

Harwood Island Public School



DATES TO REMEMBER

- NORTHERN RIVERS PSSA SWIMMING CARNIVAL THURS 26TH FEBRUARY
- EAT IT TO BEAT IT PARENT WORKSHOP AND MORNING TEA - FRI 27TH FEB SCHOOL LIBRARY
- YEAR 6 HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION THURS 12TH MAR
- SCHOOL PHOTOS - THURS 12TH MAR
- YEAR 6 YOUNG LEADERS CONFERENCE IN BRISBANE FRI 20TH MAR

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NEWSLETTER NO. 5

24TH FEBRUARY 2015

This term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a DEC initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

*More information about the survey is on the note attached to today's newsletter, along with a consent form. **If you do not want your child or children to participate**, please return the form to school by Friday 27 February. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above. Only return the form if you do not want them to participate.*

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and takes less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 9 March and 2 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

Jenni McKeon

Harwood Island P&C

Next Meeting

30th March

5pm

Everyone welcome!

We are now on Facebook so please go on Facebook and like us to keep right up to date.



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

P & C AGM

Thanks to the parents who came to the AGM yesterday.

Congratulations to the 2015 executive:

Peter Coram - President
Jenny Young - Vice President

Kirsty Evans - Secretary
Bec Anderson - Treasurer
After the AGM a general P&C meeting was held and items were up for discussion.

The P&C will be holding a coffee and cake stall at the school for the State Election on Saturday 28th March, Easter and Mother's Day raffles and a Mother's Day stall. Uniforms were discussed and at the next meeting the 'Sports Uniform' will be up for discussion. If you would like your say in this matter, come along and have some input on Monday 30th March to have your say.

EAT IT TO BEAT IT

The Cancer Council of NSW will be holding the 'Eat It To Beat It' program for **PARENTS** in the school library from 9am to 11am this Friday 27th February. If you would like to participate in this worthwhile program please return your booking slip to the school office **tomorrow Wednesday 25th February**. We have to notify presenters by this date and if there is not a good response we will have to cancel the workshop.

EASTER RAFFLE

We are asking for donations of Easter items to make up raffle prizes for an Easter Raffle. Could all donation of goods be sent to the school office, thank you. Your assistance with this fundraiser would be greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The school photographer will be at the school on Thursday 12th March. Each child has been given an envelope.

If you would like photos of your child/ren, please fill in an envelope for each child and return to school with your choice of pack with payment. There are many payment options listed on the envelope.

If you would like a group photo of your children envelopes are available at the school office.

LIBRARY BORROWING

Don't forget your library bags so you can borrow books on library day.

Monday 1/2/3

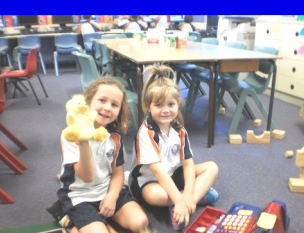
Tuesday 4/5/6

Wednesday K/1



Education & Communities

K-1S

**BOOK CLUB ORDERS**

All children have been given Scholastic Book Club orders. If you wish to order from this issue please have your order form with payment at the school office by this **Thursday 26th February**, thank you.

NORTHERN RIVERS PSSA SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Thursday 26th February students from our school will be competing at the NRPSSA Swimming Carnival to be held in Lismore. They will be representing the Lower Clarence Small Schools District and we wish them and other members of the team luck in their races.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates today. Laura Develder - very responsible class member; Tahlia Ryan - excellent listening skills; Jaala Bendeich-Hall - following class rules without complaint; Kyscha Wyse - quietly and consistently trying in all areas; Nathan Moss - neatness in all subject areas; Noah Howland - being an independent learner; Dante O'Sullivan - improved reading skills and Sienna Young - lovely reading. Well done!

4/5/6 NEWS

Don't forget that Sports Day is Monday for our class and Library is on Tuesday.

Mrs Davidson

STUDENT WORKBOOKS

Thank you to all the families who have paid for their children's workbooks for this year. The cost of students workbooks is \$50.00 per child. This amount can be paid in instalments or directly into the school account. For details please contact Mrs Bull at the school office. ***This is not a school fee but covers costs of workbooks that your child will use in class throughout the year.***

CANTEEN NEWS

On the menu this week we have ***Chicken Pasta Salad - \$3.00 and Milo - .50c.***

An order form for next week is on the newsletter. Don't forget we have lots of delicious healthy treats for recess from .50c to \$1.50. We look forward to your continued support.

P&C RAFFLES AT THE HARWOOD HOTEL

The P & C will be holding raffles at the Harwood Hotel on Friday nights to raise money for our school.

Put the following Friday nights on your calendar

- ***6th March***
- ***3rd April***
- ***1st May and***
- ***29th May.***

Please contact Bec Anderson if you can help out on either of these nights. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking will be held at the school each Friday.

There are two new School Banking Rewards now available for Term 1 while stocks last.

- ET DVD
- Planet Handball

SCHOOL CAPS

An order of the school caps has arrived at the school office. Cost for school cap is \$7.00 each.

COMMUNITY NEWS "Aqua Splash", Aqua Challenge"

"Slip n Splash" and "Water Slide"

All for \$8.00 plus pool entry
Maclean Pool Saturday
28/2/15. 12 - 4pm

Iluka Boardriders Sign-on Day is Sunday 8/3/15. Check our Facebook page closer to the date for beach location. Application forms are available at your school office.

We have a Professional Surfer & Coach. Coaching sessions are strictly limited & only available to Iluka Boardriders Members. Our Club Contest will be held on the 2nd Sunday of every month. There is a division for everyone, even mums & dads!

We need volunteers each club contest to help out with different tasks & also cook our beach BBQ that shall be available every club contest. FREE SAUSAGES FOR PARTICIPATING KIDS. Register at Siberia, Iluka Bait & Tackle or on the day Sunday 8/3/15.

THINGS TO DO:

- **Book Packs for 2105 - \$50.00 per child. DUE NOW!**

- General Permission Note
- Afternoon Pick-up form
- Northern Rivers Zone PSSA
- Swimming Carnival note and payment

- **'Eat It To Beat It' PARENT**

WORKSHOP Registration due Wednesday

25th February



Don't forget to donate items for the Easter Raffle.

eg chocolate eggs, bunnies, bilbies or other items suitable for an Easter Raffle would be greatly appreciated.

Eat It To Beat It PARENT WORKSHOP

I would like to book a place at the EAT IT TO BEAT IT parent workshop to be held at the Harwood Island Public School Library on Friday 27th February 2015.

The workshop will start at 9am and finish with morning tea at 11am.

ALL PARENTS WELCOME!

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Eat It To Beat It Parent Workshop Booking Form - *please return tomorrow, Wednesday 25th February.*

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

LUNCH ORDER - WEEK 6 Thursday 5/3/15

Hoisin Beef, Vegetable Stir Fry and Noodles \$3.00

Milo .50c

Name: _____

Number of serves: _____

Number of serves: _____

Amount enclosed: _____



INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY ART OPENING, ARTISTS TALKS and MORNING TEA



11am, 8th March, 2015

Iluka Emporium 61 Charles St, Iluka



Enjoy morning tea and Art Opening
followed by Artist talks

Featuring art by Indigenous and Non- Indigenous
Clarence Valley women artists

FREE event supported by CVWI and CVC
for information phone

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