



HARRISTOWN STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Success for all through learning, respect, responsibility and safety

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P & C Association

Meets 5.30pm 3rd Monday each month

All parents welcome

Harristown Heroes School Values

- Responsibility
- Respect
- Learning
- Safety

Thursday 22nd November 2018

“Towards Excellence Together”

19/18

From the Principal's Desk - Mr Jonathan Druce

Only 3 weeks to go and lots of fun to be had. A reminder to students to continue coming to school every day right up until Friday 14th December.

HERO DAY

The hero day activities for Term 4 are going to be super fun with water play. The Heroes will be enjoying slip and slide as well as free time in the pool. A reminder that our attendance expectation is tied to Hero Day again this term and that students need to be attending school more than 80%. If you are concerned that your child has an attendance rate below 80% and feel there is reasonable reason for this, please contact the class teacher to discuss the matter.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Next Monday is the Seniors Swimming Carnival and we encourage all students to attend. The carnival is set up for participation, with events that everyone can participate in. We are also including AWD (Athletes with disabilities) events this year. Parents are encouraged to come along and cheer their children on in the pool.

PARADE

There will be no parade on Monday due to the swimming carnival. The Week 8 parade will be held on **Tuesday 27th** at 2pm.

WHITE RIBBON DAY

White Ribbon Day is this weekend and there will be a White Ribbon breakfast on Monday down at Water St Park from 7am. We will read the oath at the Tuesday parade for all men and boys to participate.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Thursday night of Week 9 we will be a fun night of class presentations and dance performances. It will most likely start at 5am on the oval near the new hall. More information to come!

CONCORDIA CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE DRESS REHEARSAL

Each year Concordia school invites our junior classes to their dress rehearsal. We are excited again this year to attend next Tuesday at 9.30am. Students will arrive to school at normal time and walk to Concordia with their classes at 9.15am. If you would prefer your child/ren did not attend, please see the class teacher.

Registering your Email to receive the Newsletter every fortnight

Don't forget that you can register with our school office to receive the School Newsletter by email - all you need is an email address. Drop by the school Admin Office counter and one of our admin staff will gladly provide you with a simple registration form.

Term Overview and Date Claimers

Nov 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd	Prep transition mornings
Nov 26 th	Senior Swimming Carnival Yrs 3 -6
Nov 27 th	Prep - Year 2 Concordia Music Rehearsal Concert
Nov 28 th	Kids Hope afternoon tea
Dec 3 rd - 5 th	Year 5/6 Camp
Dec 6 th	Bike engraving
Dec 4 th	Junior Swimming Day Prep - Yr 2
Dec 6 th	Presentation Night/Dance performance
Dec 10 th & 11 th	Hero Day
Dec 12 th	Graduation
Dec 13 th	Report Cards sent home
Dec 14 th	Last day of School



2018 School Term Dates:

Term 4: 8th October - 14th Dec (10 weeks)

From the A/ Deputy - Miss Millie Edwards

PBL - POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

In Week 6 students focused on the following:

Respect - Use appropriate language towards students and staff using the correct language and tone at school in all situations

Thank you to the many students who have been using kind words and appropriate language at school. It is wonderful to hear kind words like please and thank you when walking through the playground.

This week, Week 7 our focus is:

Respect and Responsibility - Assembly

- Hats off
- Clap appropriately
- Sit quietly
- Remain seated

It was great to see a majority of students doing this on Monday at parade. Well done!

HERO MORNING TEA

Hero Morning Tea is just around the corner so keep collecting stamps in your stamp book for your chance to go to the yummy Hero Morning Tea.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the following classes who have had the highest attendance for Week 5 & 6:

Week 5 - 6A with 97.78%

Week 6 - 5C with 96.80%

This is a fantastic effort, well done! Remember, every day counts!



Parents and Citizens Association News

Tuckshop

- Tuckshop opening hours: 8.15am - 1.45pm Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- All orders **must** be in by 8.50am.
- Sorry no late orders are accepted and no phone orders.

Wed 28 th Nov	Thurs 29 th Nov	Fri 30 th Nov	Wed 5 th Dec	Thurs 6 th Dec	Fri 7 th Dec	Wed 12 th Dec	Wed 13 th Dec	Wed 15 th Dec
Gail Collie Meryl Ballinger Wendy Wright	Gail Collie	Gail Collie Meryl Ballinger	Gail Collie Meryl Ballinger Wendy Wright	Gail Collie	Gail Collie Meryl Ballinger	Gail Collie Meryl Ballinger Wendy Wright	Gail Collie	Gail Collie



P and C Christmas Hamper. Extra tickets available from Uniform shop or Tuckshop at \$1 each. This raffle will be drawn on Presentation night the 6th December

LOST PROPERTY: Any unnamed items will be donated to charity at the end of term. Please make sure your child's items are named as we try our very best to return all items.

UNIFORM SHOP: is open from 8.30 to 9.30am Monday to Friday. We will be opening from the 21st January 2019 from 9am to 1pm for the first week before school starts.

If you would like to join our P and C Committee our next meeting will be 18th February 2019 with our Annual General Meeting.

This years P and C Committee would like to wish you all the very best for the Christmas and New Year's break and hope to see you all back in 2019.



Sports News - Mrs Williams

SWIMMING

There are numerous amounts of students who are coming to swimming lessons without the appropriate clothing. Please check with your child and make sure they have a swimming cap, sun shirt, togs and towel. Swimming caps are available from the uniform shop here at school. Each student requires these items to be able to participate in swimming.

SWIMMING CARNIVALS

Senior Carnival (yrs. 3, 4, 5 and 6) is on Monday 26th November starting at 9.15am. Events will run in order of:
Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Butterfly.

Competitive races (9yrs - 12yrs), AWD and participation swims in Freestyles and Backstroke for all students.



Junior Swim Day is on Tuesday 4th December for yrs 2, 1 and Prep.

Participation Day for all students	
9am	Year 2 classes
10am	Year 1 classes and P/1
11.50am	Prep classes

Students will have the opportunity to showcase their learning and swim various lengths depending on their ability. Water safety is also part of our teaching and if time permits students will show how they can safely make their way to the side when in deep water.

Music Notes - Ms M

Following is a report from the students who attended the recent Music Camp in Toowoomba.

Report from DDSW Intermediate Music Camp 2018

At the end of last term, we were privileged to be able to attend the Instrumental Music Camp.

Two violinists and a percussionist represented Harristown State School at the Camp.

As we attended those three days of Music Camp we had a lot of fun, learned a lot of music and made lots of new friends. There were around 400 or more students that attended from all over South-West Queensland region including from Kingaroy, Goondiwindi, Stanthorpe, Cunnamulla and many places in between. All the students were placed into either the String Orchestra or one of the three Symphonic Wind Bands.

Each day, instead of attending our schools we went to Rangeville Community Church. After roll check we went straight into our ensembles and rehearsed with our conductors. We also were taught by our instrumental teachers.

Each ensemble had to learn three pieces across the three days and these were performed at the Thursday evening concert in front of a packed house of family and friends.

We enjoyed the experience and hope that many more students from Harristown State School can participate in 2019 - but that means you must practise, practise and practise some more!



Ella Rowbotham, Bella Lampe and Andrea Martinito



SARAH



Last Thursday Sarah competed at the AWD Swimming Carnival held at the Glennie Aquatic Centre. Sarah achieved some fantastic results coming 2nd place in 25m breaststroke , freestyle, butterfly and backstroke. Well done Sarah!

Classroom News - Prep/1 Turtles Mrs McLaughlin

Prep/1 Turtles have been working very hard to complete their assessment for report cards. On Wednesday we worked exceptionally well and were rewarded with free time. Keep up the great work P/1!



WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 2019?

Will your children be attending Harristown Primary School next year? If not, would you please advise by returning this form to the office ASAP.

Student's names and classes:-

1. _____ in year _____
2. _____ in year _____
3. _____ in year _____
4. _____ in year _____
5. _____ in year _____

Phone number: Home _____

Mob _____

Name: _____

Sign: _____



Harristown State School offers a FREE PLAYGROUP PROGRAM every Wednesday during the school terms.

Starting at 9am – 10am for families with children aged 0 – 5 years old with a parent or carer.

We offer arts and crafts, playdough, dress ups, toys for all age groups, music and morning tea for the children.



You will find "Little Heroes Playgroup" having fun in the Student Support Centre. The first brick building (on the right) as you enter the school via South Street.

If requiring more information please contact the school on 46875 333.

It will be nice to see you there.

Tanya Cawkwell – Playgroup Organiser





IS CHAPLAINCY CALLING YOU?

Join more than 600 trained and qualified school chaplains offering hope and making a difference for thousands of children across the state.

2018 Chaplaincy Applications now open!

<https://www.suqld.org.au/morehands>

About School Chaplaincy

Chaplains provide social, emotional and spiritual support to school communities. They are in the prevention and support business; helping students find a better way to deal with life issues. They provide a listening ear and a caring presence in the school, available for all students, staff and families.

There are a number of local positions available locally.

For more information contact SU QLD Field Development Manager David Cowie
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Email:



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Children's Health Queensland
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INFORMATION FOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Visit by Registered Nurse for Free Prep Vision Screening

Good vision is important for a child's educational, physical and social development. Vision screening is therefore vital in early childhood, particularly for conditions such as 'lazy eye', which if not detected early can lead to blindness.

A Registered Nurse will be visiting the school in 2019 to commence vision screening for all Prep Year children. If you wish to have your child participate in this free vision screening program, please complete and sign the consent form sent home with your child and return this to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. You will be advised in writing of the outcome of your child's screening.

Please note that if your child has had a vision assessment in the past 12 months it is not necessary for him/her to participate in this screening program. If this is the case, please complete the consent form and indicate that you do not wish for your child to participate, and ensure that you follow the schedule of reviews recommended by your eye health professional.

Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program
Child and Youth Community Health Services
Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service

Free Prep Vision Screening is coming

Have you returned
your consent form
yet?

Please return your child's consent form by Friday
8th February to secure your spot





Optus Summer Splash with Cate Campbell

Join Olympic champion Cate Campbell for
a fun morning of water safety activities

Swim session with Cate

Milne Bay Aquatic &
Fitness Centre, Toowoomba

24 November 2018
10.00am-12.30pm

Free registration on the day
at the pool

Signing session with Cate

Optus Grand Central

24 November 2018
1.30pm-2.30pm

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