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A Message From The Principal

Last week was a very busy week at Hammondville Public School, capped off by a wonderful Open Day. Thank you to all the parents, carers, extended family and friends who took the time to attend our school last Thursday.

Open Day

As mentioned, our Hammondville Open Day was held last Thursday as part of Education Week. Visitors to our school had an opportunity to visit their child's classroom where they could showcase some of the exciting things they have been doing in class this year. Our visitors also got an opportunity to work on a task in class with their child and learn together. The Book Fair in the library saw Mrs Stanley and Mrs Ford working hard to keep up with the demand of eager readers. Finally, our hall exhibited artworks created by our students. After a morning tea with their children, many parents enjoyed the talents of our Indigenous Choir, K-6 Choir, Hammondville Tappers, the K-2 and 3-6 dance groups in the hall. A fitting end to an excellent day!

Success of the day had passed on to Mr Smith who expressed his well-wishes to our community and was glad to hear that our Open Day was a great success.

Thank you to all the teachers for their planning to make the day a wonderful experience for our visitors and a big thank you to Mrs Peroni for organising a wonderful day under very trying weather conditions.

Mr Smith and LMBR Training

Mr Smith has been busy coordinating training for school administrative staff and principals in the Glenfield Network. His organisation and expertise will place all schools in the Glenfield Network, including Hammondville, in an ideal position when LMBR starts on Monday 17th October, Week 2 Term 4.

Despite not being physically in the school, Mr Smith has made several visits to Hammondville and was well aware of the successful Open Day Hammondville Public School hosted.

Payments for Excursions Reminder

As mentioned in previous week's newsletter, payments for excursions and other extracurricular activities need to be paid by the due date. Office staff will not be accepting late payments for excursions unless there has been communication with the school prior to the "due date". Our teaching and office staff are grateful for your support in this matter.

School Gates and Car Park

As mentioned in previous newsletters, including last week's newsletter, the Conjola PI pedestrian gate will be closed each day from 9:15am and will be reopened at 2:30pm each afternoon. It is important to note that this will also include K-2 and 3-6 assembly days. This has been seen as a necessary decision to ensure greater security and safety for our students and staff. I would like to thank the community who have supported the school's decision on this matter.

Have a great week.

Mr McInney Relieving Principal

SCHOOL DIARY

ΓERM 3

Monday 8th August Healthy Harold Program

Begins

Thursday 11th August Inquisitive Minds Workshop

Wednesday 17th August Canteen Sausage Sizzle

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

Thursday 1st September Kindy Excursion – Calmsley Hill

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

Friday 2nd September Kindy – Father's Day Stall

GENERAL INFO

Presentation Day/Night 2016

A big thank you to everyone who returned their surveys regarding the time and location for the 2016 Years 3-6 Presentation event. As a result of parent and community feedback the 3-6 Presentation Night for 2016 will remain at Holsworthy High School in the evening. The date set for this event in Monday 12th December.

The **K-2 Presentation Day** will continue to be held in the Hammondville Public School hall on the morning of **Monday 12**th **December.**

Times and details regarding these celebrations will be published as the events draw closer.

Thank you,

Presentation Day/Night Committee

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

Premier's Reading Challenge

Keep Reading! All students have until 19th August to have their books read. Any problems please see Mrs Stanley ASAP.

Book Fair

The Book Fair is now closed. Thank you for all your support and generosity, as this will provide some fabulous resources for our library.

Mrs Stanley

School Banking

Banking day is **THURSDAY**. 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

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

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) News

Education Week was an exciting week with lots of movement between the hall, library and classrooms and it was wonderful to see our students being safe and moving carefully, especially in the rain.

This week our expectation is **Be Safe and wear your hat.**

We will be learning how to be sun smart through

- Watching the Minions Sun Safety campaign
- Playing Sun Smart Millionaire
- Watching our teachers roleplay the right and wrong way to be sun smart

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

Try reinforcing this rule when out and about by wearing a hat yourself even on dull and overcast days.

Don't forget to praise your child when you catch them following their weekly rule.

Have a safe week, The PBL Team

Jump Rope for Heart

Last Tuesday, Week 3, a lady from Jump Rope for Heart came out to do a workshop with Stage 2 and 3.



Jump Rope for Heart was really fun. We learnt lots of new tricks. I learnt how to do a Pretzel. We did lots of partner tricks with our friends. The last thing that we did was group skipping. The lady did a good job teaching us tricks.

Danielle 5JP

Today stage two got to see a jump rope for heart student do some cool tricks that we needed to do.

We split into three groups. Some tricks you would do by yourself, another one you needed to do with a partner and the last one we did was with seven people. The tricks we did by ourselves were criss cross, double jump and the pretzel. The tricks we did with a partner were around the world, linked and jumping with the same rope. The tricks we did with seven people were figure eight or teddy bear (this was with the long rope). To me it was great fun, although I struggled with the pretzel. This awesome fun was in the

basketball court, oval and behind the silver seats. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did.



By: Mitchell Knott

Science Week -Tuesday 16th August Week 5

Drones, Droid and Robots, so get creative and bring in your favourite Robot, Drone or Droid to show. Collect cards from the office and ask your classroom teacher if you have any more questions.

Mrs Jacobs

SPORT

2016 Athletics Carnivals

Zone - Wednesday 24th August Region - Wednesday 14th September

PSSA - 12/8/16

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

CANTEEN NEWS

Tempting Tuesday Treat: *Pikelets with Jam – 40 cents each.*

Canteen Sausage Sizzle

There will be a sausage sizzle on Wednesday 17th August, 2016. Orders will need to be in by Monday 15th August. Payment envelopes can be sent to the canteen in the 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

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 <u>FRIDAY</u> 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

Fundraising - Father's Day Stall Update

The Father's Day Stall is being held on Thursday 1st September for Years 1-6. Due to the Kindergarten excursion on **Thursday 1st September**, the Kindergarten Father's Day Stall will be held on **Friday 2nd September**.

Fundraising Movie Night – Save the Date

Please save the date for the Movie Night, **Friday** 16th 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.

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