A Message From The Principal

Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards

Last Friday afternoon six students from our school received awards at the Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards Ceremony at the University of Western Sydney - Bankstown Campus.

Congratulations to those students and to the teachers who took time to complete applications for all of our Aboriginal students. Miss Glynn has provided a report on the awards later in the newsletter.

Halloween Disco

Thank you to the P&C for organising and running the Halloween Disco on Thursday. Thank you also to all the teachers who stayed back during the afternoon and evening to supervise.

Grandparents Day

Last Tuesday we held a very successful Grandparents Day with a large number of grandparents coming to visit the school. Thank you to Mrs Bruno for organising the day, and to Miss Glynn and Mrs Dorrington for preparing the choir and dance group for their great performances. Thank you also to Mrs Longford and the other staff that helped with and ensured a successful morning tea.

Parking Around School

There have been a few reports of parents and carers putting the safety of their own and other children at risk by double parking and even triple parking in some of the streets around school at pick-up time. Watson Street leading into the cul-de-sac behind the school has been identified as being particularly bad for this. Double parking is not only dangerous but also illegal and will attract a fine from the police or council officers.

P&C Meeting

There will be a P&C Meeting tonight in the library commencing at 7:30pm. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Have a great week.

Ken Smith
Principal

SCHOOL DIARY

TERM 4

Monday 2nd November  P&C Meeting
Wednesday 4th November  Kindy Orientation
Wednesday 11th November  Kindy Orientation
Thursday 19th November  Mini Fete Day
Thursday 26th November  K-2 Celebration Day
Friday 27th November  Combined Scripture
Monday 7th December  P&C Meeting
Wednesday 9th December  K-2 & 3-6 Annual Presentation
Friday 11th December  Picnic Day
Tuesday 15th December  Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 16th December  Last day of school for students
**GENERAL INFO**

**Grandparents Day**

Thank you to all the beautiful grandparents (approximately 140) for gracing us with your company last Tuesday. It was such a pleasure entertaining you and we hope you enjoyed spending time with your grandchild/ren. Thank you for contributing to our Book Swap day. We raised $301.85 which was donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. I am hoping to upload some photos to our web page, so if you received an award, could you please email a copy to the school email address. Looking forward to seeing you again next year.

_Samantha Bruno_

**Film By The Sea**

Throughout Term 3, some students from 5C were involved in a film making process to create a short film and this has been successful in being included in the Film by the Sea short film festival, a festival run by the Department to promote the teaching of visual literacy and film making. The festival will be taking place on Tuesday at Bankstown Sports Club and we congratulate our stars Imogen Smith, Sophie Campbell, Kirby McCartney, Isaac Briggs, Dane Chandler, Jack White and Ebinesh Elangovan. Also, congratulations to Imogen Smith who was selected to compere the Festival series. We are extremely proud of you.

**Mini Fete**

Stage 3 students are looking forward to this year’s mini fete, which is to be held on Thursday 19th November. We hope the school community is looking forward to another fun and successful mini fete. All funds raised will go towards Year 6 fundraising.

The students running the sweets and treats stall will be busy preparing cakes for the day, but if there any parents who love baking, they would appreciate any extra sweets on the day. These can be brought to the hall on the morning of the mini fete. Anything brought in will be much appreciated.

**Kindergarten Orientation**

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday 4th November and Wednesday 11th November, we will be holding our Kindergarten Orientation from 9.15am to 11.00am. If you have not yet enrolled, please do so as soon as possible at the office.

**Attention: Defence Families**

Gilbert and I have returned from our Big Adventure and are looking forward to catching up with everyone. Due to “technical difficulties”, Gilbert’s blog was not updated, but I will try to have everything uploaded as soon as possible.

Remembrance Day is fast approaching and our students will participate in library lessons, craft activities and an assembly to mark this special day.

A very big “thank you” to Mrs O’Hanlon for holding the fort in my absence.

_Mrs Janelle Ford DSTA_

_janelle.j.ford@det.nsw.edu.au_

**Special Donation Request**

My name is Jesse Cross and I’m in Year 5 at Hammondville.

Did you know that in Australia there are many families who are homeless? Mums, dads and children. In fact _more than 18,000 children_ are homeless every night! I can’t believe that!

I can’t build houses and I can’t give money for rent or to pay bills but I can try and help homeless children feel happy and special. My goal...
is to collect enough donations so that I can make 100 care packs for homeless children by Christmas. When the packs are ready I will donate them to Mission Australia who will give them to homeless children.

I’m hoping that Hammondville families will help by donating some things for the packs. I’m collecting things like books, packets of textas or pencils and small things a homeless child might like.

I hope that you can help. I have left a box in the office for donations.

Many thanks to all the people who have donated already. We are still calling for more donations to fill the packs.

Jesse Cross

School Banking

Students - please ensure that your bank book is placed in your class banking folder before being brought down to the office. This ensures that your bank book and money are safe.

Thank you
Sue & Colleen

SPORT

PSSA

Junior AFL

Hammondville v Holsworthy
A win to Hammondville 13-2

Player of the match was Fraser McKeown. A great team effort from all the juniors today. A special mention to the girls, Teagan, Ella, Madeline and Madeleine and Deja for their awesome defence. They all stepped up and matched the boys play for play. Great goals by Harrison B and Fraser.

Senior AFL

Hammondville v Holsworthy
A win to Hammondville 32-25

Player of the match – Noah Fakhreddine. An amazing game ... all of you! We knew how important this game was and each and every one of you stepped up. Playing without any subs we pushed ourselves through the tiredness and pain in the last third to come out victorious against a tough team. Well done to all of you!

Mrs Hansell

Oztag Results: Round 9

Junior Results

Game 1: 4-2 win against Holsworthy
Tryscorers: Lily Austin and Anika Stajcic
Highlights: Awesome tries by Lily and Anika down the sideline, great runs by Maeve Johnson, a terrific try saving tag by Kiarne Malouf and great tagging all game by Violet Carroll.

Senior Results

Game 1: 2-2 draw with Holsworthy
Tryscorers: Annika Stig
Highlights: A great team effort where both teams held out the opposition on their line for a big part of the match, all players were great in both attack and defence.

Round 9 Junior Cricket

Last Friday, the junior cricket team played Casula at Amalfi Park. After having last week off due to a washed out round, this was our second game back for the term. The boys suffered a defeat against a strong Casula side 125-99. This now puts us with a 4 win and 4 loss record for the season. The boys put in great performances when both batting and bowling and played extremely well. To ensure a spot in the finals we will need good results in our last 2 games.
Well done, boys!

Round 9 Senior Cricket

Last Friday, the senior cricket team also played Casula at Amalfi Park. We knew Casula were going to be tough opposition but we may have underestimated them as we were narrowly defeated 73-53. The boys bowled and controlled the field fantastically and really made it difficult for Casula to score runs, as we took a few wickets and had some classic catches. Although, we let ourselves down whilst batting as we found it
difficult to score runs off an excellent bowling performance by Casula. We will need to improve our batting to beat Nuwarra this week. Well done, boys!

Mr Withers

Junior T-ball

Our Hammondville Junior T-ball team played a friendly game with Wattle Grove due to a couple of injuries and a couple of absentees from both teams. As a result, Hammondville players – Captain Alyssa and Jasmine, batted twice for their injured players, while Jada played Left outfield for Wattle Grove to even out the playing field. Despite this, our Junior T-ball team showed great strategic plays during their game with the final result seeing Hammondville scoring 17-13. Alyssa and Tiaan demonstrated powerful hitting abilities during the game, and when fielding, both Olivia and Jasmine caught the ball on the full preventing the opposition from getting home. Good effort and congratulations on showing what it is to be a good sport. A big thank you to Jasmine for helping the catchers on both teams to gear up each innings and to Mrs. Pascoe for helping to pack away the gear.

Senior Softball

Our Senior Softball team played well during their game against Wattle Grove, although they were defeated 7–16. They too played with no reserves due to a few absentees. They played extremely well under the circumstances and passed the ball between bases really well. Thank you to Dakota for being the Captain and to all students for helping out with the gear.

Mrs Zanapalis

Canteen News

Tempting Tuesday Treat: Why not try our tempting & healthy treat this Tuesday? Available at the canteen this Tuesday is: Mini Hot Dogs with Sauce - $1.00 each

*Please note that when placing a lunch order from the canteen; please make sure you write your name & class on the bag.

Uniform Shop

Uniform Pool - Term 4 2015

Attended 2:30pm – 3:00pm Wednesday afternoons only.

At all other times, please take purchases to the school office.

Prices:
Non - logo uniform tops and jumpers $1 each
Logo tops, jumpers, sports uniforms, shorts, track pants $2 each
Parkas, Backpacks, Dresses, “new” stock of old designs $5 each
Hats, library bags, stockings, sports socks etc. $2 each

Please keep the room tidy!

Tracey, Sylvia & Michelle

PSSA 6/11/15

Week 5:

Oztag Woodward Park
Cricket South Park
AFL Ash Road
Softball Jardine Park
Is your child leaving Hammondville Public School?

In order to plan our classes for next year, it is important that we know the number of students who will be enrolled at our school in 2016. Please inform the office ASAP if your child is not returning to Hammondville Public School next year or will be returning after Thursday, 28th January, 2016.

NOTICE OF STUDENT LEAVING
(Please return to office)
My child/ren will not be returning to Hammondville Public School for the 2016 school 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, 2016
(Please return to office)

My child/ren will be returning to Hammondville Public School next year but will return after Thursday, 28th January due to ____________________________ (reason). They will return on _______________ (date)

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