support from the HSPS Parents & Citizens Association and the P&C relies on support from the school community. Without all this support we wouldn't have some of the fantastic items our kids need to learn and grow.

The P&C meets once a month to discuss how the individual committees and the school are progressing. We also plan ways to better our school and ways to raise money to purchase items needed by the school. If you can spare some time to support the P&C and HSPS please come along to a P&C meeting and lend a hand. The P&C Annual General meeting is held in March every year and during this meeting we elect new office bearers, if you would like to join our small but dedicated team please come along.

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday March 25th, 2009 at 7:30pm in the Yurt. If you feel you would like to help out in some way, please consider being part of our small, dedicated Team.

Our next general meeting will be on Wednesday March 25th, 2009 at 8pm straight after the AGM. Please feel free to come along.

If you have any queries or issues you would like to raise with the P&C in relation to the school in general, please feel free to call me and have a chat.
Chris Holland 94897422 / 0404888686

BAND NEWS

Band AGM / meeting

There will be a band AGM / band meeting held tonight - Wednesday 11th March at 8pm in the Yurt. Please come along and find out about the band program and upcoming band camp.

Date for your Diary

Please note that the Band camp will be from Friday 29th May 5pm through to Sunday 31st May 2.30pm at Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen. Both Concert band and training band members are expected to attend.

Training Band 2009

Training Band got off to a good start last week. A registration form will be handed out this Friday. Please complete and return to the green band box so we have up to date contact details.

Birthday Wishes

Birthday wishes to the following band member
Hamish 15th March

