

**School Diary**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – P&C Meeting- 7.30pm, Library**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Day – Whole School Assembly – 10.30am**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Information Night – Kindergarten 2014 – 7pm in Library- All Welcome**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Kindergarten Orientation**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November – School Spectacular**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Mini Fete**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Kindergarten Pirates & Princesses Day**

*'One reason why adults should look as if they are having fun is to give kids a reason to want to grow up.'* **Patch Adams**

Dear Parents / Caregivers

**Halloween Disco**

Last Friday evening there were a great array of very spooky looking little characters who came up to enjoy the P&C's Halloween Disco. The children all had a fabulous time dressing up and dancing away. A very big thank you to our very dedicated band of parents (as well as additional family members who were roped in to help man the barbeque and generally make the night a great success) for all of your hard work and efforts. Thankyou also to the teachers who stayed back to help with supervision on the night.

**District Public Speaking Competition News**

Congratulations also to Anika S, Imogen S and Myeka P who represented our school last Monday at the District Public Speaking Competition finals which were held at Wattle Grove PS. Mrs Warwick accompanied our Hammondville public speakers on the day and she reported that she was extremely proud of the way you spoke, and the way you were such excellent ambassadors for our school on the day. Well done Imogen, who was awarded second place.

## **Sun safety**

This spring has seen temperatures soar. A new information pack with the latest advice on sun safety is available for schools and parents.

Find out more: <http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentssupport/studenthealth/sun-safety/index.php>

## **Digital citizenship**

We're the first generation of parents responsible for equipping our children with digital citizenship skills – how to use technology safely and responsibly, and how to evaluate, manage and use the information and tools they find online.

Here are some tips to get you started:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/raising-good-digital-citizens>

## **P&C MEETING**

The next meeting of the P&C committee will be held tonight (4<sup>th</sup> November) in the school library, commencing at 7.30pm. All welcome.

## **SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR**

Tickets for the 2013 *Schools Spectacular* – *30 Spectacular years* are now on sale. The *Schools Spectacular* is a brilliantly choreographed and costumed production featuring over 3,500 singers, dancers and musicians, representing public schools from across the state.

This year celebrates the *Spectacular's* 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The *show* reflects on the history, times and music of the last 30 years while at the same time looking toward the future.

The 2013 *Schools Spectacular* will be held at the Sydney Entertainment Centre:

- Friday 29 November 2013 7:30 pm Evening Performance
- Saturday 30 November 2013 2:00 pm Matinee
- Saturday 30 November 2013 7.30 pm Evening Performance.

Prime tickets are still available for all shows. Please note the introduction of a family ticket (two adults and two juniors).

For further ticket information please visit [www.schoolsspectacular.com.au](http://www.schoolsspectacular.com.au) or email [details@schoolsspectacular.com.au](mailto:details@schoolsspectacular.com.au).

*Regards,  
Mr L Thom  
Acting Principal*



## **Student Banking**

Congratulations to Haylie T of class K/1V, who has won last week's canteen voucher. Remember, Wednesday is banking day.

*Tracey & Tina*

## Student(s) not returning to Hammondville Public School in 2014

Attention: Mr Thom

My child / children will not be returning to Hammondville Public School in 2014 (Please list their name[s] and current class[es] on the lines below):

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The school my child[ren] will be attending in 2014 is:

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Reason for non-return (e.g. redeployment, moving to another suburb / locality, etc):

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***\*Please return this slip to the school office at your earliest convenience to assist us with our planning for 2014\*\****



### **CANTEEN NEWS – TEMPTING TUESDAY TREATS!**

Why not try our tempting & healthy treat this Tuesday?

Available at the canteen this Tuesday is: Yoghurt, Fresh Fruit & Chocolate Stick - \$1

### **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 sales unavailable Friday morning** – due to early lunch and the volume of lunch orders. If necessary, uniforms can be purchased after lunch on Friday (12.15pm lunch ends).

*Sue Craig & Tracey O'Hanlon*

### **Uniform Pool**

The uniform pool is open **Mondays 9.00 – 9.30am and Wednesdays 2.30 – 3.00pm.**

We are located in the school hall, in the room next to the stage.

- Girls Summer & Winter uniforms \$5 each
- School Parker Jackets \$5 each
- School logo shirts, jackets, jumpers, sports tops & shorts \$2 each
- Girls/boys shorts, long pants & track pants \$2 each
- Non logo shirts, jumpers & jackets \$1 each
- Brand new old style sports shorts & tops \$3 each (only larger sizes left 12, 14 & 16)

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 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniforms are purchased. No credit will be given. Thank you.

*Uniform Committee*

## **Kindergarten 2014 Parent Information Night**

If your child is ready to start school next year, please come to our Kindergarten parent information night on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2013.

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

## **PSSA THIS WEEK – 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

Cricket – Hammondville

Oz Tag – Woodward Park

**If your child is going on the bus, they must pay the \$7 on that day. There have been a lot of children not paying for the bus and the school then has to pay the cost.**



## **DISTRICT PUBLIC SPEAKING**

It was with great pleasure that I accompanied Hammondville Public School's students to the District Public Speaking Final held at Wattle Grove Public School last Monday. Our representatives Anika S (Stage 1), Imogen S (Stage 2) and Myeka P (Stage 3) did an amazing job delivering their prepared speeches. The challenge came when they were given just 5 minutes to prepare an impromptu speech before presenting it to a hall full of people. Anika told us 'What she was looking forward to?' Imogen entertained us with 'What made her unique' and Myeka discussed how she could make the world a better place.

All three girls did their very best and made Hammondville proud. Imogen came away with 2<sup>nd</sup> place and a beautiful trophy.

Congratulations to all three girls on their efforts, their parents, teachers and Mrs Bruno for the support they have provided.

***Mrs Warwick  
Learning & Support Teacher***

## **2014 DANCE AUDITIONS**

Over the past few weeks Kindergarten and Year 1 have been auditioning for next year's K-2 dance group. These auditions will continue to be held in the hall on Thursdays at lunch time.

Beginning this Thursday students from Year 2 through to Year 5 will also be invited along to audition for next year's Senior Dance group. If you believe your child has what it takes please encourage them to come along and have a go!

Parents please note this is a selective process and numbers are limited. Successful students will be auditioning at a Regional level and expected to sign a code of conduct to ensure exemplary behaviour. Much like PSSA sport the students displaying the most talent on the audition dates will be selected, allowing us to participate in regional events that also have an audition process.

***Miss Glynn & Miss Ryan***

## **ATTENTION Parents!!! – School Website**

Over the past few weeks the Technology committee have been working hard to update our current school website. New pages have been added for parents, students and the wider community to view, including debating, public speaking, environmental pages, dance as well as individual class pages and many more. We would love for you to go on line and explore some of the new additions to our school website with your children, to see what is happening around the school.

[www.hammondvill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.hammondvill-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

**ICT Committee**

## **Oztag A: Round 7**

### Junior A Results

Opponent	Result	Tryscorers
Liverpool	6-1 Win	Bailey P x3, Cooper H, Jack M and Brayden H
Liverpool West	6-2 Win	Brayden H x3, Jack M x2 and Cooper H

Highlights: Annika S was amazing with her tagging as no-one was able to get past her! A terrific running game by everyone with the ball and we are finally playing to our potential.

Next Week's Opponents: Marsden Rd and Sackville St

### Senior A Results

Opponent	Result	Tryscorers
Liverpool	7-0 Win	Zali A x3 and Flynn T
Liverpool West	10-1 Win	Flynn T x3, Briar A x2, Zali A and Quinn J

Highlights: A terrific week as the team continues to share the ball around. Zali and Flynn were try scoring machines, scoring a hat trick of tries each. Emma G and Hayden R were safe as a bank in defence, with quick hands ensuring the defensive line was hardly attacked.

Next Week's Opponents: Marsden Rd and Sackville St

## **Oztag B: Round 7**

### Junior B Results

Opponent	Result	Tryscorers
Holsworthy	0-4 Loss	
Liverpool	7-0 Win	Beau W x3, Mason A, Patrick B and Amity C

Highlights: A terrific team performance in the second game made up for the loss in the first game. Beau, Mason and Flynn S-F had some excellent runs with the ball and Stan A and Daniel R were fantastic in their tagging.

Next Week's Opponents: Liverpool West and Marsden Rd

### Senior B Results

Opponent	Result	Tryscorers
Holsworthy	0-1 Loss	
Liverpool	6-1 Win	Ethan R x2, Luke H x2 and Corey M x2

Highlights: Corey M was great with setting up the tries and also scoring two. James M and Ethan R were great in defence with their tagging.

Next Week's Opponents: Liverpool West and Marsden Rd

*Mr Hughes*

## **TOYS 'N' TUCKER – SHARE THE JOY THIS CHRISTMAS**

Every year ANGLICARE's Emergency Relief program provides financial and food assistance to an estimated 20,000 socially excluded families and individuals who struggle to get by on low income.

Now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year, ANGLICARE's Toys 'n' Tucker program is a way in which the community can actively provide gifts of toys and food to ANGLICARE's Emergency Relief program to be distributed to the families who come to the service for support.

This year ANGLICARE is aiming to individually pack and deliver more than 5,000 Christmas hampers and toy parcels to families in Sydney and Wollongong who would otherwise go without.

The S.R.C would like to support the Anglicare in collecting toys or food items this Christmas as indicated on "Toys 'n' Tucker" card. If you are able to support this worthy charity please send in your donations to your class S.R.C member or to the front office by the 26<sup>th</sup> November. The S.R.C appreciates the school community for supporting all its causes this year.

*S.R.C, Michael Sillett & Samantha Bruno*

## **ATTENTION DEFENCE FAMILIES**

The YMCA is running a weekend family camp for Defence Families early next year and the cost is only \$20!! Places are limited, so if you are interested please book ASAP.

Tracy Attewell has taken up her position as FLO for the Liverpool area. She is an experienced Defence spouse with loads of great ideas and connections to community resources. Tracy will be attending some events here at school and looks forward to meeting as many families as possible. She can be contacted at DCO Liverpool.

Remembrance Day is next Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> November and we will be commemorating the occasion with a whole school assembly at 10.30am followed by the laying of our poppies, which the children can take home at the end of the day. Library lessons next week will be focussing on the significance of Remembrance Day.

Don't forget to RSVP for the "DCO and Salvation Army" Christmas Carols to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December. Quite a few people have signed up to be part of the choir – if you are interested contact DCO.

DCO are looking for feedback on the "Family Fun Day" event that was held recently. Please email your comments or suggestions to [janelle.j.ford@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:janelle.j.ford@det.nsw.edu.au)

***Mrs Janelle Ford***

## **HAMMONDVILLE'S GOT TALENT**

This year Hammondville's got talent group are asking for people that have some talent such as dancing, singing, jokes, skipping etc. If you would like to join in please sign outside of the library. This activity is open to stage 2 and 3 students. **NO REFUNDS**. Thanks from stage 3 Hammondville's got talent crew.