



we show
Respect

we are part of a
Community

we are
Confident

we are always
Learning

NEWSLETTER

Edition 41

Friday December 16th, 2016

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

DECEMBER

Monday 19th

Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday 20th

Last Day of Term 4 – 1:30 finish

FREE DRESS DAY – Gold Coin Donation

NO BUS on this day

JANUARY 2017

Wednesday 25th

Uniform shop open 2pm - 4pm

Book pack collection available from
school office 9am – 3pm

Monday 30th

Uniform shop open 9am – 1pm

Book pack collection available from
school office 9am – 3pm

Tuesday 31st

Students Return to School

First Prep group starts 9am – 12noon

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 1st

No Preps at School

Thursday 2nd

Second Prep group starts 9am – 12noon

Friday 3rd

ALL PREPS attend 9am – 3:30pm

Final Day is Tuesday 20th December, 2016

We will break up at 1.30pm

There will be No Bus on the last day of school.

All bus travellers will have to make alternative
arrangements to get home.

Children return to school on

Tuesday 31st January 2017

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



What a fantastic year full of learning for both students and staff and along the way some fun was had as well. It has been exciting to see the growth of students and staff alike over the course of the year. We have had a major focus on teaching and learning and assessment of literacy (Reading and Writing) which has seen staff more clearly identify the point of need for each student and develop programs specifically to cater for student needs. We have developed common practices in the teaching of reading and writing, we have built capacity of all staff around understanding Pedagogy and we have developed our Healesville Teaching and Learning Model, we have also realigned our Vision and Values. I am very proud of all the staff and look forward to their continued development in 2017.

It is fantastic to work in a community where education is the focus and development of every student is paramount. I would like to thank the wonderful parents we have at HPS working closely with the school to develop the opportunities for all. Whether you assisted in the classroom, on camps or excursions, P&F, School Council or assisting on Working bees, I thank you very much and look forward to your support in 2017.

Lastly I'd like to thank the wonderful staff. Each day, it is a joy to be part of the Healesville Primary School community. In education the goal posts are constantly moving and Healesville PS is no exception. I have seen many changes over the past 3 years I have been Principal and I look forward to continually "Striving for Excellence" together with our amazing staff. Thanks to the dedication, commitment and effort they put in to give our students every opportunity.

Last Day of Term - Tuesday 20th December will be our last day of the school year. We will farewell our Graduating Year 6 students at 1.20pm with a walk through guard of honor escorted by their grade 1 buddies .

Free Dress Day - Tuesday will be an out of uniform day for a gold coin donation which will go towards the Royal Children's Hospital along with the money collected from Captains' Day yesterday.

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STUDENT AWARDS



PV: Jesse K **1/2D:** Whole Class
2H: Tim B & Riley B
3L: Laura H & Lily H **4L:** Riley C
4H: Pat M
5/6B: Alyssa M, Jayde E & Ashlyn C
5/6W: Ave W, Aaron Mc, Casey L & Honey E

Literacy and numeracy at home- TOP IDEAS

Find lots of fun and interesting things
to do whether you're at home or away.



Have a safe and happy holiday!

REMINDER

All outstanding fees for 2016 are payable now

The school is now giving you the option to prepay your 2017 essential items, voluntary contributions and book pack in advance. Your fees will be \$210.00 all inclusive. Please note that a minimum of \$35.00 is required to pick up your book pack.

Please come and see the office staff if you wish to take up this option. Payment can be made via cash, cheque or eftpos.



We are continuing with Christmas activities and games.

On the last 2 days leading up to the end of Term 4, we will be having popcorn in bags and relaxing in the Lizard Room.

We hope that everyone has a very safe Christmas and New Year.

See you in 2017

*Stacey & Abbey from Camp Australia,
Where we make children smile*

HEADLICE

There have been a number of cases of nits throughout the school – please ensure you check your children and treat them.

Surrey Clothing would like to take this opportunity to thank you
for your support through 2016 and wish you a

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



20% off Boys Shorts , 30% off Hair Accessories and 20% off Secondary Grey Trousers
Come in December to beat the back to school rush.

We will be closing on **Wednesday 21st December 2016**
And will resume on **Monday 16th January 2017**

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please continue to email or phone your orders through.



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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Building Future Leaders

Over the course of this year Catherine V, Kathryn M and Troy S have participated in a BASTOW Educational Leadership course – Aspirant Leaders. Congratulations to the three of them in completing this course and continuing on their leadership journey.

Staff Farewell – Kathryn Melody

Over the past 6 years Miss Melody has been a valuable member of our community. She will be furthering her studies next year and may even fit in some travel overseas. We wish her all the best in 2017 and thank her for her hard work at HPS.

Graduation

On Monday 19 December the 2016 Year 6 students will graduate from Healesville Primary School. Congratulations to all the graduating students and good luck in the future.

School Captains Announcement

We are proud to announce that Reece S and Davey W will be our School Captains for 2017. I am sure that Reece and Davey will be exceptional captains and role models for our community. I would however like to congratulate all of the students who applied for these roles. They took a risk in doing so and demonstrated good grace when they were unfortunately unsuccessful. I am proud of each and every student who partook in this process.

I would also like to thank our current School Captains, John and Sophie, for their leadership throughout 2016, you have been amazing.

House Captains

Congratulations to our 2016 House Captains for doing such a fabulous job over the course of this year. Thank you for your fantastic leadership. Congratulations to our newly appointed 2017 House Captains.

Chum - Ava W & Corey A

Myer - Charli C & Nicky M

Yarra - Ivy L & Darcey V

Watts - Bella H & Joel D'A

Giving Tree - Monda and Holmwood Visits

Thank you to all of the families that donated a present to the Giving Tree. The smiles and conversations the students had with our older generation was outstanding and really brought a smile to all involved.

Captains' Day

Over the past weeks the Year 6 students have been organising and getting ready for the annual Captains day. It was amazing to see all students walking around enjoying the activities the Year 6 students had organised. I was really impressed listening and watching all the students using their numeracy skills to count money and ensure they were given the correct change. These are the real life experiences children need to link what they learn in the classroom to the real world. I was also very impressed with the smooth running of the day and the behaviour of every student. Congratulations to the Year 6 students for organising and running a great day. The money raised will be donated to the Royal Children's Hospital. Thank you to all the staff that assisted and guided the students through this event.

Holiday Tips

Tip One - Plan ahead. Take control of your holidays ahead of time by making "To Do" lists as well as sticking to a budget. Set aside specific days for shopping, baking, visiting friends and other activities. Plan your menus and then make your shopping list. Nothing creates more stress than last minute shopping and preparations. Draw up (and follow!) a budget to make sure you don't overspend over the festive season. Choose simple, thoughtful or useful gifts rather than expensive ones. Even Santa has limited funds!

Tip Two - Positive attitude. Try to think positive thoughts. Your thoughts influence your feelings - if you dwell on unhappy thoughts, you will feel unhappy. In addition, your attitude may be transferred to others and this is unhelpful over this holiday time. When making New Year's resolutions, think positively about what you can really achieve. Setting unrealistic goals may cause disappointment. Keep it all in perspective. Holidays don't have to be perfect. The focus needs to be on spending time enjoying your life and connecting with those you love.

Tip Three - Look after yourself. To take care of others you need to first take care of yourself. A healthy diet and regular exercise will help to reduce stress. Don't abandon your healthy habits! Have a healthy snack before holiday parties so that you don't go overboard on sweets, cheese or drinks. It's normal to eat more during the holidays, but be aware of how certain foods effect your mood. It can be very helpful to take a walk before and/or after a holiday meal.

Tip Four - Relax. Get plenty of sleep and spend some time relaxing to reduce holiday stress. Sleep patterns tend to get thrown off when you are not on a schedule during the holidays. Try to go to sleep at a reasonable hour and make rest a priority.

Tip Five - Stay hydrated. Drink more water.

During The Break

I am looking forward to spending time with Karen, Alex and Ben at home and at Sandy Point. Whatever you may be doing over summer, please stay safe, enjoy time with your family and friends and have a joyous Christmas. I wish you all a great New Year and see you in 2017 - with **students beginning on Tuesday 31 January 2017.**

(If you and your family use our school grounds during the holidays and see any suspicious activity, please call DET Emergency Management ☎ 9589 6266 or Healesville Police ☎ 9871 4111).

Cameron Heath, Principal

The Wellbeing Corner

with Penny and Cherida



There are a lot of Christmas decorations which express a wish for peace. It is something we long for when we see the distress caused by wars around the world. But peace must start with ourselves. If we have peace within ourselves then we can be confident people who are able to relate to and understand others. There are many who don't look forward to family Christmas celebrations because of a lack of peace within their family relationships. I would hope that steps could be made to restore relationships so that peace can be a real part of Christmas.

This morning at school lots of children have been excited about the changes that will be made for next year, especially who their teacher will be and who is in their class. It is a great reminder of how much people mean to each of us. It is an exciting time of the year!

May these holidays be a great time for family, for rest and preparation for the next year, and especially for Peace. I look forward to seeing everyone again next year.

Cherida



The 11th



TOYOTA

DREAM CAR

ART CONTEST

Healesville Toyota are running a competition to design your Dream Car.

Entry forms available at the school office if you would like to participate.

Entries close 1 March 2017.

For more information go to:
toyota.com.au/dreamcar

Last Day 20th December 16

FREE DRESS DAY

Gold Coin Donation to Royal Children's Hospital

TIME LINE OF EXPECTED EXPENDITURE 2017

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| January | Essential Education Items | All Grades | \$210.00 (1 st Child) Includes \$35 pupil pack |
| February | Grip Leadership | Year 6 | \$25.00 |
| March | Year 4 Camp | Year 4 | \$200 approx |
| April | Possible Excursion | Year 2 | Cost to be determined |
| May | Senior School Swimming | Year 5 – Year 6 | \$85.00 |
| June | Life Ed Van | Whole School | \$9.00 |
| July | Round Robin Sports | Year 5 & 6 | \$10.00 |
| August | Middle School Swimming | Year 3 – Year 4 | \$85.00 |
| September | Possible Excursion | Year 1 | Cost to be determined |
| October | Junior Swimming | Prep to Year 2 | \$85.00 |
| November | Warburton Bike Hike | Year 3 | \$5.00 |
| | Year 5 Bomber Jacket | Year 5 | \$65.00 approx |
| | Kew Traffic School | Year 3 | \$20.00 |
| | Year 5 & 6 Coonawarra Camp | Year 5 & 6 | \$355.00 |
| December | Year 3 Camp | Year 3 | \$200.00 approx |

- Throughout the course of the year, excursions and events are planned as part of each class curriculum and may not appear on this list.
- Sports costs are charged based on each child and, as such, do not appear on this list. You will be notified if your child progresses through each division.
- The school is always mindful of the impact that the cost of excursions and camps can have and are careful to keep costs to a minimum.

CSEF

If you are in receipt of the CSEF, funds are **automatically** allocated to events as they arise. Please call the office at any time if you are unsure as to how much is remaining in your account.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Year 6 Graduation is on
Monday 19th December at 5:30pm
at the RSL for dinner (students only)
then 7:30pm at the Memo Hall for
presentation
(family and friends).

Any queries, please feel free to contact
Marlene Williams.



Healesville Primary School Canteen Menu

Whole meal Sandwiches, Rolls and Wraps

Choices of salads are: *Lettuce, tomato, carrot, cheese and mayo.*

Choice of meats: *Chicken or Ham*

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| Salad only | \$3.70 |
| Meat and Salad | \$4.00 |
| Vegemite Sandwich/Roll | \$2.00 |

Whole meal Toasties

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| Ham and cheese | \$3.50 |
| Tomato and cheese | \$3.20 |
| Ham, cheese and tomato | \$3.80 |

Hot Food Daily

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| Mini Homemade Sausage rolls | \$1.50 |
| Ham, cheese and tomato on whole meal pizza subs | \$1.50 |
| Cheese and herb whole meal pizza subs | \$1.50 |
| Cheese and herb pizza subs (gf) | \$1.50 |
| Steamed Dim Sims | \$1.10 |
| Noodle Cups | \$3.00 |
| Hot Dogs in whole meal rolls | \$3.60 |
| Mini Meat Pies | \$1.10 |
| Quiche (Bacon & cheese or Spinach & cheese) | \$1.50 |
| Sauce | 10c |

Hot Food Fridays

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| Mini homemade beef burger with lettuce, tomato, carrot, tomato sauce and cheese on a whole meal bun. | \$3.70 |
| Homemade beef lasagna (whole meal) | \$4.00 |
| Crumbed chicken tenders | \$1.50 |
| Roasted chicken tenders (gf) | \$1.50 |
| Gluten Free Pasta with tomato and cheese sauce | \$4.00 |
| Fried Rice | \$4.00 |

Drinks

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| Oak flavored milk (fat free) 300ml <i>chocolate, strawberry or banana</i> | \$2.60 |
| Juicy bottles 300ml <i>apple or orange</i> | \$2.60 |
| Juice Boxes (reduced sugar) <i>apple, orange or tropical</i> | \$2.00 |
| Small bottled water | \$1.00 |
| Orange juice cups | 50c |
| Hot Milo large | \$1.50 |

Cold treats

Available at canteen window only!

A changing range of friendly ice creams and icy poles from 50c to \$2.00

Snacks

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| Vanilla yoghurt cups with berries | \$2.50 |
| Fresh fruit salad | \$2.50 |
| Fruit Sticks | 70c |
| Muffins-apple or berry | \$1.50 |
| Mini muffins (fruit) | 50c |
| Oat bar slice (no nuts) | \$1.50 |
| Banana bread | \$1.50 |
| Coconut date choc balls | 80c |
| Crackers and cheese | 80c |
| Pikelets with little butter | 20c |
| Small bag of popcorn | 10c |
| Popcorn (packaged) | \$1.00 |
| Sultanas | 5 for 5c |
| Dry banana chips | 10c |
| Licorice piece | 10c |
| Fruit pieces | 10c |
| Rice cake snacks | \$1.00 |
| Noodle Snacks | \$1.00 |
| Healthy slices (egg free) | \$1.50 |
| Gluten free chips snacks | \$1.00 |
| Anzac cookies | \$1.00 |

Please add 10¢ to order for paper bags

Thanks