A Message From The Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first half of Term 4 has passed us by very quickly. As always, there is a great deal happening at school. Details on some of events that have just occurred or are happening very soon are below.

Remembrance Day

Tomorrow we will be holding our Remembrance Day ceremony in the assembly hall. The ceremony will commence at 10:30am. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards

Congratulations to Bailey Blades (KM) and Jonah Fusi (1R) on receiving an Aboriginal Student Achievement Award for 2014. These awards were presented in a ceremony at the University of Western Sydney, Campbelltown last Friday afternoon. Bailey received her award for creative and performing arts and Jonah for sporting achievement.

School Survey

Thank you to everyone who took the time to have their say about the school in the survey that closed last Friday. We are expecting to receive the survey report in the next couple of the days, with the information contained within the report being of great value in our planning process.

Kindergarten Orientation

This Wednesday is the last of the Kindergarten orientation sessions. This year we have conducted an extended program of the three weeks. I would like to thank Mrs Murray for the time she has put into organising the program, the other staff that have been involved and our Year 6 helpers who have made next year’s kindergarten children feel very welcome at Hammondville.

Selective High Schools Applications for 2016

Please don’t forget if you have a child who is currently in Year 5 that applications for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2016 will close at 10pm on 17th November, 2014. The application information booklet and application website link are on the High Performing Students Unit’s website at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

Working Bee

On Saturday, 22nd November, we will be holding a working bee from 8am to 12pm. The main purpose of the working bee is to spread some of the mounds of mulch that are around the school from the trees that were cut down earlier in the year. If you could spare some time on the 22nd, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to help us out and have a shovel and a wheelbarrow you could bring, that would also be a great help.

Have an enjoyable week.

Ken Smith
Principal
NOTES SENT HOME LAST WEEK

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Highlights: Great runs by Isaac, Beau and Dakota Davies and excellent tagging by Aneliese, Daniel Rasera and Laura Gomes.

**Senior A Results**

6-2 win against Dalmeny C  
Tryscorers: Cooper Hall, Flynn Taylor, Joshua Breen, April Moore and Quinn Johnson  
4-0 win against Hammondville B  
Tryscorers: Nicolas Stamoulis, Flynn Taylor and April Moore

Highlights: Awesome tagging by Angelique Hudson for a whole set, a great kick off by Xander Kilazoglou for a Cooper pickup, and another brilliant short kicking game by Quinn ‘Cooper Cronk’ Johnson.

**OzTag B Report - Week 5**

Hammondville B v Dalmeny B Juniors 1-3 Loss  
(James Aldridge)

Hammondville B juniors had a close encounter with Dalmeny B who proved too strong in the end. This week’s captain was Maeve Johnson.

Hammondville B v Dalmeny B Seniors 2-2 Draw  
(Jaxon Russo, Stan Argropoulos)

Hammondville B seniors played well in their first game and were unlucky to only come away with a draw. This was because a female opponent from the opposition scored a two point try. Captain for this week was Daniel Hasham.

Hammondville B v Hammondville A Juniors 5-1 Loss  
(James Aldridge)

Hammondville B started the game in the best possible way with an early try. In the end Hammondville A caught up and overtook the B’s, but the B’s showed they will be looking to press for selection in the A’s in 2015.

Hammondville B v Hammondville A Seniors 4-0 Loss

In their second game Hammondville played against their old sparring partners Hammondville A. Although the game was reasonably close, Hammondville A ran out winners 4-0. However the B’s showed their fighting spirit. Player of the week was Stan Argropoulos.

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**PSSA CRICKET**

**Junior Cricket**

Last Friday, the junior cricket team played Wattle Grove at Hammondville Oval. Our junior team played well in a challenging match but were defeated by Wattle Grove. We are currently sitting in 4th place and a win this week will give us a birth in the semi-finals.

This week we play Liverpool West at Hammondville Oval

Good luck this week, boys.

Well done, boys!

**Senior Cricket**

Last Friday, the senior cricket team also played Nuwarra at Hammondville Oval. In a game that seemed to be ours for the taking, some lapses in concentration allowed Wattle Grove to snatch victory from under our noses. We will need to be more attentive to the task at hand and make sure we are all doing our job this week. A semi-final birth is still a possibility if we play well.

This week we play Liverpool West and Hammondville Oval.

Mr McInney

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**GENERAL INFO**

**Canteen/ P&C Sausage Sizzle**

We are having a sausage sizzle this Thursday, 13th November 2014. Orders need to be in **tomorrow, Tuesday 11th NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** A payment envelope can be sent to the canteen in lunch order baskets. No refunds given.

Cost: $2.00 (sausage on a bread roll with sauce)

Details to include on payment envelope:

1) Name  
2) Class  
3) “Payment for Sausage Sizzle”  
4) Number of “sausage on a bread roll with sauce” required  
5) Amount of money enclosed  
6) Your name and phone number if you are able to help on the day

Sue Craig  
Canteen Manager on behalf of P&C
Asthma Information

Summer is fast approaching and with it comes bush fire season. As many members of the community may recall, in recent years our school has been prone to the smoke created by these bush fires. This has had an adverse effect on some of our students who have asthma. Could all parents who have children diagnosed by a doctor with asthma, please ensure their asthma plan is up-to-date and a copy forwarded to the school.

Thank you for assisting the school in this important matter.

Mr McInney

Choir Assembly Performances

Dear Parents,

The choir will be performing at our K-6 Remembrance Day assembly on the 11th November and also in our Week 8, K-2 and 3-6 assemblies on Friday 28th November. The 3-6 assembly begins at 9.00am and the K-2 at approximately 9.40am. We hope to see you there.

Rachelle Glynn
Choir Co-ordinator

Attention Defence Families

The November edition of the DOC Newsletter is available now on our school website (under the DSTA link) or on DCO’s website. Of interest is the FREE Christmas Buffet lunch on Sunday 23rd November at North Ryde RSL. Also coming up soon is the DCO Christmas Carols to be held at SME Moorebank on Saturday 6th December. This is a FREE event with lots of rides and activities for the kids, but due to SAFEBASE CHARLIE, RSVP to DCO is essential, by 28 November, to dco.liverpool@defence.gov.au

The end of year posting cycle is fast approaching, so if your children will be leaving us, please email me at janelle.j.ford@det.nsw.edu.au Very soon we will be starting our transition activities to help make the move a smooth one.

DCO Liverpool has moved into their new offices on the base - contact me if you need directions.

Janelle Ford
Defence School Transition Aide

Parent Helpers Morning Tea

There will be a Parent Helpers Morning Tea on 2nd December from 10.30 – 11.15am.

Mulch

There is mulch next to the office. Please feel free to take some after checking with the office.

‘Hammondville’s Apron’

Hammondville’s Apron is a cookbook with lots of yummy favourite recipes from teachers and students at Hammondville Public School. The cookbook will sell for a gold coin and all money raised will go towards helping endangered Australian animals.

Remember, Christmas is not far away, so this cookbook would make a great gift and help a good cause at the same time.

The Hammondville Apron is coming soon, so pick up your copy from Jesse at the stall near the Library or the Admin Office. Thank you.

Jesse Cross

White Elephant Store

If anyone has any toys, books or stuffed toys to donate, please bring to the cage between 11.05 – 11.25. Thank you.

Andrew, Tyrone, James, Adam, Jackson & Dale

Teddy Bear’s Birthday

Come and guess the Teddy Bear’s Birthday each lunch time. The cost is 50 cents a guess or 2 guesses for $1.00. The winner will be announced at the mini fete. Don’t forget to bring your money.

Teddy Bear’s Birthday Group

CANTEEN NEWS

Tempting Tuesday Treat: Why not try our tempting & healthy treat this Tuesday? Available at the canteen this Tuesday is: Fresh Fruit Kebabs- 50 cents each

“UNIFORM SPECIALS” - available at canteen

“Old” Sport T/Shirts, size 4 only, $10 each
“Old” Sport Shorts, size 6-14, $10 each

Hours: Monday- Thursday - 9.00-11.00am
UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform pool is open
**Wednesdays 2.30 - 3.00pm & Non Assembly Fridays 9.00-9.30am**

We are located in the school hall, in the room next to the stage. All winter uniform items are $1.00, $2.00 and $5.00 only!!!

All donations of pre loved school clothes, bags, hats and shoes are welcome. (Please leave at the school office).

Please note that **payment must be made** when 2nd hand uniforms are purchased. No credit will be given.

Thank you.

*Uniform Committee*

**Scripture**

Dear Parents,

The final weekly scripture lesson for 2014 will take place next Tuesday 18th November. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the teachers who gave freely of their time to support our children. We wish them all the best for the upcoming season and look forward to working with them again in the New Year.

Please be advised that a combined Christmas scripture will be held on Friday 28th November. If you do not wish your child to attend, please complete the following form and return it by Friday 21st November.

Thank you.

*Dear Mrs Vaughan,*

I do not want my child, ___________________, to attend the 2014 Combined Christmas Scripture.

*Signed _______________________________

Is your child leaving Hammondville Public School?

In order to plan our classes for next year, it is vital we know the number of students who will be enrolled at our school in 2015. Please inform the office ASAP if your child is not returning to Hammondville Public School next year or will be returning after Wednesday 28th January, 2015.

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**NOTICE OF STUDENT LEAVING**

(Please return to office)

My child/ren will not be returning to Hammondville Public School next year.

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Their last day will be ____________________.

The school they will attend next year is ____________________.

Parent/Carer Signature

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**NOTICE OF STUDENT RETURNING AFTER 28th January 2015**

(Please return to office)

My child/ren will be returning to Hammondville Public School next year but will return after Wednesday 28th January due to ____________________(reason).

They will return on ____________________

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