Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 6. This week on Tuesday we paused briefly at 11 o’clock to remember those brave men and women who have served and continue to serve our nation through unsettled times of war. The children made poppies in class and on their way out to lunch placed them in our Peace Garden. It is hard to believe that it is one hundred years since the beginning of the war that was supposed to end all wars. We now have a 24 hour news cycle, and we are bombarded with news of war on a daily basis.

Two weeks ago we had an educational consultant and futurist, Tony Ryan, working in our school. He pointed out that the world at present is actually more peaceful than it has been for a long time. The daily news sometimes skews our perspective. We should all be thankful to our peace keeping forces and never forget those brave people who paid the supreme sacrifice for our futures and freedom.

Tomorrow I have the honour of accompanying Paige and her family at a book launch, which is part of the Twugia Program for Aboriginal students. Paige was invited to be part of this prestigious program earlier in the year. It is a program that recognises talented students, and provides them with opportunities to work with similar students and mentors. Paige was part of a group who wrote a book. This book will be launched tomorrow, and we are very proud of her efforts.

The majority of our Aboriginal students recently took part in an Aboriginal Belonging Day across our community of schools. It was a fantastic day. I observed all of our children enjoying a wide range of engaging and culturally relevant learning experiences. They were great ambassadors for our school and can all be very pleased with their efforts.

If you have a spare minute over the next week take a trip to Narellan library and have a look at the Nature Photography Exhibition. Many of our students have entries in this exhibition and we were lucky to have a first place in one category. It’s well worth a look.

On Monday we will be having our Mufti Day for the term. The School Parliament has requested from a multitude of charities each year asking for support. This year the Parliament decided that the Term 4 Mufti Day would be different in that different charities could set up stalls and the students could choose which one they wanted to support. We have seven registered charities nominated for the day and children are asked to bring a gold coin donation.

Occasionally there is someone in our community who also needs our help. I have been made aware of an Aunt of a student in our school who has recently lost a leg as a result of an accident. She is currently in rehabilitation and the family is struggling financially. An appeal has been set up to assist with the huge medical bills. If you would like to make a donation you can make a direct deposit into the Paula Gowland account. BSB 013304 Account No. 216332485. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

My thought for the week, ‘At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them. Lest we forget.”

Have a great week.

Yours faithfully,
Andrew Best

KINDERGARTEN 2015 ENROLMENT

Please contact the office as soon as possible if you have a child enrolling for Kindergarten next year. Early information helps us organise a much smoother transition and orientation. If you have friends or relatives enrolling a Kindergarten child for 2015 we would appreciate your assistance by reminding them to enrol soon.

Thank you

DIARY

November
17-28th: Yr 6-7 Transition
17th: Year 6 Charity Stall Day
18th: 2015 Kindergarten Orientation 9:10 - 10am
19th: Canteen Lolly Day
20th: 6B Nursing Home visit
21st: CBS Assembly @ 12:45pm
24th: Book Club Issue 8 - Orders due
25th: School Spectacular Dance Rehearsal 3 - 3:45pm
26-27th: Schools Spectacular Rehearsal
28th: Schools Spectacular Preview Performance
29th: Schools Spec - Matinee & Evening Performances

December
1-2nd: Year 6 Canberra Excursion
2nd: P&C Meeting @ 7pm
3rd: Year 6 Orientation Day

canteen closed for recess

9th: Canteen Chicken Strips Day  No other lunch orders
10th: Year 6 Mini Fair
11th: 6B Nursing Home visit
12th: Presentation Day
15th: Year 6 Farewell @ Wests
17th: Last day of Term 4 for Students
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

KA Ayla B Excellent progress with reading
KA Noah W Excellent progress with reading
KA Ellie C Fantastic sounding out of nonsense words
KL Alyssa T Her wonderful narrative about 10 ladybeetles
KL Simran S Her fantastic effort during maths activities
KL Riley C His excellent effort during reading groups
KT Ava M Always being a perfectly behaved student
KT Kay-Lee F Her fantastic listening skills
KT Riley J His independent working skills
KV Aiden A Writing a wonderful recount about the weekend
KV Oscar C Doing a great job of adding numbers together
KV Brayden P Using expression when reading
1/KM Kaviish S Trying hard to identify author’s purpose
1/KM Leilani EU Being a lovely friend and playing nicely outside
1/KM Caiden S For giving his best effort at all activities
1/KM Xavier G For excellent role play - he is a true character
1E Alyssa W Working hard during maths lessons
1E Isabella W Clever work during maths lessons
1G Oscar L Excellent addition of 2 digit numbers
1G Tallen J Great behaviour in class
1G Sienna N Great effort in number groups
1G Tyler A Excellent improvement in handwriting
1J Lola P Terrific writing
1J Theo P Improved writing
1S Georgia D Very creative acrostic poem
1S Oliver C Trying his best
2C Aidan O Excellent effort during maths
2C Izabella N Taking great pride in her book work
2K Olivia B Great work during TEN time
2K Cruz L Working hard to improve his writing
2MC Summer M Excellent work in mathematics
2MC Megan B Always trying her best
2MC Braylan H Excellent acting in drama
2MC Aidan F Excellent acting in drama
2S Agustin BM For an excellent presentation about his trip to Argentina
2S Jackson L For his excellent presentation about his trip to America
2T Takara F Courageous effort in swimming
2T William T Being a supportive class member
2T Sharae F Fantastic calculations during money lessons
3E Sebastian W Excellent acting in our item
3E Chad T Always displaying a positive attitude towards learning
3J Hayden A Consistently showing a positive attitude in class
3J Ilana K Perseverance during difficult maths concepts
3/4O Declan B 100% effort in all school activities
3/4O Jessica O Excellent scientific investigation of macro invertebrates
4C Keira H Great scientific investigation of macro invertebrates
4C Xavier L Assisting others when dip netting
4G Zechariah M Pleasing results in decimals
4G Portia V Pleasing results in chance and data
5B Emily C An amazing effort in Maths! Well done!
5B Jessica M Always working well in class. Outstanding effort!
5C Akirra W Continually performing to the best of her ability
5C Jessie H Excellent effort in all areas
5D Joshua L Solving a variety of maths problems
5D Isabella B Commitment and dedication while researching in library
5M Jessica S Hard work during mathematics
5M Bianca B Terrific effort when completing her work
5M Lachlan J Great effort during explanation writing
6B Alex W Great effort in all areas
6B Aiden W Consistent effort in all areas
6J Nicholas R His excellent application and enthusiasm
6J Kayla F Her excellent work habits
6O Isabella P Great work with isometric dot paper
6O Scout C Great work with isometric dot paper
6W Jessica M Wonderful effort in mathematics
6W Alessandro L Trying hard in all areas of learning
12 members of the Senior Dance Ensemble have been working hard attending the combined dance rehearsals for the 2014 Schools Spectacular 'This is Australia'. The girls are looking forward to their final rehearsals and performances at The Qantas Credit Union Arena on Friday 28th & Saturday 28th November. The show will be shown on Channel 9.
Year 6 will be holding their annual mini-fair on Wednesday, 10\textsuperscript{th} December, 2014. One of the fund-raising activities will be a White Elephant Stall and we are asking for donations of any ‘pre-loved’ goods to sell at this stall. We ask that there be no glass items and that all goods are in working order. All donations can be brought to Mrs Oliver’s room (6J).

Students will also be holding a raffle. Donations of raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated.

The Year 6 transition fortnight will commence Monday, 17\textsuperscript{th} November, 2014 and conclude Friday, 28\textsuperscript{th} November, 2014. Students should have their timetables and will need to bring them each day to ensure they know which classes they will need to attend. The Year 6 teachers will be teaching the following High School subjects:

- Mrs Oliver – Dance and PDHPE
- Mr Oliver – Art and Computers
- Mr Bush – Mathematics and Geography
- Mrs Williams – English and Asian Studies

If you have any queries please contact your child’s teacher.
**P&C News**

**Stickybeaks Eco Lunch Bags** $10.00 each
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**Canteen Price List Revision**
Please note the following revisions for canteen price list.
- Playwater $2.00
- Sauce $0.20 extra
- Toasted sandwich $0.20 extra

Also, please be advised that fruit stack ice blocks are no longer available.

**Lolly Day Reminder - Wednesday, 19th Nov**
Orders and payments need to be at the Canteen by Friday, 14th November.

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**Year 6 Parliament**

**Charity Stall Day**

17th November 2014

Year 6 Parliament has agreed to support a Charity Stall Day on Monday, 17th November 2014.

Students at Harrington Park Public School will be able to donate to a stall(s) that interest them. Stalls can only represent registered charities.

If you are interested in running a stall for your favourite charity please see Mr Best with your information.

- Morgan W - 6B
  (on behalf of our Year 6 Parliament)

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The Canteen will be holding a ‘Lolly Day’ on Wednesday, 19th November 2014.

Fairy Floss - $3.00 bag.
Freddo Frog - Dairy milk, Carmelo Koala, Popping Candy, White, 100x1000’s, Strawberry or Peppermint - $1.00 each

Orders and payment need to be paid to the Canteen by Friday, 14th November 2014.

The Canteen will be holding a ‘Chicken Strips Day’ on Tuesday, 9th December 2014. Sorry, no other lunch orders on this day.

Combo includes 2 Strips, Popper and a Packet of Chips for a cost of $6.00. Orders and payment need to be paid to the Canteen by Thursday, 4th December 2014.

Additional Strips can be purchased on the day for $2.00 each.

I would like to order a ‘Chicken Strips Deal” (2 Strips, Popper and a Packet of Chips ) for $6.00.

Childs Name: ____________________________  Childs Class: ________________
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