

What's on Term 4, 2012

Upper Hunter Community Services Inc.

Below are dates that we are holding Parent groups across the Muswellbrook and Upper Hunter areas.

All programs are free of charge and childcare is available.
Bookings essential.

Date/Time	Event	Other information
Thursdays 18 th Oct – 8 th Nov 9.30am -11.30am 15 th Nov -29 th Dec	→ Triple P Group 4 weeks x 2hr session → Followed by 3 weeks x 15min phone call	Venue: QEII Building CNR Market & Bridge St's Muswellbrook.
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Wednesdays 10.30am- 12noon 24 th Oct, 31 st Oct & 7 th Nov	→ Triple P Seminar The power of positive parenting. Raising confident, competent children. Raising resilient children.	Venue: Hunter Park Family Centre, Wollombi Road, Muswellbrook.
Wed 21 st Nov 9.30-2.00pm Thurs 22 nd Nov 9.30-2.00pm	→ 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching Engaging Adolescents	Venue: Aberdeen Public School.
Friday 30 th Nov 9.30am- 2.00pm Friday 7 th Dec 9.30am-2.00pm	→ 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching Engaging Adolescents	Venue: Muswellbrook Public School.

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Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.

You can learn all the simple steps on how to teach a learner driver at a **FREE** two hour workshop.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

TIME & DATE:	VENUE:	BOOK NOW ON:
Tuesday 4 December 2012 6.00pm - 8.00pm	Police & Citizens Youth Club Cnr Carl St & Market Lane Muswellbrook	4925 4200 enrolments@weahunter.com.au

Helping learner drivers become safe drivers

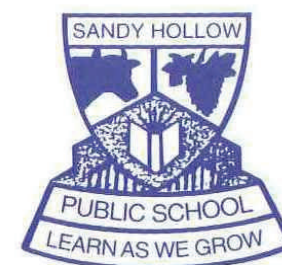


Additions and Attachments

- ♦ Yabbie races flyer.



Wayne Forbes, one of our prac teachers from Newcastle University, working with students in the K/1 room.



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"Creating Future Leaders"

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28th November, 2012

School Captain Speeches

Congratulations to all students who presented their speeches at assembly on Friday. It was quite evident that everyone thought long and hard about what it really means to be a school captain. Voting took place later in the day, with the results being kept under wraps until Presentation Night. Good luck to all nominees.

Geoff Meyers Visit

Last Friday, we had a visit from Geoff Meyers. He is from the local area and has spent many years researching the histories of the 104 original families that settled in the area. Geoff has recently updated his book - Under the Shadow of Mt Dangar, and he has kindly donated a copy to our school library. We would like to make this book available to the community in the new year. Please contact the school if you are interested in borrowing the book.

Year 6 Farewell

Invitations have now gone out to all families and members of staff. Menu orders need to be returned to the school by the RSVP date of Friday 7th December. People are asked to indicate a main course only, as entrees and dessert will be supplied by the caterers. Thank you to Mrs Harris and Ms Higgins for co-ordinating this event.

Library Books

Students and parents are asked to please return all library books this week.

Thank you

Mrs Parker - Librarian

DATES TO REMEMBER

Rotary Dinner for Yr 6 at Denman RSL
6.30pm Wed 28th Nov

Farm Safety Day at Martindale
Tues 4th Dec

Presentation Night Wed 5th Dec
6 for 6.30pm

Year 6 Farewell dinner at school
6.30pm Wed 12th Dec

Canteen Monday 3rd Dec - Nicola Field
Monday 10th Dec - Katie McLean

Next Toybox - Mon 3rd December

Claim the Date

Swim School begins Thurs 6th Dec
Church service & String Quartet

Senior Citizens concert at RSL Tues 11th Dec
Disco at school Wed 12th Dec
Fri 14th Dec

Reports

At this stage, reports are on track and should be sent home at the end of week 9.

A reminder that Mrs Parker will be taking leave at the end of term, so if you wish to speak to her regarding your child's progress, she will only be available on Monday afternoon (10th December) and Tuesday morning (11th December). We apologise if this causes any inconvenience to parents.

Presentation Night

Our annual Presentation Night will be held next Wednesday 5th December. All students are reminded that they will need to wear full school uniform.

The bus will run early that day, leaving school at 1.15pm, to ensure all students have time to get ready and be back to start at 6.00pm.

All families are asked to bring a plate to share at the conclusion of the formal part of the evening.

School Disco

The P&C are running a disco at the end of term. It will be held on Friday 14th December, starting at approximately 12.30pm. The theme is Christmas, so students are encouraged to dress up in their best Christmas outfits. All students are asked to bring some party food to share.



Student of the Week



Chelsea Borradaile - citizenship

Weekly Awards

- ♦ Apryl Cotter - working well in all areas.
- ♦ Tylana Cox - fantastic effort identifying sound of the week.
- ♦ Mia Gillespie - improvement in reading.
- ♦ Isabella Wallace - reading.
- ♦ Nicholas Terrell - a great effort in PE.

Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Harmony Blackhurst and Natasha Marsh.

3/4/5/6 - Max Lundie, Simon Budden, Codi Marsh and Katie Pike.

Canteen Notice

Cheese and bacon rolls - 50c
These must be sold by the end of the year, and they will not be on next years canteen menu.

Thank you - Katie McLean
Canteen Co-ordinator

Kindergarten Orientation

We have thoroughly enjoyed having Lucas, Rowdy, Kallie, Riley, Angel, Steven and Bill with us at school over the last eight weeks. Each of the children have grown in confidence since starting the Kindergarten Orientation Programme.

This was our last day together for this year. We are looking forward to having the children with us every day next year. We would like to thank Mrs Smith for guiding the children through their activities during the first three weeks of the term and Mrs Eveleigh for her guidance over the last five weeks. Thank you also to the wonderful buddies Chelsea, Hugh, Georgie, Simon, Taylor, Amelia, Luke and Sebastian for their continual help and support over the past eight weeks.



Our new Kinders enjoying a story with Mrs Eveleigh.

Peer Support

Our last Peer Support session was held today as we all came together to focus on "following Instructions". After this, once again our group leaders led the children through four different activities encouraging them to use the social skills they have learnt throughout the term.

We would like to again thank the buddies for carrying out their duties as peer support



group leaders.

It would be wonderful if you could please continue to reinforce these social skills over the holiday if the situation arises. They are:

- ♦ Listening,
- ♦ Using nice talk and saying please,
- ♦ Asking for help and saying thank you,
- ♦ Ignoring,
- ♦ Trying when it's hard,
- ♦ Interrupting and
- ♦ Following instructions.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Pauline Bullock
Kindergarten Teacher

Following Directions

Listen - review listening

Think about it - remind the children to think about what is being said.

Ask if needed - encourage children to ask questions about anything they don't understand.

Do it.