HORNSBY NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL



HNPS Newsletter

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From the Principal...

100 DAYS AT SCHOOL -

Kindergarten students and their teachers celebrated 100 days at school last Monday. It was cold and rainy but that didn't stop the smiles on the faces of our pyjama clad students and teachers. Even though the rain was teeming down outside, the classes enjoyed treats and lots of fun during their celebrations. During their 15 minute assembly, all Kindergarten students were able to parade so that their 100 day crowns and warm colourful pyjamas were on show.









EDUCATION WEEK ACTIVITIES -

Next week, Week 3 is Education Week. The theme for Education Week this year is "Learning Together".

Unfortunately, we will not be able to stage our usual Education Week activities such as school performances, the Art Show and parent visits to the classrooms. However, we will showcase student achievement and successes on See Saw and the School website.

PARENTS IN SCHOOL GROUNDS -

Parents are reminded that they <u>cannot</u> come onsite at any time. It has come to our attention that a few parents are entering the school grounds. If you need to speak with your child's teacher, please call or email the school.

SCHOOL MEDAL ASSEMBLIES -

I know many students have been eagerly awaiting the next medal presentation. The time has finally arrived. Next week, on Wednesday 5 August, Silver, Gold & Platinum medals will be presented and on Thursday 6 August, Bronze medals will be awarded to students who achieved these awards. Once again, I apologise to parents, we cannot allow you to attend these assemblies. However, we will take photos and put a video of the presentations on the School website.

Students have been asked to nominate 2 friends and brothers & sisters to attend the assembly. A special morning tea will be given to the students who receive a medal.

STUDENT SUCCESS -

We have been given some exciting news regarding Zichen H.'s poem which has been selected from more than 2,200 submissions for the *Poetry Object* 2020 shortlist!

Zichen is in the running to win some exciting prizes, including mentoring with a professional poet and more. Our warmest congratulations Zichen.

BIRTHDAY CAKES -

I request students who bring in treats on their birthday to share with others, to bring in items that are pre-packaged and have not been handled by others. Unfortunately, home-made cakes, biscuits or supermarket cakes that require handling, cannot be handed out at school.

TRAFFIC -

With the heavy rain during the last two days, traffic congestion has been challenging and the Kiss & Drop Zones have been very busy. During these days it is important for drivers to be extra careful, extra cautious and extra courteous! Sadly this does not always happen.

Mrs Gates and I wondered if the lack of care displayed was because we had new or infrequent drivers at the Kiss & Drop Zone ... drivers who were not familiar with the guidelines.

Please remember ...

• Remain in the car.

- Bags should be beside the student, not in the boot or on the front seat.
- Do not let students out on the roadside—kerbside only!
- Do not break the flow at Kiss & Drop by letting your child out on the side which is not the designated Kiss & Drop.

Yesterday, a parent experienced a "near miss" near Cawthorne Street. The near miss was a pre-schooler, a little girl who ran out in front of a car. Parents, I urge you to hold the hands of your children, particularly the very young ones. I cannot imagine the sadness and grief that parents would experience if a serious accident occurred. Also, the driver of the car would live with the tragedy which he/she had no control over preventing. Please, I ask the entire school community to support, co-operate and care for each other. Be positive, not negative and judgmental.

SCHOOL PHOTOS—WEDNESDAY, 19 AUGUST—CLASSES -

The photo envelopes have been sent home today with students. Please follow the payment instructions on the envelope. If paying with cash, it must be the correct amount and the envelope should be sealed. **Do NOT pay via the School website**. Envelopes should be returned to the Office as soon as possible. Sibling Photo envelopes are available from the Office.

SCHOOL FEES and CONTRIBUTIONS -

As stated in last week's newsletter there will not be any fees for Term 3, except in the case of outside providers, i.e. Gymnastics, Life Education and Interrelate. Many parents have paid these fees but some have not. Last week invoices were sent to parents who have not paid.

If you have not paid Term 1 or Term 2 fees, it might be a chance to catch up, even if the amount is a part payment. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Maree Sumpton
Principal

Coming Events -

Friday 31 July St Ives High School GAT Test.

Monday 3 August Education Week / Life Education commences Years K-4 / P&C

Meeting via Zoom at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 4 August Years 3&4 Gymnastics.
Tuesday 11 August Years 3&4 Gymnastics.
Tuesday 18 August Years 3&4 Gymnastics.
Wednesday 19 August School Photos—Classes.

From the Classroom - SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS -

Term 3, Week 1:

Anna x 2, Hugh, Abigail, Eleanor, Danielle, Connor, Emily, Rianna, Hugh, Ryder, Deanna, Tinya, Sharon, Henry, Laura, Zoe, Sophia x 2, Karina, Ruby, Marcelo, Karan, Julia, Sarah, Xinyao, Lucia, Thomas, Eric, Ryan, Jason, Isla x 2, Julius, Inaaya, Lachie, Yuanbao, Yutti, Eita & Kaiyu

LIBRARY NEWS -

Scholastic Book Club:

Just a reminder that issue 5 Scholastic Book Club is due this Friday (31 July). Please have your online orders in before the end of the day. Head to **scholastic.com.au/LOOP** and register.

Thank you and happy reading. Mrs Nicklin.

MATILDA'S VISIT -





P & C News -

Please join us on Facebook to keep up-to-date on all matters P&C. Simply search for Hornsby North Public School P&C Association on Facebook and **Like** us to join.

CANTEEN NEWS -

The Canteen has re-opened **online only** for recess & lunch, using Munch Monitor. For the full instructions and information, please see Skoolbag. This will be the only way to order from the Canteen until further notice.

Orders need to be placed before 8.30am. There will be **NO** counter sales at Recess or Lunch. Also no parent volunteers will be required. Thank you.

Vicki Stubbings, Canteen Manager.

UNIFORM SHOP -

Online ordering only. Please email Tanya Manwaring at hnpsuniforms@gmail.com. This method will continue indefinitely.

Orders can be collected from the Office or sent to the classroom.



~Now Enrolling for 2021~

We are offering short tours (by appointment) to show you the indoor and outdoor environment. We would love to meet you and give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about preschool for your child next year.

Call us to make an appointment: 02 9477 2258 www.norwoodcommunitypreschool.org.au