



# HINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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“Every little one counts”

## SCHOOL NEWS

Term 4 has begun with a rush of events. Our demountable building has been removed, our library floor repaired and re-carpeted and basketball posts installed on our court. Not a bad first week!

The ‘Country Fair’ take place this week. Many hours of planning, designing, meeting, preparing, counting etc - will bear fruition this week. Thank you to all concerned.

Child protection is a focus in all classrooms during term 4. Permission for these lessons was given at the commencement of the year, please note, students will be given very specific lessons, including the use of correct terminology for body parts.

Furthermore, the interrelate sessions for families with children in years 3 to 6 will take place on Wednesday 4th November. At 6.30pm for year 3/4 and at 7.45pm for 5/6.

We encourage everyone to take advantage of this valuable opportunity. In addition year 6 will be invited to attend the ‘Young Teen Talk’ on Monday 30th November.

During term 4 we are encouraging parents, who are available to participate in classroom activities. Craft and skill based activities are preferred. If you are available, let your class teacher know and specifics can be arranged.

Our class make up for 2010 is now being considered. The most likely arrangement is similar to this year. However it is probable that we may gain a class in 2010 ( ironically we would need a new demountable!). If this occurs class sizes, especially in the senior classes would become much smaller. A new class 2/3 would be formed. We will not be able to confirm arrangements for 2010 until early February 2010.

Our school canteen is a valuable resource in many ways. It is operated by volunteers and provides a wonderful service to the school. We are currently looking at its operations in 2010. A separate note outlining a proposal for roles is available with the newsletter. If you are in a position to take on any role in 2010 it would be appreciated

Each year the school is required to complete an annual report. Information is gained in many ways. This year we are asking each family to complete a brief survey. This information is valuable and we hope we can have your opinion on the schools functioning in 2009.

## UP COMING EVENTS

**Saturday 31st October** - Hinton Public School Fete

**Wednesday 4th November** - Interrelate Family

**Wednesday 11th November** - Kindergarten Orientation  
Session 1 - commences 10am

**Monday 16th November** - Year 6 Transition Day visit for MHS Advisor and students from Morpeth and Largs

**Tuesday 17th November** - Talent Quest

**Tuesday 17th November** - Lunchtime Disco

**Tuesday 17th November** - Kinder Orientation Session 2  
2:30pm - 3:20pm

**Wednesday 18th November** - School Leaders election  
day

**Wednesday 18th November** - P&C Meeting 7pm

**Thursday 19th November** - Touch Footy Gala Day

**Wednesday 25th November** - Parent Helpers Afternoon  
Tea

**Wednesday 25th November** - Combined Scripture

**Wednesday 25th November** - Last Guitar Lesson

**Tuesday 26th November** - Kinder Orientation Session 3  
2:30pm - 3:20pm

## Class Awards Week 1

**K/1**

Brianna Kelly

Charlie Hunter

Owen Tooley

Jade Woodward x 2

**3/4**

Emerson Sewell

Cooper Byrne

Georgia Kennerson

**1/2**

Tia Lantry

Jayden Donkin

Ruben Gilmour

Leo Lindsay

Clare Douglas x 2

Isabella Lantry

Lucas Tooley

**5/6**

Jack Lewis

Hayley Byrne

James Cherry

Ricky Soars

## Interrelate

Interrelate lessons are scheduled for November 4th. All permission notes and money must be sent to school no later than Monday 2nd November. We recommend this program to all children in years 3 to 6. It is suggested that year 5 and 6 attend both sessions.

## Bookclub

**Orders need to be returned by 5th November.**

**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.)

## Sausage Sizzle Roster

### **Term 4**

November 4th - Darren & Wendy White

November 11th - Tracy Bright

November 18th - Karren Robinson

November 25th - Tracy Bright

## Art Competition

Reminder that we are currently taking entries for the Hinton Public School Country Fair Art Competition. Just send in your \$2 entry fee to school to receive your canvas.

## Fete News

Please bring your raffle tickets, sold or unsold, into the office by Friday at the latest!

We are still looking for volunteers for Saturday's fete, if you can assist at all please contact Kim on 0488088823.

## Swimming School

Well our first week of swimming, what more can I say? The weather was perfect. This week started off cold but it is improving.

The children have been well behaved and enthusiastic, even wanting to get wet on the coldest day. All children are trying their best and are all making excellent progress.

As a reward for their efforts, on Friday they can bring some money to spend at the pool canteen. No more than \$4 please.

A big thank you to Mr Teat for assisting every day and to Mrs Williams for braving the water every day.

Congratulations and well done swimmers.

Gail Burns (Swimming School Co-ordinator)



## Ride On Mower

The school has an MTD Yard Ride On Lawn Mower with a 16 hp motor and a 42" cutting deck available for tender. If you are interested, please submit your tender to Hinton Public School by 30th October. This is the last opportunity for tenders to be placed.



## Canteen Roster for Week 2:

**29th October** Tracey Hollis

**30th October** Kathryn Marquet

## Canteen Roster

**Monday 2nd Nov**

Kim Doyle

**Thursday 5th Nov**

Kathy Gibb

**Friday 6th Nov**

Shelley Martin, Tash Burton

**Monday 9th Nov**

Genevieve Leonard

**Thursday 12th Nov**

Tracey Hollis, Elain Whan

**Friday 13th Nov**

Nicola Winchester

## AASC News

This week children have been playing throwing games, the older children have been using softball gloves. Next week's games include Stork Tag, Mini T Ball, Target Throw and Run .

Thank you to Tash Burton and Jackie Woodward for collecting and cutting the fruit for the children.



### K/1D News

K/1D have now started their unit of work about 'Under the Sea'. We have been learning about fish and seahorses.

Students have made some beautiful artworks of tropical fish, using oil pastels, and seahorse, painting them with sponges. I would like to invite parents to be involved in art and craft in the next few weeks. If any parents have any skills or expertise they could offer in this area please let me know. These areas could include art, dance, craft, cooking, etc.

Next week, K/1D will be starting Child Protection, which is compulsory. This will run for approximately three weeks, continuing when Mrs Drayton returns from long service leave. Child protection for K/1D will encompass the following themes:

#### Theme 1: Recognising Abuse:

Involving: Protection, body parts (including correct anatomical names), 'Yes' and 'No' feelings, warning signals, safe and unsafe situations, touching, comfortable and uncomfortable feelings, kinds of touch.

#### Theme 2: Power in Relationship

Involving: Relationships, trust, rights and responsibilities, wanted and unwanted touching, caring for others, privacy, unwanted touch – saying NO.

#### Theme 3: Protective Strategies

Involving: Safety strategies, networks, standing strong – Saying NO, prepared to Go, happy and unhappy secrets, telling – persistence, My strategies, safety rules, assertiveness.

I felt it was important to inform you that this will be occurring next week so that parents can be aware of the new information their students may gain and parents may wish to take this opportunity to talk to the students about the things that are discussed in these sessions. All students have returned their notes giving permission to participate. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Miss Harris.

### 1/2D News

Welcome back to term 4! I hope you all had a relaxing break. Class routines will return to normal next week with the finish of swim school. Reading Groups will start on Monday and I am looking forward to the return of our parent helpers.

**Craft and Art Groups** will begin in week 4 on a Monday or Tuesday afternoons (which ever is more popular) and continue for 4 weeks. If you would like to assist or have an activity that you would like to do with the children please contact me at school or send a letter with your child. Please tell me the day you are available and what you would like to do as soon as possible so I can order any materials needed.

Gail Burns

### 3-4B News

We have started public speaking this term and so far all of the students have managed to speak in front of the class. It is not an easy thing to do, even though they are peers. To some, public speaking is very daunting, but I encourage all students, as overcoming this fear is really important for future schooling.

We had a number of interesting speeches. We heard about pets, family members, prospecting, motorbike riding, Australian animals and Aussie Slang. We were immensely entertained by Belle's Aussie Slang presentation, so much so, that I have asked her to present it on Concert night, for all to enjoy!

This week the student's are expected to prepare a book report.

I would like to hold afternoon activities, similar to last years' (we did cooking, sewing, German language, jewellery making, Christmas Craft and book making). A note will be sent home shortly asking for volunteers and maybe some new ideas for fun activities. I would love to have some dads or granddads, if they're available? Please keep an eye out for the information sheet!

Thank you

Mrs B

### 5/6 News

5/6 is searching for parent helpers who can provide a session on Tuesday afternoons. We hope to be involved in craft, art, or any appropriate area in which you have a skill and time to spare. If another day suits better, then that is a possibility. We will begin in week 4 ( that is, commencing 10th November).

The class has spent a week looking at division and re-viewing maths tables. Work on spelling, vocabulary, poetry, writing and scripted plays has featured heavily. Year 6 has a number of orientation days for high school coming up. On the 16th November Hinton will host Bolwarra, Largs and Morpeth schools for a Maitland High School year 7 adviser visit.

All students are encouraged to participate in the Interrelate program on Wednesday 4th November. Year 6 will be invited to the 'Young Teen Talk' on Monday 30th November.

Regular home reading is still being heavily encouraged. Is your child reading at home?

### **Stockland Star Update**

**Currently we are leading in our category for the Stockland Star. Thank you to all who have contributed to our success but we still have ten days to go. So please hurry to get all your docketts in as the competition closes at 4pm Sunday 8th November.**

**Our school can win between \$1000 and \$3000 in a cash prize.**

**Please support your school and do your shopping at Green Hills!**

Please keep your receipts from purchases made at Green Hills during the period specified above (receipts must be from purchases made at Green Hills Stockland only).

Receipts need to be for purchases over \$10.

Either take your receipts to the Customer Care Centre desk and register your name to get your votes, or bring them to the school office where they will be collected in a large envelope and delivered to the centre each week. Receipts will be returned to the school after a week.

**Receipts can only be submitted at the Customer Care Centre during the following hours**

Monday – Wednesday & Friday	9am – 5.15pm
Thursday	9am – 8.45pm
Saturday	9am – 4.45pm
Sunday	10am – 3.45pm



N.B. There will be certain specified days when your purchases of over \$10 will earn double points. These days are Tuesday and after 5pm on Thursday. There will be other days as set by the Centre.

The following receipts will not be accepted as part of this promotion

Bill payments, bank transactions, bank fees and charges, service bills, travel purchases over \$5000

Layby payments, except where the amount paid completes the transaction.

Lotto purchases There are a number of regulations relating to prohibited behaviour in relation to this competition.

If you need to view these please enquire at the school office.

**School voting points will be displayed on a board near the**

**Customer Care Centre so that you can follow our progress in the competition. Please ask neighbours, friends and relatives to save their receipts to help our school.**

### **NEWS FROM THE P & C**

The fete is fast approaching all donations and help is greatly appreciated. See updates in the newsletter. Fete day is October 31st 10am-4pm.

Please be aware that the playground equipment is off limits after school and children should not be on it unsupervised.

Old Hinton School Photos : we would like to do a display for the fair of "Then and Now". If you have any, please drop them at the office or contact Carol on 0458435351 ( will make copies).

The vegetable patch looks terrific. Thank you to Mrs Leonard and her band of helpers.

Next fete meeting : 30th October at 9.45 at school.

Next P&C meeting Wednesday 21st October at 7pm.

Everyone welcome.

# HINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL



COUNTRY FAIR  
31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2009  
10 am – 4 pm

## Programme for the Day

- 10.00am - Open fete- Principal Mr Ken Sharkey
- 10.25am - Hinton Public School Starstruck Dancers
- 10.30am - Karate Demonstration
- 10.45am - Hinton Public School Dancers - Thriller
- 11.00am - Just for Kicks Dance Demo
- 11.30am - Art Competition-winners announced
- 12.00pm - Virago Performing
- 1.00pm - The Major Raffles Drawn
- 2.00pm - Belly Dancers
- 2.30pm - Powerage Performing
- 3.30pm - Powerage Performing
- 4.00pm - Day Finishes

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Please don't forget your raffle tickets, they need to be returned sold or unsold to the office by this Friday. Every ticket is accountable.

Volunteers are still needed for the stalls. If you can spare any time please call Kim 0488 088823