

NEWSLETTER

View Street, Healesville 3777

Telephone 59 624053

Facsimile 59 626201

www.hps.vic.edu.au

Edition 30

18th September, 2014

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Spring Concert

Last Thursday we had a wonderful musical evening, with our instrumental students performing. This included, brass, woodwind, keyboard, violin and guitar. Thank you to Kerry Thomas and Liz Bennett (Healesville High School) and the instrumental teachers for organizing this event. The High School Rookie band came to perform as well. It was great for the students to have the opportunity to perform the pieces they have been practicing so hard.

Poetry Recitals

Last week our grade 1 /2 students wowed us with their poetry recitals, and today our grade 3's showed off their talents. Well done to the students and families for their dedication in practicing and to the teachers for organizing these events.

Bike Hike

The grade 3's celebrated their Bike Ed program with a bike hike along the Warburton trail. It is quite a logistical achievement to get the students and bikes all organized so thank you to the parents and staff for your support. The students had a wonderful day and were able to use the skills they had gained.

150th Celebration Events

The Healesville township celebrates its 150th Anniversary, with a parade and festival to be held on Saturday November 8th. We will be participating in this exciting event, so we encourage you to keep the date free and stay tuned for details about costumes and events. We'd love to have the whole school community involved in this celebration.

Planning Week

This week our staff have been working hard in teams to plan for next term. The timetable has been altered for the week, but student still participate in their specialist sessions. Team planning is an integral part of delivering a great curriculum for our kids.

TiqBiz

If you have not already downloaded the free app TiqBiz, now is the time to do it. This provides a great way for the school to keep you up to date with the latest information about activities and events. If you have not returned your SMS or photo permission forms, please do so ASAP.

Chess Competition

Please see next page for more details about our outstanding results at the chess competition. Some of our students will be moving onto the state semi final.

Grade 6 Leadership Program

On Tuesday we had a number of students from the high school and the Shire come and run leadership activities with our grade 6 students, helping the students develop valuable life skills.

School Sport Victoria

This week Cameron Heath has been fulfilling another role within the education department, as he coaches the girls state soccer team in the national competition as part of the School Sport Victoria program. The team has been very successful so far, we look forward to hearing about their achievements next term.

Woorabinda Camp

This week a number of students from grades 4/5/6 are attending the Woorabinda camp, with students from other schools. Mr Stafford has reported that they are having a great time.

School Holidays

As term 3 draws to a close, take some time to reflect with your child on their achievements so far this year and set goals for term 4. Have a safe and happy holiday,
Rebekah Clarke, Assistant Principal

SCHOOL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Friday 19th

Grades 3 & 4 – Footy Clinic
Last day term 3 – 2:30 pm finish
(Bus travellers finish 2:15 pm)

OCTOBER

Monday 6th

First Day Term 4

Thursday 9th

Prep Transition BBQ – 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Monday 13th

School Council Meeting

Thursday 16th

Canteen Special Lunch Day

Friday 17th

CURRICULUM DAY – Pupil Free Day

Monday 20th – Friday 31st

Junior School Swimming

Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th

Orienteering (Maroondah Dam) Grades 3-6

Wednesday 29th

Parents & Friends Meeting 2pm Bristol

Friday 31st

Healesville Sanctuary 2R & 2S

STUDENT AWARDS

PM:	Deklan H, Cameron W
PP:	Matthew W
PC:	Asha M, Millie W
10:	Ethan D
1/2A :	Taylor D
2B:	Whole Grade
2R:	Joshua V & Whole Grade
3G:	Felicity L
5K:	Eden M
5G:	Josh B
6N:	Liwanu S
6W:	Josh W, Joel V
P6J:	Brandon K, Chloe P, Leah K
Poetry Recital:	Ms House

Last Day Term 3 - TOMORROW

Friday 19th September - Students finishing at 2:30pm - Bus travellers finish 2:15pm

CANTEEN

OCTOBER 2014

Mon 6	CANTEEN CLOSED	
Tues 7	CANTEEN CLOSED	
Wed 8	Jenny Daniels	
Thurs 9	Kylie Mayor	Heather Condello
Fri 10	Shelley Buettner	Dianne Lowe

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ALL PARENTS - Communication Tools

TiqBiz is an app and SMS is a tool that we will be using to communicate with the school community. This week we will be sending home a notice to each family with more information about TiqBiz and SMS, with a consent form and update contact details. We are also attaching student photo permission and local excursion permission forms to ensure we have current permission. **Could you please fill these forms out ASAP and return to school.**

Parents & Friends Club

As we farewell Term 3, I'd like wish all of our school community happy and safe holidays. A time to refresh and look forward to the final stretch of 2014.

In the first week of term 4 we will be cooking a BBQ at school to welcome our 2015 Prep families. Are you able to come and help with a sausage sizzle on Thursday October 9th from 6pm-8pm? Please let me know by leaving a message at the school office.

Our first get-together for Term 4 will be on Wednesday Oct 29th from 2pm in the Bristol.

Thanks for your support, Maidi Mitchell

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

As Term 3 comes to a close, I thought I would write and say a **HUGE THANKYOU** for supporting the Heart Foundation this year. So far, collectively the Jump Rope for Heart program has raised over **\$1.2 million!**

"I am so glad that Healesville Primary School chose to be a part of this great achievement, and we are so grateful for your support. Without schools like yours we would not be able to continue to do our lifesaving heart research. Thankyou for your hard work with the program and please pass on our gratitude to all of your students who were involved.

We really hope to see you back on board the program next year so we can get your students jumping and continue to improve their heart health!"

Thanks, Jo Lakeland

SAVE THE DATE

**Healesville Community 150th Celebration
Street Parade, Saturday Nov 8th**

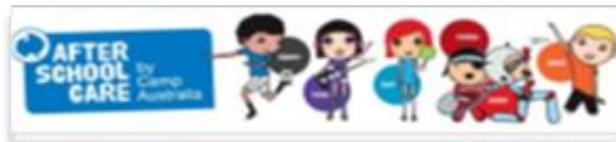
Sports Report

On the 5th Sept. we played T-Ball against Millwarra. We didn't have the same amount of players as Millwarra because they had their T-Ball team and soccer team playing. Some of their soccer team played for us so we didn't score and just had a fun game. **Zoe**

Literacy and numeracy at home - TOP IDEAS



During the holidays talk about the distance between places you go, for example: how many metres might it be to your local park or how many kilometres to Lilydale?



Our theme last week was "In the night sky" so we made some interesting stars and had some interesting facts regarding dreamtime. This week's theme is "footy".

As this is the last week of term and on Friday there is an early finish, we will be starting the after school session on Friday from 2:15 till the normal closing time. I wish to thank everyone for the support that you have given us and we look forward to great times in the final term of 2014.

For term four our SunSmart policy is - **if the children wish to play outside then they need to wear a hat.** We ask that you assist us in ensuring that your child has a hat in their bags.

Hope everyone has a good restful break.

*Thanks, Bob, Michelle, Regan, Jessica, Nicola and Melissa
from Camp Australia.*

JUNIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING for PM, PP, PC, 10 and 1/2A

MONDAY 20th OCTOBER to FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER

The Swimming program involves 10 lessons over 10 days. The children will be transported to and from the school by a McKenzie's bus.

The total cost of the program is \$75.00. This covers entrance to the pool, instruction and transport.

This money can be paid in instalments starting from now or in a lump sum before the swimming sessions commence.

GRADE 6 PLAY DVDS

All Grade 6 students will receive a copy of the play on DVD for free. If you would like to purchase additional copies of the DVD for families and friends, they will cost \$5.00 per disc.

Please come into the office and fill out an order form together with your payment. We will send any additional DVDS home with the student.

Thanks, Troy Stafford

CHESS

On Tuesday the 9th of September a few students from Healesville Primary School went to Mt Evelyn Primary School for a chess tournament and if you get into the top 30% you qualify for the Victorian State tournament. **Emdwyn**

The people who qualified were Bronte, Xavier and Emdwyn. Bronte was the highest scoring girl in the tournament. Well done Bronte!

Jacob

Thanks to Mr Stafford for organising for us to be part of the tournament and thanks to Cherida for driving.

