What’s On at Hastings ...  http://www.hastings-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar

Saturday, 25th  • ANZAC Day March
Monday, 27th  • Food Drive commences
              • Uniform Shop open 8:30 to 9:30am
Tuesday, 28th • Fete Committee Meeting - Staffroom 6:30pm
Wednesday, 29th  • DUE DATE – Stage 2 Sports Notes
                  • Chess Challenge
                  • Boys & Girls Touch Football Trials
                  • Uniform Shop open 2:30 to 3pm
Thursday, 30th • Responsible Pet Talks - Kindergarten
                 • Student Banking
Friday, 1st   • World of Maths
              • District Netball Trials
              • PSSA Cricket Knockout v South West Rocks at Wayne Richards Park
              • K-2 Assembly - 12:15pm under the COLA
                 • Presenting Class KA
                 • Awards to KA, KF, 1F, 1H, 1/2S, 2D, 2M
              • Uniform Shop open 2:30 to 3pm

HASTINGS HAPPENINGS

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

FOOD DRIVE

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS and BOTTLED WATER

In light of the devastating events at the beginning of this week across the Hunter, Central Coast and Sydney we are holding a ‘Food Drive’ to assist those affected by the Super Storm.

Over the next week we are asking the Hastings school community for donations of non-perishable food items and bottled water which will be delivered to the Salvation Army in Newcastle for distribution to those in need. Please drop your donations at the school office between Monday and next Thursday. Donations will be taken to Newcastle Thursday evening.

This is our chance to extend support and assistance when so many are experiencing hard times.
COMMENORATING ANZAC DAY

At Le Hamel Village

Congratulations to five of our ministers who represented the school at the Anzac Service at Le Hamel Village yesterday. Our representatives were Mirren Campbell, Estelle Cassegrain, Oliver Harris, Bessie Mitchell and Declan Pitt. They joined representatives from the RSL reciting memoirs of soldiers who fought at Gallipoli. Bessie delivered the Anzac address, giving her observation on the importance of Anzac and how this helps her in her daily life. We would also like to thank Cathy Snook, mother of Lilly and the manager of Le Hamel Village for providing our students with this opportunity.

At School

Throughout the week, classes made various styles of poppies for display to acknowledge the centenary of the Gallipoli landing. Our poppies are now proudly hanging on the front fence on Yarranabee Road.

This morning we commemorated Anzac Day with a service involving the entire school. The Senior Band played “New Anzacs”, students from Years 5 and 6 sang “The Last Anzac” and Ben Moreton played “The Last Post” and “The Rouse” on trumpet.

Town Green Service

For students wishing to participate in the Town March along Horton Street to the Town Green on Saturday, 25th April the following information is provided:

- assemble near the Beau Thai Restaurant on the corner of William and Horton Street from 9:30am (look for the Hastings banner and staff members)
- wear school uniform including your hat; and
- if wearing medals, these are to be worn on the right

Because of the crowded nature around the Town Green memorial, parents of younger students are asked to collect their child or children at the conclusion of the march rather than at the end of the service which can be a trial for younger children in terms of space and duration.

WELCOME BACK

Our numbers have continued to grow with us enrolling seven more students on Tuesday taking our numbers to 665. We also welcomed Mr Mark Taylor and his daughters to our school. Mr Taylor will assume the teaching duties of 3T (previously 3D) and is looking forward to a long relationship with our school.

SORTING OUT PROBLEMS

In a large organization such as ours, interpersonal issues sometimes arise, regardless of the ages of those involved. If your child has an issue with another child at our school or another parent, please contact the office to enable us to resolve the issue. Nothing inflames situations like this more than if a parent speaks to a child who’s not their own about the issue. Let the school executive deal with such problems.

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Our Mothers’ Day Stall will be held on Wednesday, 6th May. P&C coordinator, Michelle Jordan, has purchased an amazing array of gifts for students to buy. Students will shop in class groups during the morning. All gifts are $5.00 each and students can buy up to three gifts. If you need to swap a gift or miss out on buying a present, gifts will be available at the Uniform Shop on Wednesday and Friday afternoon (2:30 to 3pm).

STAGE 2 SPORT

With the exception of students in Dance groups, a reminder to all other students in Year 3 and Year 4 to return your sports note by Wednesday. Sports will run on a weekly rotation with students participating in a different sport each week with AFL, soccer, hockey, netball and tennis on offer. Cost for the program is $18.00 for the five weeks.
WAUCHOPE SHOW SUCCESS
Congratulations to the following students who received awards for their entries at the recent Wauchope Show:

**1st place**
- Danika Murray KJ
- Kobi Rochford 3D
- Josie Taylor 3/4H
- Cameron Barnes 6B

**2nd place**
- Tallulah Jones KA
- Eliana Morton 2D
- Bessie Mitchell 6B

**3rd place**
- Isabelle Williams KA
- Stephanie Dun 1/2S
- Ella Hogan 3/4H
- Chloe Eldridge 4P

KILOMETRE CLUB
Congratulations to the many students, parents and staff who began their involvement with the Kilometre Club on Wednesday. This initiative is designed to ensure our students have the necessary level of physical fitness to enable them to participate fully in school life. Thanks to Mrs Baker for organizing this wonderful community event and to Barbara Sherrin, Lisa Carter and Simone Berry for coordinating this great experience for everyone. This activity will be run over five weeks this term and five weeks in Term 3. Students from Years 2 to 6 may run/walk unaccompanied. Students in Kindergarten and Year 1 may participate if they have an adult with them and are also completing laps during class PE lessons.

Making our (clockwise) way around Australia we have had an overnight stop in Hobart and are now making our way back to the mainland, travelling a total of 2750kms.

CANTEEN NEWS
- An updated price list was sent home earlier in the week to each family. Changes are effective from Monday, 27th April.
- Also from Monday, all students who order a drink with their lunch order are to pick up their drink from the canteen by presenting their lunch bag. Drinks will no longer be delivered to classrooms in lunch baskets.

WORLD of MATHS
WOW what an overwhelming response! A third session for the maths roadshow has been secured and will now see students in Years 5 & 6 attending at 9:30am; Years 3 & 4 at 11:25am; and K-2 at 1:45pm. Each of the sessions are limited to 100 students. Places are still available for Year 5 & 6.

STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE
Envelopes for the Stewart House Donation Drive were sent home earlier this week. Any donation of $2 or more will see your envelope sent to Stewart House for inclusion in a draw for a $4,000 holiday to a destination of your choice. Stewart House is situated in Curl Curl and provides for students from around New South Wales to spend two weeks enjoying the many opportunities on offer. A number of students from our school have benefited from attending this wonderful institution so please help if you can.

HASTINGS HEADLINES - TAHLIA NADINE (6B)
Tahlia travelled to Japan during the holidays as the drummer of the Hastings Koalas Orchestra. As one of the youngest members of the group, Tahlia had the huge responsibility playing the drums for the entire orchestra without missing a beat.

The trip to Japan was also a significant one in many ways with the most important being it was the 25th anniversary of the Port Macquarie/Handa sister city relationship. The highlight of the trip was their performance at Kariyado Hall. They also played at local schools as shown in the picture at right.
LEARNING - GROWING - CARING

INFANTS ASSEMBLY ... 27th March
KD Felicity Stelling  Aaron Prince  Emily Lyttle
KJ Nichole Redman  Shylah Pryor  Avalon Enfield
KM Annabelle Mitchell  Beau Drinkwater  Chelsey Hadnett
1B Cohen King-Johnson  Amarni Francis  Jordan Thrift
1K Lachlan Hodge  Jaylen Cooper  Taelor Whitehair
2C Crystal Dawson-Brennar  Briannon Winn  Matilda Jones
2J Lana James  Will Tanner  Tiger Beck

STARS of the ASSEMBLY
Bryce de Silva  KD
Jasmyn Barbuto  2J

IRONMAN VOLUNTEERS
Sunday, May 3 will see our town host the Australian Ironman competition. This competition draws athletes from around the country and the world.
As we have done in previous years, our school has been asked to provide volunteers to act as marshalls on the course. We have usually been allocated a section of Pacific Drive for the bike leg. The marshalls' role is to set up and maintain barriers and let people know when it's safe to cross the road. If you can devote part of this to help our school, please email your name, contact number, preferred time/s and favoured location (usually a T intersection on Pacific Drive) to Craig.Suosaari@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au
For every station we cover, the school will receive a donation from Ironman Australia. Money raised will assist P&C projects such as the sensory garden and playground upgrade.
Without volunteers this race cannot proceed so think of our school and our town as this event contributes significantly to our immediate economy. While the competitors may finish the race feeling sore - you as a volunteer will have that warm feeling that comes from knowing you've benefited our town and our school.

SCHOOL FEES
- FAMILIES INVOICED $20,120
- PAYMENT RECEIVED $15,043
- OUTSTANDING $5,077

TEXTBOOK / PAPER LEVIES
- FAMILIES INVOICED $13,569
- PAYMENT RECEIVED $10,862
- OUTSTANDING $2,707

From this term, students with outstanding textbook / paper levies will not be permitted to participate in extra-curricular activities while their account remains unpaid.
All families are encouraged to pay off their accounts by making regular part-payments from as little as $2.00 cash or $10.00 eftpos or online payments. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact the office.

CANTEEN ROSTER ... Thanks for Helping

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FETE COMMITTEE MEETING
A fete organising committee meeting will be held in the staffroom next Tuesday evening (28th April) from 6:30pm. All parents and friends are invited to attend!