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TERM 1 WEEK 8

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UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

Tuesday MAR 19: Social light Meeting 5pm in staffroom; UR Strong Parent and child online session Thursday 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

Friday APR 12: ANZAC service on zoom

Tuesday APR 2: Band workshop 4-7pm



Tuesday APR 2: Sydney North Area Swimming



Wednesday APR 3 - 7pm: Bushland Fair meeting Friday APR 5: School Disco

school calendar Link: https://hornsbyhts-p.schools.nsw. gov.au/school-calendar.html



ABOVE: The Chess Club meets every Tuesday at lunch in 3C.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

arent/Teacher interviews will be held this term at various times for each class. The dates and times available for each teacher/s will be displayed via the school interview booking system and will be different for each teacher based on their availability. You received information via Enews on how to log in and make an interview time. Please see the flyer again in this weeks Newsletter edition. Interviews will be held face to face at school in your child's classroom. Interviews are strictly 10 minutes. If you require more time with a particular teacher, please arrange a separate meeting by contacting your child's classroom teacher via Seesaw or telephoning the school on 9476-5133.

Staffing News

I wish to advise that I will be taking 15 weeks Long Service Leave for the whole of Term 3 and the first half of Term 4. An expression of interest to relieve in my position as principal will be organised by our

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network director Mr Adam Boulus closer to the date. This is the first opportunity I have had to take leave for many years, and during this time I will be supporting my family, one of whom is completing her HSC. I will miss the school incredibly and will be eager to return in Term 4 Week 6.

New School Behaviour Support Management Plan

Every school this year is writing a new School Behaviour Support and Management Plan. The plan will be renewed each year and displayed on our school website. The process of putting the plan together involved consultation sessions with our staff as well as the students where we have run several focus groups. The results of the student focus groups was published in last years Newsletter. We also had community involvement with our parent and community consultation process. Please see the below link to our School Behaviour Support Management Plan.

<u>LINK</u>

ANZAC DAY

Our ANZAC Day Ceremony will be held Friday 12 April via Zoom. This will be run by our School Captains and will feature a guest speaker for the Commemorative Address. The Zoom session will be open from 12.00pm. You can access the event via the link below. We thank Mr Young for organising this for us.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/64153055999?pw d=clFjRFEwS1FUVG12L2Yxc1V2SUludz09

Dance returns in Term 2

Dance2bfit will return to our school in Term 2 for our whole school dance program. The program is energetic, innovative and a fun way for our students to get fit learning the latest dance styles to popular music tracks.

Dance2bfit has been developed specifically for NSW Primary Schools under the PDHPE syllabus. The dance teachers will be preparing our students for a dance showcase towards the end of Term 2. Each class will learn a professionally choreographed dance routine suitable for their age and ability level as well as develop their confidence and skill in this area of the Creative Arts. Students will participate in 8 weekly dance lessons, plus a rehearsal and showcase performance.

The cost of this program is \$40.00 per student and was included in your school account. As this is a whole term program, there are no refunds for missed lessons.

Writing Survey

A focus this year at HHPS is driving writing improvement across the school using evidence based instruction and effective writing assessment and feedback. We would love to get some feedback about how our school community feels about writing by asking you to complete a quick survey via this link:

https://forms.gle/zKF20aq421SvtJYw5

<u>LINK</u>

Assemblies Are Back in Week 10 – School Hall

Our K-2 and 3-6 assemblies are starting again in Week 10! We are currently in Week 8.

K-2 Assemblies Every ODD week on a Thursday 2:30- 3:00pm

3-6 Assemblies Every **EVEN** Week on a Thursday 2:30- 3:00pm

Student Representative Council (SRC)

Congratulations to our SRC who have been voted into this position by their peers. They will take part in fortnightly SRC meetings and we know they will make us proud. In Week 11 K-2 will receive their badges and 3-6 will receive theirs in Week 10.

Bikes at School

Riding bikes to and from school (if old enough and responsible to do this) is a very healthy activity. We ask that all bike riders and their families please remain vigilant and as respectful as possible when sharing the footpath with others. The front of the school at pick up can become very congested and we all need to work together to ensure all are safe. The rule at HHPS is that students walk with their bike at the front of Somerville road so that all pedestrians are kept safe. Thank you for helping us with this.



By **KATRIN CORNELL** Hornsby Heights Public School PRINCIPAL



On Harmony Day, Thursday 21st we are asking everyone to wear an orange accessory, the colour symbol for respect and freedom of ideas. A ribbon, socks, scarf, wristband or hat would be suitable. School uniforms are still to be worn however the addition of a little bit of orange will show support for the message that "Everyone belongs".





Hornsby Heights Public School Parent/Teacher Interviews Term 1 2024

Parent/Teacher Interviews Term 1

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held this term at various times for each class between Week 10 & 11 between Tuesday 2 April and Thursday 11 April. The dates and times available for each teacher/s will be displayed via the school interview booking system and will be different for each teacher based on their availability. Interviews will be held face to face at school in your child's classroom.

Interviews are strictly 10 minutes. If you require more time with a particular teacher, please arrange a separate meeting by contacting your child's classroom teacher via Seesaw or telephoning the school on 9476-5133.

Booking Information:

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code dntfd



Enter your details



Select the teacher/s you wish to see



Select the appointment time/s that suit your family best

When you click FINISH your selected bookings will be emailed to you immediately. If you do not receive your email, please check your junk-mail, or enter the event code again and check your email address spelling. Update your details if the email address is incorrect. DO NOT DELETE the email you receive. Keep it somewhere safe. You may need to refer back to it at a later date.

REMEMBER TO ADD YOUR APPOINTMENTS TO YOUR CALENDAR - reminders will not be sent home.

Bookings must be finalised by Wednesday 27 March at 3pm.

If you need to view, cancel, change or print your bookings:

- Click on the link in the confirmation email you received after you made your bookings
- OR return to <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> and enter the code and the email address you used when making your bookings.

Katrin Cornell Principal



RUGBY LEAGUE



By **VANESSA SAKAJANI** Hornsby Heights Public School SPORTS COORDINATOR



one Sport trials are well on their way, and we would like to congratulate our students who were selected to represent our zone at the Sydney North Trials. Congratulations to: Milo F., Luke H. and Ethan R., selected for boys AFL Madeleine S., selected for girls Basketball. Joshua L. for Under 11s Rugby League and Thomas H. and Lachlan H. for Open Rugby League

Shout out to our Junior girls swimming relay team, coming third in the Zone Swimming Carnival and just missing out on a place to swim at Area: Matilda H., Jacinta F., Amy C. and Isla Z.

It's such an achievement to be selected to represent Hornsby Zone, with students from 14 other schools within our zone all striving to do their best. Congratulations!

2024 GIRLS SKELLERN P

n Wednesday 6 March (Stage 2) and Thursday 7 March (Stage 3), HHPS girls attended the Skellern Cup at North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA), where they played mini games of Soccer throughout the day in a fun competitive atmosphere. It was the biggest tournament yet, with over 900 students participating across the 2 days. It was wonderful to see such a high participation rate by our girls, and we are very proud of the teamwork and sportsmanship shown by everyone. A big thank you to Mrs Commisso, Mr Young, Mr Claydon and Ms Love for taking the girls across the two days.













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STAGE





INTERNATIONAL DAY OF MATHEMATICS

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







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AUDITION

All Year 5 and 6 students are eligible to join the Media Team which will meeting 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.



EDIA TEAM

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, 2 April



THE Chess Club

Highly accomplished chess player and awesome teacher Mr Claydon holds the Chess Club in 3C at lunch time every Tuesday. There are many chess sets and also timers.

Today more than 20 students attended and the number of interested members keeps growing.

Come and be part of the fun.











ECO GARDEN UPDATE CHICKEN HOLIDAY MINDING



By **LAUREN GIAQUINTO** Hornsby Heights Public School TEACHER

e are looking for families who would like to host the chickens during the April school holidays. This involves the chickens coming to live in your backyard in their own portable coop, daily feeding, collecting the eggs and lots of pats and cuddles! If you are interested, please contact Julie (ecogardenhhps@ gmail.com) for more information.

Class Eco Garden Sessions

Throughout the year, all classes have the opportunity to engage in cooking and gardening experiences in our wonderful Eco Garden! These sessions are run by parent volunteers from the Eco Garden Committee and assist in developing the students' knowledge of gardening, composting, animal care and handling, cooking, and learning where our food comes from. Kindergarten have already spent some time exploring the amazing garden!

The Green Team is back!

Thank you to all those students who have joined the 2024 Green Team! The Green Team met for the first time last Tuesday and and will continue to meet each Tuesday at lunch time (first break). Throughout the year the Green Team will be working hard maintaining our Eco Garden area by conducting gardening, weeding, watering, composting and much more! Thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers for running these sessions.

Egg Lotto paused!

Currently the chickens are not laying so Egg Lotto will be paused until further notice.

Want to know more?

Our Eco Garden is a very special place. It is highly regarded amongst the school and wider community and is many students favourite part of HHPS! We would not be able to maintain the gardens, care for the chickens, and run the amazing class sessions without the help from our family members and volunteers. The Eco Garden Committee is always looking for additional helpers and welcomes all families to be involved in any capacity. If you would like to be involved or find out more please contact Julie at ecogardenhhps@ gmail.com. Stay tuned for more information about our Zoom committee meetings!





PRAYOR ROUDO

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By FELICITY T. & OLIVIA L. Hornsby Heights Public School STUDENTS

ames Club is an astonishing place to be for a little break and just a relaxing lunch time play area. Games Club is also a safe and calm place to go if you're sad or mad.

There are so many fantastic and amusing games to play at Games Club such as monkey chains, magnetic tiles, lego, uno and a bunch of building games for little engineers. You and I both know that if you get in to an awful fight you can go to Games Club and the teachers there will always try to make you feel better and those teachers are Mrs Callow, Mrs Martin and Mrs Wood. Games Club is held near the hall under the cola it is on lunch times Monday to Friday.

Games Club is the perfect place for you to go see you next lunch time at Games Club.







































THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2024

Families are invited to join us for the Easter Hat Parade in the 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.

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!

till you

P&C School Club



Dates for 2024

TERM 1

Tuesday 30 January 2024	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 31 January 2024	Staff Development Day
Thursday 1 February 2024	Students Years 1 - 6 return to school
Tuesday 6 February 2024	Kindy starts
Friday 12 April 2024	Last Day of Term 1

TERM 2

Monday 29 April 2024	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 30 April 2024	Students return
Friday 5 July 2024	Last Day of Term 2

TERM 3

Monday 22 July 2024	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 23 July 2024	Students return
Friday 27 September 2024	Last Day of Term 3

TERM 4

Monday 14 October 2024	Students return
Wednesday 18 December 2024	Last day of Term 4 for students



GET SET HHPS!

The Bushland Fair is back for 2024!

We hope to build on the success of the 2022 fair and we'd love your input.

Join us for our first official meeting on Wednesday April 3 at 7pm in the School Staffroom. Please note that this is in lieu of the normal P&C meeting. If you have any questions, please direct them to this year's Fair Coordinator, James Thomas.

Hope to see you there!

Kind Regards,

JAMES THOMAS

P&C President EMAIL: hhpsbushlandfair@gmail.com



TUNING IN TO KIDS Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

Would you like to learn how to:

- improve communication and connection with your child?
- better understand your child?
- help your child and yourself learn to recognise and manage your emotions?

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence. Children with higher emotional intelligence:

- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- are more likely to feel closer to their parents and willing to share their emotions
- are more resilient
- have better concentration at school
- can easier regulate their emotions

Suitable for parents/carers of children aged 1-12 years

When:	Tuesdays 10am-12pm, 7 th May – 11 th June, 2024
Where:	Mission Australia. Level 1, 1 Coronation St. Hornsby 2077
To register	northernsydneyservices@missionaustralia.com.au or
please contact:	dominguezs@missionaustralia.com.au

For more Info, contact us!

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NORMANHURST BOYS HIGH SCHOOL



Open Day For Prospective Year 7 2026/2027 Families

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

54-72 Pennant Hills Road, Normanhurst, NSW 2076 Web: Address: +61 2 94891077 Fax: +61 2 94895722 Phone:

Fostering excellence in young men through holistic education

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/

Email:

normanhurstboys.nsw.edu.au office@normanhurstboys.nsw.edu.au