



# HNPS Newsletter

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## From the Principal...

I hope all fathers had a wonderful day on Sunday. The children were certainly excited about the gift purchasing and card making activities. Special thanks to our School Captains, Vice Captains, Prefects, Senior students and the ever hard working Marika Skinner, for the organization and marketing of the special gifts for dads. I take this opportunity to acknowledge the special roles fathers hold in families and in the wider community. So many dads volunteer their time at schools, at local sporting and community organisations whilst juggling work and family commitments. We all know that children love their mums and dads unconditionally.

A big shout out to all our dads this week!



## ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL ON TIME -

I am sure there has been a slight misunderstanding about staggered start and finish times. As stated in the Newsletter and on Skoolbag, we are NOT staggering start times for school. We did have morning staggered times, but that procedure has finished. Classes begin at 9.10am and students should be at school by 9.05am ready to line up for the start of the school day. At Kiss & Drop on Monday morning, students were arriving at 9.15am and even at 9.20am. I understand the confusion but parents, please return to a 9.05am start. Today a significant number of students arrived well after 9.00am.

**The afternoon staggered departure times remain.** They are:-



## eSAFETY -

News yesterday and today regarding disturbing posts on social media is a serious call to all parents to monitor their children's time on all social platforms. As one reporter said "It is evident that social media is for adults, and parents must be vigilant regarding children's use and exposure to postings which are harmful and distressing".

## MEDAL ASSEMBLIES -

Bronze, Silver & Gold Medal Assemblies will be held in Week 10. Silver & Gold (Honour) will be on Thursday, 24 September and Bronze on Friday, 25 September.

The last day for bringing White Cards to the Office for these Assemblies will be Friday, 18 September. Cards received after this date will be held over until Term 4. Once again, we are unable to invite parents to these Assemblies, however, a link to a video of the Assembly will be emailed to parents of the medal recipients early in Term 4, and available for a limited time.

Students who are to receive medals will be permitted to invite siblings and 2 friends to the Assembly.

## NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK -

This week is National Child Protection Week. For more information you can visit -

<https://www.napcan.org.au/national-child-protection-week/>  
Programs are taught throughout the year to students in

regards to keeping safe and the eSafety Commission have some valuable resources in relation to keeping students safe online and using technology. For more information you can visit -

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>.

#### **FRENCH CREPE DAY -**

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, we have had to **cancel** our French Crepe Day, which was to be held on 22 September, 2020. Hopefully we will be able to hold it in Term 4, but only if restrictions are eased.

#### **OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS -**

These will be posted home this week.

Just a reminder that if you are having difficulty paying, please do not hesitate to contact me. Also, if your account has an amount of "Unallocated Credit" showing, this means you have that amount in credit and it should be used.

*Maree Sumpton*  
Principal

#### **Coming Events -**

Tuesday 15 September	Yrs 3 & 4 Gymnastics.
Wednes. 16 September	Year 5 Interrelate / Year 4 Gibberagong Incursion.
Thursday 17 September	Year 4 Gibberagong Incursion.
Wednes. 23 September	Year 5 Interrelate / Year 1 Pirate Day.
Thursday 24 September	Honour Assembly.
Friday 25 September	Bronze Medal Assembly.

#### **From the Classroom -**

##### **SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS -**

##### **Term 3, Week 7:**

Mickey, Zoe, Grace, Sophie, Riley, Jason, Aarya K., Catherine, Adrian, Hasini, Chloe, Charlie x 2, Trevor, Rana, Danush, Virat, Adelaide, Shilin x 2, Mac, Mahathi, Eva, Ryan, Juno, Ojas, Hannah, Nikki, Shahan, Behfar, William, Alex, Mia, Zachary, Hili, Allen, Aarya B., Jillaine, Charlie, Krushika, Daniel, Chatzden, Lucas, Naviran, Edward, Ying, Hendy, Zac, Yashua, Adam, Nivaan, Ruby, Mia, Avina, David, Tom, Vihaan, Saarl, Alexander, Jenna, Oliver, Christina, Melody x 3, Angelina, Erica, Max, Khushi, Rebecca, Atharva, Louisa, Leon, Ivy, Luke, Royal, Shiva, Ayansh, Isabella, Matida, Tess, Aryan, Melisha, Lyra, Andy, Eleanor, Stella, Ahimsa, Abby & Luca.

##### **PSSA FOOTBALL COMPETITION -**

Game number 4 of the Hornsby Zone PSSA boys football program was played with students from Mt Colah P.S. at Montview Oval last Friday. The boys played well in a very competitive match. This season the objective for our students is to develop skills and have fun through a positive play approach. Playing the 'Hornsby North FC way', not results, will be the focus. I am looking forward to another enjoyable game this Friday with students from Asquith P.S. Thank you, Chad Lawrence.

##### **FRUIT & VEGETABLE MONTH -**

Thank you to those students that have taken an entry form to design their own fruit & vegetable patch. Remember

they are due back by Wednesday 23 September. There is still plenty of time to enter this competition! Please see Mrs Beencke for an entry form. Thanks, Michelle Beencke.

#### **SCIENCE NEWS -**

During their Science lesson on Friday, Year 1 used the Mayku Form box to design their own chocolates. They are investigating what happens to material when heat is added and taken away. Thank you, Karen Fitzsimons.



#### **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.

#### **Sushi Day Change:-**

Sushi is available at the Canteen on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays only.

Vicki Stubbings, Canteen Manager.

#### **UNIFORM SHOP -**

**Online ordering only.** Please email Tanya Manwaring at [hnpuniforms@gmail.com](mailto:hnpuniforms@gmail.com). This method will continue indefinitely.

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

**BAND NEWS -**

If you have any questions please feel free to email me via [hnpband@gmail.com](mailto:hnpband@gmail.com)  
Thank you, Gavin Hunter, Band Committee President.

**SCHOOL BANKING NEWS -**

No School Banking until further notice.

**Community News -**






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