



From the Principal...

Congratulations to Our Boccia Team!

We are thrilled to announce that our school's Boccia team achieved a remarkable victory in their first round of competitions at the Thornleigh Brickpit last Friday! The team showcased impressive skills and teamwork, winning all of their round games, which secured their place in the finals. In the final match, they delivered an outstanding performance, winning with a score of 5-0!

Our heartfelt thanks go to Mrs Lewis, Mrs Cottam and Mrs Anderson, who dedicated their time to accompany and support our young athletes. Their encouragement and guidance played a significant role in our students' success. This fantastic team will now progress to the finals at Sydney Olympic Park, scheduled for early next term.

We commend all of our students for their exceptional efforts, sportsmanship, and for proudly representing our school. Your dedication and teamwork truly shone through! Additionally, a huge thank you to the parents who supported this program, helping to nurture the talents of these magnificent students. Well done, boys and girls! We look forward to seeing you shine in the upcoming finals!

Attendance Matters

Attendance is a vital component of success for students of school age. Regular attendance is crucial for students to fully engage in their learning and to develop essential social skills. We encourage all families to prioritise consistent school attendance, particularly when students are feeling well.

Research shows that regular attendance is linked to better academic performance, improved relationships with peers, and increased engagement in school activities. If your child is unwell, please ensure they rest and recuperate at home, but we urge everyone to strive for a consistent attendance record.

Our school is committed to supporting students and families in overcoming barriers to attendance. If you have any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please reach out to our school's administration for assistance.

Upcoming School Holidays

As we approach the end of Term 2, please note that this Friday will be the last day of classes. We extend our congratulations to all students, teachers, and families for a magnificent term! This term has been rich with activities and achievements, including various classroom projects, extracurricular events, and community involvement.

While we experienced some postponements due to weather conditions, we appreciate everyone's patience and understanding. We will provide updates regarding the rescheduling of the 3-6 Athletics Carnival later in this newsletter.

We hope that every parent found the recent parent-teacher interviews beneficial for discussing their child's academic progress. These discussions are pivotal in fostering a strong partnership between the school, parents, and students, which is essential for improving academic outcomes for every child.

Please remember that staff will return to school on Monday, July 21st, with students welcomed back on Tuesday, July 22nd. We are excited for another busy and engaging Term 3, filled with innovative lessons and numerous opportunities for our students to thrive. In the meantime, we wish all families a safe and enjoyable vacation. Whether you travel near or far, we hope you have a wonderful time reconnecting with family or friends.

3-6 Athletics Carnival Update

We are pleased to announce that the 3-6 Athletics Carnival will now take place on Wednesday, July 23rd, at Foxglove Oval. This event promises to be an exciting day filled with athletic competition, team spirit, and community engagement.

A permission note has been distributed via School Bytes for parents to sign, giving their child the opportunity to participate in this highly anticipated event. We appreciate your cooperation in completing these forms promptly, as they help us ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience for all participants.

Thank you for your patience as we worked to finalise the date for this event. We are looking forward to a fantastic day of athletic feats in the first week of Term 3! Be sure to mark your calendars and encourage your child to give their best effort on the day.

Cantare Choir Performance

We are excited to announce that our Cantare Choir performed yesterday, Tuesday, July 1st, at the Salvation Army Hall in the city! This was a wonderful opportunity for our talented choir members to showcase their hard work and dedication.

Mrs Cale and Ms Butterworth will be accompanying 30 of our students as they take the stage for this special performance. Their commitment to nurturing our students' musical talents has been invaluable, and we extend our thanks to them for their time and support.

Matt Pinchbeck - Principal

Around K-2 this week...

As the term wraps up, the great work has been continuing in classes. Kindy enjoyed their arctic ride in the STEM room. 2S shared wonderful models of different modes of transport whilst 1E wrote about their excursion to the Schoolhouse Museum.

Have a wonderful break and we look forward to seeing you in Term 3.



Julie Hall
Deputy Principal

Boccia Competition

On Friday 27th June, 6 students were accompanied by Mrs Lewis, Mrs Anderson and Mrs Cottam, to attend the Inclusive School Sports Boccia Competition at Thornleigh Brickpit. It was a day full of fun, competitive spirit and great sportsmanship! We played in 5 rounds against other primary schools before making it through to the finals. We then won the finals 5-0, meaning we get to move forward to the State Championships! We were also honoured to have met and get some tips from Boccia Paralympian, Jamieson Leeson and her ramp operator, Jasmine Haydon! We're so proud of the Hornsby North team!

Thankyou to Mr Murphy for organising this wonderful day!



Georgia Lewis
Classroom Teacher

3-6 Matters...

Thank You, Year 3-6 Students!

As we wrap up Term 2, we'd like to extend a big thank you to all our Year 3-6 students for a fantastic term. Despite the wet and rainy end to the term, you've continued to show resilience, positivity and enthusiasm in everything you do.

From classroom learning and creative projects to excursions, sporting events and performances, you've achieved so much and should be incredibly proud. Your respectful behaviour, kindness towards others, and commitment to doing your best have made this term a great success.

We hope you enjoy a well-earned break and look forward to welcoming you back for an exciting Term 3!

Thank you to 3JP students for sharing their learning about angles in mathematics.



Kylie Cale
Relieving Deputy Principal

Library News...

Library News: A Fantastic Semester!

We are excited to share that this semester has been fabulous in the library! So far this year, over **20,611 items have been borrowed**, and we are on track for our highest borrowing year yet! Fingers crossed!

As we approach the holiday break, we want to remind everyone that there are currently **633 overdue items**. To help our students find their library books, we will be sending out overdue notices via email on **Friday afternoon** after school. This gives everyone some extra time to look for their books over the holidays. The holidays are also a great time for students to add a few more titles to their Premier's Reading Challenge list.

If you cannot find a book and it is lost or damaged, we kindly ask that you either replace the book or send in **\$5** directly to the library or through our online payment system.

Thank you all for your continued support, and happy reading!

Deb Nicklin
Teacher Librarian



Canteen News...

A big thank you to all our volunteers this term! We would love to see more volunteers serving our students at the canteen. The Athletics Carnival is on Wednesday, 23rd July and we will need volunteers to help at school and at the oval. If you can help please volunteer [HERE](#)

Coming Events...

Friday 4 July	2A, 2B & 2MP Aboriginal Studies incursion.
	LAST DAY OF TERM 2.
Tuesday 22 July	FIRST DAY OF TERM 3. (Pupil free on Monday 21)
Wednesday 23 July	Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival.
Sun 27—Tues 29 July	Band Camp.
Thursday 31 July	K-2 Cross Country.
Monday 4 August	P&C Meeting 7.30pm in Library

Uniform Shop News...

The stocktake is now complete and the Uniform Shop will return to **Business as Usual this Friday**. While online orders are preferred, we always love seeing friendly faces at the shop — pop in and say hello!

Please get in touch at: hnpuniforms@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.



2025 OPENING HOURS:

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

Uniform Shop Volunteers

P & C News...

Thank you to everyone who joined our online P&C meeting last week — it was great to see such a strong turnout! During the meeting, our President shared some preliminary findings from the recent parent survey. The survey is now closed, and we're thrilled to have received a fantastic 78 responses. Your feedback is incredibly valuable in helping us understand what you're looking for in a P&C and how we can best allocate the funds available.

We'll dive deeper into the results at our next meeting, which will be held **face-to-face on Monday 4th August**. Mr Pinchbeck will be joining us, as usual, to share any school-related updates.

In the meantime, have a great holiday break! If you have any questions or ideas for the P&C, feel free to get in touch via hello@hornsbynorthpandc.com.au

Band Committee Update

We're excited to be hosting our annual **Band Camp 27-29th July**. It's a music-intensive trip that is a highlight on the band calendar. Students will switch between full band rehearsals and sectional tutorials with a professional music tutor. Thank you to all the volunteers who have put their hand up to assist with the event.

We're still on the search for a Band Coordinator. Get in touch if you'd like to hear more about this volunteer opportunity.

P & C Committee

Community News...

HORNSBY RSL GYMNASTICS

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED DAY OF GYMNASTICS ACTIVITIES THAT IS SURE TO KEEP THE KIDS ENTERTAINED ALL DAY LONG.

WHAT DOES THE DAY INVOLVE?

- A full day program for children aged 5-12 years, members and non members, no experience necessary, all welcome!
- There are two programs types available where we fit the very best things into one fun filled, action packed day:
- COMBO DAY:** Combining the very best of GymSKILLS, FreeG + Tumble, Tricks and Flips! Learn new skills and try a wide range of different drills, activities and creative time!
- HOLIDAY FUN DAY:** Sessions loaded with lots of gymnastics activities, circuits, games and other FUN activities including craft, free play and lots lots more!
- Morning tea and lunch break (bring your own food, NO NUTS permitted)

PROGRAM DETAILS

JULY 2025 PROGRAM:

MONDAY 7th JULY (COMBO DAY)

WEDNESDAY 9th JULY (HOLIDAY FUN)

FRIDAY 11th JULY (COMBO DAY)

MONDAY 14th JULY (COMBO DAY)

WEDNESDAY 16th JULY (HOLIDAY FUN)

FRIDAY 18th JULY (COMBO DAY)

9AM - 3PM

\$65 PER CHILD PER DAY

AGES 5-12 YEARS

BRING MORNING TEA, LUNCH, DRINK BOTTLE, HAT, SUNSCREEN

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