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Newsletter 12

“Every little one counts”

SCHOOL NEWS

The year 4/5/6 excursion to Canberra is rapidly approaching. Students are currently studying Government and preparing for their exciting journey. Thank you to all parents who attended our information evening. Book Week will be celebrated next week with “On Safari.” Students will make masks and participate in a treasure hunt. A “bookfair” will also be held. Our bottom line is to promote reading.

Our open day for Kindertgarten 2010 will be held on Thursday 3rd September from 3 to 4pm. We hope as many parents as possible can take advantage of this time. Our official orientation program commences on November 11.

The Active After School Community Program is providing a “day out” for students next Tuesday. We have 50 positions for those who attend. We expect an action packed and fun day.

Year 5/6 and K/1 have been enjoying reading together. 5/6 made books for K/1 with each child as the “star” of the book. All have enjoyed the experience. Next week 5/6 will be designing mathematics activities and games for K/1, based on addition, subtraction and position.

Our athletes distinguished themselves at the Zone Athletics. Thank you to all competitors for being school representatives and also to all accompanying parents.

Our Swimming School in Term 4 will go ahead after sufficient numbers to participate was confirmed this week. The Interrelate family program will go ahead in November. Thank you to all parents who returned the survey forms.

The School Spelling Competition will commence Monday 31st August. Children will be issued with lists according to their class, stage and division. After three weeks practice, our eliminations will be held. Good luck to all.



UP COMING EVENTS

Friday 21st August - Zone Athletics Day Finals

Tuesday 25th August - Active After School Gala Day to be held at Newcastle

Thursday 27th August - Book Week Activity 1.30

Friday 28th August - Soccer Clinic 9.30 - 11.30

Monday 31st August - School Spelling Competition Begins

Thursday 3rd September - Kindergarten Open Afternoon 3-4pm

Thursday 3rd September - Fathers Day Stall

Friday 4th September - Zone Cricket Trials

Friday 4th September - Touch Footy Day

Monday 7th September - Yr 4/5/6 Canberra Excursion commences

Tuesday 8th September - No Active After School

Thursday 10th September - No Active After School

Thursday 10th September - Yr 4/5/6 Canberra Excursion returns

Friday 18th September - Regional Athletics

Monday 21st September - Premiers Spelling Bee

Friday 25th September - Wetlands Excursion K-3

Class Awards Week 12

K/1

Paige Hill
Brianna Moffat
Hannah Munro
Livinia Smith
Amy White
Justin Rule
Izaak Penglaze
Riley Searles

1/2

Lachlan Brooker
Ruben Gilmour
Matthew Goode
Jack Hawkins
Clare Douglas
Amelia Smith

3/4

Naomi Anderson
Tamara Baird
Kasey Dixon
Emerson Sewell
Joseph Clarke
Kristen Allen
Aeshia Mann
Lily Reay
Akacia Tooley
Jesse Martin

5/6

Caitlyn Baird
Makayla Lambert
Emily Mann
Annie Corey
Kelsey Parkes
Charlotte Winchester
James Cherry
Brendan Howard

Week 13 No Assembly

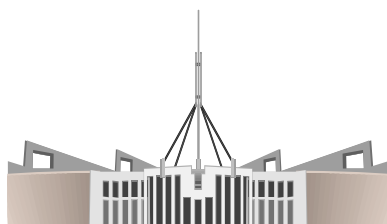
Canberra Excursion

Years 4.5 and 6 are now working on their unit for government.

Final numbers for our excursion are 28 girls and 13 boys. The excursion will take place in Week 7 from Monday 7th September to Thursday 10th September.

Parents are asked to finalise payment no later than Friday August 28th. This allows us to pay the necessary fees and costs.

Thank you to all parents who attended their information evening.



University Competitions

Students sat for the Mathematics University Competition on Wednesday. Results of the Writing competition have arrived.

We had four participants. Credits were earned by Laura Williams and Jon Etheridge (both year 6).

A Distinction was achieved by Caitlyn Baird.



Final Testing

Mrs Hickey will return in September to finalise her testing with students.

Wetlands Excursion

On Friday 25th September (Week 9) Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 will be visiting the Hunter Wetlands Centre at Shortland. Students will travel by bus to and from the centre, and will be accompanied by Mrs Drayton, Mrs Burns, Mrs Williams and Miss Harris. This excursion will form part of the students' HSIE and Science and Technology units of work on 'The Weather' and 'Wet and Dry Environments'. Information and permission notes for students will be distributed next week.

Book Fair

The books for our Book Fair have arrived! There is a beautiful selection available and all classes will have the opportunity to view books and create a wish list from the start of Book Week (next Monday). Book purchases may only be made on Wednesday and Thursday (26th and 27th).

Book prices start from as little as \$1.00. School library bags will also be on special for \$5.50 on the Thursday of Book Week (an excellent opportunity if you don't already have one!)

Just a reminder, that although there are limited copies of each book available, every effort will be made to accommodate student preferences.

Ms Ritchie & Mrs Walker

We're on the web

www.hintonps.com



Library Bags for Sale

We have available at the office and the library new library bags.

There was a concern about the quality of the bags the children have been bringing in to return and borrow their library books.

The new bags are water resistant, reinforced corners and are strong seamed. They are able to be wiped clean, and the child's name written on.

If you would like to purchase a new library bag please send in **\$6.00** for a new library bag.

Thank you

Bookclub

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.)

Swimming School 2009

Due to the positive number of responses to the Swimming School "intention to attend" note, it has been decided to go ahead with this worthwhile school program once again this year.

The school will run from Monday, 19th October to Friday, 30th October inclusive (first two weeks of Term 4). Permission notes will be distributed next week. The final cost will be \$75 per student for the 2 weeks which needs to be paid in full by the end of Term 3.

Mrs Burns will be the school coordinator of the Swimming Scheme this year.

Mrs E. Drayton

AASC News

Tuesday was our Passing Challenge Day. The children collectively threw 6150 passes! Children now are trying to achieve bonus passes at lunch time and at home. Our bonus passes can be achieved from Monday 17th August til Friday 28th August. We are all looking forward to the Gala day on Tuesday.

Sausage Sizzle Roster Term 3

September 2nd Wendy White
September 9th Tracey Bright
September 16th Tracey Bright
September 23rd Bret Hill
September 30th Tracey Bright

Book Week 2009:

“Book Safari”

An exciting day has been planned next Thursday, 27th August to celebrate Book Week.

1. Students will work in their Peer Support Groups in the morning to construct a designated African animal mask or headpiece.
2. At 1.30pm we will have lunch with our parents in the playground. After lunch parents can browse through the Book Fair and purchase books selected by their children
3. Students will return inside at the end of lunch to put on their animal masks while the Scavenger Hunt is being set up in the playground.
4. Teams will then hunt for clues to solve a written puzzle. 1st team to solve the puzzle wins.

I'm sure that we will have a fun day!

Mrs D



NEWS FROM THE P & C

P & C

Father's Day Stall 3rd September- **HELPERS NEEDED** – To assist children when purchasing their gift. If you are interested please see Michelle Hawkins. More information will be out soon.

CANTEEN

Canteen now has a **New Apple Slinky Machine**. This is available for children to have their yummy apples peeled. This is a FREE service. Apples can be purchased through canteen or children can bring their own apple to be peeled with the slinky machine.

SLUSHIE MACHINE –This is being enjoyed by all, even the parents are enjoying making them. The children are seeing the canteen volunteers being squirted and over flowing the slushy. It is a learning curve for all.

Instructions – of using this machine will be completed in the near future, sorry for the delay.

FRUIT PROMOTION - Canteen is running the fruit promotion again this year.

Rules: Purchase a piece of fruit from the canteen and receive one sticker

Receive four stickers return your entry form with all stickers and receive a **free gift**
All completed entry forms are will be enter into a major draw.

Thank you, Karren Robinson for organizing this promotion in the canteen. The children and parents appreciate your help and time.



Canteen Roster 24th August to 4th September.

Monday	Thursday	Friday
24 th August Genevieve Leonard	27 th August Kim Lantry	28 th August Nicola Winchester Kim Doyle
31 st August Karren Robinson	3 rd September Tash Burton Shelly Martin	4 th September Leanne Smith

K/1D News

This week K/1D have been doing work on “Hands are not for Hitting” and have been learning about ways to be nice to each other.

K/1D have also been continuing their work on their ‘weather’ unit, and this week are learning about the seasons, and will be working with water.

Miss Harris



Class News 1/2B

Our studies on the Weather are continuing and next week we are going to make individual weather vanes. An excursion to the Shortland Wetlands has been planned for week 9 of this term. A note will be going home this week outlining the cost and date.

Reading groups are going well. Thanks to the parents who turn up every week to help the children with their reading activities. If you could assist with reading groups on a Wednesday or Thursday between 11 and 11.30 please contact me as soon as possible.

Congratulation to Jed Martin, Lucas Tooley, Isabella Lantry and Clare Douglas who qualified to represent Hinton at the Maitland Zone Carnival. Good luck to Clare Douglas who will be competing again this Friday at the Maitland Zone Athletics Carnival Finals day.

Reminder: Please encourage your child to read every night. Home Readers are to encourage your child to read and should be easy and fun. Reading books can be changed every day.

Ms G Burns



3-4B News

The students have been learning about different styles of poetry. This year we have written Cinquain, Haiku, Acrostic, Limerick, Alliterations and very recently, Ballads.

As part of this work, we have so far read and enjoyed “The Man from Ironbark”, “Five Miles from Gundagai” and “Click go the Shears”. Each child is given the opportunity to read the poem to the class, further developing their oral reading and drama skills.

In the coming weeks, we will be studying the Wetlands, to enhance the students’ knowledge of our local environment, to culminate in an excursion for year 3 to the Shortland Wetland Centre.

As well as this, the students have been asked to complete an assignment on an Australian Prime Minister (or History of Government in Australia)...Year 4 and Creatures of the Wetland Environment...Year 3. This assignment is due on Wednesday 16th September Week 8 Term 3.

We are continuing to read factual science based texts for Guided Reading. The students are covering topics such as: The Life Cycle of the Frog, The Senses (Sensational), The Head, Heart and Hand, Energy Chain and Moving and Shaking.

Busy, busy, busy...

Canberra here we come.....

Thanks

Mrs B



5/6 News

Most students have handed their books in. All are of an exceptional standard. I am having fun reading them. A special thank you to Mrs Robinson for her help in typing and assisting students to complete their work .

All students should be reading daily and completing their reading cards. Parents signatures are required once a week this term.

Books for kindergarten have been completed (by most). Kindergarten have enjoyed being read to from books in which they feature.

The first short assignment on government is due this week.

Thank you to all year 5 parents who have returned permission notes for the Science visits to Maitland High School. Only 16 sleeps to Canberra. “ The natives are becoming restless.”

Well done to Jon, Laura and Caitlyn for their excellent results in the writing competition.

**TENAMBIT MORPETH DISTRICT
CRICKET CLUB**

Join Our Team

CRICKET REGISTRATION

Registration starts **SATURDAY 29/8/09**
and will continue each Saturday 5/9/09
12/9/09

19/9/09 26/9/09

Between 12pm 1.30pm **AT MORPETH OVAL**

In2CRICKET Ages 5 to 8 years

JUNIOR CRICKET Ages 10 to 16 years

Season Starts 17/10/09

For more information, or registration
outside these times call

Mark Power on 49338510 0403809378

YOUR LOCAL CRICKET CLUB

Thank you

Mark Power TMDCC

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COME & PLAY SOFTBALL

STRIKERS SOFTBALL CLUB

*Would like you to join us for the
2009/2010 season*

Registration Days
Tuesday 18th & 25th August
From 5pm – 7 pm
**At the Softball building, Stevenson Park
Mayfield**

We field teams in all levels of the local competition:

- Benny Ball (under 6)
- Tee – Ball (under 10)
- Modball (under 12)
- Junior High (Under 15)
- Senior High (Under 19)
- 3rd Grade Men & Women
- 2nd Grade Men & Women
- 1st Grade Men & Women

**GAMES PLAYED SAME TIME & PLACE (Stevenson Park,
Mayfield) EVERY WEEK**

Representative opportunities are available with Newcastle for eligible players.

Training is Tuesday night at Mayfield.

Registration forms can be posted or emailed if you cannot make these nights.

**For more information email the Secretary, Sharon Cashen, on
the address below or phone 0409562186.**

**MOUNT KANWARY PUBLIC SCHOOL 18th ANNUAL
MONSTER
CRACKER NIGHT**

IN SCHOOL GROUNDS 753 HINTON ROAD OSTERLEY

Gates open 4.00pm SAT. 29th AUGUST 2009

ENTRY: FAMILY \$20 (2 ADULTS UP TO 4 CHILDREN) SINGLE: \$5

- * JUMPING CASTLE & SLIDE
- * AMAZING JONATHON
- * AMUSEMENTS
- * BBQ
- * COFFEE VAN
- * FAIRY FLOSS, SNOW CONES
- * FACE PAINTING
- * BUCKING BULL RIDE
- * HOOPLA
- * & MUCH MORE

MEGA AUCTION!

JUKE BOX & ENTERTAINMENT

**FREE PARKING
WITH FREE SHUTTLE BUS 5-7pm**

BRING A CHAIR AND/OR BLANKET

More information: 4987 2596

All children must be accompanied by an adult
FIREWORKS DISPLAY BY "THE FIREWORKS FACTORY"



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JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM

- *Tennis lessons for children aged 2 and up now available*
 - *Great way to make new friends*
 - *Team building activities and learning*
 - *Tennis and tennis based games*
 - *Learning through play*
 - *Maximum of 6 children per Coach*
- *Birthday Parties also available – tennis or multi-sport*

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