

Harwood Island Public School



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DATES TO REMEMBER

- BASKET BALL GALA DAY YRS 5/6 - MONDAY 30TH MARCH
- CROSS COUNTRY - TUESDAY 31ST MARCH
- EASTER RAFFLE DRAWN TUESDAY 31ST MARCH
- MUFTI DAY - TUESDAY 31ST MARCH GOLD COIN DONATION
- LAST DAY OF TERM - 2ND APRIL
- RETURN TO SCHOOL - TUESDAY 21ST APRIL
- SMALL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY -

NEWSLETTER NO. 9

24TH MARCH 2015

Students are supervised for half an hour before school in the morning from 8.40. Unfortunately, we cannot provide supervision for students before this time. We ask that parents please do not drop their children at school before 8.40 as it compromises your child's safety and places teachers under pressure as they are busy preparing for the school day.

The 2014 Annual School Report is published and is available on our website. It reflects the successes, contributions and feelings of the school community. If you have trouble accessing the website, you can ask at the office for a copy. It has been a pleasure supervising students on excursions and during visiting performances, with Harwood children showing great manners, respect and good sportsmanship. Congratulations on your great behaviour!

See you at the P&C meeting Monday.

Jenni McKeon

THINGS TO RETURN:

- Years 5 and 6 - Permission note and \$5 for Basketball Gala Day - Monday 30th March
- Change of parent details and emergency contacts for all families
- Return Easter raffle tickets by Tuesday 31st March
- ICAS competition entries to be returned by 31st March

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.

YOUNG LEADERS CONFERENCE

Last Friday 8 senior children travelled to the Brisbane Convention Centre to attend the Young Leaders Conference. The theme was 'Get Started' Speakers included Bindi Erwin, Coen Ashton an advocate for organ donation, James Norton and Juliet Wright.

Speakers talked about how they got through the obstacles that stood in their way to achieve their goals.

Jordan; The main message for me was that to be a leader you never give up, keep trying and never let things get in your way.

Harrison; My favourite was Ashton Coen because he inspired me with the amazing things that he has done despite

having cystic fibrosis. He jet-skied 2000kms down the Murray River. It took him 7 weeks. He also went sailing, motorbike riding and many other things.

Tahlia; Juliette Wright wanted us to never give up even if no-one encourages you to keep going.

Laura; Bindi Irwin said to stay passionate and strong, never stop believing in yourself.

Ruby; James Norton was one of those kids that was called a nerd but look at him now. He made paper planes and became an expert. A movie was made about them.

April; Bindi Irwin and her family kept going together after her dad died. Now she is following in her dad's footsteps.

Linken; Juliette Wright told

us to never give up because that's what she did to get her website- "givit" going on the internet for charity.

Brandon; Coen Ashton said to never give up and to keep trying even if you fail sometimes.

SAMBA DRUMS

Tom Harding brought percussion instruments from Brazil to school last Thursday for a hands-on poly-rhythmic extravaganza based on Samba Batucada. All the children enjoyed the musical experience. They played surdos and ganzas tamborims and agogos. The festival atmosphere at the school was fantastic moving to the beat of South America.

Great music everyone!



Education & Communities

Young Leaders



Samba
Drumming



CROSS COUNTRY FUN DAY

Come along and join in the fun at our school Cross Country on Tuesday 31st March.

PARENTS WELCOME!

At our assembly medals will be presented to our cross country winners. There will be an Easter hat parade, with students modelling head fashion created at school and the Easter Raffle will be drawn.

To make the day even more fun, we are having a mufti day with a gold coin donation to go to the Children's Hospital at Westmead.

Don't forget your ***sunsa*** gear and as it is our Cross Country all children ***MUST*** wear running shoes and a hat.

BASKETBALL GALA DAYS

Yesterday children in Yr3/4 competed in an interschool basketball competition against other local schools. Although there were quite a few beginners in our teams, the children displayed some excellent skills. Yr5/6 students will have their chance to compete on Monday 30th March.

Please make sure that your child has returned their permission note and money before Monday, thank you.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates today. Ellie Mount - improved work habits; William Farlow and Lily Kemp - working well in all areas; Harrison Earle - thoughtful written responses; Taylah Ryan - excellent reading; Aaron Sharrock - trying hard with all his work; Flynn Matthews and Tess Shannon - great reading; Jaali O'Sullivan and Maisie Golden - improved work habits in maths; Well done!

CANTEEN NEWS

On the menu this week we have **Chicken or Falafel Doner Kebab - \$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.

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking is held at the school each Friday. Don't forget there are great reward available.

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

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

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

EASTER RAFFLE

Please return all sold raffle tickets and money before Tuesday 31st March.

The Easter Raffle will be drawn at the school assembly following the Cross Country.



LUNCH ORDER - WEEK 10 Thursday 2/4/15

Oven Baked Fish and Chips - \$3.00

Number of serves: _____

Milo .50c

Number of serves: _____

Name: _____

Amount enclosed: _____