A Message From The Principal

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2016

It has come around very quickly again but this is the time of the year when we need to confirm our Kindergarten enrolments for next year. If you have children of your own or know of any friends or neighbours who are intending to enrol their children for 2016 could you please either do so now or encourage others to do so as soon as possible. Knowing our enrolment numbers as early as possible makes it much easier when it comes to organising our staffing. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Skoolbag App

The Skoolbag app is now available for Windows Phone and any other device using Windows 8.1 or above. This includes PCs and tablet devices. The app can be downloaded from the Windows Store by searching for Skoolbag. The app has been very well received since it was introduced last year with over 800 downloads and many parents and carers commenting on how useful it is.

Teacher Professional Learning

Recently, the teaching staff has been involved in a significant amount of professional learning aimed at developing their skills in several areas that are closely linked to the school plan in order to raise student achievement. Professional learning has occurred in reading comprehension, managing challenging student behaviour, the Quality Teaching Model and formative assessment. Professional learning in these areas will continue for the rest of the year with programs related to them being implemented in classrooms.

Thank You

Thank you to Mrs Wilson for coming over from Wattle Grove last Thursday and Friday to relieve as Principal while the Assistant Principals and I attended some courses. Mrs Wilson said she had a great time catching up with former students and colleagues over the two days.

PSSA Sport

Mr Hughes has provided some important information about summer sport later in the newsletter. Please read the information so you are aware of a trial of morning sport that will be occurring in the Liverpool PSSA competition.

An updated term calendar is attached to the newsletter.

Have a great week.

Ken Smith

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SPORT

2015 Athletics Carnivals

School - Thursday 13th August
School (Backup Date) - Monday 17th August at The Ridge, Barden Ridge
Zone - Wednesday 26th August
Region - Wednesday 9th September

3-6 School Athletics Carnival

The school athletics carnival will be held this Thursday 13th August (Term 3 Week 5). If this date is washed out, we will hold our school carnival at The Ridge Athletics Track, Barden Ridge on Monday 17th August.

Due to the number of students at our school, we hold qualifying for shot put and discus at school prior to the carnival. The top 8-10 students from the qualifying will compete in the final at the carnival.

The events on the day of the athletics carnival are: 100m, 200m, 800m, shot put (finals) and discus (finals). Long jump will be held at school in the first few weeks of Term 3. High jump has already been held at school.

Students will compete in the following age groups for all events except 100m: Juniors (8/9/10 Years), 11 Years and 12/13 Years. In the 100m races, students will run according to their specific age group (i.e. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 years racing separately). There will be heats in the 100m with the fastest runners making it through to the final. All other races will only have heats with zone representatives being chosen based on times from these heats.

It is suggested that students and parents bring something with them to sit on as the grass will be wet in the morning.

PSSA

Term 4 PSSA

The Liverpool PSSA zone will be trialling morning PSSA for Term 4. Last year we had a number of extreme weather weeks because of hot temperatures, which meant that PSSA had to be cancelled. Moving sport to the mornings will avoid the students being outside in the hottest part of the day and avoid sport having to be cancelled.

This trial of morning sport will have an impact on our school with the Friday assemblies having to be moved to a different time, however we will be able to work out a solution to this and any other problem that may arise. Many zones in the Sydney region participate in morning sport and this runs seamlessly. At the end of the year, the Liverpool PSSA zone will assess the success of the trial and see if we continue with this in 2016.

Boys Soccer

The soccer boys teams had three great games against Newbridge Heights. The teamwork and passing amongst the players was encouraging to see. Well done to all players.

Senior Boys
Score: 2-2 draw
Goal scorers: Bailey Parish
Beau Walker (set up from a great pass from Cooper and off the post from Bailey)

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Junior Boys A
Score: 1-0 win
Goal scorers: Harry Bruno

Junior Boys B
Score: 5-0 win
Goal scorers: Joshua Sutch x2
Mitchell Ung
Toby McLean
Harrison McLean

Junior Girls Soccer - Week 4 - 12-0 Win
The girls A team played wonderfully. Thank you to Mr. Betts for helping out. We played against Dalmeny. Goal scorers: Maeve 3, Anika 6, K aleah 1, Cadance 1 and Ella 1.

The girls B team had a fantastic win against Dalmeny 4-0. There was great passing and teamwork.

Senior Girls Soccer - 8-0 Win
The girls had an impressive win. Goal scorers Ella 2, Sophie 1, Dakota 1, Laura 1 and Demi 3.

Mrs Zanapalis

Netball
Juniors
A fine 13-1 win against Prestons
Maddie 3, Olivia 7 and Jada 3
Prestons were no pushovers and the girls showed plenty of grit and determination. Great passing by everyone.

Well done girls.

Seniors
Against a strong Newbridge Heights, the team tried very hard and never gave up. Well done on your commitment and no broken bones!!

Goals to Annabel, Sophie and Annika. The final score was Newbridge Heights 25 defeating Hammondville 5.

Thank you Mrs Anderson for umpiring.

Mr Osborne

PSSA 14/8/15
Girls Soccer – Hammondville
Boys Soccer – Hammondville
Rugby League – Hammondville
Netball – Woodward Park

GENERAL INFO

SMS System
Hammondville Public School will no longer be utilising the SMS System for notifications to parents. Please ensure you have the Skoolbag app on your mobile device to keep informed of all activities as they arise.

Is Your Child Starting School In 2016?
Hammondville Public School is now taking enrolments. If you or anyone you know has children ready to start school, please let them know that we are ready and waiting for their enrolment. Feel free to come up to the office and see one of our friendly office staff.

Kindergarten 2016 Parent Information Night
If your child is ready to start school next year, please come to our Kindergarten parent information night on Monday 14th September 2015 at 7pm in the school library.

Please register your attendance at the office by calling: 9825 3948

Premier’s Spelling Bee Finals 2015
Our school Spelling Bee finals will be held on Tuesday 11th August. Our finalists will take part in elimination rounds from where two junior and two senior winners will be selected to go to Georges Hall Public School on Tuesday, 8 September 2015 to compete in the regional finals. We wish all our spellers the best of luck.

Mrs Warwick.
Spelling Bee Co-ordinator

Stage 1 Public Speaking Finals
On Wednesday the 19th August (Week 6), our Stage 1 public speaking class representatives will compete in our school finals. Two representatives
from each Year 1 and 2 classes will present their 2 minute prepared speeches. The mandatory topics are:

**Stage 1**

It’s Great To Be A Child  
The Best Time Of Year  
My Favourite Meal

One overall winner will be selected to compete at the regional finals.

We are looking forward to hearing your wonderful speeches.

Mrs Warwick  
Public Speaking Co-ordinator.

The Learning Difference Convention

If anyone is interested in attending The Learning Difference Convention to be held at Rose Hill Gardens on the 27th & 28th August I have 2 free passes to the exhibition hall available. For more details visit

[www.learningdifferenceconvention.com](http://www.learningdifferenceconvention.com)

Mrs Warwick  
Learning Support Teacher

NAIDOC Day

This Wednesday, 12th August, we will be holding our NAIDOC day celebrations. We have a fun filled day planned with performances and cultural talks from KOOMURRI incursions. We can’t wait!

Rebekah Murray

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

**Child Protection - Term 3**

During Term 3 the children will be involved in Child Protection lessons for Personal Development and Health. Below are the topics covered in each stage. Please notify the office if you do not wish for your child to be involved by Friday 17th July.

**Early Stage One:** Relationships, Trust/Protection, Body Parts, Yes and No feelings, NO, GO, TELL.

**Stage One:** Rights & Responsibilities, Comfortable & Uncomfortable Feelings, Wanted & Unwanted Touch, Saying No, Networks.

**Stage Two:** Abuse of Power, Bribes & Threats, Body Parts, Protection, Safety Strategies – NO, GO, TELL.

**Stage Three:** Different types of relationships, Coercion, Harassment, NO, GO, TELL, Networks.

Hammondville’s Jumping

Jump Rope for Heart is happening all across the school we are learning new skills and tricks. Hope we are all practicing at home in the backyard.

Gardening Group

Friday Interest group have given themselves an official name, Plant Patrol. We are after succulents and grandfather’s beard if anyone has any.

We are preparing the vegie gardens for spring. All classes are being encouraged to put their food scraps in a bucket for plant patrol to collect and place in the vegie gardens.

We are also currently looking for fencing to fully enclose the chook area.

Plant Patrols

Premier’s Reading Challenge

It is the last 2 weeks of Premier’s Reading Challenge. All books **MUST** be entered online by August 21st, no late entries will be accepted. If you have not entered them, please ensure you do so ASAP. To enter them you only need the students username and password that they use in the classroom. Keep going if you have not yet finished as you still have 2 weeks!

Any problems please contact me, thank you.

Mrs Stanley

Lost & Found

A pair of children’s reading glasses have been found in the playground. Please see the office.
Attention Defence Families

The August edition of the DCO Newsletter is now available and can be viewed on our school website and Skoolbag app.

Of interest:
- Defence partners Morning Tea 18th August
- Free Resume Coaching 14th September
- PTSD Management for Families 19th August

There is also contact information for Holsworthy Family Group and various Wellbeing courses.

A KidSMART program has recently been conducted at Wattle Grove Public School. This 5 week program, facilitated by Defence Social Workers, aims to enhance the children’s resilience and assist in developing skills to manage the absence of a parent. If you would be interested in Hammondville Public School hosting a KidSMART program in 2016, please register your interest via email to janelle.j.ford@det.nsw.edu.au

Janelle Ford
DSTA

Donations

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated material, wool etc. to our craft group. We are now looking for donations of any scrapbooking material which would be kindly appreciated. Thank you.

Mrs Stanley & Mrs Ford

Woolies Earn & Learn

Our tally is now 2700 points. Thank you to everyone who has returned completed sheets. Remember 60 stickers per sheet. Extra stickers can be put in the box and I will fill up incomplete sheets. Keep reminding family, friends and neighbours to collect for us.

The more stickers, the more gear.

Tracey O’Hanlon

World’s Greatest Shave

Hello. My name is Morgan O’Hanlon, an ex-student of Hammondville and now Year 9 at Holsworthy High. The SRC at Holsworthy High School asked for volunteers to participate in the World’s Greatest Shave to raise funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. I said YES. I am going bald on 27th August. All I need now are sponsors to help me reach my target. You can sponsor me on-line by heading to The World’s Greatest Shave site and click on sponsor, enter my name and my profile page will be there. There is also a collection box in the office or you can find my mum at the canteen and around the school.

I thank you all in advance for helping raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Morgan O’Hanlon

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen Sausage Sizzle

There will be a sausage sizzle on Wednesday 19th August. Orders will need to be in by Monday 17 August.

Payment envelope can be sent to the canteen in lunch order basket. 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

Tempting Tuesday Treat: Why not try our tempting & healthy treat this Tuesday? Available at the canteen this Tuesday is: Strawberry & Marshmallow Kebabs - 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.

*Reminder - The canteen ladies are unable to heat up any food brought in from home, thank you.

Found

A wallet has been handed into the office. If you have lost your wallet, please see the ladies in the office.

Thank you.
UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Pool

The uniform pool will be open this year on:
Monday mornings 9:00am - 9:30am and
Wednesday afternoons 2:30pm - 3:00pm.

All items $5 and under.
We have heaps of summer and winter stock at the
moment. We are in need of wire hangers please.
Get ready for winter uniform in Term 2. We have
heaps of tracksuit pants, jackets, jumpers, parkas
and girls tunics all $5 or less. Also a limited stock
of brand NEW old style sport uniforms, tops and
bottoms for $5 each. Monday 9.00am - 9.30am
and Wednesday 2.30pm - 3.00pm.

We have plenty of coat hangers at the moment,
thanks to all who have donated!!

Thank you.
Uniform Committee