



Harwood Island Public School

Newsletter No. 24 – 5th August 2014

Don't forget
MILL MUD
bagging day,
Sunday 31-8-14

Dates to Remember:

- School Spelling Bee Wed 6th Aug
- ICAS Maths Tues 12th Aug
- NCPSSA Athletics Lismore 15th Aug
- Book / Science Week 18th – 22nd August
- Book Fair Mad Scientist Day Wednesday 20th August
- P&C Monday 25th Aug
- High School Day Wed 27th Aug
- MILL MUD BAGGING SUN 31st Aug
- MILL MUD PICK UP DAYS 1st to 4th Sept
- Fathers Day Stall Thurs 4th Sept
- Touch Carnival Fri 5th Sept
- Tennis Comp. Maclean Mon 8th Sept
- Regional Spelling Bee Final Wed 10th Sept Maclean Public
- Cricket Gala day Fri 19th Sept

Harwood Island P&C meeting
Monday 25th August
5.00pm.

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.

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WHAT'S DUE NOW?

Payment for Workbooks and equipment;
Canteen orders, Zone Athletics Note and Money

DISTRICT ATHLETIC CARNIVAL SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

The school will hold a Spelling Bee tomorrow, Wednesday 6th August at 9:10am in the Library. Parents are very welcome to come along to watch.

SMALL SCHOOLS DISTRICT ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

What a great day all the children had at the Small Schools Athletics Carnival held in Iluka last Thursday.

All our children competed very well with Ruby Stewart-Wayland and Harrison Earle - 11 yr champions and Molly McLeod - senior girls champion.

All children going on to compete in the Zone Athletics Carnival to be held at Lismore on Friday 15th August are to have their permission notes and money at the school office before this date. The winning school this year was Iluka.

BCF DONATION

Thanks to BCF Grafton for the donation of canoe with paddle and seat and fishing rods to our school P & C. These great items will be raffled by the P & C to raise fund for our school. We look forward to your support with the selling of tickets. Tickets and information will go home very soon.



CHICKEN POX ALERT!!!!

There has been a report of Chicken Pox at the school. Please check your child and treat appropriately. More information is on the following page.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates for 'Student of the Week' at our assembly today. Dan Goyma - improved reading skills; Jayarna English - trying hard in writing; William Farlow - improved effort with homework; Isaac Bendeich-Hall - great work with reading; Aaron Sharrock - great work with homework extension; Harrison Earle - excellent work in maths; Destiny Madden - improved attitude to her school work and Celaeste Treasure - for being focussed in all lessons.

This week's Library Award goes to Mali Matthews.

THE SCHOOL IS NOW ON FACEBOOK

Many thanks to Kirsty Evans who set up the school's Facebook page. This page is separate from the P&C page. The page is designed to keep all of our families up to date with what is going on at school. It will be useful when we are away on an excursion as we will be able to update our schedules if we are running late. Please don't use the page to send us messages or for explanation of absences it will not be checked regularly enough. Look for us today!

BOOK FAIR / SCIENCE DAY

This an early warning notice that we will be holding a Book Fair and Science Day on Wednesday 20th August. The children are asked to dress up for the day. The theme will be MAD SCIENTIST! Get your thinking caps on and start putting your outfits together. Parents are welcome to come along and join in with the science activities and purchase books

from the Book Fair.



THE BARBER OF SEVILLE



CHICKEN POX INFORMATION

What are the symptoms

- Chickenpox begins with a sudden onset of slight fever, runny nose, feeling generally unwell and a skin rash.
- The rash usually begins as small lumps that turn into blisters and then scabs.
- The rash appears over three to four days. At any one time, the lesions of the rash vary in stages of development.
- Symptoms usually occur two weeks after exposure to the virus.
- Most people recover without complications, but sometimes the infection can lead to serious complications, such as pneumonia and inflammation of the brain. Rarely, the infection can be fatal.

Persons who are previously vaccinated can still get chickenpox. If chickenpox occurs in a vaccinated person it is usually mild and less contagious than in an unvaccinated person.

How is it spread?

- Early in the illness, the virus is spread by coughing.
- Later in the illness, the virus is spread by direct contact with the fluid in the blisters.
- The infection is highly contagious to people who have never had chickenpox or who have not been vaccinated.
- People are infectious from one or two days before the rash appears (that is, during the runny nose phase) and up to five days after (when the blisters have formed crusts or scabs)

Chickenpox infection triggers an immune response and people rarely get chickenpox twice.

For more information <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/factsheets/Factsheets/chickenpox.pdf>

LIBRARY NEWS

All students who have been reading in the Premier's Reading Challenge need to return their completed reading logs to Mrs Davidson as soon as possible, please. **ONLY 2 WEEKS TO GO!!!**

All the children who ordered from issue 5 Book Club have received their books today.
Coming Events - BOOK FAIR - Wednesday 20th August 2014.

CANTEEN NEWS

On the menu this week we have Bacon and Egg Roll for \$3.00 and Milo 50c.
Don't forget we have some delicious warm treats for the recess break.
We look forward to your continued support of the school canteen.

STUDENT BANKING

Starting this week banking day will be held on **FRIDAY'S**. If you wish to bank at the school please have your deposit books at the school office by recess.

Thursday 14/8/ 2014

Name: _____

Chicken Fettuccine - \$3.00

Number of serves

Milo - .50c

Number of serves

Amount Enclosed: _____

BAGGING



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Sunday 31st August.

from 8:30am

Please come along with your boots, spade and gloves, to dig a bag or twenty, for our annual fundraiser.

BBQ lunch and refreshing beverages will be provided afterwards.

Looking forward to see you all there!



Free Come and Try BMX

**Saturday the 16th of August
1.00pm to 3.00pm**

**At the Clarence Valley BMX Club's race track located at the corner of
Abbott and Vere Streets in South Grafton.**

This will be a great opportunity for anyone who rides a bike and is interested in having a ride on a BMX race track. Riders and spectators will experience the thrills and excitement of this family orientated sport.

Riders from 2 years and up can join in the fun and have a ride around the BMX track.

Free coaching and training will be available from 1.00pm to 3.00pm to help new riders gain basic bike skills and confidence.

Anyone that signs up can join in the open practice starting from 3.00pm

At 4.10pm the BMX club riders will be showing how it is done by putting on some BMX races.

BMX is not just for the boy's as the number of girls riding and racing BMX bikes is on the increase throughout Australia.

The great thing about BMX as a sport is that the whole family can get involved, no matter what age the kids are they all can do the same sport at the one time and place.

The canteen will be open during the day for cold drinks and hot food.

Come and meet club's mascot "Clarence" the BMX Cougar.

Bring along a good working order bike. Bikes sizes can be from a 16 inch BMX to 26 inch mountain bike, 2 to 4 year olds can bring a balance bike. For your protection you will also need a good bike helmet (preferred full face) long pants and long sleeve shirt, shoes and socks that cover the ankle, gloves (any type will do)

If you do not have a BMX bike or some of the safety gear just ask at the canteen on the day. The club will have someone on hand to checkout your bike and help with making it safe to ride.

Tell all your friends and your parents.

Visit **Clarence Valley BMX Club** on Facebook for the latest updates.