

Hornsby South Public School Newsletter

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CALENDAR

Monday 30th March – Thursday 9th April

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Tuesday 31st March

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Wednesday 1st April

Thursday 9th April

Wednesday 29th April

Parent Teacher Interviews

Sydney North Area Swimming

Song Room Concert – Years 2 and 3

Zone Soccer Trials – Boys and Girls

Cumberland State Forest – Year 3

Last Day of Term 1

School Returns

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

MULTICULTURAL DAY

Thank you to everyone involved in today's Multicultural Day. This is a day everyone looks forward to each year as a celebration of our cultural diversity. Over 50% of our students come from language backgrounds other than English and we currently have more than 30 different cultural groups.

The children looked wonderful in their national costumes and enjoyed participating in all the activities.

Thank you to all the parents for supplying the delicious food and thank you to Mrs Fitjer and Mrs Lamerton, our ESL teachers, for organising a most successful day.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Information was sent home this week about parent/teacher interviews to be held during the last two weeks of this term.

The interviews are an opportunity to discuss not only progress so far, but also issues of concern to be addressed during the remainder of the year.

INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS

Families in the school last year will recall the various fundraising activities organised by the teachers and supported by parents and children, for the purchase of interactive whiteboards for the classrooms. The \$20,000 raised will pay for 3 interactive whiteboards. There is a huge backlog of orders, so we will look forward to having the new whiteboards installed early next term.

Mrs MacNamara, our computer teacher, will be running a parent information session next term to demonstrate interactive whiteboards.

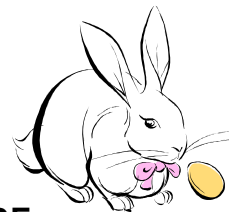
ROAD SAFETY REMINDER

Please remember, the car park is for staff only until 4pm each day. As a growing school we are very concerned about congestion in the car park, leading to safety issues for our children.

Similarly, we ask that parents with children please walk through the assembly area rather than down the path.

As I said last week, this may cause some minor inconvenience, but is much, much safer for our children.

Rob Stirling



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

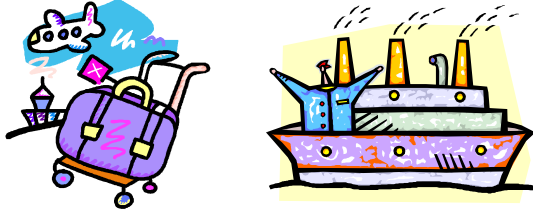
We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Mrs Jennifer Davey
(Assistant Principal)

EXTENDED ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

If you are planning a holiday or other extended absence from school of 12 or more consecutive school days, approval is required from the School Education Director.

Leave Exemption Forms are available from the office and **MUST** be completed and returned to school **at least 3 weeks prior** to the planned absence.



ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

All absences from school must be notified in writing to the class teacher. Parents calling to collect their children during school time must inform the class teacher and the office. Children are not allowed to leave the school grounds during the day unless a request is received in writing. Children must be collected from the classroom after a parent completes a yellow "Late Note/Early Departure" form from the school office.

SONG ROOM CONCERT

Tuesday 31st March

1.45pm in School Hall

Parents of Year 2 and 3 students
are welcome to attend.

ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 7

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM 2010

Assessment – Friday, 8 May 2009

Application Forms now available from your primary school or phone 9144 1689 for more information.

Note:

**Closing date for receipt of applications is
Thursday, 9 April 2009.**

PARKING NOTICE

**Parking unsafely puts
children's lives at risk**

Parking illegally, even for a short time, is dangerous to children at your school.

It is illegal to park on the nature strip as it is dangerous for pedestrians.

You can be fined up to **\$238 and lose demerit points** if you park illegally around your school.

Please obey the parking signs
Around your school!

**Council's Compliance Officers will be
enforcing parking restrictions
at your school!**

LIBRARY

Premier's Reading Challenge 2009

Some children have already completed their Student reading Records. These may be sent to the Library office at any time for entry into the Challenge and for validation.

If you want to register your children's 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 should be included in the Challenge. This encourages children to extend their reading to authors and topics they may not previously have encountered.

Happy reading!





P & C



VACATION CARE

Don't forget to make a booking for Vacation Care during the school holidays.

The service will run from 14 - 28/4/09.

Please collect a program & booking form from the Yurt (during BASC hours) or from the school office.

BASC

The BASC AGM will be held on Tuesday 31/3/09 at 7.30 pm in the Yurt.

All committee positions will be made available for the election of new members. BASC require a parent committee to help run the centre. Without the committee the centre cannot function. Please come along to the AGM & support our wonderful service. A light supper will be served!

P&C AGM

Don't forget the P&C AGM and the General P&C meeting will be on tonight, Wednesday 25th March from 7.30pm in the Yurt. Bring your 50 cents to be eligible to vote. See you there.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

The April P&C meeting will be on Wednesday April 22nd 2009 at 8.00pm in the Yurt. 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 Camp

An email was sent out last week regarding choice of activities for Saturday afternoon – if you could please respond to that.

Thank you for all those offers to stay or help at band camp although at this stage we have enough helpers.

Concert Band

Band fees were handed out last week.

We have been invited to perform at the Asquith Boys Variety Evening on Thursday 11th June. Please note this date in your diary – further information will be given closer to the date.

Birthday Wishes

Birthday wishes to the following band member



Aysha 27th March