Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 4. What wonderful children we have here at Harrington Park PS. I was so proud of our students yesterday. We had many visitors in our school for the Australian launch of Eco Schools and our children sent them away with an outstanding impression of our school. Paige our Minister for the Environment gave a wonderful Acknowledgement of Country in the Dharawal language. This acknowledgement may only be given by an Aboriginal person and was done so with the permission of Uncle Ivan from the Tharawal Land Council.

Our Captains led the ceremony well and our choir and ukulele band gave a great performance. The Year 6 members of our HEAT group provided an informative guided tour of our school highlighting our environmental initiatives. They were so impressive with their knowledge. Mr Martin presented to the group in regard to our Eco Schools Pilot Program.

I received a wonderful email today from our Director, Mr Roger Berry, praising the fantastic efforts of our children and community as a whole.

Mr Malcolm Powell a director with the Federation of Environmental Education, travelled from South Africa for the launch. He was very impressed with our school and the efforts made by the community of Harrington Park. He has travelled to 76 countries working for Eco Schools and he is very pleased that Australia is now on board. Keep Australia Beautiful who are managing the program have already had requests from schools overseas to link with schools in the program here. Congratulations to everyone involved in the program.

Tomorrow many of our children will be competing in the Zone Cross Country. Good luck to all of our runners. I’m looking forward to spending the day with you.

Two weeks ago Blake Mc. represented South West Sydney at the State Basketball Carnival. Whilst the team didn’t win the carnival Blake tells me that they were competitive, and had a few wins. Congratulations on your fine efforts.

My thought for the week is from Theodore Roosevelt, ‘Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.’

Have a great week.

Yours faithfully,
Andrew Best

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School Photos

The school photos are being taken on Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th May.

A friendly reminder that payment needs to be received on or before the date otherwise a late payment fee will apply.

All classes will have their photo’s taken on Tuesday, 27th May with the exception of 2MC, 6J & 6W. They will have theirs taken on Wednesday, 28th May.

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Year 2 Sydney Sealife Aquarium & IMAX Theatre

A reminder that all payments & medical notes are due to the office by Tuesday 17th June.

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Rock Through the Ages

Years 3 and 4 have already started preparations for our Stage 2 Performance in Term 3. Details are as follows so keep this date clear in your diary!

Date: Thursday 14th August
Times: Matinee Performance 12:00pm
       Evening Performance 7:00pm
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

KA Jasmine L  Great sentence writing  2S  Chloe B  Working hard to improve her reading fluency
KA Cooper S  Fantastic reading!
KA Noah W  Working hard during literacy groups  2S  Noah R  Always working hard during all class activities
KL Alyssa T  Her excellent attitude towards learning
KL Chloé T  Her fantastic effort when writing  2T  Samantha L  Improvement in spelling
KL Drew A  Excellent improvement in his writing  2T  Lara V  Creative work in mathematics
KT Daniel C  His fantastic ability to recognise and produce rhyme  3D  Samuel T  Excellent work in maths activities
KT Grace B  Retelling the beginning, middle and end of a story without prompting  3D  Benjamin A  Insightful contributions to class discussions
KT Jay C  A great improvement in his reading  3E  Samuel F  Great results in spelling
KV Aiden A  Wonderful, fluent reading
KV Mosawer H  Trying hard during reading groups  3E  Tommy F  Showing a better understanding of working mathematically
KV Oscar C  Trying hard with his writing  3E  Jake S  Excellent effort in mathematics
1/KM Leilani E  Being a responsible hard-working member of 1/KM  3J  Olivia R  Working to her full potential in class
1/KM Liam A  Being a champion at maths
1/KM Ryan M  For making a great effort to complete all activities in reading groups  3J  Cameron S  Always being a fantastic role model in the classroom
1/KM Shorten M  For always contributing his thoughts and ideas in discussion
1E Arshiya M  Excellent effort during writing tasks  4B  Liam D  For great participation in maths groups
1E Jennifer J  Excellent participation during class activities  4B  Lili W  For being a considerate and helpful classmate
1G Lachlan S  Fabulous counting  4C  Charlie F  Making a great start to Term 2
1G Ellyse S  Improved reading fluency  4C  Nikita S  Making great progress in telling the time
1G Samuel A  Great dance and count participation
1J Olivia C  Excellent work in ‘area’  4G  Victoria E  Improved effort towards homework
1J Theo P  Excellent work in ‘area’  4G  Jy M  Consistent effort towards homework
1S Zane P  Improved focus during independent activities
1S Lily M  Working hard during reading groups  5B  Briannan E  Great effort in all KLA’s
2C Kate W  Excellent work during reading groups  5C  Oliver B  Always striving to achieve his best in all areas
2C Jayden T  Excellent listening skills
2K Max K  A great improvement in his reading group activities  5D  Jessica L  Settling in very well to her new class
2K Olivia B  Displaying excellent comprehension skills during reading groups  5D  Liam S  Instant recall of multiplication facts
2MC Maddison S  Trying hard in reading groups  5M  Rayan E  Improved persuasive writing
2MC Maurice W  Being an active member in class activities  6B  Owen F  Working well in mathematics

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Mon:  am  pm
Tue:  am Kylie  pm Kylie
Wed:  am Jo  pm Alyssa
Thu:  am Ross, Sally  pm
Fri:  am  pm

The uniform shop will be open on Friday 23rd May from 9am to 10am for parents wanting to purchase new school uniforms for school photo day.

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