

Harwood Island Public School



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25TH NOVEMBER 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER

- SWIMMING SCHOOL MON 17TH NOV TO FRI 28TH NOV
- SCHOOL PLAN FOCUS GROUPS THURS 27TH NOV 9.15AM & 5.30PM
- BIG RIVER FILM FESTIVAL 4/5/6 WED 3RD DEC
- PIRATE WATER PARK VISIT K/1/2/3 - WED 3RD DEC
- YR6 FAREWELL - TUES 9TH DEC
- PRESENTATION NIGHT THURS 5.30PM 11TH DEC
- LAST DAY FOR 2014 WED 17TH DEC
- FIRST DAY FOR 2015 WED 28TH JAN 2015
- SWIMMING CAR-NIVAL THURS 29TH JAN 2015
- KINDY CHILDREN START SCHOOL ON FRI 30TH JAN 2015

Harwood Island P&C meeting February 2015

Everyone welcome!

We are now on Facebook so please go on Facebook and like us.



Our website gets updated weekly. School newsletters can be viewed online in colour.

An invitation is extended to you to be part of planning for the school for next year. I will be holding two focus groups this Thursday, one at 9.15am and the other at 5.30pm. I would love to hear your opinion of where you think the school is headed. The meetings will be informal and short. I am hopeful they will only go for half an hour or so. It's a great opportunity to ask questions and have your voice heard.

Thank you to the parents who have returned the questionnaires. They are very helpful for the planning process. If you can't come to a focus group, try to take a couple of quick minutes to let us know your opinion via the questionnaires.

Jenni McKeon

BIG RIVER FILM FESTIVAL

Children in Years 3/4/5/6 will travel to South Grafton High School on Wednesday 3rd December to view entries in the Big River Film Festival. Class 4/5/6 have entered their movie 'The Harwood Island School Song'. After this event children will go to the Grafton Ten Pin Bowling for lunch and a game. This day will be FREE of charge with thanks to the generosity of our P&C who will cover the cost of the bus and 1 game of ten pin bowling for each child. A permission note has been given to each child in 3/4/5/6. Please fill in and return as soon as possible.

K/1/2 OUTING

This year as an end of year treat K/1/2 children will travel to Salt Water Tourist Park and the Pirate Water Park on Wednesday 3rd December 2014. Children will leave the school at 9.30am. All children are to have their swimmer, towel, drink and sunscreen on. This activity will be FREE of charge thanks again to our great P&C. Children in K/1/2 have all been given a permission note for this activity. Please fill in and return as soon as possible.

SWIMMING SCHOOL

All the children have improved with their swimming style, ability and fitness already and we have only just finished the first week. Keep up the great

work everyone!

Students are to wear their swimmers under their uniforms as we are leaving school at 9.10am. Don't forget to pack your undies, along with your towel and make sure that all long hair is tied back. Sunscreen should be applied before school.

Please check your child's bag to make sure they don't have other students' belongings.

Children are not to be dropped off at the Maclean Pool without parental supervision. It is a safety issue and pool staff have been notified that all Harwood Island Public School children are only to be admitted as a school.



Education & Communities

2014 Swimming School



PRESENTATION NIGHT

This year our presentation night will be held at the school on Thursday 11th December, commencing at 5.30pm.

All parents and friends are invited to this special evening. We are having a very special visitor this year and would like all parents and children to come along to our presentation night.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates for 'Student of the Week' at our assembly today. Mari-ah Gibson and Cody Hamel - excellent work in Reading Box; Jack McLeod - improvement in Reading Box; Brandon Baker - making an effort to complete work; Alyssa McGrath -

being a diligent worker; Thomas Everson - being helpful in the classroom; Maisie Golden - being a helpful class member and Max Lazenby - very good story writing. Well done everyone!

STUDENT BANKING

Last day for Student Banking will be on Friday 12th December.

CANTEEN NEWS

On the menu this week we have a Hamburger for \$3.00 and Milo 50c. Don't forget we have some delicious treats for the recess break.

P&C NEWS KAYAK RAFFLE

We hope you have sold or are selling your tickets and returned the money to school.

ALL TICKETS AND MONEY ARE TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER, THANK YOU.

P&C RAFFLES AT THE HARWOOD HOTEL

The P&C have come on board with The Harwood Hotels Friday Night Raffles and Joker Draw.

All money raised from the hotel raffles will go to the canteen upgrade. Put the following Friday nights on your calendar

- 5th December,
- 2nd January 2015,
- 30th January,
- 28th February,
- 27th March.

If you could help out selling tickets on the night could you please call Danielle on 0409053657.

THINGS TO DO:

- **Hanna/Mendh** permission note for class 4/5/6 due **Thursday 27th November 2014**
- **Return Parent Survey about Learning and School Plan 2015 Questionnaire** before **Wednesday 26th November 2014**
- **Return Permission notes:** Big River Film Festival 3/4/5/6 and Pirate Water Park K/1/2 before **Wednesday 3rd December 2014**.
- **Return All raffle tickets** (sold and unsold) in the Kayak Raffle with money by **Friday 5th December**.

CANTEEN ORDER FORM - Thursday 4/12/14

Macaroni and Cheese - \$3.00 number of serves

Milo - .50c number of serves

Amount enclosed: _____ Name: _____

BIG RIVER FILM FESTIVAL/TEN PIN BOWLING – WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2014

YEAR 3/4/5/6 CHILDREN

PERMISSION NOTE:

I hereby give permission for my child/ren _____ to attend the Big River Film Festival at South Grafton High School followed by a game of Ten Pin Bowls at the Grafton Ten Pin Bowling Centre on Wednesday 3rd December 2014.

Transport will be by bus.

Special needs of my child which you should be aware (e.g. allergies, medication etc) are:-

To the best of my knowledge he/she has no medical conditions, disability or injury that puts them at risk in participating in this activity.

In the event of illness or injury, I authorise the school to seek medical assistance on my behalf that my child may require in an emergency. I understand that my child is covered by the school's ambulance insurance and I am aware that I will be responsible for all additional costs for medical treatment of my child/ren (other than the cost of an ambulance).

Family Name: _____

Date: _____

Signed: _____

BIG 4 PIRATE WATER PARK VISIT – WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2014

K/1/2 CHILDREN

PERMISSION NOTE:

I hereby give permission for my child/ren _____ to attend the Big 4 Pirate Water Park at Palmers Island on Wednesday 3rd December 2014.

Transport will be by bus.

Children are to have their hat, swimmers, towel, drink and sunscreen applied.

Special needs of my child which you should be aware (e.g. allergies, medication etc) are:-

To the best of my knowledge he/she has no medical conditions, disability or injury that puts them at risk in participating in this activity.

In the event of illness or injury, I authorise the school to seek medical assistance on my behalf that my child may require in an emergency. I understand that my child is covered by the school's ambulance insurance and I am aware that I will be responsible for all additional costs for medical treatment of my child/ren (other than the cost of an ambulance).

Family Name: _____

Date: _____

Signed: _____