Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 8. The term is certainly racing by. We have noticed over the last couple of weeks that some children are arriving at school very early in the mornings. Staff commence duty at 8:30am, half an hour before the school day starts, and supervision commences in the playground at 8:30am.

Children who arrive before this time are unsupervised and must remain in the COLA. No guarantee can be given for children’s safety before 8:30am.

After school, teachers provide supervision until 3:15 pm. There have been some children who are continually being picked up late. We realise that there will occasionally be circumstances beyond your control that mean you will arrive late. Teachers are often involved in meetings, or after school coaching sessions with students. We ask that you inform the school if you are going to be late so that alternative methods can be put in place to ensure children’s safety.

I mentioned last week that one of our major before and after school care providers is going to be changing its operations soon. They have informed their customers. At this point in time the school is not in a position to provide before and after school care. The matter will be explored over the coming weeks.

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My thought for the week is from Stephen Covey. He had the following to say about parenting, “I’m convinced that too often parents are trapped in the management paradigm, thinking of control, efficiency, and rules instead of direction, purpose and family feeling.”

Have a great week.

Yours faithfully,
Andrew Best

Our lost property bin is very full and as we are coming into the colder months I encourage all students and families that if you have lost an item of clothing please check the bin (situated outside the hall each day) to claim any lost items.

Senior students will be checking clothing towards the end of each week to identify any clothing that has names on it and return it to their owners. At the end of the term the bin will be emptied and any suitable clothing that does not have a name on it will be washed and then sold as second hand clothing in our Uniform Shop. Please take the time to check the lost property bin before the end of term. Over the holiday break please ensure that all school uniform clothing has your child’s name on it.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mr Green
Deputy Principal

Voluntary School Contributions

Voluntary school contributions of $45 per child or $65 per family are now being accepted by the school office. As the money goes towards stocking our library, any contribution received will be recognised by a name plate inside one of the library’s new books.

To have your child recognised for his/her school contribution, any money received by the end of Term 2 will automatically result in a book donated in your child’s name. Your child will select the book of their choice and be given the privilege of being the first person to borrow the book from the library.

Thank you for your voluntary support of the school.
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

**Week 6**

1E Haze S
Excellent improvement in spelling

1E Gabrielle Z
For excellence in reading

1G Hayley M
Great work during group tasks

1G Riley J
Great work during group tasks

1J Amelia L
Beautiful work

1J Zac C
Great listener

1S Simeon I
Great improvement in behaviour and listening

1S Lukas R
An excellent effort in all learning areas

2A Dario C
His willingness to share ideas & knowledge with 2A during persuasive topics

2A Alyssa W
Excellent group work and presentation during persuasive discussion

2C Shelbiy M
Being a mature & hard working student

2C Jasen P
Demonstrating wonderful improvement in writing

2M Lucas D
Excellent recall of number facts

2/3T Trent L
A big improvement in his application to his work

**Week 7**

KA Matthew B
Excellent participation in literacy groups

KA Tiffany C
Great effort during literacy groups

KA Charlie K
Beautiful neat writing

KL Holly C
Being a great listener

KL Jayden F
Trying hard in all his work

KL Dylan K
Working hard to remember his high frequency works

KS Megan R
Great effort during reading groups

KS Sophia B
Trying hard during TEN time

KS Logan S
Excellent presentation of his news topics

KV Zoe H
Wonderful reading during literacy groups

KV Wasim A
Being a keen and enthusiastic student

KV Sophie C
Using cards to count on during TEN time

1E Alyssa T
Outstanding effort during writing tasks

1E Simran S
Outstanding effort in all activities

1G Tayla L
Always working hard in class

1G Lincoln P
Great participation during group tasks

1J Emily S
Excellent reading

1J Grace B
Fantastic writing

1S Harley W
A fantastic effort in writing

1S Oscar C
A fantastic effort in writing

2A Cody D
Excellent counting back skills from 100

2A Samuel A
Great improvement and effort in writing

2C Noah T
Excellent work during reading groups

2C Hunter F
Excellent work during maths

2M Ryan T
Being a studious and independent worker

2M Charlotte J
Excellent work during mathematics

2/3T Georgia D
Always working hard and doing her best work

2/3T Matthew B
Using multiplication facts to solve division problems

2/3T Keira P
Always working hard and producing quality work

3D Cooper M
Excellent recall of number facts

3D Braylan H
Being efficient and productive

3E Alix P
Excellent persuasive writing

3J Giuliano D
Great work in fast maths

3J Logan F
Trying her best in all activities

3M Ashlyeen M
Wonderful work in creative writing

4G Nicholas S
Pleasing knowledge of number facts

4G Cameron S
Pleasing results in spelling

4M Franco R
Excellent work in reading groups

4M Ashli L
Working hard in class

4N Savanah D
Outstanding reading group activities

4N Noah W
Excellent application in poetry activities

4/5O Jessica O
Writing an excellent review of ‘Running Wild’

4/5O Lucas T
For writing an excellent review of ‘Running Wild’

4/5O Portia V
Being an active and engaged listener

4/5O Charli N
For improved neatness in all bookwork

4/5O Braiden T
Improved work effort in all areas

4/5O Clever work with fractions

4/5O Madison B
Trying hard during handwriting lessons

4/5O Ashley C
Trying hard during guided reading activities

6C Oliver B
A detailed summary wheel on Chinese New Year

6C MJ M
Her creative responses to ‘Thought of the week’

6D Hayley G
Being a hardworking and cooperative class member

6D Lauren F
Working hard in all areas of learning

6D Louis H
His greatly improved participation and application

6J James F
His excellent application and participation

6O Kirstie W
Excellent note taking

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The P&C has been approved to hold a BBQ for the upcoming State Election on Saturday, 28th March 2015.

We need volunteers on the day, if you can spare an hour or two please let us know. Your help would be greatly appreciated and the funds raised will go towards benefiting students of Harrington Park Public School.

Thank you on behalf of the P&C.

The P&C are holding an ‘Easter Raffle’. Raffle tickets have been sent home this week. Please return tickets and money to the school office.

The P&C are requesting donations of Easter eggs and baskets for their annual Easter Raffle. Donations can be dropped at the canteen.

Thank you.

Year 6 students please return your Expression of Interest forms for High School by Friday, 20th March 2015.

Flyers went home last week. Take a look at the great books you can purchase to support your child’s interest in reading. Remember we are now a LOOP school and all ordering is completed through the LOOP process. No cash is taken at school. Take a look at the following site which shows a video of how the LOOP system works.


If you have any further queries, please drop into the Library.

Orders need to be placed online by 9am, Friday 20th March.

Without a P&C Executive Committee, the P&C will be no more and will result in the loss of continued generous support and funding for our school. The positions do not require full time availability, just a little time management. If you would not like to see the end of our P&C and you or someone you know may be interested in filling one of these positions, please contact our P&C to find out more at:

hppspandc@yahoo.com.au

P&C Positions Vacant
The P&C currently has the following positions available:
- President
- Vice President
- Fundraising Coordinator

Have you visited our Facebook page?
www.facebook.com/HarringtonParkPublicSchool
Dear Parents and Families:

Reading is the most important skill you can teach a child. Of all the skills children learn, it is the one you can influence the most.

We invite you to visit our Scholastic Book Fair and experience a celebration of reading that provides families the opportunity to get involved in a universal mission: encouraging kids to open a world of possible.

Our Scholastic Book Fair theme – Kings, Queens and Castles: Enter the Kingdom of Books! – surrounds students in the celebration of reading with hundreds of fun, engaging, affordable books for them to discover. Giving kids access to good books and the opportunity to choose their own books will motivate them to read more, and like most acquired skills, the more children practice reading, the better they’ll achieve.

Reading is vital to every child’s success, and raising children as readers means getting involved while they’re young. Now is the time. Since there will never be a substitute for a parent’s direct involvement in his/her child’s education, please make plans to visit our Book Fair. Hope to see you there!

Book Fair Dates: Monday 23rd March to Friday 27th March, 2015

Shopping Hours: Friday 20th March 10-12pm for parents only after the Cross Country.

Monday 23rd 8.30-9am, 3pm-4pm, Tuesday 8.30-9am, 3-4pm,
Wednesday 25th 8.30-9am, Thursday 26th 8.30-9am, 3-4pm,
Friday 27th 3-4pm

* Students may purchase during library lessons in Week 9 *

Sincerely,

Mr Andrew Best
Principal

Mrs Rhonda Creasey
Teacher-Librarian
2015 VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

9th March 2015

Dear Parents,

Each year we ask for your support for our school through your voluntary family contribution. This forms an important part of our school budget. Your contributions assist us in ensuring that we can offer the best possible education and resources for all of our students at Harrington Park Public School.

It has been decided for 2015 to increase the single child price by two dollars to $45.00 per single child however the family price will remain at $65.00 per family. These funds will be deposited into the Harrington Park PS Library Fund and utilised for the purchasing of new library resources for the school.

The contributions have significantly been diminishing over the last few years and while contributions are voluntary, the support of the scheme is invaluable in helping to support additional resources for the benefit of all students.

Our thanks go to the families who have so generously supported the school in previous years and we hope that you will continue to support this voluntary payment in 2015.

If you wish to make a contribution, please fill out the attached slip and return it with payment in an envelope to the letterbox in the office foyer.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Felgendrejeris
President
HPPS P&C Association

Andy Best
Principal
Harrington Park Public School

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2015 VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

FAMILY NAME: ________________________________

Please find enclosed my voluntary 2015 school contributions for my child/ren listed below. I request these funds be deposited into the Harrington Park PS Library Fund. Please provide me with a tax receipt.

Signed: ____________________________ (Parent / Caregiver) Date: __________

STUDENT: ___________________________ CLASS: __________

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AMOUNT: $45 - single child / $65 - family

CASH / MASTERCARD / VISA (please circle)

CREDIT CARD NUMBER: _______ _____ _____ _____ _____ EXP DATE: ______ / ____ CCV: ______

Signed: ____________________________ (Cardholder) Date: ________________