



HINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Newsletter 8

“Every little one counts”

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SCHOOL NEWS

Hinton students are currently involved in numerous external activities including debating, soccer(football), touch, Star Struck, University tests and cross country. A special thank you to our organisers and parent helpers who make these events possible.

Our debating teams have been outstanding so far in both debates. Our girls’ soccer team was successful 2-1 against Seaham and our cross country runners, Kristen, Belle and Kelsey, are looking forward to Friday’s, Regional Cross Country, Kristen, Makayla and Georgia will be attending Zone Touch Football trials on Thursday.

Star Struck girls and parents were involved in a major rehearsal yesterday and are looking forward to their performance. Fourteen students were involved in the University Computer competition on Tuesday. It certainly made them think. The Science competition will be held on Wednesday 9th June.

A special thank you to parents of students in year 3 and 5. We had a 100% attendance for NAPLAN testing even though some children were not “fully fit”. Thank you for the special effort.

The Cultural GATS day, is planned for today. Years 3 to 6 are involved in an aboriginal performance as well as drama, art, dance and games. This day sees the commencement of Reconciliation Week.

Our Peer Support program commenced on Monday. Our year 5 and 6 leaders have been well trained by Mr Cridland and the first session was extremely successful. Perhaps the highlight of recent school life was last week’s Teddy Bears Picnic. I think year 6 was more excited than K/1.

Our next P&C fundraiser is at McDonalds from 6 to 8 pm on Wednesday 2nd June. If in the area, we encourage everyone to support us.

And lastly, a high school survey for parents in years 4,5 and 6 will be issued with this newsletter. We encourage you to participate. We hope for 100% in replies.

UP COMING EVENTS

Thursday 27th May– PSSA Touch Trials

Thursday 27th May– Reconciliation Week begins

Friday 28th May– Regional Cross Country

Monday 31st May– Touch Footy Trials

Tues/ Wed 1st/2nd June– Connected Classroom

Wednesday 2nd June– Year 5 Science at MHS

Wednesday 2nd June– McDonalds Fundraiser 6-8pm

Wednesday 9th June– University Science Test

Wednesday 9th June– Year 5 Science at MHS

Wednesday 16th June– Starstruck Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday 23rd June– P&C Meeting 7pm

Friday 25th June– Athletics Carnival

Class Awards Week 4

K-1D

Ella Kennerson

Lilly Peters

Tayla White x 2

James Brosie

Ethan Kelly

Brieanna Moffat

Livinia Smith

Charlie Hunter

Justin Rule x 2

3-4B

Imogen Dagg

Matia Kennerson

Amelia Smith

Aled Siever

Lucas Tooley

Joseph Clarke

Brodie Moffat

Deon Woodward

1-2B

Bronte Dagg Brock Hunter

Brianna Kelly Leo Lindsay

Amy White Izaak Penglazex 2

Ryan Redman Riley Searles

Owen Tooley

Jade Woodward

Isabelle Broderick

Tia Lantry

Lachlan Brooker

5-6S

Leigh Robinson

Jacob Leonard

Elliott Penglaze

Caitlyn Baird

Emma Carney

Makayla Lambert

Jemma Nightingale

Class Awards Week 5

Student of the Week– Mitchell Vowles

K-1D

Georgia Milkovich

Halle Walterback

Timothy Farley

Jackson Morris

Isaac Sellars

Livinia Smith

5-6S

Kristen Allen

Caitlyn Baird

Jemma Nightingale

1-2B

Lauren Foy

James Forth

Jack Hawkins

3-4B

Aled Siever

Lucas Tooley

Brodie Moffat

Ethan Sarginson

Connected Classroom

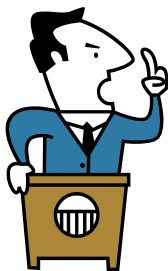
Hinton School will receive its next smartboard next week. This will include the installation of the "Connected Classroom" which is the latest in technology for schools. This will mean all classes (about time say K/1) have smartboards available for use and the 3/4 classroom will be connected to every other school in the state. Teachers will attend a compulsory in service on the 9th and 16th June involving smartboard technology for the connected classroom.

Debating

Hinton School has been successful in their first two debates of the small schools competition. Our first team of Makayla, Emma, Caitlyn and Jack were outstanding in proving that all primary students be made to learn at least one foreign language against Iona School.

In the second debate, after a few changes of personnel, Caitlyn, Jemma, Kristen and Makayla were successful as the negative in "that Australia is the best country to live in," against Mt Kanwary school. Once again, our students were superb.

Our next team will come from Madeline, Leigh, Kirsty, Kristen and Jemma, who will be the negative in the topic "that school excursions are a waste of time".



Kindergarten 2011

Enrolments are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2011. Please contact Hinton School office 49305266 to enrol your child.

If you are aware of new parents to the area please advise them that they may now enrol their child for 2011.

Writing Competition

Commencing this week Hinton School is introducing a writing competition. There will be a winner in each class with each winner to receive an award at our annual school presentation.

Each class will determine their own criteria. This year K-2 students will write a description and year 3-6 will write a narrative.

Each class will have their work marked by the class teacher who will select the 4 highest scoring pieces of writing. These will then be read by an external judge who will choose the winner for each class.

The final 4 in each class will be placed in the school website.

We hope the competition promotes the already strong writing skills of Hinton students. All entries for the competition will be written at school and with no assistance.

This will be slightly modified for Kindergarten.

McDonalds Fun Night

Hinton Public School Fun Night at McDonalds East Maitland Wednesday 2nd June 2010, 6-8pm . A percentage of takings over these two hours will be donated to the school. Tell family and friends to come along and have a family night out and help raise money for our school.

Every child who attends the night will receive a lucky door ticket to go into a draw for a prize donated by McDonalds.

Year 5 Science

Year 5 will visit Maitland High School on the 2nd and 9th of June for science lessons. A separate note has been issued to parents (please ignore the "16th" on that note— just my mistake)

Public Speaking

The 2010 Regional Primary School Public Speaking Competition will be held in the next few weeks.

Students from stage 1 (1&2), stage 2 (3&4) and stage 3 (5&6) have been invited to try out.

Each school may nominate 2 speakers in each stage. Hinton students have been invited to prepare a speech for Monday 31st May if they wish to try out.

Parental support is encouraged.

Those chosen as winners (2) in each stage will receive training to ensure they perform to the best of their ability.

Stage 1 need to speak for 1 to 2 minutes.

Stage 2 need to speak for 2 to 3 minutes.

Stage 3 need to speak for 3 minutes (maximum 3.5 minutes)

Monday's try out is to be chosen as a school representative. Those selected will be coached and assisted in their preparation for the main event.



AASC News

What a wonderful afternoon! Last Wednesday, 46 AASC golfers visited Paterson Golf Club. The children played 2 holes of golf on the picturesque course. A big thank you to Gill Mowat from Jack Newton Golf Foundation, Tom Goodman and members of Paterson Golf Club , Eduardo Figuero from Australian Sports Commission , Mrs Lantry and Mrs Bortfeld for making this day such a huge success !

Maitland PSSA Cross Country Carnival 2010

It was a perfect day for a run, clear skies and a nice breeze. The children were perfect ambassadors for our school. They all showed determination and perseverance in their endeavour to conquer the tough course. Every child from Hinton completed the course and should be very proud of their performance.

Good luck to Belle Leonard, Kristen Allen and Kelsey Winchester who will now compete at the Hunter Cross Country Carnival on Friday 28 May 2010 at the Walka Water Works. Congratulations girls!

I would like to congratulate all students for their behaviour and efforts on the day. Thank you to all the parents who helped with transport and to Mrs Allen for being Team Manager.

Ms G Burns

8/9 Boys		8/9 Girls	
Aled Siever	23	Isabella Lantry	11
Matthew Goode	50	Amber Wilkes	17
Lucas Tooley	55	Clare Douglas	56
10 Boys		10 Girls	
Luke Burton	49	Belle Leonard	2
		Jasmine Goode	31
		Tara Nightingale	53
11 Girls		12/13 Girls	
Kelsey Winchester	3	Georgia Lantry	18
Kristen Allen	5	Makayla Lambert	19
Akacia Tooley	25		



K/1D News

Teddy Bears' Picnic

Last Thursday, K/1D and their Year 6 buddies visited Stuart Park for a Teddy Bears' Picnic. There were bears and furry animals of all sizes and shapes, and the weather was perfect!

First of all we had the Teddy Bears' March past.

Then lots of games were played including parachute activities, sack races, "duck,duck,goose" and Mr Wolf. After the games we ate lunch and students feasted on fairy bread, honey joys and iced teddy biscuits, previously made during the week in groups.

Thanks to Mrs Williams who assisted with the cooking and provided the teddy biscuits.

After lunch many children joined in a soccer game with Mrs Allen or went back to some of the other activities.

Thank you to all the students who exhibited their best manners on the day. Also, thank you to the Yr6 buddies who assisted the younger children and provided excellent role models. We couldn't have done it without you!

A big thank you to Mr Walterback for his patience and guidance when students were making the fairy bread in the morning, also to Mrs Brosie and Mr Van Groningen for transporting all our gear back and forth to the park and also to the other parents/grandparents and pre-schoolers for joining us and helping with the clean-up.

A great day was had by all and some very tired little teddy bears went home for a well deserved sleep!

Regards

Mrs Drayton



3/4B News

What a fortnight!

Our reading and maths groups are well underway and going really well. The children are focussed and settled during our group time.

We have also been developing our computer skills, with regular weekly time, completing in-school research work. We have also commenced specific lessons using programs (Word, PowerPoint & Excel) available to us.

I will be introducing a public speaking element to our homework. This will commence over the coming week.

The writing competition, which will be K-6, will also commence in our room next week...

Lots happening...!

Thanks

Mrs B

Class News 1/2B

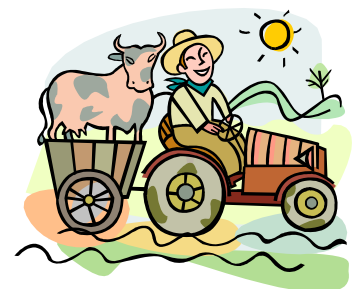
Notes for our Excursion to Oakvale Farm and Fauna World in term 3 were sent home in week 4. A new note will be sent home this week due to a change of date. The new date is **Friday 30 July**. It is hope that all children will attend this excursion as it will reinforce our teaching unit 'Growing and Changing'.

Please remember that homework is due each Friday. Homework should be presented neatly, all activities completed and sheets should not be scribbled on. If work is consistently incomplete and untidy, it will not be marked.

Reading groups are going well. New books have been added to Raz-Kids. Each book in Raz-kids requires 3 green ticks before it is marked as completed. A blue tick means that they did not complete the activity or made too many mistakes. These books should be reread and the activity attempted again. No tick means activity has not be attempted.

Spelling City. I will be adding a unit list on 'Growing and Changing' each week for those children who want to learn more words. These words will not be tested in class so your child can do the online test and give the print out to me on Fridays.

Ms Burns



5/6 News

Our 'normal classroom' plan has been defeated through debating, soccer, peer support, cultural day, photos, Star Struck, computer competition and on and on.

Perhaps that is normal for 5/6!

There have been many achievements in 5/6. Our debaters have been outstanding. As group leaders in peer support 5/6 have been superb. In concentrating in class on their writing competition piece, and research for the Sydney excursion, the students have been determined.

It is sometimes difficult for a class to maintain the correct approach and attitude during disruptive times. Not so for 5/6. They have been disciplined, caring, thoughtful and productive. Parents take a bow! Next is an attack on completing their books and the commencement of geometry. Should be Fun!

Star Struck

Congratulations girls. THANK YOU JACKIE! Mrs Woodward gave up her day to be with us at the Entertainment Centre. To assist with the performance...without you, Star Struck would be VERY different.

We completed our major rehearsal yesterday, and as usual the girls conducted themselves wonderfully. The new members to our squad were surprised by the number of students participating...can't wait to see their faces on opening night!!

Get you tickets NOW for a really wonderful show...this year is a beauty!!

Next rehearsals will be held on 15th and 16th June. Times will be sent home shortly.

Thanks

Mrs B and Mrs Drayton



News from Mr C

Premiers Reading Challenge

The Premiers Reading Challenge is up and running for 2010. Students in years K-2 are reading books as a class and are well on their way to reading the 30 required for them to complete the challenge.

Students in years 3-6 are reading on their own and filling in their reading logs.

Premiers Sporting Challenge

The Premiers Sporting Challenge is also up and running for 2010. All students are keeping active at school and monitoring the time they spend active each week.

PSSA Girls Soccer

On Monday 24th the girl's soccer team played Seaham PS at Bowthorne Park, Wallalong. In a close and hard-fought game the girls won 2-1. The opening of the game saw Seaham pressure our goals but the girls soon found space with several attacking raids starting at our own goal line. Georgia Lantry found plenty of space while Belle Leonard scored a brilliant solo goal, moving from the half way line and controlling the ball well before putting it past the keeper. After halftime Georgia L scored a goal of her own with a great left footed strike. Seaham then stepped up the pressure, scoring a goal late in the game and setting up a tense ending. In the end Ellie Graham and our goalkeeper Maddie Duguid showed amazing poise under pressure to keep Seaham from equalling.

The girls will now go on to face the winner of the Irrawang-Raymond Terrace game. I would like to thank the overwhelming number of parents who helped to transport the girls or offered to despite having other commitments and supported the girls. It has been a fantastic change from my past experiences with school sporting teams and one I really do appreciate. Thank you also goes to Roger Lambert who went to the ground early to help set up the ground and was the last to leave after locking up.

Mark Cridland



HINTON SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION INC.

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The position of Junior Vice president still needs to be filled.

Thank you to the merry band of helpers for the Mothers' day stall everyone enjoyed the day. There was even a profit made of \$116.00!

Private tenders for the beautiful lampshade have now closed.

Sports Carnival is on the 25 June, Genevieve is organising the canteen. (Thank you!!) We will need helpers on the day and some cake donations to sell. A note will be distributed closer to the event. In the meantime, if you can assist in any way, please contact Genevieve.

Pie Drive orders will be due the 24 June.

Order forms will be distributed a week or 2 before orders are due. Thank you Donna for organising this.

We aim to raise \$800 to pay for the yellow box reading kit for K-2.

17 October is the Shopping Bus Trip to Sydney!

To confirm your spot the deposit must be paid ASAP please so we can book the right size bus. More people means less cost and more fun!!! Please contact Kaylene or leave your deposit at the office.

Car Boot Sale date to be confirmed, any helpers/ideas appreciated.

Next meeting we will discuss the canteen price list

AGM will be held in November and all positions will be vacant

Next Meeting: 23 June 2010 @ 7:00pm, everyone welcome!

Sausage Sizzle Roster Term 2

2nd June	Brett Hill
9th June	Brett Hill
16th June	Darren & Wendy White
23rd June	Steve Walterback
30th June	Tracey Bright

Canteen Roster 28th May - 11th June

Monday	Thursday	Friday
		28th May
31st May Kathy Gibb	3rd June Elaine Whan Margaret Turnbull	4th June Kathryn Marquet
7th June Susan Goode	10th June Volunteer Needed	11th June Nicola Winchester

Volunteers Needed

The canteen is short of volunteers on these days:

Thursday 10th June

Thursday 17th June

I understand that it is a busy time for people with various activities happening around the school but if anybody is able to help out on either of the above days, could you please contact me on 4930 5372.

If no volunteers can be found, unfortunately the canteen will have to be closed on these days.

The canteen will be closed on Friday 25th June due to the sports carnival.

Kind Regards

Ben Kelly

Bookclub

Bookclub orders are due by Thursday 3rd June.

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.)

Maitland Repertory's Junior Production, "Witches"

Do you want to see a great play about witches and children? It's an exciting, funny, scary play based on a story by your favourite author, Roald Dahl. It is presented by

the Maitland Repertory Junior group. There are 45 young people in the cast.

Where: Maitland Repertory Playhouse, High Street, Maitland (Opp. Town Hall)

When Fridays at 7.30 pm, Saturdays and Sundays at 2 pm

June 18,19,20; 25,26,27; July 2,3,4

How to Book? Phone 4931 2800 (Maitland Visitors Centre) A small fee applies for booked seats. Tickets are also available at the door.

Admission Price: Children's price for everyone: \$12



Hunter Performing Arts School

Application for K-6 enrolment by audition at the Hunter School of the Performing Arts in 2011 are now available. Year 7-11 auditions have now concluded and will re-open for 2012 applications from Term 4 this year.

Auditions for primary years remain scheduled for early August. Information and application forms can be accessed on the school's website: <http://www.hspsa.nsw.edu.au/information/enrolment-forms/>

