



## From the Principal...

### NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY (NCCD)



Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government's Privacy Policy

<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>.

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

## P&C MEETING

Monday's P&C meeting was a productive gathering, and we extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended. Your participation is vital to fostering a strong school community. We were particularly honoured to have Mr. Grant, Principal of Asquith Boys High School, join us. He generously shared his insights about the transition to a coeducational school, addressing both the opportunities and challenges this change entails.

Mr. Grant's presentation sparked meaningful discussions among our community members, highlighting the importance of adapting to evolving educational landscapes. We appreciate his commitment to ensuring that families are informed and engaged during this significant transition. Thank you once again to all who attended, and we look forward to our continued collaboration in supporting our students' growth and success.

## OPEN DAY

Today's Open Day morning was a resounding success, providing an invaluable opportunity for parents of students enrolling in our school next year to immerse themselves in our vibrant learning environment. The event featured guided tours of our school, showcasing our wonderful learning environment, and presentations highlighting our diverse extracurricular programs.

We extend our thanks to Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Gates for their exceptional organisation, which ensured every detail was thoughtfully planned and executed. Their efforts created a welcoming atmosphere that allowed parents to feel at home while exploring what our wonderful school has to offer.

Open Days like this are vital for developing strong relationships with our community. They allow parents to engage directly with our staff, ask questions, and gain insights into our school culture and values. Building these connections fosters trust and collaboration, ensuring that families feel part of our school community from the very beginning. Ultimately, these relationships support our shared goal of nurturing and guiding our students toward success in their educational journey.

Matt Pinchbeck  
Principal

## Around K-2 this week...

Last week was our annual Mother's Day Stall. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who ensured these happy shoppers had a great time selecting gifts. We hope parents and carers had a great day.







2A have developed excellent writing skills this week, learning to write compound and complex sentences. These beautiful cards were created by KT. The week rounded off with the ever popular therapy dogs, Matilda and Chilli, who received many cuddles from Kindy students on the playground.

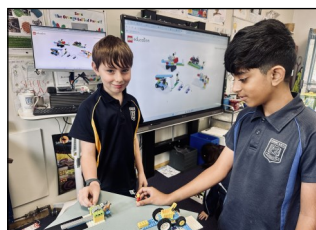


*Julie Hall*  
Deputy Principal

### 3-6 Matters...

#### AROUND THE CLASSROOM!

Year 4 students, with Mrs Fitzsimons, have been actively exploring the concept of forces through hands-on learning by constructing a variety of mechanisms using the newly acquired BricQ Motion LEGO Kits.



Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Years 3-6 Cross Country Event. Despite the wet weather, it

was a fantastic day filled with determination and enthusiasm. Thank you to Mr Lawrence for organising the Cross-Country event day.



*Kylie Cale*  
Relieving Deputy Principal



#### WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENT

HNPS will hold our annual Walk Safely to School Day on Friday 16th May, Week 3. This is one of our most popular community events of the year and we look forward to seeing many students and parents walking again this year.

Many teachers will also be walking to school and will be at the following locations assisting walking the students to school. Walking will begin at 8:30am from the following locations.

1. [Hookhams Corner](#) ( near the water tank )
2. [Corner of Amor St and Hyacinth St](#)
3. [Corner of Somerville Rd and Galston Rd](#)
4. [Corner of Spedding Rd and Springfield Rd](#)

This year the fruit will be provided to the students during class time.

We look forward to seeing you on Friday 16th May.

*Lisa Supple*  
Stage 1 classroom teacher

#### SAVE THE DATE

**Friday 16 May 2025**  
National Walk Safely to School Day



# CANCER COUNCIL BIGGEST MORNING TEA

We are very excited to be able to welcome parents to our Biggest Morning Tea on Thursday 22nd May. Morning tea will be served from 11:15 in the hall. We would love to see you all there, enjoying a cuppa and the food our wonderful staff have prepared.

If you wish to contribute a small donation, there will be a bucket in the hall or you can scan the QR to donate electronically. It would be fantastic to see as many parents as possible supporting this event.

Looking forward to seeing you and showing our support for the Cancer Council.



Nicole Irvine

Stage 1 teacher / Event organiser



# Sport Noticeboard...

The annual HNPS Cross Country events were held on Thursday 8th May. It was a fantastic day filled with enthusiasm, and effort, as our students showcased their running endurance and determination.

The events took place at Rofe Park, where students from Year 2 to Year 6 participated in races specific to their age groups. There were cheers from fellow students, teachers, and parents who came out to support our young athletes.

Our competitors demonstrated impressive effort and perseverance throughout the races. Each participant showed great sportsmanship, encouraging their peers and celebrating each other's achievements.

## RESULTS:

We had some outstanding performances, with the following students placing in the top six of their respective races:

**8/9 Boys** - Ryan 4D, Yuchi 3A, Clive 3JP, Nathan 3G, Dominic 3O, Jayden 3G

**8/9 Girls** - Esabella 3A, Sophia 3G, Olivia 3JP, Cayla 3H, Zoe 3JP, Vivian 3JP

**10 Boys** - Luca 5H, Asher 4D, Silas 4F, Marco 5H, William 5C, Hayden 4K

**10 Girls** - Jennabeth 5C, Eleanor 4LP, Aleksandra 5SP, Lhakyi 5D, Serena 4D, Olivia 5C

**11 Boys** - James.L 5D, Ziyad 6H, Oliver 5SP, Connor 5C, James.Y 5D, Nathan 5C

**11 Girls** - Jia 5D, Mikayla 5D, Kailey 5D, Violet 6H, Aria 6L, Maddison 5D

**12 Boys** - Reef 6H, Taine 6L, Oli 6H, Justin 6SH, Joseph 6SH, Ayden 6L

**12 Girls** - Isabella 6SH, Martina 6SH, Elisa 6H, Isla 6E, Christa 6L, Sophie 6H

A special thank you to our teachers who helped organise the event and ensure everything ran smoothly. Your support is greatly appreciated!

We also want to acknowledge all the students who participated. Every runner demonstrated a positive attitude, making the day a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Congratulations to all our runners, and we look forward to next year's event!

Chad Lawrence  
Head of Sport

# Coming Events...



Thursday 15 May	K-2 Cross Country (10 :30 - 11:30am) at Rofe Park
Friday 16 May	Walk Safely to School Day
Monday 19 May	4B, 4F & 4K - Museum Excursion Kindy to Yr 4 - 'World of Maths' incursion
Wednesday 21 May	4LP & 4D - Museum Excursion Yr 2 Aboriginal Studies Incursion
Thursday 22 May	Biggest Morning Tea Yr 2 Aboriginal Studies incursion
Monday 26 May	K-6 Ned's Resiliency Ride P performance



## WHAT ARE GEM CHATS/CONVERSATIONS

GEM Chats are regular discussions where students reflect on **Gratitude, Empathy, and Mindfulness (GEM)**, helping them build resilience and positive mental health through *The Resilience Project*. Parents can have GEM Chats with their child at any time, such as during mealtimes, on the way to school, or before bed. These conversations create a great

opportunity to connect, encourage positive thinking and support emotional well-being.

### VALUE FOR THE WEEK

#### Emotional Literacy

Happy, grumpy, excited, scared – emotions are like messengers from our bodies!

Emotional literacy helps us understand these messengers, so we can better express our feelings.

#### GEM Conversation

What's your favourite song? What emotion does it make you feel and why?

Reminder: Please ensure MunchMonitor orders are in before 8:30am and that there is money in your account for the Term Accounting Fee. Thank you.

### Uniform Shop News...

#### IN-PERSON PURCHASES AT THE UNIFORM SHOP

Families need to purchase new uniforms via our online store:

<https://hnps-uniform-shop.myshopify.com>

#### 2025 OPENING HOURS:

Wednesdays:	9am—10am
Fridays:	9am—10am

You can use your own device or the Uniform Shop iPad even when making in-person purchases at the uniform shop. Volunteers will then provide you with your order to take with you. **NO cash or EFTPOS accepted for new uniforms.** Second-hand uniforms and uniforms that may not be returned or exchanged may be bought via EFTPOS. No cash or AMEX. For online purchases please visit our website:

<https://hnps-uniform-shop.myshopify.com>

#### CONTACT US

Email: [hnpsuniforms@gmail.com](mailto:hnpsuniforms@gmail.com)

*Uniform Shop Volunteers*



### P & C News...

#### P&C UPDATE

Our P&C continues to put fundraising dollars to great use! We're pleased to share that proceeds from the **Mango Fundraiser** last year will fund the fresh fruit for **Walk to School Day** — a fun and healthy event promoting physical activity and wellbeing. In addition, the remaining funds will go towards **educational resources to support healthy eating habits** among students, ensuring our kids continue learning how to fuel their bodies and minds.

At our recent meeting, we were fortunate to hear from **Bryce Grant, Principal, of Asquith Boys High School**, who shared updates on the school's **upcoming transition to a co-educational model**. It was a valuable discussion with insights into what this means for our school community and the first cohort of students.

We also welcomed **Kaila Munro from HNCCA**, who walked us through the **steps involved in transitioning our OoSH (Out of School Hours) care service to operate under the umbrella of the P&C**. This is an exciting and important change that will allow for more integrated oversight and community involvement. We will be forming a **Due Diligence Committee** to oversee this process. If you would like to be involved, please reach out.

As always, if you have any questions about these items or anything else P&C-related, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at [hello@hornsbynorthpandc.com](mailto:hello@hornsbynorthpandc.com)

Thank you for your ongoing support!

*P & C Committee*

**THE RESILIENCE PROJECT.**

## GEM Chats Emotional Literacy

CREATING WELLBEING HABITS & CONNECTION

GEM Chats help families practice The Resilience Project's principles, offering a simple wellbeing check-in while **building stronger connections through daily conversations.**

HOW TO USE GEM CHATS

Make GEM Chats a part of your dinner routine to reflect, check in, and practice emotional literacy.

Try these prompts:

- ★ What **emotion** do you feel right now and why?
- ★ What are **some emotions** you have felt today/this week? How did you **identify** them?
- ★ Describe a moment from your day when you **felt excited**.
- ★ What emotions have you noticed today in your **friends, teachers or family members**? How did you recognise these emotions?
- ★ What could you do today/tomorrow to **experience a positive emotion**?

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RESILIENCE PROJECT, HEAD TO:

@theresilienceproject... 
 The Resilience Project 
 The Resilience Project 
 [theresilienceproject.com.au](https://theresilienceproject.com.au)



### Canteen News...

Congratulations to our May Volunteer of the Month! MiKyung is always ready to help! Fast, accurate, meticulous and doesn't stop running around the kitchen ALL DAY long.

Jaya starts on Thursday May 15th, as our Canteen Manager. Lisa will be around this term to handover.





# Screen Savvy Parents:

*Empowering parents to tackle screen time impacts and build healthy habits*



Exclusive opportunity to hear from screen use expert,  
**Brad Marshall, The Unplugged Psychologist.**

**FREE  
Webinar**

This live webinar will empower parents to minimise harms from recreational screen use on primary school aged children's development.

**Hosted by:** Northern Sydney Local Health District, School Years team and the Northern Sydney Network of Councils.

**For:** Parents of primary school children living in the Northern Sydney Councils region and Northern Sydney Local Health District.

**Date:** Wed 28th May, 2025

**Time:** 6:30pm - 8.00pm

**Location:** Online via MS Teams



**Scan the QR code  
or click here to  
register now!**

Supported by:

