Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 8. Last Friday our hockey team qualified for the semi-final of the State Knock-Out for the third year in a row. It will be played at Narellan on Tuesday, and if they win they will play in the final on the same day. Good luck to everyone in the team. Let’s hope it’s third time lucky.

Congratulations again to our recorder group who performed twice last week. They entertained Cobbitty Public School on Friday and on Wednesday evening they played at the Opera House. It was a fantastic performance, and our teachers did a wonderful job in preparing them. Miss Donovan really enjoyed catching up with the children and was surprised when presented with her retirement medal on the steps of the Opera House by some of the recorder group on behalf of all of the students that she has taught.

Next week some of our children will be presenting at the Macarthur Sustainable Schools Expo at Belgenny Farm. This is a wonderful opportunity and we are hoping that the children will take part in a live link up with children from New Delhi and Bali. Technology is certainly making education more and more interesting, and providing our children with more and more new opportunities. The robotics program is proceeding nicely. We are hoping to expand on this program in the future also.

Last night Mrs Batty’s senior dance group performed in the State Dance Festival in Sydney. Their performance of Masquerade was highly polished and they can be truly proud of their efforts.

My thought for the week comes from Pearl S Buck, ‘It is natural anywhere that people like their own kind, but it is not necessarily natural that their fondness for their own kind should lead them to the subjection of whole groups of other people not like them.’

I hope that we can continue to celebrate diversity at Harrington Park Public School. Inclusion is one of the greatest strengths of the Public Education System. School is a place where we learn to live well together. A place where we can discover and value differences.

Have a great week.

Yours faithfully,
Andrew Best

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**CARE** for others  **BELIEVE** in yourself  **SUCCEED** through effort

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**Care, Believe, Succeed Awards**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NOMINEES FOR AUGUST**

**CARE:** Tyson A (Yr 3) For being a thoughtful and caring member of 3D. Tyson constantly shows his caring nature by modelling appropriate behaviour at all times. He shows respect by listening and being attentive. Tyson is always willing to share and cooperate with his peers.

**Other Nominees:** Jemma W, Arshiy M, Xavier G, Isaac R (K); Rosalina T, Aidan O, Lily C (Yr 2); Charlotte R, Isabella T, Caitlin S, Miah C, Jessica M, Cassie K, (Yr 5)

**BELIEVE:** Logan F (Yr 1) For giving 100% to all areas of her learning. Logan has developed a real sense of belief in herself and through this she has experienced excellent results in all KLA’s, but especially during reading groups and TEN time. Well done, Logan!

**Other Nominees:** Lucas N, Nathan S, Hunter F, Lucinda G (K); Alessandro L, Jasmine T (Yr 5) Jordan F, (Yr 6)

**SUCCEED:** Emily T (Yr 5) For her continued dedication to all areas of her learning. Emily always puts 100% in to all activities in the classroom. She takes great pride in her learning and displays success both in her results and her exemplary attitude towards her school. Well done, Emily!


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**DIARY**

**TERM 3**

7th: Federal Elections
P&C Sausage Sizzle
9th: AASC - Yrs 1-2 T-Ball/Softball
10th: Premier’s Spelling Bee District Final @ Thomas Acres
AASC - Yrs 3-6 Athletics
Girls Hockey finals @ Narellan
11th: Maths Olympiad #5
SSW Athletics @ Crest, Bass Hill
Choral Festival Rehearsal
Macarthur Sustainable Schools Expo-Belgenny Farm

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

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 at: www.facebook.com/HarringtonParkPublicSchool

Like
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

KF Katarina M  Great effort during number groups
KF Connor C  Writing a wonderful independent sentence
KF Annabelle F  Excellent reading progress
KT Mikey E  His excellent progress in reading and writing
KL Cody D  Wonderful improvement in writing
KL Lucinda G  Her excellent attitude to all class activities
KL Cindy H  Being a lovely neat worker
KT Mikey E  Improving effort in his bookwork. Keep it up
KL Emily E  Excellent reading progress
KL Tyler A  Consistent effort across all key learning areas
KT Xander L  Great thinking, sharing his ideas in discussion and in writing
KT Keegan R  Always trying her best in all class activities
KTM Tallen J  Always striving for personal excellence during all activities
KTM Tyler C  Great improvement in her reading
3C Kimberley C  Distinction: Blake H (Yr 6)
3C Anthony R  Credit: Cameron R (Yr 6), Breanna C, Bradley S, Jayden T (Yr 5), Mia C (Yr 4), Noah O, Seth G, Tauren M (Yr 3)
3C Lili W  For excellent effort in her reading
3C Luke B  Distinction: Breanna C (Yr 5)
3D Charles K  Credit: Elodie C (Yr 6), Jayden T, Bradley S, Alyssa C (Yr 5), Matthew S, Hayley G, Jamie C (Yr 4)
3M Audrey A  Great ideas for narrative writing
3M Emily-Rose B  A wonderful character study in guided reading
3M Luke L  A wonderful character study in guided reading

Pizza Day
Funds raised $1633.00. Whirly birds $1133.00 to be put in school holidays. The leftover money was donated to Mr Bush towards his Cambodia trip.

Girls K.O. Hockey Success
The girls’ K.O. hockey team have reached the finals of the State K.O. for the third year in a row. With the majority of the team still in Years 3 and 4, this is a great achievement.

The team made the finals after defeating Chittaway Bay from the Central Coast 8-0 in the quarter final.
This year the finals will be held at the Narellan Hockey Centre (great for us) next Tuesday, 10th September all day. Supporters are more than welcome.

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Spelling
Distinction: Blake H (Yr 6)
Credit: Cameron R (Yr 6), Breanna C, Bradley S, Jayden T (Yr 5), Mia C (Yr 4), Noah O, Seth G, Tauren M (Yr 3)
Writing
Distinction: Breanna C (Yr 5)
Credit: Elodie C (Yr 6), Jayden T, Bradley S, Alyssa C (Yr 5), Matthew S, Hayley G, Jamie C (Yr 4)
Asthma Update

This week we are sending home a letter to parents of children who suffer from Asthma as we need to update our records so we can provide the best possible care for them at school. We are required to establish a Health Care Plan with parents, for children with severe asthma. Your child’s health condition may have also changed since enrolment time, hence the need for the update.

If you do not receive this letter via your child please call into the office and collect one to complete.

If any student has any other serious health issue that needs a health care plan please contact Ms Malone by letter or leave your contact information at the office. Arrangements can then be made to create an appropriate health plan with you.

Working Bee

We are contemplating having a Working Bee early in Term 4. If you are interested in helping out would you prefer a Thursday from 1-3pm or a Sunday for a couple of hours. Please fill out the attached Expression of Interest form and return it to the school office.

Raffle Winners

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Sydney Recorder Festival

Last Wednesday the Recorder group for 2013 went to perform at the Sydney Opera House. Three pieces of music were performed on the night. The students had been practicing extremely hard since the beginning of the year. Some of the extra features of the day included a visit to Customs House, the Royal Botanic Gardens and the Opera House. When we arrived in the city we ate lunch by the water where the waves were low and the seagulls kept coming to us for food! It was the first time performing for a lot of us. Thank you Mrs Bush and Mrs Creasey for organising the day.

Akirra W. 4B
Following our sustainability unit we went out and collected items from our natural environment and turned it into art work. As you can see from some of the work some the items should not be found in our gardens and grass area. So remember to pick up your rubbish and put it in the bin.
1st notice

MUSICA VIVA - “OUTTA AFRICA” PERFORMED BY “TERANGA”
I give permission for my child/ren to attend the Musica Viva performance by the
group, Teranga on Friday 11th October 2013. Please find enclosed $_________ in total
payment of 7.50 per child

STUDENT’S NAME: ___________________________________________ CLASS: __________
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CREDIT CARD NUMBER: ___________________________ EXP DATE: __ / __
CCV NUMBER: ___ ___ Mastercard / Visa (Circle please)
_____________________________ Date: __________________

Parent / Caregiver (Card Holder Signature)

MONEY AND NOTE DUE BY TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER

Expression of Interest - Working Bee

    Thursday 1pm—3pm  
    Sunday 2 hours

NAME: ___________________________ PHONE NO: ______________
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