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OUR WEEK

CARE for others

BELIEVE in yourself

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ANZAC DAY MARCH

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 10. When you receive this newsletter I will be on my way back from Jervis Bay with some of our Year 6 students. I am writing this newsletter on Tuesday morning before heading off to Woonglemai with the rest of Year 6. These two camps provide opportunities for our children to challenge themselves outside their comfort zones. They also provide them with opportunities to explore our beautiful natural surroundings and make lots of happy memories.

Next week Year 6 will elect the school parliament. All of Year 6 have been exploring Leadership in recent weeks in preparation for this election, and I have received lots of nominations for the election. Each year our parliament decides which charities we will support as a school. All of Year 6 decided last week that for this term we will again support Kids of Macarthur. We will join with schools in the area to have a mufti day on Wednesday 10th April. This year we are aiming to provide funds again for neonatal support. Kids of Macarthur supports many projects at Campbelltown Hospital, and it is great to have the opportunity to help an organisation that from time to time we may need to call upon for help ourselves. We are asking all children to make a gold coin donation on Wednesday and to come dressed in their favourite team colours for whatever code they support.

The Eater Hat Parade was a great success last week. Thanks to all parents who created some wonderful hats and also thanks to our marvellous P&C for their support on the day. Congratulations to Mrs Tidyman and her team for a well organised event. Don't forget the bush dance this week. It should be a lot of fun and I am hoping to catch up with many of you there.

Thanks to Mr Woudsma, who deputised for me at P&C this week. The result of the vote on hats is that baseball style caps will remain as part of the school uniform.

My thought for the week is from Ralph Waldo Emerson, 'The selfish man suffers more from his selfishness than he from whom that selfishness withholds some important benefit.'

Have a great week.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Best

Girls Cricket State Knockout



Our girls cricket team play their first match next Monday against Camden South at Belgenny Reserve commencing at 10am. Good luck girls!

BASKETBALL STATE KNOCKOUT



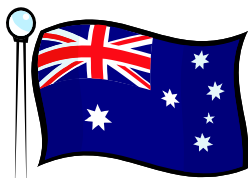
Trials for the boys and girls basketball teams will be held next week. Stay tuned for more information.

April School Holidays

Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It's not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids' Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having.

Find out more: <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/>

Over the past three years children from Harrington Park PS have participated in the Camden RSL's ANZAC Day March. The P&C will make the arrangements for participation this year on Thursday 25th April if there are enough students and parents who are willing to attend. Children will be required to wear their full school uniform including school hat and jacket on the day.



Please complete the expression of interest form attached to help the school determine numbers and make the necessary arrangements. Further notice will follow next week just before the holidays.

We welcome parents to join us on 12th April 2013, at 12:45pm for our ANZAC Day Service as we honour those people who have served Australia during times of war. Children are asked to bring flowers from their gardens on this day to be combined in floral tributes which will be displayed during the service. These floral wreaths and tributes will then be placed on the Camden War Memorial by our school captains following our school service.

Children who are members of **community service groups** including cubs, scouts, brownies, girl guides, air league, etc are permitted to proudly wear their service uniforms to school on the day.

DIARY



TERM 1

April

- 5th: Family Bush Dance - P&C & BBQ
- 8th: Yr 4 Environmentors Workshop
Girls Cricket State Knockout
- 9th: Softball Knockout
- 10th: Mufti Day - Favourite Team Colours
- 11th: 3/4B Nursing Home Visit
- 12th: ANZAC Day Ceremony - 12:45pm
Canteen CLOSED Recess
Last day of Term 1

25th: ANZAC Day

TERM 2

29th-30th: Staff Development Day

May

- 1st: Student return - Term 2
Kindergarten Scripture commences
- 2nd: Yr 4 & 4/5O Gymnastics commences
- 3rd: CBS Assembly
- 7th: P&C Meeting - 7pm
- 9th: P&C Mother's Day Stall
- 10th: Zone Cross Country
- 14-16th: NAPLAN Testing Yrs 3 & 5
- 16th: Yr 2 Excursion to Maritime Museum & Aquarium
- 17th: Gala Day #1
- 21st: ICAS Computer Skills Test

STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR TERM 2 ON WEDNESDAY 1ST MAY, 2013

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

3D	Riley R	Trying hard in maths
3D	Jack K	Following instructions to draw a cartoon ninja
3D	Presley G	Being a helpful peer tutor
4EW	Anina V	Excellent bookwork
4EW	Hayden F	Great writing and pride in his work
4EW	Kyah G	Great results in fast mathematics



Pirates Ahoy!



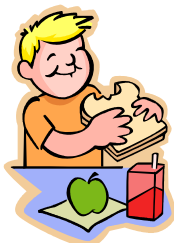
Harrington Park Anglican Church

KIDS' HOLIDAY CLUB

When?	Thursday & Friday 18 & 19 April, 9am - 3pm Holiday Club Finale: Sunday 21 April, 10am - 12pm
Where?	Harrington Park School Hall
Who?	Kinder - Year 6
What?	Drama, Games, Bible Discovery, Singing, Craft, Food. Sunday includes kids' performance, video highlights, face painting, jumping castle & morning tea. FREE!
Cost?	\$10 each day (\$25/family) (Sunday Finale is FREE!)
Info?	www.harringtonparkchurch.org.au 4648-1822

CANTEEN HELPERS Week Beginning 11th April 2013

Monday:	
am	Stacey
pm	
Tuesday:	
am	Kylie, Kerrin
pm	
Wednesday:	
am	Sam, Jo
pm	
Thursday:	
am	Ross, Sally
pm	
Friday:	
am	Alison, Simone, Sheena
pm	CLOSED



Mufti Day

Next Wednesday 10th April, the Student Parliament are raising money to support Kids of Macarthur by having a Mufti Day. We are asking children to make a gold coin donation to help provide funds for neonatal support and come dressed in their favourite team colours for whatever code they support.



Stage 2 Science Day

Stage 2 had a Science Day at Harrington Park Public School on Thursday 28th March 2013. We had the Science Day because it would be great fun and it hadn't been done previously. Also it was to help us gain an understanding of science.



We had to do a rotation of different experiments with different teachers and classes. The teachers had some Year 5 students as their assistants. We also learned how scientists predict before they do their experiment and we learned about different scientists.

I had a lot of fun and it was magnificent!

Aahana S - 4EW

P&C News

Bush Dance

The Bush Dance is on tomorrow night! Don't worry if you haven't got your tickets yet, you can pay on the night. Cost is \$20 a family, \$8 an adult and \$4 a child. The event starts at 5:30pm with a BBQ and the dancing starts at 6:30pm. There are some excellent prizes to be won and a lot of fun to be had. Come and support your school!

Easter Raffle

Thanks to everyone for your support with our Easter raffle. We had 38 prizes to give away!! Congratulations to all of the winners. We will let you know how much money was raised in next weeks newsletter.

Next Term

We will be having two fundraising events next term:

- Mother's Day Stall - Thursday 9th May
- Movie Night @ Event Cinemas - Date to be advised

Years 3 & 4 Minnamurra Excursion

Last week Year 3 and 4 went on an excursion to Minnamurra Rainforest National Park.

When we got there we went in the classroom and saw a little presentation on the history and what sort of nature there is. After that we went on the boardwalk. We went down to the picnic area and had something to eat. Next we went on the boardwalk with our tour guide, Sally. We were lucky enough to see some water-dragons and lyrebirds. Sally spoke to us about what has happened 100 years ago in the National Park. We went across a couple of suspension bridges, which were really bouncy. We saw twisty vines and some people hugged a tree that was 1000 years old.

Next we had to walk up a steep hill to get to a waterfall. It was the most beautiful thing in the rainforest. The way the water sparkled under the big hot sun. It was amazing when everyone was quiet and we could hear all the animals and the streams. We loved the excursion. We had a wonderful time.



By Emily C and Kaitlyn F - 3/4B

Voluntary School Contributions

Voluntary school contributions of \$43 per child or \$65 per family are now being accepted by the school office. As the money goes towards stocking our library, any contribution received will be recognised by a name plate inside one of the library's new books.

To have your child recognised for his/her school contribution, any money received by **the end of Term 2** will automatically result in a book donated in your child's name. Your child will select the book of their choice and be given the privilege of being the first person to borrow the book from the library.

Thank you for your voluntary support of the school.

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VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

FAMILY NAME: _____

Please find enclosed: *(please circle)*

\$43 - single child / **\$65 - family** as my voluntary 2013 school contributions for my child/ren listed below.

I request these funds be deposited into the Harrington Park PS Library Fund. Please provide me with a tax receipt.

Signed: _____ (Parent / Caregiver) Date: _____

STUDENT: _____ CLASS: _____

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STUDENT: _____ CLASS: _____

STUDENT: _____ CLASS: _____

Reply Slip: 1st Notice

ANZAC DAY MARCH

CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

I wish to have my child participate in the Camden RSL's ANZAC Day Parade on Thursday 25th April 2013, being held at the Camden War Memorial and along Camden's main street. I understand my child is required to wear his/her school uniform, school jacket and school hat.

I can be contacted on _____ (Home) or _____ (Mobile) prior to ANZAC Day to confirm organisational details, including meeting time and place.

Signed: _____ (Parent/Caregiver)

ICAS Competitions for Years 3-6

RETURN THIS SECTION IN AN ENVELOPE WITH PAYMENT MARKED 'ICAS' TO THE OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL.

I would like _____ of _____ to participate in the ICAS competition.
(Student's name) (class)

Please find enclosed \$_____ cash/cheque/EFTPOS entry fee for the following competition/s **(please tick)**:

☐ Mathematics \$8.00

☐ English \$8.00

☐ Science \$8.00

☐ Spelling \$11.00

☐ Writing \$17.00

☐ Computer \$8.00

Mastercard/Visa Credit Card Number: ____ / ____ / ____ / ____ Expiry Date: ____ / ____ CCV: ____

Signed: _____
Parent/Guardian Date

EMAILING LIST

STUDENT NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

I would like the school newsletter emailed to the following address:

Please change my mailing address to: _____

Signed: _____ (Parent / Caregiver) Date: _____