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TERM 1 WEEK 6

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Session 3:15 - 4:00pm **Tuesday MAR 12**: Years 3-6 Cyber Safety Session 6-7pm in the hall Wednesday MAR 13: NAPLAN Years 3 and 5 (Week 8-9) **Tuesday MAR 19**: Social light Meeting 5pm in staffroom Wednesday MAR 21: Harmony Day: wear orange accessories with your uniform Wednesday MAR 27: Year 6 Farewell parent meeting 5-6pm

Thursday MAR 28: Easter Hat parade Tuesday APR 22: Band workshop 4-7pm

🚯 SPORT

Wednesday MAR 6: Zone Swimming Twilight Carnival; Junior Girls (Years 3 and 4) Skellern Cup Thursday MAR 7: Senior Girls (Years 5 and 6) Skellern Cup



Wednesday MAR 6: P&C AGM and P&C meeting 7pm

SCHOOL CALENDAR LINK: https://hornsbyhts-p.schools.nsw. gov.au/school-calendar.html



ABOVE: See all the action, records and team spirt from the Swimming Carnival.

PRINCIPAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL GLORY

ur Swimming carnival was a great success last week with so many students participating in a range of events. The addition of the 25m non-competitive race was received with positive feedback from students and parents. I thank Mrs Sakajani for her leadership of this event and Miss Stewart, Ms Love, Miss Wright and Mr Calydon for their organisation of the day. Miss Eudale, Mr Claydon and myself look forward to attending the Twilight Zone event held tomorrow at Homebush Pool.

Whole School Buddy Classes

The purpose of buddy classes is to help continue to develop a sense of community at the school, to encourage new friendships, and for students to support one another socially and with their learning. It also supports our current Anti-Bullying and Wellbeing procedures. It is anticipated that Buddy Classes will create role

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"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."

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Albert Einstein

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models for younger children and give older children the opportunity to develop a range of qualities including leadership, responsibility and increased social skills. Buddy Classes also benefits teachers by working with different Stage groups and colleagues. Senior classes are paired with junior classes in the school. Classes meet at least once a term to participate in lessons based on topics that link with the NSW curriculum. This term Buddy classes will participate in World Maths Day together as well as Easter Hat Making in preparation for the Easter Hat parade.

P&C Disco

The much loved P&C Disco is coming to HHPS at the end of the term! Don't miss out on all the information in the flyer later in the newsletter!

Attendance Matters

Coming to school every day matters. Attendance rates have been very high this year. This is great and let's keep it up. Please support your child to maintain the routine of being at school every day. Being late to school can cause much upset for students as they enter a classroom that is already in full swing with teaching and learning. As a team at HHPS we are focussing on arriving on time to school each morning. We thank you for being part of this team effort.

Below are some ways you can help build positive attendance habits:

- Helping your child learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Making sure your child arrives on time from the start of the school day, ready to take part
- Reducing disruptions to learning where you can, by planning necessary appointments outside of school time
- Contacting us to explain any absences before the school day starts and having this in writing within 7 days of the first day of absence.
- Making sure any holidays or medical appointments are taken outside school hours
- Working with the school to encourage and support regular attendance.

PARENT INFORMATION HERE

LINK

https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/schoolinginitiatives/every-day-matters

National Young Leaders

Miss Ridley and our student leaders travelled into the city to attend the National Young Leaders Day Summit at the International Convention Centre in Darling Harbour yesterday. Students had the opportunity to listen to several speakers who inspired them to continue on their leadership journey. Our leadership team were curious, asked questions and were beautifully behaved and a credit to our school.

HHPS March 12 International Day of Maths

The International Day of Maths is a worldwide celebration of Maths and how important it is to our everyday lives. Each year, on March 14, schools and organisations around the world acknowledge how important maths is to what we do everyday. Maths is needed for research, for Science, for medicine, for banking, for everything! March 14 was chosen because many countries already celebrated it as pi day (not pie day!). Pi is a special mathematical number - 3.14. So 14 March (14/3) is a maths day! At HHPS, we are celebrating maths on the 12th of March because we have NAPLAN on the 14th.

Crossing Supervisor

Mark, our crossing supervisor will be taking some leave for a while to support his wife who has just been diagnosed with Breast Cancer. Mark loves working at the crossing and is a very loved member of our community. We are sending our well wishes to him, his wife and his family. Once a replacement is found we will let you know. In the meantime, an executive member of staff or myself will be at the crossing supporting our students to cross the road safely.





SCHOOL CROSSING REMINDERS

- Whenever possible, cross the road at a designated pedestrian crossing
- Stops! Look! Listen! Think! when crossing the road
- Take care whenever you cross
- Don't run across the road

He's been keeping our kids safe as they come to school...

Thank you Mark



Commonwealth Student Wellbeing Boost

All schools across the state received a oneoff funding for extra mental health and wellbeing resources and initiatives through the Commonwealth's Student Wellbeing Boost. Through these funds HHPS can purchase programs, services or use the funds to supplement existing initiatives supporting the needs of our students.

At HHPS we have decided to use some of the funds to:

- Purchase new HZSS uniforms
- Pay for the Anti Bullying Incursions for K-6 ٠ students in 2024
- Pay for the upcoming 3-6 Parent Cyber safety sessions 12 March 6pm-7pm School Hall
- Pay for the upcoming URSTRONG friendship program for parents and students to attend online
- Purchase URSTRONG resources to use in school

URSTRONG School Paid Parent Session - Don't miss out Educational Offerings

URSTRONG's whole-school friendship strategy has improved the social climate in schools around the world, connecting over a million kids, parents, and teachers with a common language of friendship. We are proud to use some of the resources and language, empowering your children with friendship skills through their award-winning Friendology curriculum.

You are invited to attend an ONLINE Language of Friendship parent-child workshop on Tuesday 19 March at 6:30pm AEDT. Tyson Greenwood (Director of URSTRONG) will teach you and your child/ren skills + language to foster healthy, feelgood friendships.

Registration Required:

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

*You will receive an email immediately after registering with the zoom details. If an email doesn't land in your inbox, be sure to check your junk folder. We believe that empowering our students with these skills will create a culture of kindness at our school and we hope you can attend.

Social Light Positions update

Thank you to the wonderful people that have signed up as being class Social Lights. I will be sending some information your way via Enews and your child/ren. Many classes are still looking for their Social Light! Social Lights lead the way with planning and arranging class/year/stage get-togethers for our students and families to stay connected and supported socially! If you would like to be a class Social Light please read the expression of interest form seen later in the Newsletter. We currently are looking for a social light for the following classes;

> 2BK 4C 5Y

All Class Social Lights will be having an introductory meeting at school on Tuesday 19 March at 5pm in the staffroom. This meeting will go for about 30mins. If Social Lights can not make this meeting, please email me.

Consultation for Co-

The school community is taking part in community consultations relating to educational offerings for vears 7-12 in the local area.

The NSW Department of Education wants hear to your views about high school enrolment decisionmaking and feedback on a range of proposals for future arrangements at Asquith Girls and Asquith Boys high schools. This includes:

> Retaining the existing Α. arrangement where families can choose between Asquith Boys or Asquith Girls high schools and one existing coeducational high school (either Ku-ringgai High School or Turramurra High School as per designated intake areas).

> Reclassifying Asquith Boys and В. Asquith Girls high schools to become two separate standalone mediumsized coeducational high schools, each servicing their own exclusive intake area community.

C. One large co-educational high school model spread across the existing Asquith Boys and Asquith Girls High School sites, comprised of one junior campus (Years 7, 8 and 9) and one senior campus (Years 10, 11 and 12) servicing a large intake area community.

Please note, in options B and C, Ku-ring-gai High School and Turramurra High School would each service their own exclusive intake area community, no longer sharing geographic drawing areas with single-sex high schools. Surveys and workshops are confidential and cannot be used to identify any individual.

Students, parents/carers and staff from local high schools and primary schools can participate in the consultation process. The local community and special interest groups will also be invited to have their say.

How to have your say

The consultation period will finish on Friday 12 April.

Surveys and workshops are confidential and cannot be used to identify any individual.

SURVEY

Please complete the online survey (once only) for parents and carers. There are 2 questions in the survey to be completed by students in years 3-6.

SURVEY LINK

WORKSHOP

Click here to register for the primary school parents and carers in-person workshop on 8 April.

> **IN-PERSON** REGISTRATION

Click here to register for the primary school parents and carers online workshop on 10 April.

> ONLINE REGISTRATION

I encourage you and our students to have a say by participating in the survey and/or workshops. Your voices are so important to the future of education in our local community. If you have any questions about the consultation or the consultation process, please send an email to HornsbyBerowraConsultation@det.nsw.edu. au. I greatly appreciate your time and support in undertaking these consultations.



By KATRIN CORNELL Hornsby Heights Public School PRINCIPAL

There were about 5000 students there and there we listened to 5 inspirational speakers. They were Anastasia Woolmer, Matt Cosgrove, Eva Amores, Stephen O'Keefe and Bryson Klein. They were very inspirational.

National Young Leaders Day

On Monday the 4th of March, Miss Ridley, the school, vice, and senior house captains went to the National Young Leader's Day in Sydney at the International Convention Centre.

The overall message was never give up, and always have a positive attitude, and conquering fears are hard but worth it.

Our favorite speakers were Stephen O'Keefe a retired Sydney sixers and Bryson Klein, who is a grand champion in Australia ninja warrior. He has been in all 6 seasons of the show.

We loved spending a day learning about leadership together.

Jasmine P. & Toby S. Year 6 students



Hornsby Heights Public School Interested in being a Class Social Light for 2024?

This year we are continuing with our parent social network system in the school in order to help 'shine a light' on the social side of being part of a school community. We have deliberately made the name "Social Light" a fun one as it is a very enjoyable and lively role!

Role of the Class Social Light

Each class will have one or two parents who take on the role of Class Social Light for the year. This is a voluntary position, the focus of which is to build community spirit through organising small social events for each class or you can even get together and arrange something within the grade or stage. It can be an event as simple as a play in the park!

We ask that all parent communication regarding social events is arranged through email (this will be discussed at our first introductory meeting). The role is purely a social role as the school will be responsible for engaging parent help or support for stage and school based events. You may be asked to assist with rallying up support or sending out information for some whole school events such as Open Day or World Teacher's Day and collecting a class list of contact numbers for the class.

All communication that goes out via the classes needs to be communicated first to the class teacher/s.

If you are interested in being a Social Light, please complete the tear off slip below and return to your child's teacher/s. Note: If we are inundated with volunteers then we will pick names out of a hat.

Katrin Cornell Principal

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST Interested in being a Class Social Light for 2024?

Please return to your child's classroom teacher/s by Wednesday 14 February, 2024

Yes, I would like to volunteer to be Social Light for Class

(Child's Class)

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Your Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Contact No:

Email: ______



IDM is a **worldwide celebration**. Each year in March all countries will be invited to participate through activities for both students and the general public in schools, museums, libraries and other spaces.

HHPS will celebrate IDM on

Tuesday 12 March.

The International Day of Mathematics is the **opportunity** the explain and celebrate the essential role that mathematics and mathematics education play in breakthroughs in science and technology, improving the quality of life, empowering and contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda (SDG1-17) of the United Nations.

In 2024 we want to **celebrate** mathematical games, puzzles and other entertaining activities, but also "playing" with mathematics itself, exploring, experimenting, and discovering.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THEMATICS MARCH 12



HORNSBY HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

We are currently forming a new Media Team for 2024. Everyone in Year 5 and 6 has the opportunity to join via audition as spaces are limited. Please see information about the audition video task in this issue. The Media Team meets every Tuesday at lunchtime. Together we learn all aspects of photography and film production through practical, hands-on activities and projects.

PRODUCTION VALUES

You will learn how to create high quality video productions. This means using professional lighting and sound recording equipment to make our video projects look and sound professional.

TV NEWS PACKAGE

You will learn how to design and edit a complete news package using iMovie, Adobe Premiere and iPads using a template. You will have a chance to document how you learn in class and make videos about important issues you feel strongly about. You will learn official HHPS Media Team badge.

to document through photography the life of our wonderful school.

COMMITMENT

The Media Team will run for the whole year and you will need to commit for the entire year each Tuesday lunch. At major school events such as sports carnivals you will be asked to collect footage for our TV news broadcasts and newsletter.

BADGE

All Media Team members will receive an









AUDITION

All Year 5 and 6 students are eligible to join the Media Team which will meets every Tuesday at lunchtime. The Media Team consists of about 25 students who document important school events through photos and videos. Year 5 students who are interested in joining must submit an audition video.

TASK: MEDIA TEAM AUDITION VIDEO

Students must make a short video. There are 3 options.

1. Prepare a short video presentation on why you should be selected: what special skills and seconds. Students must prepare this video qualities do you have?

OR

2. Prepare a video demonstrating your camera/ editing/interviewing/writing/research skills on a topic of your choice.



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OR

- "The Day That Changed My Life". Make a dramatic video of a day you'll never forget.
- Videos should run for no more than 30-60 presentation in their own time, not class time. Please bring your video to school on a thumb drive - USB stick (labelled with your name and class) and hand it to your teacher.

DATE DUE: Tuesday, 26 March





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CONGRATULATIONS GALSTON HOUSE



By VANESSA SAKAJANI Hornsby Heights Public School SPORTS COORDINATOR

hat a start to the 2024 Swimming Carnival! The 25m races started strong, with many students participating to score valuable points for their house.

Congratulations to Somerville 25m racers, as they pushed their house to a clear lead for the beginning of the 50m competitive events. It was wonderful to see our students cheering on their peers, and after some very impressive house cries, Wiseman pulled off the winning cheer.

A huge congratulations to Galston, the winning house of the day! Thank you to all our students and parent helpers who participated towards the success of our carnival.

> SOMERVILLE: 79 points CROSSLANDS: 83 points WISEMAN: 106 points GALSTON: 139 points



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Role of the ARCO – Anti- Racism Contact Officer

Our ARCO at HHPS is Lisa Ward LISA.WARD@det.nsw.edu.au

The ARCO plays an important role in assisting and working collaboratively with the principal to implement three major aspects of the Anti-Racism Policy:

Promoting anti-racism education

- provide advice on incorporating whole school anti-racism education strategies in school planning.
- facilitate professional learning to build awareness of the impact of racism on social cohesion, student learning and wellbeing.
- assist teachers to access resources which build awareness and understanding of the impacts of racism
- promote upstander responses to incidents of racism for staff and students.
- address complaints of racism involving students through approaches such as • restorative practice which promote respectful behaviours.

Supporting the handling of complaints

- provide advice on the complaints handling process to students, staff and members of the school community.
- manage complaints of racism made by students against other students in accordance with the Behaviour Code for Students and the school's discipline and wellbeing procedures.
- provide impartial support to staff, students and members of the school community who wish to make a complaint of racism, in cases where the complaint involves staff or a member of the community.
- support the complainant during the complaints handling process to increase the likelihood of a satisfactory outcome

Monitoring incidents of racism

- maintain records of complaints and outcomes, as well as allegations and incidents of racism
- identify which datasets regarding racism should be collected ٠
- analyse significant statistical trends in relation to complaints of racism
- provide advice to the principal and/or nominated complaints manager regarding the impact of racism in the school.



ASSESS

Receive complaint – either via Green Card (Incident slip) involving racism reported by a student or staff member or an incident reported by a community/staff member

Principal/Executive member reviews and involves ARCO.

Conduct initial assessment for risk.

Keep records and keep complainant updated on process.

Acknowledge the complaint and advice the complainant who will be handling that complaint and your role in the process.

RESOLVE

ARCO (Exec Member if ARCO absent) gather information relevant to the issue.

Ensure the complainant is supported during the complaint handling process.

MONITOR AND FOLLOW UP

Decide on outcome and inform all involved.

Ensure the complainant is supported during the complaint handling process.

Implement and monitor outcomes



Anti Racism Contact Officer (ARCO) Complaint Process



No Advice the complainant of the process for a review or refer to either Ap or Principal.

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Student **Canteen Monitor**



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TERM 1 SCHEDULE

MONDAYS WEDNESDAYS FRIDAYS Eshaal A. & Maddie S. Chelsea S. & Raegan M.





Hannah C., Diya D. & Yashvi S.





The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is now open and Hornsby Heights Public School is excited to be participating!

What is the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge?

The PRC is a statewide Challenge that encourages students to develop a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students and enables them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition, but a challenge to encourage each student to read, to read more, and to read more widely.

All students who complete the challenge and have their reading record validated by the school's PRC coordinator will receive a certificate signed by the Premier of NSW.

How many books do students need to read?

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 are challenged to read or experience 30 books. 20 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and to 10 books can be personal choice books. Books can be read with a parent, carer, teacher or another student.

Students in Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 20 books independently. At least 10 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and up to 10 books can be personal choice books.

If a book is from an approved PRC series, students can enter up to 5 books as Challenge books, and can read up to 10 other books from the same series as Personal Choice books. More information on the rules of the Challenge can be found <u>on the PRC</u> website.

Books must be added to a student's online reading record by Friday 23 August 2024 in order for their reading record to be validated and receive a certificate.

How do students log their reading?



NSW Department of Education **2024 NSW Premier's**

in K-10: **Reading Challenge** Start reading now!







NSW

Key dates

for students

Students in Years 3-6 will be entering information into their reading logs during library lessons. In Kindergarten to Year 2 reading logs will be entered on their behalf using their class and library lesson book sharing.

Parents and students at home can also access the PRC's Student Experience site using their DoE username and password, or can log into the site via the Student Portal. A video guide explaining how to use the Student Experience site can be found here.

K-2 parents are welcome to add to their child's reading log. Please contact Mrs Demlakian in the library if you need your child's logon information.

How can students find books on the NSW PRC challenge lists?

In the school library books on the Premier's Reading Challenge can be identified by stickers on their spine, specialised locations and using Orbit the library catalog. Students are also assisted in their library lessons to locate suitable books. Hornsby Public library also has many titles from the PRC booklists in their collection which also can be located using their catalog.

A quick guide for logging books:

- 1. Log into the Student experience site using your DoE student username and password.
- 2. Use the blue search bar to search for books you have read.

Or just looking for a particular book ?					
O Search by Title, Author, ISBN or PRCID					
Search					

2a. If the title appears, click "Add to Reading Log" to add it as a PRC book.



2b. If the title does not appear, you will need to enter it as a personal choice book.

To enter a personal choice book:

- 1. Click on the icon in the top right hand corner:
- 2. Click on "My reading log"



3. Fill in the book details under the "Add a Personal Choic

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If you have any issues with logging books, please speak to Mrs Demlakian or send a message via your class teacher.

Monica Demlakian, Teacher Librarian



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Summer Uniform

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Sports Uniform HORNSBY HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL



















Girls

- Bottle green/navy/yellow plaid check dress
- Bottle green culottes and gold polo shirt
- Bottle green jacket, sloppy joe or jumper
- White short socks (socks must be visible)
- Black school shoes

Boys

- Gold short sleeve polo shirt
- Grey shorts
- Grey short socks with green/ gold band
- Bottle green jacket, sloppy joe or jumper
- Black school shoes

Girls

- Bottle green shorts
- Polo shirt in house colour
- Sports shoes and white socks
- Green track pants (in winter)

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Boys

Bottle green shorts
Polo shirt in house colour
Sports shoes and white socks
Green track pants (in winter)

IT'S DISCO TIME WI Bop till you Drop

Disco Lights Games Nusic

Date: Friday 5th April Time: K-2 5:00 pm – 6:15pm 3-6 6:45 pm – 8:00pm

Location: School Hall

Tickets: On Qkr - \$8.00 Tickets close Wednesday 3rd April @11:59pm Can't wait to see you there!

www.boptillyoudrop.com.au



Get ready for a night of SINGING, DANCING and activities with a PROFESSIONAL ENTERTAINER!

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P&C School Club



upper COLA. The parade will begin at 2:15pm. Younger siblings are welcome to make an Easter Hat and will be invited to join the parade. Please see Enews for further details.



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Fostering excellence in young men through holistic education



Open Day For Prospective Year 7 2026/2027 Families

On the day, there will be a Principal's Address and free school tours.

Tuesday 26 March 2024

Registration by 10:00 am on Friday 22 March 2024 is essential!

Register at: https://nbhs.nsw.edu.au/open-day-2024/

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Dates for 2024

TERM 1

Tuesday 30 January 2024 Wednesday 31 January 2024 Thursday 1 February 2024 Tuesday 6 February 2024 Friday 12 April 2024

TERM 2

Monday 29 April 2024

Tuesday 30 April 2024

Friday 5 July 2024

TERM 3

Monday 22 July 2024

Tuesday 23 July 2024

Friday 27 September 2024

TERM 4

Monday 14 October 2024

Wednesday 18 December 2024

- Staff Development Day
- Staff Development Day
- Students Years 1 6 return to school
- Kindy starts
- Last Day of Term 1
- Staff Development Day
- Students return
- Last Day of Term 2
- Staff Development Day
- Students return
- Last Day of Term 3
- Students return Last day of Term 4 for students