A Message From The Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to congratulate all the students who performed at the Community of Schools Concert last Thursday. We had students involved in five different performances. These included the indigenous choir, school choir, junior dance group, senior dance group and CoS dance ensemble. All the performances were outstanding and made me very proud of our school. None of the performances would have been possible without the hard work of our teachers. Thank you to Mrs Fuller, Ms Glynn and Mrs Murray for the time they spent organising and preparing the items and Mr Hughes for supervising students in the holding room during the evening performance. Thank you also to Mr Gauld who played the piano for the choir and the other parents who assisted with the costumes and transport on different occasions over the past few weeks.

Today we held our Open Day, and it was great to see so many parents, carers and grandparents at school visiting classrooms, watching the performances and viewing the art exhibition in the hall. Thank you to the Education Week committee that were responsible for organising the day and all the teachers for preparing their classrooms, art exhibits and the stage performances. We do great things in public education and what was demonstrated today and at the CoS Concert are prime examples of this. Well done everyone!

We are currently taking kindergarten enrolments for 2015. If you have a child who is due to start kindergarten next year, please enrol them as soon as possible as this assists with our planning of classes, not just for kinder but across the rest of the school. Also, if you have friends or family that have children who are due to start school, please let them know they should enrol as soon as they can.

Finally, a brief reminder that the next meeting of the P&C Association is on Monday, 4th August in the library at 7:30pm. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Ken Smith
Principal

SCHOOL DIARY

TERM 3 WEEK 3
Monday, 28th July Open Day – Education Week
Tuesday, 29th July Life Education lessons begin

TERM 3 WEEK 4
Monday, 4th August Planetarium Incursion

TERM 3 WEEK 6
Canteen Sausage Sizzle (details next week)

TERM 3 WEEK 8
Thursday, 4th September Kindergarten Calmsley Hill Farm excursion

TERM 3 WEEK 9
Monday, 15th September Kindergarten 2015 Parent Information Night 7pm
SPORT

Sports Dates

Tuesday 26th August: Liverpool Zone Athletics Carnival

Tues 16th - Thurs 18th Sept: NSW Softball
Quinn Johnson

Long Jump Finals

The qualifying for the long jump was held at school last week with the finals to be held this week. Students will be allowed to wear their sports uniform on their day.

Junior Boys and Girls – Tuesday 29th July
11 Years Boys and Girls – Wed 30th July
12/13 Years Boys and Girls – Thurs 31st July

Premier’s Sporting Challenge

This term, our school will be participating in the Premier’s Sporting Challenge, which is an initiative to get students engaged in sport and physical activity. The school took part in this program over the last three years, which was a great success in motivating students to participate in more sporting activities.

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 are to take part in some type of physical activity every day, which will lead to a Gold Premier’s Sporting certificate.

Students in Years 3-6 will work towards a bronze, silver, gold or diamond certificate, based on the average time spent doing physical activity. To achieve a bronze award, the daily average activity time per student is 30 minutes, silver is 45 minutes, gold is 60 minutes and diamond is 80 minutes. The national standard of 60 minutes a day of moderate to vigorous activity for students aged 5-18 years should be a minimum target for all students.

Class sport, lunch time sport and after school training / sport is included in this time. Parents are encouraged to get their child involved in physical exercise outside school, and teachers will provide opportunities for the students at school.

Logbooks were handed out last week.

Mr Hughes

PSSA This Week

Netball – Woodward Park
Rugby League – Hillier Oval
Boys Soccer- Ash Road
Girls Soccer – Ireland Park

Winter PSSA

Rugby League - Rnd 8 vs Casula

Score: Juniors lost 0-20

Highlights: Jack McIlvenny strong as ever in attack and defence, and Toby White and Hamza Rahmani running well in attack.

Score: Seniors won 24-16

Tryscorers: Flynn Taylor x 4
Goalkeepers: Flynn Taylor, Quinn Johnson, Daniel Hasham and Jack Pascoe

Highlights: A much improved second half which saw our team come back from behind to win the game, four tries to Flynn Taylor and a brilliant game by Keenan Martin who ran through the defensive line in his hitups (the best game he has played).
Senior Girls Soccer

Hammondville 0 v Liverpool West 0

Well done girls! We started the match with 11 players and to have our striker Shahni go down injured in the first few minutes we played very well to keep the opposition scoreless. Thanks to some very strong defence, Ella didn't have to touch the ball in the second half and our midfielders were very accurate with their passing which made it much easier on the rest of the team. Great job girls, you should be very proud of your improvements.

Junior A Girls Soccer

Hammondville 2 v Liverpool West 1

Last Friday, our junior A girls played a very skilled Liverpool West team. Thanks to a brilliant corner by Dakota, Violet kicked a perfect volley that lead to an outstanding goal. Great job girls, keep up the hard work!

Junior B Girls Soccer

Hammondville 2 v Liverpool West 1

Our B team were down 1 nil at half time and showed great courage to come back and win the game. Lilly should be congratulated for her goal straight after half time to give the girls some inspiration to keep fighting. Maeve managed to out run the opposition s back line and as always finished her goal in style. Well done girls, you deserve to be on top of the table.

Coach: Mr Betts

Junior A Boys Soccer

Last Friday, the junior A boys soccer team played Liverpool West at Ireland Park. A slow first half, down 1-0 at half time, but we certainly played a much better brand of soccer in the second half eventually winning 3-1. This week we play Dalmeny Red at Ash Rd. Keep up the good work boys!

Goal Scorers – Isaac 2, Daniel

Senior Boys Soccer

Last Friday, the senior boys soccer team played Liverpool West at Ireland Park. It was a tight game but an outstanding team effort as well as some brilliant individual performances. A 0-0 draw was a fair indication of the game. Well done, boys.

Goal Scorers – Kobe M, Rhys D

Junior B Boys Soccer

Last Friday, the junior B boys soccer team played Liverpool West at Ireland Park. It was a tight game but an outstanding team effort as well as some brilliant individual performances allowed us to obtain a 3-0 victory. Well done, boys! A good win against quality opposition

Goal Scorers – Bailey 2, Xander,

Mr McInney

GENERAL INFO

Interrelate

Last week notes were sent home to students in years 3-6 regarding some information sessions being run at the school on Wednesday 27th August by a company called Interrelate. Interrelate provides services that “strengthen and support all of the relationships in your life-with yourself, your partner, your family, your children and during life’s transitions.” The information sessions we would be running are aimed at primary students and the changes that occur during these years.

Session 1: 6:00 – 7:00 pm
Where Did I Come From” (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

Session 2: 7:15 – 8:15 pm
Preparing for Puberty” (Years 5 & 6)

If you would like to attend one or both of these sessions please return your form to school by Wednesday 6th August (week 4) or alternatively new forms can be collected from the office. If we have an appropriate response we will be confirm your placement and request payment via a note sent home with students in week 5 of Term 3.
If you have any questions please feel free to visit the interrelate website: http://www.interrelate.org.au/ or alternatively come and speak to Mrs Waugh or the school office staff.

Inquisitive Minds

On Tuesday 12th August, 1R and 3/4WJ have been given the opportunity to take part in a free maths workshop run at the school by inquisitive Minds.

“Inquisitive Minds is a Sydney based educational business, founded and run by Debbie Smith, a secondary Mathematics teacher with over twenty years of childhood education experience in schools. Inquisitive Minds challenges both primary and secondary school students via workshops which incorporate hands-on lessons, activities and competitions. All of our innovative workshops are designed to improve your students’ attitude and performance in Maths.”

www.inquisitiveminds.com.au

Notes will be sent home today to students in 1R and 3/4W, with a permission note for photo publication. We look forward to having this exciting program come to our school and thank Mrs Smith and Inquisitive Minds for allowing us this free trial.

Mrs Waugh

Kindergarten Orientation 2015

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. If you have a child or know someone who has a child starting Kindergarten in 2015, please see our office ladies for an enrolment form.

We will also be holding a Kindy parent information night on Monday 15th September at 7pm in the school library. Please register your attendance at the office or by calling 9825 3948.

Thank you.

Rebekah Murray

Attention Defence Families

The latest issue of the DOC Newsletter is available on our school website (under the DSTA tab) and on Skoolbag. Worth noting is the Morning Tea for Defence Spouses at Mt Annan Botanical Gardens on the 7th August, Resilience Training at Dundas on 29th August, and the free “Being Dad” seminar at St Johns Park on 13th August.

Partners and families of military personnel can now complete the Family SMART Resilience and Family Smart Reintegration workshops online. www.defence.gov.au/doc/OnlineWorkshops.htm

Deployment support videos are also available on the website, showing ADF families talking about their personal experiences of all stages of deployment. Look for “Don’t Forget it’s Bin Night” for older children and “Going Solo” for younger children. They can be found by following the Preparing for Deployment link.

Janelle Ford
Defence School Transition Aide

A Message from Gilbert

Hello everyone. Just thought I’d let you know that I have some new photos on display in the library. Come on in and have a look.

Your friend Gilbert

www.hammondvil-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
**CANTEEN NEWS**

**Tempting Tuesday Treat:** Why not try our tempting & healthy treat this Tuesday? Available at the canteen this Tuesday is: **Pikelets & Jam** - $0.40 each

**Lost Property Stand** at canteen is overflowing! Please check for your lost items before 5th August. On this date it will be cleaned out, all items going to either our school second hand uniform shop or charity.

**Canteen Suggestion:** If you have a lunch time activity, such as choir, dance or sport practice, it would be better **NOT** to have a lunch order on that day, especially on Friday when the canteen is extremely busy!

"**UNIFORM SPECIALS**" - available at canteen
- Girls winter tunics, size 10 & 12, only $20 each
- "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**

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**HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED THE KU DIFFERENCE?**

**DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN AGED 3-5? ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A QUALITY PRESCHOOL PROGRAM?**

KU Conjola Place Preschool is a small preschool located inside the grounds of Hammondville Public School run by Australia’s largest not for profit early childhood services provider: KU Children’s Services.

We offer an educational program for children aged 3-5 years during school terms. Our early childhood teacher runs the preschool program and all staff are experienced, qualified early childhood educators. Our program caters for the strengths and interests of the children with the aim preparing children for school with a love of learning and skills for life.

We operate 4 days per week Tuesday to Friday during school terms from 8.30am to 4.00pm.

If you would like more information please contact the centre Director Michelle Berger by phone: 98251195 email: ku.conjolaplace@ku.com.au or pop in any time and say hello. You can also get more information on the KU website: [www.ku.com.au](http://www.ku.com.au)