A Message From The Principal

Tee-Ball Champions

Congratulations to our Junior Girls’ tee ball team who defeated Holsworthy in the final last Friday to become Liverpool Zone Champions. Well done to the girls on a great team performance on Friday and throughout the year. Thank you to Mrs Zanapalis who coached the team prior to her back operation and to Mr Betts for coaching the team over the last few weeks. Thank you also to the parents who supported the team during the year.

Parent and Community Helpers

Last week we held a morning tea to thank our parent and community helpers. These volunteers provide important support to our school that comes in many forms. It includes helping in the canteen, teaching scripture, assisting teachers in the classroom, organising school banking, helping to transport students to a variety of different events, helping to organise and serve at Mother’s and Father’s Day Stalls, cooking sausage sizzles and organising discos and movie nights. Without the help of these volunteers, we simply would not be able to do many of the things we do and I am greatly appreciative of the time and effort they give to the school.

Presentation Day and Evening

Don’t forget the annual presentation assemblies will take place this Wednesday, 9th December. The K-2 presentation will be in the school hall at 10:00am and the 3-6 presentation will be in the Holsworthy High School hall commencing at 7:00pm.

P&C Meeting

The last P&C meeting for the year will be held this evening at 7:30pm in the library. I would like to thank all the parents and carers who have attended the meetings this year and who have helped out with a number of P&C organised activities such as the discos, movie nights and sausage sizzles. I would like to make special mention of Vanessa Potts whose daughter Sophie will be moving on to high school next year. Vanessa has been the P&C secretary for a number of years and has provided great service to the school. On behalf of the school community, I thank her and greatly appreciate the many hours she has put into raising funds for our school.

Picnic Day

This Friday, 11th December will be our picnic day, with the students travelling by bus to Cronulla to see a movie, have lunch and play in the park at South Cronulla. All students and staff will be attending the picnic day, so there will be no supervision of students at the school. The buses will be departing school at 9:00am so please ensure all children are at school on time.

2016 School Year

The 2016 school year will commence for all students on Thursday, 28th January. If you have not yet informed the office that your children will be returning to school after this date could you please do so as soon as possible, so we can include your children in the numbers that are submitted to the Department of Education to determine our staffing entitlement for 2016. There is a cut-off slip later in the newsletter to assist you with this.

Have a great week and I look forward to seeing many of you at the presentation day assemblies on Wednesday.

Ken Smith
GENERAL INFO

Picnic Day

No more money will be accepted for the Picnic Day, as the Buses have already been booked for the exact numbers. Thank You.

Presentation Day/Evening

Wednesday, 9th December 2015

Times for the Presentation Day/Evening on Wednesday, 9th December:

The K-2 Presentation will be from 10:00am to approximately 11:00am in the school assembly hall.

The 3-6 Presentation will be from 7:00pm to approximately 9:00pm in the Holsworthy High School auditorium.

Library

Due to stocktake, all Library borrowing has now stopped for the year. Please return all books from home or from your Library bags. All overdue books are welcome.

Thank you,
Mrs S Stanley

Special Donation Thank You

Last Wednesday, I gave Mission Australia 205 care bags for homeless children – that’s incredible! Thank you to every family that donated. Mission Australia said that some bags will be sent to Goulburn, Port Macquarie, Bathurst and some will be kept for Sydney families.

Jesse Cross

Attention Defence Families

The December edition of the DCO Newsletter is now available on our website and Skoolbag. Today is the RSVP date for attendance at the LMA Christmas Carols at All Saints Chapel, Holsworthy Barracks. All the details are in the newsletter.

Check out the information about Holsworthy Family Group and Entertainment Passes for the holidays.

It’s time to say goodbye to some of our families and we extend our best wishes for safe travels and smooth transitions in your new locations.

Defence welcomes all expressions of public support for our people deployed on operations overseas. All emails to: supportthetroops@defence.gov.au are widely circulated to Australian personnel, and are particularly encouraged in the lead up to Christmas.

I wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday break, Merry Christmas, and look forward to working with your families in 2016.

Mrs Janelle Ford DSTA
Janelle.j.ford@det.nsw.edu.au

Free 2015 DCO Christmas Carols @All Saints Chapel Holsworthy Barracks

Defence members and their families are invited to the 2015 Christmas Carols event. Come and rock along with the Navy Rock Band. Take part in our dance competition. The Navy Band will play carols for you to sing along to and a DJ will be there to keep the music going. Legacy will have Sand Art for the children.

Bring a picnic and rug or buy a sausage sizzle from Holsworthy Family Group.

Santa will make an appearance on his sleigh. There will also be a prize for the best dressed Boy and Girl.

Where: at the rear of the All Saints Chapel
Date: Friday 11 December 2015
Time: 6:00pm – 8.00pm

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Monday 7th December P&C Meeting
Wednesday 9th December Annual Presentation K-2 – 10:00am & 3-6 – 7:00pm
Friday 11th December Picnic Day
Tuesday 15th December Year 6 Farewell – 6:00pm
Wednesday 16th December Last day of school for Students
Wednesday 16th December No Lunch Orders from the Canteen
PLEASE NOTE: If you are not attending with a Defence member and do not have a spouse I.D. you MUST RSVP due to SAFEBASE CHARLIE by close of business Monday 7 December 2015 to dco.liverpool@defence.gov.au (providing full names of anyone attending over the age of 16 years plus photo I.D. and car rego number).

Violin and Cello Bands 2016

If you are interested in joining our fabulous ensembles in 2016, please fill in an expression of interest (extra copies are at the front office) and return it by tomorrow, 8th December. Alternatively you can phone Sam 0431 453 614.

SPORT

2016 Sports Carnivals

3-6 School Swimming Carnival
Thursday 4th February, 2016
Macquarie Fields Leisure Centre

3-6 Cross Country Carnival
Monday 21st March, 2016
Hammondville Public School

3-6 Athletics Carnival
Thursday 21st July, 2016
The Ridge, Barden Ridge

Sports Websites

The school website’s sports pages have been updated. Check it out sometime. Also, the Liverpool Zone P.S.S.A. has their website at: www.liverpoolzonepssa.schools.nsw.edu.au

PSSA

T-Ball

Junior Girls T-Ball

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of taking our junior girls T-Ball team to face a very determined Holsworthy side in the Liverpool zone grand final. Our first 3 batters were run out within 2 minutes and suddenly we were fielding and feeling very anxious about what was to come. Fortunately, our girls took this challenge and fought back with some brilliant fielding and communication between the bases. This was then topped off with an excellent batting performance and fast running around the diamond. We managed to have 13 of our players cross the home plate and limit Holsworthy to 3. The girls should be very proud of their individual efforts and overall positive attitude. A big thanks to Mrs Zanapalis for coaching the girls all season. Lastly, girls enjoy your summer break knowing that you are Liverpool zone T-Ball champions!

Mr Betts

PSSA

PSSA is now finished for 2015.

The PSSA Summer Trials will be held at the start of Term 1, 2016. Further details will follow.

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen for the last week of school:

Monday 14th December – lunch orders
Tuesday 15th December – lunch orders
Wednesday 16th December - No lunch orders, counter sales only

Tempting Tuesday Treat: Why not try our tempting & healthy treat this Tuesday?
Available at the canteen this Tuesday is: Ice Cream Cones – Special 50 cents each

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

Lost Property

The stand outside the canteen will be cleaned out on the last day of term, Wednesday 16th December. Please check for any lost items before this date, as everything will go!!
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 for payment.

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
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

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The school they will attend next year is

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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).

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