



HINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Newsletter 4

“Every little one counts”

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SCHOOL NEWS

Young Leaders Day was an outstanding success for our year 6 students. Thank you to Mrs Bortfeld, Mrs Lantry and Mrs Duguid for their supervision and assistance. It is hard to measure the value of new ideas. But our year 6 certainly gained much from the experience and where wonderful ambassadors for our school.

This week began with Young Leaders Day, on Wednesday our celebration of learning about Harmony Day occurred and the P&C General Annual Meeting was held. Tomorrow Shave for a Cure will culminate in bald (less for some!) heads and coloured heads. Thanks to all who participate and a special thank you to those you bought tickets to contribute to this worthy cause.

Our Building Education Revolution (BER) on site-works has begun (A noisy roller is operating as I write). A classroom (bricks!) and Multi Purpose room should be completed by June and ready to occupy by July. The temporary noise and disruption will be worthwhile in the end.

A number of students are trying out for positions in our combined Small Schools’ team which will be known as Paterson River Small School. 9 boys will try out for the soccer team and 3 boys and 1 girl for the hockey team. Good Luck to all.

NAPLAN (the testing of Literacy and Numeracy for years 3 and 5) will take place from May 11 to May 14 in term 2.

This year Hinton School will be participating in the Maitland Music Festival. Students will have the opportunity to perform along with other students in the Maitland area.

Reports will be issued at the end of this term. Please discuss these with your child and if necessary with your class teacher. It is always nice to know early in the year of strengths or difficulties.

The school is a hive of activities and our environmental group operating. Thank you to Mr Cridland and Mrs Bortfeld for these activities and also to Mrs Leonard for continuing work on the vegetable garden.

I would also like to thank all our parent helpers for preparing our sausage sizzle, working in the canteen and in classrooms as well as providing transport for various events.

The students at Hinton School really appreciate (and benefit from) your assistance.

UP COMING EVENTS

Friday 19th March - Shave for a Cure

Monday 22nd March - Small Schools Hockey Trial

Tuesday 23rd March - Cross Country Carnival

Friday 26th March - Rugby Union, Football, Netball and Hockey trials

Thursday 25th March - Active After School concludes for Term 1

Wednesday 31st March - Reports out to Parents

Wednesday 31st March - AASC Golf Club visit

Thursday 1st April - Easter Hat Parade and Easter Bunny Visit

Thursday 1st April - Last day of Term 1

Monday 19th April - Pupil Free Day/Staff Development Day

Tuesday 20th April - Term 2, commences/pupils resume

Friday 23rd April - Anzac Day Service

Sunday 25th April - Anzac Day

Monday 26th April - Public Holiday

Tuesday 11th May - NAPLAN commences

Class Awards

Week 6

K/1D

Ella Kennerson
James Brosie
Ethan Kelly
Isaac Sellers
Jacob Van Gronigen
Paige Hill
Livinia Smith
Justin Rule

1/2B

Indiana Morris
Hannah Munro
Jade Woodward
James Forth
Jack Hawkins
Leo Lindsay
Izaak Penglaze

3/4B

Tamara Baird
Belle Leonard
Lily Reay

5/6

Caitlin Carney
Mitchell Vowles x 2
Jack Lewis
Leigh Robinson
Jacob Leonard
Caitlyn Baird
Elliott Penglaze
Mitchell Foy
Luke Burton

Class Awards

K/1D

Ella Kennerson
Lily Peters
Talya White
Nicholas Farley
Justin Rule
Brock Peters

3/4B

Lara Clarke
Tamara Baird
Faith Hill
Macy Siever
Joseph Clarke

Week 7

1/2B

Owen Tooley
Tia Lantry
Connor Eade -
Armstrong
Izaak Penglaze

5/6

Georgia Kennerson
Lily Reay
Mitchell Foy
Jacob Leonard
Elliott Penglaze
Caitlyn Baird
Ellie Graham
Makayla Lambert
Jemma Nightingale

Samaritan Food Drive:

In Parliament it was brought up and passed that the school assist with the Samaritan Food Drive. The organisation helps disadvantaged people in our community and their stocks are critically low.

If you are able to donate NON PERISHABLE items that would be gratefully received. Mrs. Nightingale has offered to take our donation in. (They can be food and non food items)

Would you send any donation into your child's class as soon as possible? The donation drive will end FRIDAY 26th March.

Thank you

Mrs B



NAPLAN

Parents of students in years 3 and 5 are advised that the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN), will take place in May from the 11th to the 14th May. All year 3 and 5 students are expected to participate. Any parents with questions about the testing are asked to contact the school.

StarStruck

We are still eagerly awaiting news from the Star Struck team to see if our dance squad has been accepted for Star Struck 2010. Keep your fingers crossed, news should come by the end of this week!

Kind Regards

Mrs E.Drayton & Mrs H.Bortfeld

The Herald School Newspaper Competition

Mrs Baird has talked to our budding journalists who now need to do interviews and start writing their stories. We look forward to reading some interesting news in the near future! Thank you to Mrs Baird for giving us her valuable time and also to Ms Tubbs (Imogen and Bronte's mum) who has offered to help the students with their stories.

Mrs E. Drayton



Sport

Congratulation to Kristen Allen who attended the Maitland PSSA Zone trials for Girls cricket on Monday. Fingers are crossed as we wait for the team to be announced.

Maitland PSSA Zone Rugby League trials were held on Wednesday. Jacob Leonard, Elliott Penglaze and Ryan Ninness attended and gave it their best but unfortunately missed selection.

Good luck to Jacob Leonard, Elliott Penglaze, Luke Burton, Matthew Gibb, Georgia Lantry, Kristen Allen, Madeline Duguid and Makayla Lambert who will be attending the Maitland PSSA Zone trials for football (soccer) Friday 26th March.

Costs

Accompanying this newsletter are invoices for student text books, exercise books and paper levy. These costs vary from class to class due to the cost of texts and different procedures in classes. This year costs are

5/6	\$30
3/4	\$35
1/2	\$35
K/1 - Yr 1	\$25
K	\$20

Parents are asked to complete payment no later than Wednesday 31st March.

Voluntary Contributions

This is a separate amount aimed at assisting the school, provide extra resources for students. The P&C set the amount of \$20 per pupil, with a maximum of \$40 per family.

Shave for a Cure:

Shave for a Cure is finally upon us. Thank you to all of the families who have donated money or bought tickets! At the time I wrote this we had raised \$117.00. Thank you!

FRIDAY is OUT OF UNIFORM!
BUT shoulders and toes MUST be covered at all times, and caps ARE NOT PERMITTED!

Out of uniform is a GOLD COIN DONATION.

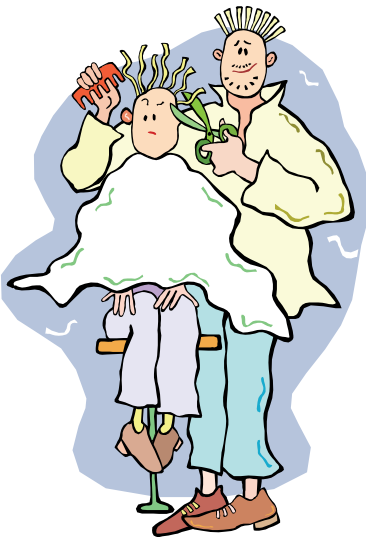
We are also permitting the children to colour their hair or come with a crazy hair style. THIS is ALSO a GOLD COIN DONATION!

All money raised is going to the Leukaemia Foundation so please give generously.

WE HOPE TO RAISE OVER \$250.00 Let's hope we can do it!!!

Thank you

Mrs B



Bookclub

Parents are asked to send in an environmental bag with their child's name on it. This will keep the books protected and make it easier for the children to carry home.

Some information for

Bookclub orders: Bookclub can be paid by credit card online, a receipt number will be issued which you should place on your order form and return this to school or you can pay by cash or cheque (which should be made out to Scholastic Books.)



Holidays

Any parent who is taking a holiday break during school terms is asked to take note of the following new requirement from the NSW Department of Education and Training.

Any break of longer than 5 school days requires an Exemption Form to be completed.

This is a new regulation accounting for absences. Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated.

Uniform Shop

A winter price list and order form will be available shortly, as we have changed suppliers. Orders can be made anytime, sample sizes are available in store to try on.

Just a quick reminder of the ordering system:

1. Uniform Shop is opened Monday afternoons from 3pm.
2. Mark an envelope with name and money included and leave at office or class teacher and it will be filled asap and given to your child to bring home.
3. Special appointment phone Sue 49305003

AASC News

Weekly AASC will finish this term at school Thursday 25th March. Wednesday 31st March we have organised a trip to Paterson Golf Club where we will be shown around the Club by the Club President. We will also be able to play a few rounds at the course while we are there all free of charge!! We need to leave school at 3pm by bus (free of charge) and arrive back at school 5pm. Please mark this day on your calendar. A separate note has been issued with details.

Thanks to Mrs Burton and Mrs Woodward for cutting and collecting fruit.

Sessions finish at 5pm.



K/1D News

There will be no scheduled reading groups next week due to the Cross Country Carnival on Tuesday 23rd March. Reading Groups will also take place on Monday and Tuesday of week 10 only. Thank you to all the wonderful parents who have assisted this term! N.B. Reading Groups will recommence in week 2 of Term 2

As a listening/talking assessment task, students will be asked to learn and recite a nursery rhyme to the class next week. This will replace the students' news days.

Further news about our Teddy Bears' Picnic will be included in the next newsletter.

Mrs Drayton



Class News 1/2B

This week is on Wednesday we celebrated 'Harmony Day'. We talked about the meaning of harmony and why it is important. 1/2 learnt how to make a 'kabuto' a traditional Japanese hat and listen to traditional Japanese tales.

I have each reading group assigned books in Raz kids. Many children were rushing through the activities in a haphazard manner and were not achieving marks in their comprehension. The children will not move to a new level now unless I am satisfied with their work. If you have any concerns please contact me.

All children need to bring in a family picture next week for our studies on "Our Family". The children's memory boxes are due in next week for display. Parents are invited to come in and see them on last day of term after the Easter Hat Parade.

Smartkiddies Afternoon. If you would like to learn more about smartkiddies or have any questions I will be running a workshop on Tuesday 30 March at 3.30.

If you have any question please don't hesitate to ask. If you would like to discuss your child please make an appointment so we can talk without being interrupted.

Gail Burns



3-4B News

The term is rapidly coming to an end, yet there is still so much to achieve.

The students in 3-4 looked at Diversity in Australia. We discussed the similarities and differences in people. We looked at national flags of countries and thanks to Mrs. Woodward we had a treasure trove of things to look at from her younger days of touring the globe!! Thank you!!

The assignment is due next week and I would expect that most children would be close to finishing that at this point in time. Remember that you CAN help your child if necessary, but PLEASE do not do it for them, and please let me know somewhere on the assignment what you helped them with.

I'm looking forward to hearing and seeing what the children have done!

Mrs. B



5/6 News

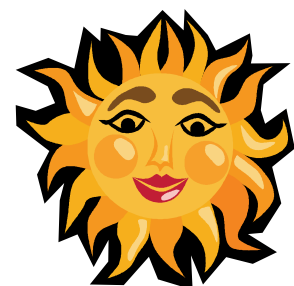
5/6 is involved in a number of external events including sport team tryouts for Small Schools Zone team selections and tryouts for a gifted and talented day in Term 2 for Art and Drama.

Year 6 attended Young Leaders Day and year 5 had an intensive writing day with Mr Cridland learning different techniques to enhance their writing.

This week we are looking at completing research on the Solar System, completing Units 3 to 6 in vocabulary and completing a class writing task. In maths, division, tables, units of measurement, problem solving and angles are the concepts being mastered.

Year 6 are reminded to return their High School Applications by end of this week.

And all students are reminded that it is time to "sign up" for the external university tests.



Sausage Sizzle Roster Term 1

March 24th - Kim Lantry

March 31st - Tracey Bright

Canteen Roster 18th March to 1st April

Monday	Thursday	Friday
	18th March Kim Doyle	19th March Annie Nightingale
22nd March Nicola Winchester	25th March Kim Lantry	26th March Kathryn Marquet
29th March Karren Robinson	1st April Leanne Smith	

WE'RE ON THE WEBwww.hintonps.com**New Books In The Library**

We have recently purchased some new books for the library. They can be found on the stand near the piano. Titles include:

- Puggle
- The Bear With The Sword
- Conspiracy 365- First 3 books in series
- Skullduggery Pleasant- First 3 books in series

Lunchtime Library

The library is now open during the second half of lunch each day. Students can come in and read, play board games, do puzzles and generally relax. This will continue until the end of the term when it will be reassessed in relation to other things that happen at lunchtimes.

A big thankyou to the volunteers who are making this program possible. They are Georgia, Kennerson, Kristen Allen, Helaina Smith, Matthew Gibb, Bryce Davies, Ryan Ninness, Jack Lewis, Mitch Vowles, Leigh Robinson, Emily Mann, Emma Carney and Kirsty Robinson. The roster for the rest of the term is below.

Day	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Students	Georgia K Kristen Helaina	Matthew Bryce Ryan	Jack Mitch V	Leigh Emily	Emma Kirsty

Premiers Reading & Sporting Challenges

I am currently in the process of enrolling us for both challenges. They are due to start at the beginning of next term.

Young Leader's Day Monday 15th March 2010

I would like to congratulate the Year 6 students for their impeccable behaviour and attitude throughout the day. Every student was engaged fully in the day and listened to each and every speaker. I have been privileged enough to attend Young Leaders Day for some 10 years now, and there have been some exceptional students and leaders representing Hinton, but as an entire group they were by far the most outstanding group I have had the honour to take.

Congratulations Leaders and congratulations Mums and Dads, you should be VERY proud of your children, I certainly am!!

Well done, I hope that the Leaders can use the things they heard to make them better leaders and simply even better people.

Georgia Lantry wrote about her day:-

My favourite speaker was Michael Milton (*he is a cancer survivor. He had his left leg amputated when he was nine and has gone on to be the fastest down-hill skier in Australia. He has won Gold medals at the Para-Olympics in cycling and down-hill skiing*). Michael taught us that you have to find your own solutions to problems, you don't (and sometimes can't) use other peoples'.

