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Newsletter 15

“Every little one counts”

SCHOOL NEWS

Term 3 concludes this week. A rest for all will be advantageous, especially with all the sickness that has haunted us over the last few weeks. The school spelling competition has again been held and hopefully improved our spelling skills. NAPLAN results have been received by year 3 and year 5 parents. Staff are examining the results to help us plan future programs.

The P&C have ordered our new playground equipment which will see light of day in the first few weeks of term 4. We believe (and hope) that work on the removal of our two houses will commence in the holidays.

The Friday school Disco was a noisy success. Thank you to Mrs Bortfeld for her organisation and to the large number of year 6 parents who made themselves available to assist on the night.

Our School Focus evening was extremely valuable. Constructive input to school planning is always welcome.

May everyone, students, parents (if you can !) and staff enjoy the break, and stay healthy.

Class Awards Week 8

Kindergarten

Dominick Teat
Jack Hawkins
Matthew Goode x 2
Izaak Penglaze

3/4B

Kelsey Winchester
Georgia Lantry
Elliott Pengalze
Jordan Wilks

5/6

Sarah Baronowski
David Briant

1/2D

Jade Howard
Brodie Moffat
Joseph Clarke
Lochlan Boyd
Amelia Smith
Clare Douglas
Naomi Anderson
Jed Martin
Jayden Black
Tara Nightingale

UP COMING EVENTS

Friday September 26th - Touch Football Gala Day
Friday September 26th - 3/4 Waterwatch Training
Friday September 26th - Last Day of Term 3
Monday October 13th - Term 4 begins - No pupil free day
Monday October 20th - Swimming School Starts
Wednesday October 22nd - Young Teen Talk Yr 6
(10 - 11.30) (12 - 1.30)

Class Awards Week 9

Kindergarten

Connor Eade-Armstrong
Ruben Gilmour
Izaak Penglaze
Riley Searles
Lachlan Brooker
Locky Wilks

3/4

Aeisha Mann
Jessie Martin
Emily Mann
Madeline Duguid
Lilly Reay
Jacob Leonard

Mrs Terenzini

Kelsey Winchester
Lilly Reay
Ellie Graham
Zoe Lewis
Brooke Gore
Amelia Smith
Jed Martin
Jack Lewis
Aeisha Mann
Matthew Gibb

1/2D

Chloe Duguid
Joseph Clarke
Kasey Dixon
Belle Leonard
Emerson Sewell
Faith Hill

5/6

Jasmine Collum x 2
Thomas Etheridge x 2
Kelsey Parkes
Brendan Howard
Charlotte Winchester
Sarah Baronowski
Jack Richards

Focus Day

Thank you to the parents who made themselves available for a very productive and positive meeting. Discussions focused on both current practices and future developments. The ideas and views from the meeting will now be incorporated into our planning for the school 3 year plan. A copy of the notes may be obtained from the school.

NAPLAN

Year 3 and year 5 students received their results for the May National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy. We have children in all parts of the spectrum in a number of areas. The highlight for the school was the strong result in year 3 writing and the overall improvement of year 5 students as compared to their year 3 performance.

Due to the smaller number involved our percentages in various bands varied greatly. This is to be expected. We are pleased with our overall results as compared to National Standards.

Early Morning Supervision

Supervision at the school commences at 9.00. As a courtesy, children who arrive prior to that are asked to sit in a designated area until the bell goes at 9.00. At that time children in 3/4 and 5/6 may put their books in the room and then go to the playground.

No child is to stay in a classroom without a teacher being present unless on a specific task for a teacher. Children who do not respect these arrangements will be asked not to arrive in the school prior to 9.00.

Holidays

Term 3 ends on Friday 26th September. Term 4 commences for both children and teachers on Monday 13th October.

I hope everyone has a positive, enjoyable and healthy break.

Spelling Competition

The annual school spelling competition for classes in both A and B divisions was completed last week. The finals for A division was held at our weekly assembly. B division finals were held in the classrooms. Our overall winners in the B division were:

1. Bella Carney
 2. Faith Hill
 3. Georgia Kennerson
 4. Matthew Gibb
 5. Jade Robinson
 6. Makayla Trusz
- and in A Division
- K. Matthew Goode
 1. Clare Douglas
 2. Lochlan Boyd
 3. Kristen Allen
 4. Mitchell Vowles
 5. Kelsey Parkes
 6. Jasmine Collum

The stage finals will be held today with
stage 1 Yr1 winner V year 2 winner
stage 2 Yr 3 winner V year 4 winner
stage 3 Yr 5 winner V year 6 winner.



Year 6 Teen Talk

Year 6 parents are reminded that Year 6 students will join with students from Mt Kanwarly on 22nd October for "Teen Talk" day. The cost is \$20 to be paid by the end of Week 1 Term 4. A separate note with details was sent home to all children.

The presenter has requested that children watch either Whale Rider or Billy Elliott.

Active After School

Communities

Our after School Tuesday and Thursday sessions will recommence in week 1 of Term 4 (14th October).

We look forward to seeing all of our fit enthusiastic and energetic participants ready to go in week 1.

Kinder Orientation Sessions

These will be held in Term 4. The first session will be held on Wednesday, 5th November from 10am to 11.30am. The second will be held on Wednesday, 12th November at the same time.

New Kinder students for 2009 will meet their Year 6 buddies at the 2nd session. Please write these dates in your diary as we encourage all new kinders along with their parents/grandparents, to attend.

More details will be posted to parents in the near future concerning these sessions.

Canberra Excursion 2009

Of a potential group of 45 we received the following replies :26 yes, 3 no, 8 maybe and 8 (disappointingly) did not reply.

These replies are a guide to our planning. We know from past experience that some people will change their mind. The issue of cost was raised. It is a genuine and real concern. Please note that in 2007 the price for the trip to Canberra was \$350. The proposed \$400 is relative to that price.

The issue of having more than one child in a family attending also raises the cost dramatically.

We welcome suggestions as to alleviating cost. Please note the excursion is worthwhile, educational and an extremely valuable experience for all who participate. \$100 a day in this age and time is perhaps not unreasonable, especially with a year to prepare.

For the excursion to go ahead we will need a shift in those who said ' maybe' and perhaps contact with those who failed to reply.

A final decision on the excursion will be made early in 2009.

CLASS NEWS

Kinder News

KD will sadly say goodbye to Mrs Lilley and Locky Wilks this Friday. We are planning a special day and children will be making fruity faces in keeping with our Unit of Work based on Healthy Choices.

We wish both Mrs Lilley and Locky all the best and we will miss them!

I wish everyone a happy and safe holiday
Mrs Drayton

3/4B

The term has come to an end and we have really enjoyed the past few weeks learning about the Environment.

This week has seen the students present their diorama to the class, discussing the environment chosen. The work has been outstanding...congratulations everyone!

Today we are conducting a waste audit. We will be looking closely at the rubbish Hinton students produce, and then work out ways we can reduce it.

Friday sees us venture down to the Paterson River to conduct a WaterWatch Quality testing program with the Hunter Catchment trust. We will also conduct a Bug Survey to determine the health of our river.

Congratulations to Matt and Georgia on winning the B Division in the Spelling Competition. Well done Jacob and Georgia for making the finals for A Division. Good Luck to both Kristen and Mitchell who are competing for the Stage 2 title.

I would also like to congratulate Kristen and Nicholas for representing Hinton at the Premiers Spelling Bee competition at Shortland last week. They both did us proud!!



1/2

Wishing all my students a safe and happy holiday.
See you all next term.

Miss Di Lorenzo

5/6S

Some excellent performances in the Spelling Competition have been a highlight of the last fortnight. Kelsey Parkes proved triumphant in Year 5 after some gallant efforts from many others including Annie Corey, Brendan Howard, Laura Williams and Jonathon Etheridge. In Year 6 Jasmine Collum triumphed after facing stern opposition from Thomas Etheridge and Jack Richards.

Jade Robinson and Makayla Trusz were the winners of our B division finals and they too were tested all the way.

5/6 have all completed two practical experiments demonstrating scientific principals. From erupting volcanoes and flying balloon rockets to fireworks on milk the work has been outstanding.

The Effects of magnets and a demonstration of how a wing works were equally eye opening. Each student had to hand in a "write up" of their experiments including materials, what to do and the principles demonstrated.

Books are due in this week. A very special thank you to Mrs Winchester, Mrs Gibb, Mrs Corey, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Jordan who have assisted with the typing of many pages for various students. Equally thank you to everyone who has contributed at home.

Those read so far are excellent.

Jasmine Collum, Kelsey Parkes, Sarah Baronowski and Charlotte Winchester have each produced unique and outstanding work. At least I know what I'll be reading in the holidays.

Drama Camp by Zoe Lewis

A couple of weeks ago I went to a three day long drama camp at the Civic

Theatre playhouse. Altogether there were about 80 kids there.

We were split up into 4 groups. Each group had a different theme to make a play. Mine was Australian music.

Over the three days we played games made the lines and rehearsed. On the third night we performed it. Two plays were selected to go to the next level, Regional!

My group's play was one of them.

We performed the play again with lots of other plays from different drama workshops. If our play gets chosen we will get to go to State in Sydney.

Jump Rope For Heart

We had a wonderfully successful event, with the weather being just perfect.

The students were involved in partner skipping, trick skipping, skipping to music, skipping relays, sack races and an obstacle course. Then there was the SKIP-OFF against Mr. Sharkey. It was tiring just watching, I'm sure the children all slept well that evening.

All of the sponsorship money was due today. Thank you everyone for your support. As of today we had raised in excess of \$2 000.00.

This is an amazing achievement considering we only have 99 students!!

THANK YOU!!!!!!

Mrs. B.



Uniform Shop

Due to generous donations from families, the uniform shop currently has a stockpile of quality second hand school shirts ranging from size 8-14.

Second hand clothing is only \$2. If you need any shirts now is a good time to come in to the uniform shop on Monday afternoons from 3pm.

Thank you
Sue Allen

CRUNCH & SIP

Beginning in Term 4 Hinton Public School will be participating in a trial of the Crunch & Sip program.

Crunch & Sip is an agreed time during normal classroom activities when students and their teachers can eat a piece of fruit or vegetable in the classroom.

Each day, students and their teacher bring a piece of washed vegetable or fruit to school and a clear water bottle.

Students re-fuel with vegetables or fruit during the morning or afternoon to assist physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom. Students can also have a clear water bottle on their desk from which they can sip throughout the day to prevent dehydration and encourage water as the main drink.

We encourage parents to support their child by sending along fruit or vegetables & water.

School Disco

We had a great evening last Friday night. Thank you to all of the students who were able to attend, I hope you enjoyed the night.

Year 6 managed to raise \$239.00 toward their gift for the school at the end of the year. Thank you so very much to the great year 6 students who assisted me in selling the refreshments and a very special thank you to all of the parents who volunteered to help.

I sincerely appreciate your help!!!

Thank you and well done Year 6!

Mrs B

Spelling Bee by Kristen Allen

On Tuesday the 16th of September I went to the Premiers Spelling Bee. I had to spell the words head, original, cricket, pumpkin and water colour. I made it through the fifth round and in the sixth round I got eliminated. The word that I got out on was SCYTHE?

I had my best attempt but hadn't really seen the word before.

Out of thirty four students I made it to the top eleven.

When I got eliminated there were seven students left. Out of eight rounds I got into the sixth round. I would like to thank Mrs Bortfeld and Mr Sharkey for giving me the opportunity to go to this great event. Thank you Kristen

Sausage Sizzle Term 4

October 15th - Kim Doyle
October 22nd - Sue Allen
October 29th - Belinda Wilks / Leanne Smith
November 5th - Tracey Bright
November 12th - Leanne Smith
November 19th - Tracey Bright / Bret Hill
November 26th - No volunteer needed.

**Thanking you
Sue Jordan**

Library News

A Reminder - Please return any Hinton School Library Books to our library as we have many overdue loans.

A huge thank you to our librarians who have been on a roster all term and have kept our library and computer lab opened four days a week during 2nd half of lunch.

Thank you to:

Brittany Meyn	Jade Robinson
Laura Williams	Maddison Teat
Maddi Gilmour	Holly Hardes
Annie Corey	Hayley Byrne

Also to Gabbi Davies and Sarah Baronowski.

From Mrs Terenzini

CANTEEN NEWS

Hinton Public School

Canteen List 2008.

...Winter Menu...

Our Canteen is open for Recess & Lunch on Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays.

Hot Lunches

Lasagna.....\$2.50
Nacho Dippers.....\$2.50
Hokkien Noodles\$2.50
Spaghetti Bol. \$2.50
Macaroni Cheese..... \$2.20
Pie..Lrge..\$2.00 ..Jnr.....\$1.20
Sausage Roll.....\$1.50
Pizza, ham & pine only\$1.50
Chicken Chippees x 10 \$2.50
Chicken Chippees x 5 \$1.25
Chicken Wedges45c ea
Chicken Nuggets......40c ea
Savory Nuggets35c ea
Potato Gems x 15\$1.50
***Tomato, BBQ & Sweet Chilli
sauce sachets*20c ea**

Sandwiches (white or w/meal)

Cheese\$1.50
Vegemite\$1.20
Tomato & cheese.... \$1.60
Ham \$2.10
Ham, cheese & tom...\$2.50
Egg..... \$2.00
Egg & lettuce..... \$2.20
Chicken,lettuce & mayo...\$2.40
Ham & Salad \$3.60
Chicken Salad\$3.60
Salad..... \$3.00
**Salad inc. lettuce, tomato, cucumber,
cheese, beetroot, onion, carrot
* Wraps are 50c extra*
* Buns are 40c extra ***

Drinks

Moove milk.....\$1.20
(choc, strawb & banana)
Juices95c
(orange, apple, ornge/pass)
Water 600ml\$1.20
Aroonas.....\$1.20

Snacks

Kettle chips.....80c
JJ Snacks80c
Jelly sticks, puddings 15c
Mini muffins.....15c
Packet noodles.....25c
Assorted seasonal fruit 20c
40c each

Hot Burgers & Wraps

Chicken Wrap (tndrln,,ltce, chse & sce) \$2.50
Fish Burger/Wrap (fish,lettuce & mayo....\$2.50
Big Burger.(meat patty & all salad)..... \$3.50
Hot Chicken & gravy Roll.....\$2.50
Chicken Burger (chkn patty,ltce & mayo) \$2.70
Cheese Burger (meat patty, cheese & Sce) \$2.80

***All available with Tomato, BBQ
or Sweet Chilli sauce ***

Toasted Sandwiches

Toasted Ham, Chse & tom Sandwich. \$2.20
Toasted Ham & Cheese Sandwich.....\$2.00
Toasted Cheese & tomato Sandwich . \$1.80

Lunch bags are 10c each, please DON'T use sticky tape on lunch bags.

Thank you to our Wonderful Volunteers for making our Canteen Possible!

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