Hannans Road - Learning for Life

Thursday 30 April

HRPS Remembers The Fallen

Thank you for a fitting tribute to our service men and women at our ANZAC ceremony on Friday. Our families were most generous in acknowledging the occasion with flowers and their attendance. I would like to thank Miss Roe and our school leaders for the respectful and thoughtful way in which they conducted this event. HRPS students were also represented at the large ceremony held in conjunction with the Lantern Club in Roselands (see photos).

Staffing News

As noted in the previous Newsletter HRPS is growing and we have received an additional classroom teacher entitlement which will be used to establish an additional Stage 2 class. The Department of Education and Communities may choose to appoint a permanent teacher to fill this vacancy permanently, however in the interim I am very happy to say Ms Phoebe O’Reilly has been temporarily appointed to teach this class. Ms O’Reilly is very familiar with our school and is excited about leading 3/4O. The addition of this class will result in some student movement in years 2, 3 and 4 and a reduction in class sizes. As well as improved student/teacher ratios HRPS will be in a strong position to receive any further students as the year progresses.

Ms Comerford will be taking long service leave for the remainder of the year from Week 9 this term. We wish her well with her time away and are currently going through a selection process to identify a suitable teacher to temporarily engage in her absence.
**Expectation: Encouragement**

What does encouragement look like?
- Accepting others
- Acknowledging those who are trying their best
- Celebrating the success of our friends and peers

That’s what we expect from everyone at Hannans Road.

**BYOD Survey**

This year we will be introducing a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy which will enable students to bring electronic devices such as iPads to school to support their learning. The first stage in this program is the gathering of survey information which will inform the policy. Please complete the survey and return it with your views to help us determine the best way to bring more learning tools to our classrooms.

**Skool Bag App**

HRPS uses the Skool Bag App to inform parents of school matters and events. The App can be downloaded onto any smart phone free of charge. Simply search for 'Hannans Road' in your App store to download and keep in touch.

**NAPLAN Testing**

Annual NAPLAN testing will be conducted in Week 4 from Tuesday May 12 – Friday May 15 according to the following timetable:

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NAPLAN tests are part of a national testing system which provides teachers, parents and the community with information about student achievement in key learning areas. If your child is going to be absent for any of the tests please advise the school beforehand so we can make arrangements for follow up test days. Testing due to absence can only occur on or before Friday May 15. Good luck to all students.
Stewart House (Reminder)

Every year HRPS supports Stewart House through a donation drive. As part of the donation drive we will be sending home an envelope to collect the suggested $2 donation. Everyone donating goes into the draw for a $4,000 family holiday. Good luck with your entry and thank you for supporting Stewart House.

Parent Workshops

Starting next Monday we will be running a series of Literacy and Numeracy workshops. Miss Roe and our Instructional Leader Ms Crowhurst will give parents insights into how students learn Literacy and Numeracy skills. As a result of attending these workshops parents will be well placed to support student learning success. If you are interested in attending please meet Miss Roe at KR at 3.40 on Monday.

Opportunity Class Testing

Students in Year 4 are able to apply for entry into Year 5 2016 Opportunity Classes. All applications are online via this link: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement). Applications close on 15 May and late applications cannot be accepted. Testing is conducted on 22 July for those who have completed the application. Information booklets are available in the front office if needed.

Where's Oscar?

Oscar has been fighting wind and rain in his travels but has hidden himself again. If you know where Oscar is hiding, fill in the slip below and return it to the box in the office. The first winning entry selected will win $2 to spend at the school canteen. So, do you know where Oscar is?

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I think Oscar is________________________

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Have a great week!

Dan Sprange
Principal