Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 5. It is another very busy week and it is hard to believe that we are already half way through Term 3! Again this week our students are involved in a variety of activities both within and outside the school.

From Wednesday to Friday our Year 4 students are attending their camp in Berry, with canoeing, orienteering, bushwalking, dancing and cooking damper around the campfire just some of the activities on the program. I’m sure it will be an enriching and rewarding experience for the children. On Tuesday this week Year 5 attended the My Girragundji Theatre Show at The Cube in Campbelltown as part of our focus on Aboriginal Education. From all reports it was a very enjoyable performance and our students were excellent audience members.

An important reminder to parents – if ever there are problems between your child and another student please let the school know so that we can investigate and resolve the issue. Under no circumstances should parents approach other children on the school premises.

Recently we sent home a blanket permission note to all families covering areas such as permission to walk to Fairfax Oval, participation in scripture classes and the publication of photographs. Thank you to all the parents who have returned this note. If you have not done so yet could you please return the note as soon as possible. Until the note is returned your child will not be allowed to walk to Fairfax Oval and may miss out on sports activities or training. Please note also that if you did not give permission for your child’s photo to be published on the school website then we cannot publish it in the school newsletter either as the newsletter is available on the website. If you would like to change any of the preferences that you indicated on the note simply advise the school office in writing.

Next week Helena T will be in Canberra representing NSW in the National Girls Hockey Championships over four days. This is a wonderful achievement by Helena and we wish her good luck next week!

This Friday we have four cricket teams (2 boys and 2 girls teams) participating in the Milo Cup at Onslow Park, Camden. The Milo Cup is run by Cricket NSW and with its emphasis on fun, skill development and participation it is always an enjoyable day for children and spectators alike. Good luck to our teams on Friday!

And this week’s thought is;

“It’s nice to be important, but it’s more important to be nice.”

Have a great week!

Jim Gawthorne
Relieving Principal

Last week, Year 3 students were visited by a group of high school students who presented workshops on a topic close to their hearts, the environment and living sustainably. Year 3 calculated how many Earths they would need if everyone on the planet enjoyed their standard of living and discussed actions they could take to reduce their environmental footprint. The students were very surprised to learn that if everyone lived like they did we would need two additional planets to support us. Some things they could do to reduce their footprint are switch off appliances at the powerpoint, walk or ride to school, grow some of their own food and buy Australian made or locally made goods.

Thank you to the teachers at Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre for their support and friendship.

TERM 3
August
14th-16th: Yr 4 Berry Camp
16th: Milo Cup @ Onslow Reserve
19th: AASC - Yrs 1-2 T-Ball/Softball
20th: Pizza Day
AASC - Yrs 3-6 Athletics
21st: Maths Olympiad #4
23rd: Gala Day #1
24th: ToM Tournament @ UWS Milperra
26th: AASC - Yrs 1-2 T-Ball/Softball
27th: AASC - Yrs 3-6 Athletics
Cambodia Mufti Day & Sausage Sizzle
28th: Combined Recorders Festival Jacaranda Concert
29th: P&C Father’s Day Stall
3/4B Nursing Home visit
30th: CBS Assembly @ 12:45pm
Hockey Knockout vs Killarney PS

September
2-3rd: Razorback Zone Athletics @ Campbelltown Stadium
3rd: P&C Meeting - 7pm
4th: Senior Dance Group State Dance Festival
7th: Federal Elections
P&C Sausage Sizzle
10th: Premier’s Spelling Bee District Final @ Thomas Acres
11th: Maths Olympiad #5

OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY - THURSDAY
8:30AM TO 3:15PM
FRIDAY
9:00AM TO 3:15PM
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts:

- KF Lucas P: Trying hard to take pride with his work
- KF Shanice M: Wonderful listening in class
- KF Ryan M: Participating well during number groups discussions
- KL Trent L: His valuable contributions during class discussions
- KL Lucas D: Being a lovely neat worker
- KL Anthony R: Trying hard with his writing
- KM Eva R: Excellent sentence writing on the computer
- KM Dario C: Excellent use of word spaces in writing
- KM Jessie S: Excellent work during literacy groups
- KT Kyan W: Always enthusiastically participating in class discussions
- KT Olivia C: Working hard to count backwards to subtract numbers
- KT Eryn W: Excellent progress in her reading
- KTM Jordis M: Being a great listener
- KTM Sienna N: Being a great listener
- KTM Arshiya M: Trying hard during reading groups
- 1E Kai B: Working hard during number groups
- 1E Zoe-Lee B: Trying hard during literacy lessons
- 1G Aaron F: Improved story writing
- 1G Lucas F: Improved story writing
- 1HP Olivia B: Writing an excellent recount of the art show
- 1HP Charli T: Challenging herself during writing tasks
- 1HP Jackson L: Experimenting with advanced punctuation
- 1M Abby P: Great enthusiasm and effort during art lessons
- 1M Patrick C: Consistent effort and high quality of work in writing lessons
- 1/2J Agustin B: Excellent work in spelling and writing
- 1/2J Olivia P: Excellent writing
- 1S Rosalina T: Working hard to improve her recount writing
- 1S Benjamin D: Great recount writing
- 2C Xavier D: Excellent behaviour and work habits
- 2C Eillian A: Creating a wonderful "worry doll" and vase of flowers for the art show
- 2D Zoe B: Achieving great results in spelling
- 2D Jack-Thomas S: An excellent effort in fast maths
- 2MC Bailey C: Trying hard in all class activities
- 2MC Jalen F: A huge improvement in his bookwork
- 2P Benjamin M: Being an awesome student and always working hard
- 2P Kaitlin F: A fantastic all about me poster
- 3D Declan B: Predicting and recording possible outcomes in chance situations
- 3D Jayden M: Working well during reading group activities
- 3/4B Zachary A: Always completing his homework
- 3/4B Hannah T: Excellent work with debating
- 3/4B Annalyse S: Great work in maths
- 4C Robert M: Being a positive role model in the classroom
- 4C Lachlan J: Trying hard throughout all maths lessons
- 4EW Jo N: Showing an excellent understanding of mathematics
- 4EW Rayan E: Settling in well and contributing to her new class
- 4/5O Adam S: For improved participation in literature circles
- 4/5O Lucy M: For good thinking in problem solving
- 5B Alyssa C: Completing her work to a high standard in reading activities
- 5B Chelsea L: Completing her work to a high standard in reading activities
- 5B Brodhin W: Fantastic work during guided reading groups
- 5M Tahlia S: Improved effort in spelling tests
- 5M Blake L: Improved comprehension during reading activities
- 5NT Aiden K: Having a positive attitude towards all of his work
- 5NT Jordyn E: Excellent results in weekly spelling tests
- 5S Olivia S: Outstanding extra effort in her home work research task
- 5S Connor V: Working hard in mathematics and great improvement in his spelling contract
- 5/6O Lachlan S: His great tuned spanner xylophone
- 5/6O Elodie C: Her creative effort designing costumes and choreography for ToM
- 6O Luke D: Consistently completing homework
- 6O Jordan F: Excellent decisions regarding independent work
- 6W Taylor C: Excellent written work
- 6W Samuel W: Developing his strategies when completing long multiplication
- 6W Aurora T: Excellent script writing

This Saturday I will be attending my second training day for my teaching experience in Cambodia. Thank you to the families who have supported the program. I am sure your contribution will make a difference.

Paul Bush

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Kindergarten Enrolments for 2014

We are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2014. Enrolment forms are available from the office.

Transition Program commences 14th October 2013.

We are still in the developmental stages but if you ‘Like’ us on Facebook we will utilise this when we have important messages to send out as another form of communicating with the community.

We will advise you in the newsletter when the site is fully up and running.

This site will only be used for notifications, no photos or student names will be uploaded onto this site.

Find us on:

www.facebook.com/HarringtonParkPublicSchool

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Student bank books should be sent to the office each Wednesday morning and will be returned to the classroom the following day.

Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battle-grounds. But it’s a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.


Last Wednesday both Priyanka (Stage 2) and Paris (Stage 3) represented our district at the Regional Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition at Lewisham. Both girls spoke very well and should be proud of their efforts.

The oracy public speaking competition is coming up later this term for those students who are interested, ask your teacher for more information.

Last week Stage 3 conducted their ‘spell off’. There were 24 students participating. The two students going through to the district final of the Stage 3 Premier’s Spelling Bee are Hayley F (4/5O) and Blake H (5/6O). The district final will be on Tuesday 10th September at Thomas Acres PS. Stage 2 will conduct their ‘spell off’ next Tuesday 20th August.

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Please Stand Behind The Yellow Line

To improve the safety of your children while they are waiting to be picked up in the Kiss and Ride/No Parking bay, Council is installing a yellow Pedestrian Safety Line.

Children should PLEASE STAND BEHIND THE YELLOW LINE until the vehicle has stopped. We would ask that you reinforce this message to your children and help keep them safe.

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