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Uniform Shop

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When leaving a message on the school answering machine regarding absences, please remember to leave your child’s name and a reason for your child’s absence.

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

3D David M  Maths problem solving
3D Jayde S  Reliable watering the garden
3E Tahila M  Consistent application in all classroom tasks
3E Jonas Y  Excellent contributions to mathematics
3E Cherry H  Applying herself well to her work
3J Jonathon D  Trying his best in all areas
3J Aiden O  Trying hard in literacy lessons
3M Pasquale M  Great work in reading activities
3M Rhianna L  Great effort across all learning areas
3M Brayden U  Great effort in reading group activities
4N Jack M  Having a great attitude towards school work
4N Matthew T  Great participation during class discussions about National Parks
4/5O Rafael Z  Determined effort in maths
5B Zachary A  Being a great classroom helper in 5B
5B Lili W  Showing great citizenship
5H Xavier D  Outstanding application in all areas
5H Ashley C  Dedication to Literacy group activities
5J Jake D  Great contributions to class discussions
5J Sebastian N  Working well in all areas of learning
6C Maisan M  Working hard to write an informative biography
6C Dylan Z  Pushing himself in challenging mathematics problems
6D Hayley G  Always approaching all tasks with enthusiasm and determination
6D Priyanka S  Including examples to back up her persuasive argument
6J Anastasia M  Outstanding characterisation task using Poplet
6J Bryce C  Excellent application in class
6O Ben C  His creative ‘ad’ presentation

September
2-4th: Yr 5 Port Hacking Camp
7th: Yr 1 Belgenny Farm Excursion (1E & 1J)
8th: Book Week Performance
Milo Cup @ Onslow Park Camden
Knockout Hockey Final Day
9th: Sustainable Schools Expo at Belgenny Farm
Regional Athletics
10th: Yr 2 Belgenny Farm Excursion (2A, 2W)
11th: Gala Day #2
K-2 Book Parade 12.30pm - 1.30pm
14th: Yr 1 Belgenny Farm Excursion (1S & 1G)
15th: Canteen Pizza Day (no other lunch orders)
16th: ‘The Way We Were’ Games Day (Stage 1)
18th: Gala Day #3
Last Day of Term 3

October
5th: Public Holiday
6th: Staff & Students return for Term 4
9th: CBS Assembly
20th: Kindergarten Transition
27th: Kindergarten Transition
28-29th: Sports Photos
30th: CBS Assembly

November
3rd: Kindergarten Transition
5-6th: Year 6 Canberra Excursion
13th: Year 6 Mini Fair
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)
14th: Year 6 Formal
16th: Last day of Term 4 for Students

DIARY

REMEMBER Gala Day #2
Friday, 11th September

We are looking forward to a great afternoon celebrating good books on Friday, 11th September with our Book Character Parade at 12.30pm and Reading Picnic after recess at 2pm.

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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.

Milo Cup Cricket

Next Tuesday, 8th September, approximately 60 students from our school will be taking part in the Milo Cup cricket at Onslow Reserve, Camden. This competition is run by Cricket NSW and we have entered three boy’s teams and three girl’s teams. Last year our boy’s team were Zone and Regional champions and finished 3rd in NSW whilst previously our girl’s team were State Champions in 2011 and 2012 after being runners-up in 2010.

The emphasis in these games is on maximising involvement and giving as many children as possible the chance to experience cricket in a fun and inclusive environment, so we are looking forward to an enjoyable day. Parents and supporters welcome!

Book Covering

Do you have time at home to cover books? We are looking for people to assist with plastic and contact covering of both paperback and hardback books. The books can be taken home, covered and returned. Are you able to assist?

Call into the Library and see Mrs Creasey or Mrs Drew.

Parent Online Payments (PoP)

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Shine a Light Performance

Don’t forget your note and payment for the performance on Tuesday, 8th September. The times for the performance have changed due to other events happening on the day. Years 3-6 will now attend at 9:15am and our K-2 students will be participating at 11:35am.

Proud Sponsor of our Care, Believe, Succeed Assembly
At Harrington Park Public School we value the home-school partnership, parent/carer engagement in student learning and the contribution the school community can make to improve our school. You’re invited to participate in the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

**Why should I participate?**
Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

**What does it involve?**
This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary. If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children’s experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once. The survey results are provided to the school and assist in improving the relationship and partnerships between the school and its community.

**How can I participate?**
You can access the survey in your own time, between 17 August and 16 October 2015. Follow the link below on your computer or tablet. Use the login details provided at the bottom of the page to access the site.
https://www.tellthemfromme.com
If you are unable to access the internet at home but would like to complete the survey, the school will open the computer lab on the following days for your convenience:
Tuesdays: 9 – 11am
Fridays: 1 – 3pm
More information on the Partners in Learning survey can be found on the NSW Department of Education’s TTFM website: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/
Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- School, free push notification alerts
- School events
- School newsletters
- School documents
- School RSS feeds
- School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

### How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

**iPhone & iPad Users**

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "Install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "Install".
5. When installed click "Open".
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

**Android Users**

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

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