

P & C NEWS

At our last meeting held on 15th March, Leanne Pike and Vanessa Harper were elected in to be our fundraiser co-ordinators. Congratulations, we are sure you will do a fantastic job! If anyone has any ideas to raise some money to benefit our school and children please see Leanne or Vanessa and they will bring the information to our meetings. Please read the minutes from the meeting that will be sent to you so you will know what we discussed. A lot of great ideas were put forward by committee members, parents and people in the community. Watch this space....

Jeannie Harris
Secretary

From the Canteen Co-ordinator

There will be a new canteen roster, and also a new canteen menu coming out for term 2, both of which will go home before the end of term. During Term 2, there will 2 Tuesdays of canteen. Tuesday 24th April and Tuesday 12 June.

**"It's on again!!"**
bigger and better!
LEGO DISPLAY
Saturday, 14th & Sunday, 15th April • 10am-4pm
Visitors & Locals All Welcome • \$10 per family
At Tomaree Education Centre (MPC)
Salamander Way, Salamander Bay
Lots of displays for boys & girls Free play area & video tutorials
Lions Club BBQ Action Club Refreshments
Matchbox/Hot Wheels Collection
www.baybrick.com.au for more info

Newcastle Knights Holiday Clinic

Come along and participate whilst having fun learning new Rugby League Skills on the Stadium. Please register below online or print and complete the registration form at the bottom of the page.

Date: Wednesday 11th April 2012

Time: Mini's (6 to 9 years) 9.30am - 12noon

Mod's (10 to 12 years) 1pm - 3.30pm

Location: Hunter Stadium

Cost: \$40

Closing Date: 5pm Thursday 5th April or when clinic registrations reach 600. **Please note no football boots are to be worn. This is for children aged from 6 to 12. If you are not turning 6 before the 31st December 2012 you are not allowed to participate.**

Please go to the Newcastle Knights Website to register: <http://www.newcastleknights.com.au/default.aspx?s=holiday-clinics>

Kind Regards,

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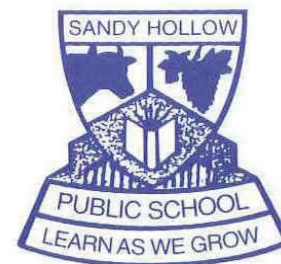
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Additions and Attachments

- ♦ Minutes of P&C meeting held 15th March.
- ♦ Some P&C receipts.
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21st March 2012

Cassilis Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who battled the heat, the hills, the rocks and the gigantic ants at the Cassilis Cross Country last Friday. It was pleasing to see everyone participating and trying to do their best. Congratulations to all students who gained either a first, second or third place. There was some tough competition across all age groups this year. Thank you to the parents who transported students and helped with supervision on the day. Thank you to Paul Higgins for helping out as a 'watcher' on the track. Thank you also to Mrs Parker, who even though did not attend the day, spent many hours organising our participation in this event.

Bursting With Energy Expo

All students have been invited to attend the Bursting With Energy Expo being held at Muswellbrook Show on Friday. The excursion has been fully sponsored by Mangoola Mine, so students attend for free. Permission notes are due back at school on Thursday. Any student who does not return their permission note will remain at school with a member of staff.

Life Education Visit

Next week we will be visited by Healthy Harold. The students will be involved with personal development and health lessons based on a variety of topics including bullying, friendships, keeping safe and healthy eating. The cost of the program is \$2 per student. The cost has been kept to a minimum due to sponsorship from Mount Arthur Coal Mine. A shop will operate on the day. Students are asked to pre-order their merchandise. Orders and money will be collected by teachers in the morning, with students receiving orders before the end of the school day. Purchasing merchandise is optional.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Questacon at Upper Hunter Show
Fri 23rd Mar

Healthy Harold Wed 28th Mar

Pet Care Visit Fri 30th Mar

Excursion 1st Installment Due
Fri 30th Mar

Canteen Monday 26th March
Lyric Anderson and Annita Hinze
Monday 2nd April - Vanessa Harper

Next Toybox - Monday 26th March

Claim the Date

Photos	Mon 14th May
Pittman Cup	Wed 30th May
Trivia Night	Sat 23rd June

Trivia Night - Reminder



will be held at
Baerami Hall
on Saturday 24th March
6.30pm for a 7pm sharp start
\$10 per person tables of 8
byo drinks & nibbles
for more info or to book a table
PH: Michelle 65475058

SRC Easter Raffle

The SRC are once again running an Easter Raffle. They would like all families to donate an Easter egg for the prize pool. The number of prizes will be determined by the amount of Easter goodies donated. Raffle tickets will be sent home this week. The raffle will be drawn at a special assembly being held on Tuesday 3rd April at 2pm.

SRC Easter Hat Parade

The SRC are also holding an Easter hat parade on Tuesday 3rd April, starting at 2pm. All students are encouraged to be creative as possible. There will be prizes for the best Easter hats for each year level. This year, there will also be a preschool section, for younger students. The P&C have agreed to supply book prizes for the winners of each year category.

Invermein Meeting

Today I am attending the Upper Hunter Teaching Principals Network meeting. I will be replaced by Miss Cavalot.

Long Service Leave

I will be on long service leave Monday and Tuesday next week. To ensure that the consistency in the classroom, I will be replaced by Miss Cavalot.

Sporting Houses Survey

A survey will be sent home this week to determine future directions for Pittman Cup. A decision needs to be made regarding whether the students participate as a whole team or in two house teams. We also need to clarify the uniform they will wear. There will be a small reward for those families who return their surveys.

Auditions – Hunter School of Performing Arts

Auditions for students in years 2 – 11 wishing to gain a place at the Hunter School of Performing Arts are now open. Applications will be accepted up until 15th June. Please contact the school if you have any inquiries.

Christina Darlington
Relieving Principal

Weekly Awards

- ♦ Emily Pike - excellent transformation in AL.
- ♦ Clever transformation in AL.
- ♦ Jacob Marsh - excellent recall of sounds.
- ♦ Jackson Whalan - improvement in all areas of literacy.
- ♦ Sam Thompson - a responsible member of our class and displaying a caring attitude towards the younger children.
- ♦ Matthew Allen - using the sounds we have covered to write little words.

Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Ayden Marsh and Hollie Gee.
3/4/5/6 - Max Lundie, Luke Sheen, Nickolas Roberts, Corey Parkinson.

Student of the Week



Nicholas Terrell - a reliable member of the school community.

**PLEASE RETURN GREEN PUPIL
RECORD & CONSENT FORMS
ASAP**

What is Happening in K/1/2

All the children should be very proud of themselves for both their individual achievement at the cross country on Friday and their behaviour. The training around the oval was beneficial as all the children who were able to travel to Cassilis, completed the race with wonderful results:

Darcy Wallace 1st, 5 year boys; Andrew Harris 1st, 6 years boys; Dustynn Turner 3rd, 7 years boys; Harmony Blackhurst 2nd, 8 years; Sam Thompson 2nd, 8 years.

In the classroom the children have continued to work very well as we progress through the term. Kindergarten sounds and sight work knowledge is very impressive. The children enjoy using the interactive white board to complete a variety of activities on each new sound and sight word. Year One students are building on their confidence as writers.

Each afternoon Year Two joins us for our afternoon lessons, one of which is Road Safety. We began this unit last week and our focus this term is Pedestrian Safety.

The content that will be taught includes;

- ♦ Being safe in the traffic environment,
- ♦ Safe crossing procedures.

This programme was written by the eight small schools in the area, for our specific road safety needs. Therefore the programme will have relevance for the children.

In visual art we are also studying the painting “Bailed Up”, by Tom Roberts, just like the older students. We have learnt when, where and how this was painted. Now, the children are endeavouring to reproduce the artwork, by using a variety of brush strokes and techniques. We are hoping that someone’s is chosen to be in the Denman display.

Pauline Bullock
Class Teacher

Pet Care Visit

Next Friday (30th March) all students will once again participate in a pet care visit. We will be visited by a veterinarian assistant who will talk about caring for our pets at home. This program was quite successful last year.

More Cross Country Results

Tylana Cox 3rd, 9 year girls; Angus Higgins 3rd, 9 year boys; Amy Thompson 2nd, 9 year girls; Connor Hodder 3rd, 10 year boys; Hugh Higgins 1st, 11 year boys; Mathew Wright-Riley 3rd, 13 year boys. Congratulations everyone, well done!



Warming up!



Phew!! Made it!! Tylana Cox crosses the line.