WEEK 2: WHAT’S ON AT HASTINGS ...


Monday, 12th
- DUE DATE – Stage 2 Sports Payments
- Hastings Secondary College Talks – Stage 3 Attending
- Uniform Shop open 8:30 to 9:30am

Tuesday, 13th
- DUE DATE – Stage 2 Sports Payments

Wednesday, 14th
- CLOSING DATE – Stage 3 Sports Payments
- Uniform Shop open 2:30 to 3pm
- Student Banking

Thursday, 15th
- DUE DATE – Chess Gala Day (Forster)
- Netball Mixed Team Selections - 8:20am

Friday, 16th
- K-2 Assembly 12:15pm
  Presenting Class KF – Awards to KA, KF, 1F, 1H, 1/2S, 2D, 2M
- Uniform Shop open 2:30 to 3pm

Sunday, 18th
- Ironman

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

Welcome back to our traditionally busy term where we start welcoming Kindergarten 2016 and farewelling Year 6 and have a whole lot of fun (and some serious business) in between!

HELEN LAWRENCE
Older parents and ex-students who are now parents of our school may remember Mrs Helen Lawrence, a wonderful teacher who taught at Hastings until midway through 2007. Helen epitomised everything all teachers should be – commitment, compassion, humour and a love of teaching. Sadly, Helen died last Thursday after a long battle with cancer and was buried yesterday. We are sure many members of our community will testify to the impression Helen made on them. Vale, Helen Lawrence.

APOLOGIES
Our apologies to McDonald’s Port Macquarie who we missed acknowledging in our Hastings Hullabaloo Thank You’s last term. Every time McDonald’s is approached for a donation they always come on-board and we are very thankful for their support. Thank you, Jacqui, Brett & the Port Macquarie McDonald’s team. To this, next Saturday, 17th October is McHappy Day. If you can, please support this annual charity event and help raise funds for the Ronald McDonald Charities and assist seriously ill children and their families.
Congratulations to Charlie Cochrane (KF) and Matilda Lindeman (5/6M) on being named our Hastings Heroes for September. Their citations read ...

Charlie is a thoughtful and caring young man who treats others with kindness and is always happy to offer assistance when required.

Charlie often tidies the classroom without being asked and returns from weekly Kilometre Club runs with a pile of rubbish he has picked up on route.

With his lovely smile and sense of responsibility, Charlie is a wonderful asset to Hastings Public School!

Matilda has taken her ministerial position above and beyond as demonstrated at last Saturday’s “Hastings Hullabaloo” Fete when she spent all day either on the plant stall or assisting with the rubbish recycling station.

Matilda then left for Sydney to participate in Tournament of Minds on Sunday morning and has this week competed in two Premier’s Debating Challenge debates with her team reaching the North Coast Final.

Everything Matilda does in class, in the playground and as Minister for The Environment is done with excellence and enthusiasm.

Thank you to Craig Barnett of First National Real Estate who proudly sponsors our Hastings Hero awards and presents each recipient with a $15.00 voucher from bookface in Port Central.

BOWLING CLUBS THANKS
Over the holidays, both our town’s bowling clubs proved their community credentials with the following donations to our school:

Port City Bowling Club donated 19 aluminium seats to the school. These will be placed around the grounds to provide additional seating for our growing numbers. We also received a loud hailer and again, will be handy for growing numbers in the playground.

The Westport Club donated $4000 to enable us to continue the excellent Mathletics program into 2016.

Thanks to both organizations for their wonderful contributions to our school!

SENSORY PLAYGROUND
The work over the holidays has been fruitful, even with the rain during the first week of the break, resulting in our wonderful playground addition. This project is an on-going one – an investment in the future with more additions such as a path along the fence planned. Thanks to everyone who supported our fete and made this dream become a reality.

PS: To the parent, who yesterday took a short cut across the garden of our new area, please don’t do this again. Use the paths!
TERM 4 DATES to KEEP IN MIND

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To Be Confirmed

- Kindergarten and Year 1 Party Days

PARKING PROBLEMS ... AGAIN!

1. We have received reports some parents are using the Waniora Shopping Centre car park to pick up or drop off their children at school. We’ve even heard of a parent who parks behind the shops in the delivery entrance which means large trucks cannot make their deliveries. Could everyone please remember the “good neighbour” rule and only use this car park when buying something from the shops and NEVER use the delivery entrance as a parking spot.

2. Our Braemar Drive ‘drop and kiss’ zone is a benefit to most parents picking up or dropping off their children at school but we have some people who test the patience and tolerance of other law-abiding parents. There is a two-minute waiting period so parents cannot park there at 2:45pm and wait for the 3pm bell. We also ask parents not to stop in the No-Stopping area near the crossing. This is dangerous for our students and will cost you dearly when the Council Ranger books you. Please help everyone, including yourself, by observing these simple rules.

BUILDING UPDATE

Visitors to the school will have noticed the work underway near the Year 4 demountables in preparation for the installation of two more demountable classrooms sometime this term. It is anticipated these rooms will be used for Stage 2 classes with the entire main block comprising K-2 classes.

INTER SCHOOL CHESS GALA DAY

On Tuesday, 20th October the Sydney Academy of Chess will be holding at Gala Chess Day at the Great Lakes College, Forster. The tournament will be run as an individual event with the winning school determined by adding the four highest scorers from each school. The tournament is a 7 round ‘Swiss’ competition that means all players play seven games. Chess clocks will be used with a time limit of 15 minutes per player per game. Play begins at 9:30am with an expected 2pm finish. The cost of entry is $11 per player. Parent assistance with transport is required. If you would like to enter your child, please complete the form at the end of this newsletter and return to the office by next Tuesday, 13th October.
CLASSROOM CALENDARS
For many years the school has distributed Classroom Calendars to enable parents to keep informed of school dates and events but with the advent of Facebook and emails we felt the calendars were no longer necessary so decided not to continue with this product.
We have been contacted by a number of local businesses who have been approached by representatives of Classroom Calendars wanting the businesses to take out advertising, as has been the usual practice. We wish to advise all people connected with our school they should not enter into any advertising agreement as we will not be distributing the calendars in future.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Printing of our school photos has been held up due to a machine breakdown at the photo lab. It is hoped photos will be back next week.

FIRST AID for PARENTS
This is something all parents should attend! The P&C has organised a First Aid Course for parents to be held at school on Tuesday, 17th November – 7pm to 9pm. Cost is $10.00 per person or $15.00 a couple. The course will cover the usual first aid topics including sprains, breaks, burns, bites, CPR, choking and anaphylaxis. If you would like to attend this course please complete the slip at the end of the newsletter and return to the office by Friday, 30th October.

LOST
A very friendly, black rabbit, with pointy ears, has been lost in the Teraglin Road area. If you have found this young lady or know someone who has picked her up, please call Peter on 0410 433 944. We have a couple of students who would love to have their “Arwen” back.

2016 DANCE GROUPS
In previous years, Term 4 sees the commencement of our Dance Groups for the next 12 months (Term 4 to the end of Term 3). Due to changes in the District Dance Festival format, to allow new enrolments at the beginning of the year join the groups and to have teachers coordinating a group the same year they are teaching, Dance Groups will not be formed until early next year. Notes will go home in Term 1.

SCHOOL SURVEYS
Each year we survey some aspect of our school to assist with future planning. This year there are three surveys for parents to complete:-
1. Leadership  https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K5NRPB7
2. Creative & Practical Arts (CAPA)  https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFKXZ95

If you would like to participate in our surveys please follow the links above. It should only take a few minutes of your time to complete all three. The first 100 responses will be accepted as this is the limit for the survey software. Thank you for your time and input.

DENTAL VAN
During the holidays the school received an email from the Mobile Dental Van postponing their visit to our school which was scheduled to run during the first week of this term. It is hoped this service will take place in Week 4 of this term.

NETBALL SELECTIONS
Selections for Hastings Public School’s mixed netball teams to play in the 2016 Netball NSW School’s Cup will be held next Thursday, 15th October on the netball court commencing 8:20am. All Year 4 & Year 5 girls who have played in the Saturday netball competition and Year 5 boys are invited to trial. Don’t be late!
BILLY TEA BUSH BAND - VISITING PERFORMANCE
As part of the school’s extra curricular programs and PD/Health/PE units, the Billy Tea Bush Band will be visiting our school on Friday, 30th October. It is hoped all students will participate in this visiting performance and learn a few fun steps during the workshops.
On that Friday evening, families are invited back to school where everyone will enjoy a Family Bush Dance under the COLA. The night will be a BYO picnic or you may purchase dinner from one of three onsite caterers.
The cost is only $5.00 per student which covers both the day time show and evening dance and $5.00 per adult attending the dance.
Notes were sent home at the end of last term. A new permission/payment slip is at the end of the newsletter is case your note has been misplaced. Please come along and enjoy a family night together!

TERM 3 ATTENDANCE
The flu and gastro bugs hit hard last term so it’s congratulations to the following 52 students who managed to fight the germs and earned their Perfect Attendance certificates for Term 3

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SPORTING UPDATE
We are trying to promote a healthy lifestyle in all our students but are concerned with the number of students who have an excuse not to do sport or P.E. To stem this worrying number we ask parents to encourage any reluctant offspring to join in and if a child has a medical reason not to participate, then a signed parental note should be provided.

CANTEEN ROSTER ... Thanks for Helping

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CHESS GALA DAY
PAYMENT DUE BY TUESDAY, 13th OCTOBER

I consent to my son/daughter ______________________________ participating in the Chess Gala Day at the Great Lakes College, Forster on Tuesday, 20th October, 2015, involving transport by private vehicle.

☐ My child will require transport to Forster. Parents are asked to pay $5.00 extra for petrol.

☐ I am able to assist with transport and have _______ spare seatbelts.

☐ I enclose payment of $ ___________ ($11 entry fee AND $5.00 petrol money if applicable)

Signed: ___________________________________________ Parent / Carer Date: __________

FIRST AID for PARENTS
PAYMENT DUE BY FRIDAY, 30th OCTOBER

I / We ___________________________________________ would like to attend the First Aid for Parents course to be held on Tuesday, 17th November, 2015.

I enclose payment of $ ___________ ($10.00 per person / $15.00 couple)

Signed: ___________________________________________ Date: __________

BILLY TEA BUSH BAND
PAYMENT DUE BY WEDNESDAY, 28th OCTOBER

I give permission for my child/ren to participate in the Billy Tea Bush Band concert & workshop to be held at Hastings Public School on Friday, 30th October, 2015

Signed: ___________________________________________ Parent / Carer Date: __________

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• Is your family attending the evening Family Dance?  ☐ YES ☐ NO
• If YES, number of Adults attending ______________

☐ Cash I enclose $ ___________ cash / cheque (payable to Hastings Public School)

☐ Online School Website – www.hastings-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
• Click on $Make a Payment
• Complete details
• Payment Option - Other / Bush Dance $ ___________ Reference # ______________

☐ Eftpos Please deduct $ ___________ from my card:

Expiry CCV