November
3rd: Hot Dog Day
P&C Meeting @ 7pm
5-6th: Year 6 Canberra Excursion
13th: Year 6 Mini Fair
17th: Year 3 Jibbon Beach Excursion
16-27th: Year 6 In-School High School Transition
27th: CBS Assembly

December
3rd: Year 6 High School Orientation Day
8th: EMHS Elements Tour 2-3pm in hall (Stage 3)
11th: Presentation Day
14th: Year 6 Formal
16th: Last day of Term 4 for Students
17-18th: Staff Development Day

January 2016
28th: Term 1 2016 Students Yrs 1-6 return

February
1st: Kindergarten students commence

Selective High School Applications 2017

Information brochures are available for students seeking selective high school placement for Year 7 in 2017. Please see Mrs Hooper if you would like more information or if you have any questions. All selective high school applications must be completed online at:

Students will be required to sit the Selective High School Placement test on Thursday 10th March, 2016. Entries need to be finalised online by 16th November.

Year 6 Mini Fair

The Year 6 Mini Fair will be held on Friday 13th November 2015. We would greatly appreciate donations for the:

White Elephant Store: Please send sellable items to Mr Oliver’s room.
Raffle – Please send prizes to Mrs Dalzell or Miss Camenzuli.

We are looking forward to an exciting fair.
Thank you for your support,
Year 6

From The Relieving PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well what a magnificent attendance we had on Friday for Grandparents Day. Together with some great weather, and professional performances from our students it made for a fantastic school and community celebration. Grandparents play a very important role in the development of our children, sometimes even more so where there has been a societal shift to a larger percentage of families ensuring that both parents have to work for a living. Grandparents do more than just the physical before and after school care that they may be exposed to, they instil the moral and ethical values of their generation, which can sometimes be lost in the more modern “busy” world. We couldn’t have predicted the amount of people that attended, which was more than last year, and will ensure the feedback from the day is used to plan an even better experience next year—longer time for classroom visits and better use of the hall for viewing purposes are improvements already being planned. Could you please pass on my thanks to all the grandparents and grand-friends who attended our school.

Over the next few weeks our students will be completing a range of diagnostic assessments and participating in evaluations of their knowledge about units of work completed over the last 2 terms. Naturally also, teachers consistently assess during the teaching of content throughout each term. All this information will be compiled to determine the levels of achievement for each student for the second semester of this year, resulting in their reports being distributed towards the last weeks of school. This information is used as a base for class structure for the following year— it is not the sole determining factor. I’ll write more about this in the coming weeks.

Last Friday was also World Teachers Day. The students acknowledged the dedication of our quality teaching staff at Harrington Park PS during our CBS assembly. I read out a letter from the Secretary of The Department of Education and I’d like to share a quote from her letter that was addressed to all staff:

“Education is the best investment we can make in our children and young people. As teachers and educational leaders we can influence the lives of our students. It’s our job to make a positive difference and to constantly pursue educational excellence. Great teachers maximise life choices, opportunity and outcomes for all students and they do change lives”.

As I read this quote I related to all our teaching staff here at Harrington Park, who are driven to excel in quality teaching practices that ensure each student has the opportunity to be exposed to a holistic curriculum.

Last week a more comprehensive survey was distributed to acquire further information about how the community would use a before and after school care facility. This survey was generated by the Department of Education and is used to provide information in the tender process. I encourage all those interested to attend the P & C meeting, to be held tomorrow night (Tuesday 3rd Nov) at 7pm in the school staff room, where you can ask any questions and acquire some more information.

We wish Year 6 students and their teachers a safe journey to Canberra this week and trust that they will enjoy all wonderful and informative attractions that Canberra has to offer.

Have a great week.
Mr B. Green
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>1E</td>
<td>Nicole L</td>
<td>Great effort during reading groups, Well done</td>
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<td>Isabel P</td>
<td>Always trying her best in all activities</td>
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<td>Cooper S</td>
<td>Always working to the best of his ability</td>
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<td>Riley J</td>
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<td>Zari D</td>
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<td>Billy N</td>
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<td>Tyler M</td>
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<td>Lucas N</td>
<td>Excellent work during Maths groups</td>
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<td>Ashton A</td>
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<td>Lucas P</td>
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<td>Jessica S</td>
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The Canteen will be holding a Hot Dog Day on Tuesday 3rd November 2015. All monies raised will be donated to the 2015 Year 6 students for their farewell and gift to the school. The meal combo will include a Hot Dog, drink and packet of chips and will cost $5.00. Additional hot dogs will be available on the day at $2.00 each (Sorry no other lunch orders on that day). Thank You for your support.

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.

Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.
Please contact the office 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 2016, we would appreciate your assistance by reminding them to enrol.

When returning your completed enrolment form please ensure you have the following documents:

- Original Birth Certificate or Passport
- Original Proof of student's Residential Address (rates, gas, electricity bill, rental agreement etc.)
- Immunisation History Statement (not blue book)
- Copies of any Family Law or other relevant Court Orders

Thank you

Miss Camenzuli, Mrs Dalzell, Mr Oliver & Mrs Oliver

You can now make payments online via a secure link on our website.

Log onto our school site at:-
http://www.harringtnp-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Click on "$ Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or Mastercard.
Permission notes must still be returned to school. Please record the receipt number on your permission note.

A final payment of $190.00 is now due at the front office for our upcoming camp to Canberra.
Please also return your child’s medical form.

Deposit: $55.00 Remaining Balance: $135.00

Thank you
Miss Camenzuli, Mrs Dalzell, Mr Oliver & Mrs Oliver

Last Friday members of our school year 6 parliament held a talent quest for K-6 students. It was a very successful show with over 100 students trying out across K-6 in 65 different acts.

Harrington Park has a lot of talent to offer and we were entertained by singing, dancing, skipping, puppet shows, musical arrangements and many more.

Mrs Dalzell and the committee Briannan, Emily, Paris & Annabelle put in a lot of hard work, time and dedication to the show.

We would like to give a massive thank you to everyone who auditioned for the show, to all the teachers who helped make the fantastic show, especially to Mrs Dalzell.

By Emily C 6D & Briannan E 6C-
Year 6 Parliament Talent show committee

Harrington Park Talent Show

Year 6 Camp Payment

Parent Online Payments (PoP)

Kindergarten 2016 Enrolment

Anchorage 2016 Enrolment

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