

# Hammondville Public School

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# A Message From The Principal

Welcome to Week 6 and that means we are halfway through Term 3. It is incredible how quickly time is ticking away and how much is happening as can be read about in this week's newsletter. I look forward to seeing as many parents, family members and friends who can afford the time to come to this week's K-2 and 3-6 assembly.

#### **Southern Stars**

I'd like to wish all our Southern Stars performers the best of luck for the coming week as final preparations are made for this Friday and Saturday's performances. Many hours of travel and rehearsals have been dedicated to these concerts and I'm sure our students will shine. Thank you to the dedicated Hammondville staff who have worked to get our students ready for this celebration of the Arts and thank you to our parents who have made countless sacrifices in order for their children to have this wonderful opportunity. I look forward to seeing our students perform at the Friday performance.

#### **LMBR Training**

As many of our community may have noticed, there has been a variety of personnel working in our school front office this term. As mentioned in an earlier newsletter, both Mrs Hood and Mrs Johnson are preparing for the administration system change that will go live on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October. To assist our office staff, could families making payments for school events please make sure the following:

- Student's name and class are labelled clearly on the payment envelope
- Separate envelopes for each activity eg, excursion payment in a separate envelope to a sausage sizzle payment
- All cash payments are placed in the school cash post box located outside the school office.

Your assistance in this matter will greatly help our hardworking office staff.

#### **Multicultural Public Speaking Final**

Good luck to Jules Cross who will be representing Hammondville Public School at the Regional Multicultural Perspective Public Speaking Final to be held at the Arts Unit at Lewisham this coming Wednesday.

#### **Zone Athletics**

Good luck to all our school athletic representatives at this week's Liverpool Zone Athletics Carnival. I'm sure the recent Rio Olympics will inspire our athletes to be "Faster, Higher, Stronger". At a minimum, just get there and give it your best and back yourself! I look forward to hearing about our wonderful efforts.

#### **Emergency Evacuation Practice**

Last Thursday, our school participated in an evacuation practice. This gave our school an opportunity to evaluate the processes we have in place should an event arises that requires such an action. Well done to our students who participated in a calm and orderly manner.

#### Well done Mr Stajcic and the Matildas

Hammondville Public School would like to congratulate Mr Stajcic, a parent of our Hammondville community and the coach of our Matilda's soccer team, for an inspiring quest to obtain gold at the Olympic Games. Unfortunately

for the Matilda's it wasn't meant to be but nonethe-less the current generation of women's soccer players are inspiring a new generation which is evident right here at Hammondville Public School. This was apparent last week at our school jersey day when many of the girls at our school wore Australian soccer jerseys. Mr Stajcic has been a dedicated supporter and helper to Ms Hansell and our school would like to say well done!

Have a great week.

Mr McInney Relieving Principal

#### **SCHOOL DIARY**

#### TERM 3

Mon 29, Tue 30, Wed 31/8 Stage 3 Camp – Canberra

Thursday 1st September Kindy Excursion – Calmsley Hill

**Thursday 1**st **September** Years 1-6 – Father's Day Stall

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Kindy – Father's Day Stall

Friday 16th September P&C Movie Night

Monday 19th September Kindy Information Night

# **GENERAL INFO**

#### A message from Transdev - Opal Cards

Transdev NSW, the bus operator that provides your school bus services, would like to provide the following message regarding student use of the School Opal card:

One of the more significant changes created by the recent introduction of the School Opal card is the need for students to tap on and off when they travel to and from school.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services. If students don't tap on and tap off, services may be cancelled due the lack of recorded patronage.

With this in mind, we ask for your assistance in reminding your children that tapping on and off at the beginning and end of each trip is one of the conditions of using a School Opal card.

Thank you.

#### **Parent Online Payments**

Parents can access the school's website via computer, mobile phone or tablet. The "Make a Payment" link can be found on the ribbon on our Home page. By selecting this link you will be taken to a secure Westpac payment page. You will no longer be in the school's website.

From the initial page, payers will complete the details, some of which are mandatory (marked with an \*), before confirming the payment details and completing the payment.

It is critical to ensure that the right student is credited for the right items. Therefore we ask that the Surname **and** Date of Birth is added to the payment details.

Payments can only be made using Visa or MasterCard credit or debit cards. PayPal is not a payment option using this process.

If you have any questions, please contact the office during working hours 8:30am – 3:15pm.

Thank you,

Mrs Fiona Hood

#### **School Banking**

Banking day is **THURSDAY**. For banking last week we had a wonderful **66** bankers. Please ensure that you have all the details filled out correctly in your bank book. New students will be given a Student ID once they have banked for the first time at school.

#### Rewarding good savings

Every time a student deposits into their Youthsaver account through School Banking, regardless of the amount, students receive a 'Dollarmites' token. Once they've collected 10 tokens, they can redeem them for a variety of exciting reward items. They'll also receive a certificate at assembly when they reach certain savings milestones.

#### Reward items available

- Wildlife Writer Set now available to order
- Outback Pat Bag Tag now available to order.
- Backtrack Eraser Pen now available to order
- Jump and Skip Rope now available to order – Great to have for Jump Rope for Heart

Banker of the week is back. Please check inside your bankbook near the tokens to see if you are this week's winner. Then take your \$1.00 canteen voucher to the canteen where you can buy yourself a special treat.

Banker of the week last week was:

K-2 Khodi M

3-6 Mitchell S

If you have any questions or would like to open an account for your child please come and see Colleen or Sue in the office on a Thursday morning or send in a message and we will get back to you.

Thank you, Colleen & Sue

#### **Celebration of Books Day**

On Tuesday 23rd August Stage 1, including K/1S will celebrate Book Week with a "Celebration of Books Day", where our teachers will share their favourite books with our students. Students will visit all the Stage 1 rooms and hear readings and participate in exciting learning activities. We hope to instil a love of reading for life. Happy Book Week!

Stage 1 and K/1S Teachers

#### **PBL** (Positive Behaviour for Learning) News

What a week at Hammondville Public School! Our playgrounds have never looked better and our cleaners were smiling, all because we were putting our rubbish in the bin. Well done everyone for following the rule "We put our rubbish in the bin." A special mention to those extra special students who not only put their own

rubbish in the bin, but popped others rubbish in there too! What respectful young people you are.

#### **BREAKING NEWS.....**

If you are spotted following our weekly rule you may receive a raffle ticket and go into a fortnightly prize draw at our assemblies. You may the lucky winner of a morning tea with our Principal Mr McInney!!

This week our expectation is - Be Respectful:

#### We use toilets and bubblers correctly

Our students will:

- View film clips of teachers modelling correct and incorrect behaviour
- Brainstorm dangers and consequences of incorrect behaviour
- Role play some correct and incorrect scenarios

How can you as parents help ensure this rule is followed?

Modelling good hygiene practices and correct handwashing techniques at home will help keep everyone healthy.

Praise your child when you catch them following our rule.

Have a safe week,
The PBL Team

#### **Senior Debating**

Congratulations to the Senior Debating team on their win for the last round of the Liverpool District Debating Competition. Well done to the following students, Kirby McCartney (who stepped in at the last minute), Imogen Smith, Alyssa Bullock and Annika Stig who won as the affirmative team, "That primary school students should be allowed to vote" against Casula Public School. Fantastic effort and we look forward to the end presentation.

Mrs Zanapalis

#### **Jump Rope**

Hammondville is skipping, so make sure all students have sponsorship forms and teachers are busy planning jump off day.

Mrs Jacobs

#### **IGNITION FOR SOUTHERN STARS 2016**

With just one week to go until Southern Stars 2016 *ignite* hits the floor at the WIN Entertainment Centre preparations are in full swing with students taking part in a wide range of dance, drama, vocal and music rehearsals around the state.

To keep up with all the news about *ignite* including recent media stories and picture galleries, videos from rehearsals, as well as profiles of performers and teachers involved in the show, visit the **Southern Stars – The Arena Spectacular** Facebook site. Make sure you "like us" and share with your friends and family!

*ignite* featuring over 3000 public school children, will take place over four performances at the WIN Entertainment Centre in Wollongong on Friday August 26 (10am and 7.30pm) and Saturday August 27 (2pm and 7.30pm).

You don't have to have a child involved in the show to come along. Southern Stars is a two hour arena style variety show with something for everyone, but most of all is packed full of great entertainment and guaranteed to be the best show you see all year.

The buzz around the show is growing daily and tickets are selling more quickly this year than ever before so we encourage you to buy your tickets early through Ticketmaster (Adult \$48, Pensioner and student over 12 \$38, Student/Child under 12 \$27).

Last year Southern Stars enjoyed a couple of sell out shows so get your tickets as soon as possible to make sure you don't miss out!

### **SPORT**

#### **2016 Athletics Carnivals**

Zone - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August Region - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September **Zone Athletics Carnival** 

The Liverpool Zone Athletics Carnival is on this Wednesday at Campbelltown Sports Stadium.

7:30am - Carpooling students meet at school

8:15am - Students arrive at Campbelltown Sports Stadium

8:30am - Carnival will commence

Mr Hughes

# PSSA - 26/8/16

Rugby League – Woodward Park Netball – Woodward Park Girls Soccer – Phillip Park Boys Soccer – Phillip Park

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Sausage Sizzle - 17/8/16

A big thank you to the following parents who helped with our sausage sizzle last Wednesday. Sarah Williamson, Stacey Sullivan, Sue Bolger, Shievaun O'Neill & Danielle Watts.

Also, the following Year 4's – Emily M, Maddie N-C, TeAira R, Elliot S, Harry M and Mitchell S. All your help is much appreciated.

Sue & Tracey

**Tempting Tuesday Treat:** Mini Hot Dogs with Sauce - \$1.00

**PSSA Students**: Please do not order your lunch on Fridays. It will not be ready before you leave for sport.

#### **New Uniforms**

New uniforms are sold at the canteen Monday to Thursday mornings until 11:00am, NOT FRIDAY due to the volume of orders and sport.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

#### **Uniform Pool News**

Now attended 2:30pm - 3:00pm TUESDAY afternoons only.

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

#### **Prices:**

Non – logo uniform tops and jumpers, shorts and track pants \$1 each
Logo tops, jumpers, sports uniforms \$2 each
Parkas, Backpacks, Dresses, "new" stock of old designs \$5 each

Tracey & Michelle

#### **P&C EMAIL**

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## P&C

Fundraising - Father's Day Stall - Reminder

Dates: Thursday 1 September 2016 (Years 1-6), Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September (Kindergarten)

All gifts are \$6.00. Please place money in envelope provided with your child's name, class and number of gifts.

Place envelope with money enclosed in letterbox shoot outside the office.

Money due Tuesday 30 August 2016.

Fundraising – Family Portrait Day – Save the Date

Sunday 23 October 2016, the P&C will be holding a Family Portrait event. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

Fundraising Movie Night - Save the Date

Please save the date for the Movie Night, **Friday** 16<sup>th</sup> September.

K-2 – 4:30pm 3-6 – 6:20pm Price is \$5.00 per movie per child (which includes a drink).

More information to follow in the coming weeks.

Micharla Caddy