What’s On at Hastings  …  Week 3 of Term 2

Monday, 12th
• Speechcraft - 3:30pm
• Uniform Shop open 2:30pm to 3pm

Tuesday, 13th
• NAPLAN Writing – Year 3 and Year 5
• Canteen Committee Meeting
• Active After School program – Gymnastics

Wednesday, 14th
• CLOSING DATE all Canberra payments & notes due
• NAPLAN Reading/Language – Year 3 and Year 5
• School Council Meeting
• P&C Meeting

Thursday, 15th
• NAPLAN Numeracy – Year 3 and Year 5
• Student Banking
• Active After School program - Basketball
• Uniform Shop open 2:30pm to 3pm

Friday, 16th
• Uniform Shop open 8:30am to 9:30am
• CLOSING DATE Year 5, 2015 OC Applications
• Kinder Bus Safety Talks & Tour
• Boys & Girls LNC Touch Football Trials
• CLOSING DATE Stewart House Donation Drive

HASTINGS HAPPENINGS

Respect - Responsibility - Initiative - Resilience
Commitment - Courage - Achievement

GREAT PARENTAL SUPPORT
Thanks to the following parents and staff who gave up part of their Sunday last weekend (and helped raise $750.00 for P&C) to act as officials for the Port Macquarie Ironman:

Georgia Cummins, Xanthe Burke, Julie Beard, Craig Suosaari, Pat & Mary Grant, Ian Draper, Naomi Turner, Noni & Nev Collins, Mel & Leigh Partington, Graeme Henry, Melanie Knott, Pauline Thomas, Grant Heaton and Gail Martin.

SOME PARENTS LETTING US DOWN – AGAIN!
This topic has been raised previously but the car park at the Waniora Shopping Centre is not a public one. It is designated for customers using the centre. We have received communication from one of the shop owners asking for help as they have a number of aged and frail clients who are unable to obtain a parking spot, especially around 3pm. If you use this area to park please use the shops and also supervise children carefully as it was reported a near miss was observed with a child almost being knocked over walking through the car park.
ICAS TESTS
Our popular ICAS tests will be held on the following dates this year:

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Entries have now closed for all competitions but online practice is available for science, maths and English at [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online). There is a $5 fee for each practice option.

MEETINGS - PARENTS WELCOME

**Canteen** ...  All canteen volunteers are welcome to the Canteen committee meeting to be held in Mr Heaton’s office next Tuesday at 2:15pm.

**P&C** ...  The May meeting of the P&C will be held next Wednesday. This is a variation from the usual third Wednesday of the month. Bec Burton and her team look forward to seeing another strong roll-up. All parents are welcome - 7:30pm in the staffroom.

STUDENT PAYMENTS
A request from the office is to please send your child’s payments in to their class teacher separately not as a whole family payment. We appreciate families are busy and it is not always possible to separate payments but our office caters for over 600 students and at times we are collecting payments for up to six various activities. Money is collected in class each morning and sent to the office to be marked off the class list and receipted. If we come across sibling payments in a Kinder envelope we then have to find the envelope/s for the sibling/s to mark them off their class list. *An exception to this is if you are paying by eftpos and need to swipe your card.*

All payments should be secured in an envelope clearly labelled with your child’s name, class, the amount enclosed and what the payment is for.

P&C MOTHERS DAY STALL
Thanks to the following mothers who helped wrap gifts and/or gave up their Wednesday morning coordinating our Mothers Day Stall: Roslyn Brockhouse, Bec Burton, Xanthe Burke, Michelle Delaney, Michelle Jordan, Lisa Carter, Annie McIntyre, Naomi Turner and Kate Tanner.

We are sure all our mums will enjoy Sunday morning’s early wake-up call by their excited children wanting to show mum the gift they purchased!

CANTEEN MENU

**Off**  Fried Rice is no longer available. Please scratch it off your menus.

**On**  A new lunch order item for winter is ...  **Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender Wraps**! The chicken is coated in a very mild sweet chilli crumb, add melted cheese and rolled in a small wrap and sells for $2.50. Staff were the taste testers for this earlier in the week and the verdict – YUM!

SCHOOL BAND
All Band students, who bring their instruments to school, are asked to please attach a key tag to the outside of their instrument case which clearly shows their name. It’s OK to still have a unique piece of string etc. for identification but that doesn’t help if we are looking for a particular guitar in a black case when it is one of 10 in the back room.

LIBRARY TIMETABLE CHANGES
Term 2 has seen changes to the Library timetable. Classes 2G & 2P now have Library on Thursdays and classes 2C and 2M have Library on Wednesdays. Students are reminded to bring their library bag as

**No Bag = No Borrowing!**
KINDERGARTEN 2015

We have our 2014 Kinders settled and now we start planning for 2015! If you have a child starting Kinder next year please complete the slip at the end of the newsletter and return to the Office as soon as possible. Alternatively, if you know any eligible families who are not yet connected with our school, it would be appreciated if this message could be passed on.

Families living outside our school zone, including families with children already at Hastings, must complete an Out of Zone application which can be picked up from the Office.

BOYS NIGHT (Locked) IN

Our Boys Night In is an overnight camp (the school gates are locked) for the boys of Hastings, their dad, brother/s, grandfather/s, uncle/s and male cousin/s and is a great way to meet the male relatives of your son’s classmates or catch up with friends, under the stars, in front of the campfire, telling jokes, throwing gumboots or spotlighting in the rainforest. This year demonstrations from Port Macquarie SES and Fire Brigade are also planned. Cost is only $10.00 per camper ($25 for family of 3) or $5.00 per non camper and includes a BBQ dinner. On Sunday morning the girls of the family are invited to join you for breakfast (with the hidden agenda of helping you pack up)! Don’t leave it till the last minute to buy your ticket as you may be disappointed!

STEWART HOUSE

Each year 1800 public school children in need go to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle. Children in the care of Stewart House attend a specific purpose school onsite for 8 days of their 12 day stay. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All other costs associated with the children’s stay are met from charitable donations.

A Donation Drive envelope has been sent home today, one to each family. Your donation of $2.00 or more will see you entered into the draw for a chance to win a $4,000 family holiday to a destination of your choice. All donations must be received back at school by next Friday, 16th May. Stewart House needs your support to ensure they can continue to provide important services to children.

HASTINGS HEADLINES

Congratulations to Dan Voltz (Jacqueline’s dad) and Todd Cockshutt (Alani’s dad) who blitzed last Sunday’s Iron Man coming in 210th and 287th respectively. In a field of almost 1500 competitors these are remarkable results for our two fathers competing in their first Iron Man event. (Not bad for old blokes!). Also congratulations to Mel Cockshutt on her outstanding coaching achievement where her 14 charges, including Dan and Todd, all finished.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Term 2’s Active After School program starts next week and will run Tuesday and Thursday afternoons till the end of term (7 weeks). As stated on the expression of interest note all notes that indicated the student would like to participate on Tuesday or both days were placed in a box and 25 names were drawn out then all notes indicating Thursday or both days were placed in the box with another 25 names drawn out. We had another overwhelming response for both days and unfortunately many missed out but the program will run again in Term 3. A reminder for all participants to:

- wear appropriate clothing and footwear (bring a change of clothes to change into);
- meet Mrs Haldane under the COLA at 3:10pm;
- and parents are asked to be prompt in picking up their child at 4:10pm.
**Sports Updates**

**Kilometre Club**

Kilometre Club is off and running this term and it has been fantastic to see so many boys, girls, mums and dads participating. It really is a wonderful atmosphere, with everyone having fun while improving their fitness.

Collectively we are running just over 500km per day which has seen us already run from Port Macquarie to Cooktown in the north of Queensland and are on our way to the Northern Territory in our quest to run around Australia! Many children are striving to run a marathon (42 kilometres) over the five week period.

Thank you to all the teachers and parents who are volunteering each morning to man the recording table. It has been a great team effort! With the Cross Country carnival on Monday, 19th May we are sure to have some great results!

**Hockey**

Congratulations to Jesse Beard, Oliver Harris and Charlie Martin who have been selected in the Boys LNC Hockey team which will compete in the regional trials at Grafton on Monday week.

Tegan Mainey was selected in the girls LNC team and will also travel to Grafton on Monday, 19th.

Good luck, everyone!

**PSSA Soccer**

The first round of the PSSA Football (Soccer) knockout was played yesterday between Hastings and Westport Public School. The boys and girls of Hastings battled bravely and tried their best.

**Boys**

Jamarra Moran, Lachlan Clyne, Charlie Martin, Joni Ransley, Alex O'Shea-Accuri, Callum Barlow, Andrew Walton, Jack Higgins, Aidan Dunk, Chris Derwent, Towa Henry, Aidan Mainey, Brodie Knott and Taj Pryce-Boylan narrowly won 2-1 and will now play Tacking Point in the next round.

**Girls**

Joni Ransley, Alani Cockshutt, Miren Davies, Elise Burke, Cassie Hoy, Robyn Grant, Sierra Cummins, Lacy Coleman, Georgia Alexander, Georgia Williams, Jake Inkinen, Zita Overton and Victoria Cavallo fought hard but unfortunately went down 5-0.

Thank you to the parents who assisted with transport and cheered on both teams.

**Stage 2 Sport**

Our formal sporting activities for Stage 2 (Year 3 and Year 4) students recommences next Wednesday. Students leaving school by bus will need hats and water bottles.
### INFANTS ASSEMBLY ... Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> May

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### PRIMARY ASSEMBLY ... Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May

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### TEXTBOOK / PAPER LEVIES

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### SMILEY AWARD

- **Miah Noble** 4W

### SPORTS

- **Frederick Morris** 3/4J

### AWARDS

- **Robyn Grant** 6S
WHAT PARENTS CAN DO AT HOME TO HELP WITH ARITHMETIC

• Play board games such as ‘snakes and ladders’ with two dice and encourage your child to add the two numbers rolled. Show them how to count starting from the larger number.

• Share fruit such as mandarins with your child and add the number of pips you both have.

• Ask your child to help you work out how many more items are needed when you are shopping. "I have six apples here, how many more will I get to make 10?"

• Look at house numbers when going for a walk. Ask your child to guess what the next number will be.

• Play card games such as '21 or bust'. In this game, two cards are dealt to each player, who adds the numbers together. Each player may ask for more cards from the ‘kitty’, with the aim of being the person with the highest score that does not go over 21.

• Set the table for one person and ask your child to put out enough plates for everyone. Ask them how many more are needed.

• Count the number of eggs in a carton, and again after some have been removed. Ask your child, "How many were taken away?"

• Read a book that has a contents page to your child. Look for a story or chapter on a certain page and work out how many pages until the next story.

• Use empty plastic bottles and a ball to make a game of skittles. Encourage your child to tell you how many were knocked down and how many are still standing after bowling. Keep a score of how many are knocked down to see who the winner is.

• Sing songs that include numbers. Ask your child to tell you the next number in the song before you sing the next verse.

• Go for a drive and point out the signs that show the distance to the next town. In the country, the numbers on the kilometre signs go down by five. Ask your child to work out what number will be on the next sign.

• Have your child help share out food to the family. "How many slices will I need to cut the pizza into so that everyone has two slices?"

• Ask your child to share out items fairly with others.

• Count the number of things in a collection such as shells in a bag or a large jar of buttons. Ask your child if there is a quick and easy way of counting, say counting by fives.

• Decorate cupcakes with sultanas or smarties. Place the same number of sultanas or smarties on each cake and ask your child to find out how many you will need altogether.

• Count the number of ice cubes in a tray. If your child counts by ones suggest counting by the number in each row of the tray. (This will usually be counting by twos.)
PAYMENTS

Student’s Name: ____________________________________________
Class: _______

Amount: _______________ Being for: _____________________________________________

CARD NUMBER

EXPIRY DATE __________ CCV __________

To help the family budget we encourage all families to make small, regular payments. We find by paying $5.00 or so each week quickly adds up. For your convenience a credit payment slip is above. Credit payments over the phone are also accepted.

School Fees
Thank you to everyone who has returned their school fee payments. All money received from school fees goes towards the purchase of art & craft supplies, math & science games and equipment, Home Readers, first aid supplies and classroom resources including stickers and stamps – all the little extra things that are used every day!

Textbook / Paper Levies
A reminder to all families textbook and/or paper levies should now be finalised. School policy states students with outstanding textbook and/or paper levies will be excluded from extra curricula activities including excursions, sports gala days and carnivals, visiting performances etc. until their account is paid. Parents experiencing financial difficulties are asked to contact the office.

Year 6 Canberra
Full payment is due this coming Wednesday, 14th May

Year 4 Point Wolstoncroft
Wednesday, 29th to Friday, 31st October. Official notes will not go home until the end of Term 2 / early Term 3 but to give parents a start camp costs this year are $310.00 per child.

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA
ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY – 2014

Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability. We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability. The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students. All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government’s Privacy Policy can be found here at http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy. Information about the NSW Government’s privacy policies can be found at http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/

If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection please inform the school, in writing, before the end of Term 2, 2014. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive.


If you have any questions about your child being included in the data collection please contact the school. If you need help with English to make an enquiry contact the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. The operator will call the number you provide and get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Perform with Opera Australia and be a part of The Magic Flute @ Glasshouse

This year the Glasshouse will offer 24 children aged between 9 and 14 years the opportunity to perform as the Chorus in Opera Australia’s production of The Magic Flute at the Glasshouse. The Magic Flute is Mozart’s classic fairy tale featuring some of the most beloved and recognisable opera music, including the virtuosic ‘Queen of the Night’ aria, as well as timeless themes of coming of age, facing adversity, the importance of forgiveness and good triumphing over evil. Directed by acclaimed Australian playwright Michael Gow, this magical new production takes inspiration from adventure films like The Mummy and the Indiana Jones series. Featuring Tamino as an explorer on a mission to rescue the beautiful princess Pamina - trapped in an Egyptian tomb complete with buried treasure - this opera is for all the family. 24 children will be selected from across the region for the Glasshouse Youth Chorus. Side by side with some of Opera Australia’s finest artists these young singers will be rehearsed onstage with the professional cast and orchestra, then perform in costume that night as the ‘three spirits’, the animals, and other chorus roles. The Glasshouse Youth Chorus will be mentored in musicianship and performance skills by working alongside Opera Australia’s world-class artists and technicians and will be supported and encouraged on each step of their journey. Applications for audition are now open and close Monday, 12th May! Students will be auditioned though an independent panel of trained music educators as selected by Conservatorium Mid North Coast and the Glasshouse. The panel will be seeking boys and girls who have excellent aural skills and intonation. The head voice should be natural and beautiful and the tone unforced. The ability to blend will be an advantage. Application forms can be found at the Glasshouse website at http://www.glasshouse.org.au/youth-chorus

Hip Hop @ ExtravaDance ... An adult Hip Hop course will be held over 6 weeks commencing Monday, 12th May (8pm to 9pm) at ExtravaDance Studios, 2/23 Uralla Road (corner Janola Circuit). Cost is $90 and payable prior to commencement. Go along, take a friend, have a laugh and learn to HIP HOP! For further information please phone Miss Amy (Henson) on 0412 856 525.

Port Volunteer Expo ’14 ... Find out how your lifetime of skills can be appreciated by the community. The Volunteer Expo will be held in the grounds of the Maritime Museum (next to Oxley Oval) tomorrow, Saturday, 10th May from 9:30am. Music, food, refreshments, awards and a lucky door prize! For more information please phone 6584 1914.

Engaging Adolescents – Parent Course ... Uniting Care Burnside are offering a three-session program for parents and carers focussing on parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems will be held between 10am and 12 noon on Wednesday, 11th, 18th & 25th June in the Training Room, 7 Sherwood Road. The sessions are free and all materials and light refreshments are available. Registration is essential and can be made by phoning Vicki on 6581 6600.

KINDERGARTEN 2015

I would like to enrol my child at Hastings Public School for Kindergarten 2015.

Child’s Name: ___________________________ DOB: ____________

☐ Male    ☐ Female

Parent/s Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

Is this address: ☐ In Zone  ☐ Out of Zone (please pick up an OOZ Application from the Office)

Phone: ____________________________ PreSchool: ____________________________

Name & Class of eldest sibling currently enrolled at Hastings__________________________________________________________