Principal's Message

Education Week 2015

The theme of Education Week is *Local Heroes*. This is a theme that our school is focusing on for the year. Our serviceman and women were recognised during the Anzac Day Services, our family heroes will be recognised on Friday 31st July. Our community heroes will be recognised later this year. Students would like to invite the 'heroes' in their lives, their parents, grandparents and carers to visit classrooms and participate in a tabloid sports events.

**Open Classrooms** 12:12:45  
**Tabloid Sports** 12:45—1:30  
**Picnic Lunch** 1:30—2:00

**Outstanding Success**

On behalf of the P & C, Jenny Zweck has successfully written and received a grant to support the school band. An amount of $4500 will be used to purchase flutes, clarinets and music stands. Well done Jenny!

Regards, Theresa

What's on at HPS?

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P & C Meeting

Please join parents and staff in the school library on Wednesday night at 7pm for the P & C meeting. Supper will be provided.

Premier's Debating

Students in both Premier's Parrot and Swans teams are participating in debates this week.
Our sound focus in K/1 this week is *sh* as in shell. I have decided to only give two sight words a week for Kindergarten, their sight words are *from* and *have*, turtle group will focus on *I* and *am*. Year One’s words are in list 20.

We are continuing our focus on whole number in mathematics as well as position this week. It is great to see students understanding develop more as we move through the topics, keep up the great work.

Our term focus for English are descriptions, children are keen to add more detail to their writing and stories through the use of adjectives. In science we are exploring the Built Environment and developing an understanding of why things are built the way they are. Personal Development and Health will develop student’s skills to respond to unsafe situations and how to seek assistance effectively.

Art and library was this morning, please make sure all books are returned so children can borrow more books to read at home.

Next Monday we are having visitors coming in with animals to show how we care for and respect our pets. It is a free event which K/1 will be going to at 12 o’clock here at school.

Please ensure all children’s belongings are labelled. We have already had items go missing in the first week. Check lost property for any misplaced items as the bin is full of jackets, jumpers and tracksuit pants.

**Year 1 / 2**

It was great to start the term last week straight back into our classroom routines and timetable. It was really encouraging to see so many children continue/resume their home reading and I look forward to the sharing of news plans this week.

**Week Ahead**

Monday  PD/Health Child Protection – Protective Strategies
Tuesday  Art (Mrs Fraser)
Wednesday Scripture, Assembly
Thursday Library (Mrs Eulenstein)
Friday  Sport

This term in English we will be writing descriptions. We will be investigating the structure and content of descriptions in both literary and factual texts.

In spelling we are focusing on *s ss se x(ks) c* in *seal kiss mouse fox pencil*. As the term progresses your child will have additional words to learn – including challenge words.

In maths we will be working on using doubles and near doubles as an addition strategy, dividing collections to make equal groups, describing shape patterns using flip, slide and turn and reading half past, quarter to/past times.

Our Child Protection unit for this term focuses on protective strategies. If you would like further information about content to be covered/questions/concerns please come and see me.

A full home learning program resumes this week. Please read the note pasted into your child’s book about home learning requirements.

Thankyou to the carers and parents who have also continued to supply their child with the equipment needed (especially grey lead pencils!!!), to complete classroom tasks. It really makes a huge difference when a child is organised and they can focus on the task at hand.

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**Class Notes**

**Kindergarten / Year 1**  **Melanie Durnan**

**Emma Byles, Jolonna Brand**
Term 3 has begun with enthusiasm for learning and renewed energy. Thank you to Nicola McDonnell for teaching Year 2/3 on Friday, she had a lovely day with the class.

The students are now engaged in a short introduction to each lesson. This introduction outlines to all students the learning intention for the lesson, the purpose of the lesson and the criteria for success.

Today we attended Project Rockit at Billabong High School. The students had a wonderful time and this was a rewarding experience.

Please ensure that your child has all the essentials required for school. The search for lead pencils can often be disruptive, so spare pencils are a great idea.

Our writing unit, Information Reports, has been greeted with enthusiasm from the students. They will have many opportunities this term to write about topics of personal interest. They will also be required to research unfamiliar topics, thus expanding their general knowledge.

Happy birthday to Angus for last Friday.

Class leaders: Konnar and Owen

It was great to see all the students get straight back into their learning like they hadn’t missed a beat. Fun was had by all yesterday as we travelled by bus to B.H.S to participate in the PROJECT ROCKET workshops. The presenters covered inclusion, positive body language and the importance of communication. We observed great leadership from the students and lots of big smiles.

In spelling we are focusing on the ar (as in star) - a (as in glass) sounds and all of the graphemes that create the ar sound. In writing sessions, your child will be continuing their focus on information report writing covering: topic sentences, supporting details and factual language. Reading sessions will focus on text structure and language features specific for informational texts. In maths, whole number is the continued topic with expanded notation, place value and working mathematically being covered during the week.

All of the students have been told that they are able to bring their homework in everyday from 9-9:15am if they have any questions, or if they need some catch up time from a busy week etc.

Shari and Wade are our class leaders for the week.
Year 5

We welcome Miss Jessica Breen, a 4th Year CSU student, who will be completing her practicum and internship at Henty Public School for Term 3. We hope she enjoys her time in our class and gains much experience.

We have had a good start to our term and there has been some very productive learning in the class last week. Homework is due in on Thursday and it is the first task in our project, Countries of the World. Students are aware that there is access to internet and opportunities to discuss any concerns or difficulties they have before the due date.

Numeracy this week will involve; Reading numbers to tens of millions, Distributive law, Decimals to thousandths and 24 hour timetables. We will continue to work on our times tables.

In Literacy our focus this term will be a clustering of text types; descriptions, reports, narratives, personal responses and reviews, under the title of ‘Do You See What I see?’ We will commence with descriptions.

Our weekly timetable includes the following:

Tuesday - Band and Art
Wednesday - Scripture and Assembly (even week) and Choir (odd week)
Thursday - Debating
Friday - Sport and Library/Computing

Year 6

We welcome Mrs Kellie Noske to our school and classroom for the next 8 weeks. Mrs Noske is a fourth year Charles Sturt University Education student. She will be observing and teaching lessons throughout the term.

Congratulations to the Premier’s Debating team (Charlie, Preston, Tara & Hannah) on their win against Uranquinty Public School last Wednesday. They will debate at Yerong Creek again on Thursday.

Yesterday we attended Billabong High School for Project Rockit. This was an informative session for the students based on bullying and how we can all be a part of the solution rather than be a part of the problem.

The week ahead:

Tuesday - Band
Wednesday - Library, Scripture, Assembly
Friday - Sport

Homework commenced this week for the term. We are studying a novel ‘Nanberry’ by Jackie French. Each week students will receive spelling words and a task related to the novel.

Please contact Miss Ross if there are any queries with homework.
HENTY PARK TENNIS CLUB AGM
Monday, July 27, 2015
At the Henty Public School Library at 7.30pm
All players (old and new), parents, team captains and committee asked to attend.
Information: Kellie Penfold 02 60366158 or Tania Wettern 0428 634 72

Ngulagambilanha: To be returning home
Ngulagambilanha: to be returning home is a program that brings seven schools in Wiradjuri Country together with The Art Gallery of NSW, Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's collections and The Arts Unit, The NSW Department of Education, to create artworks that are stimulated and inspired by connections with local Wiradjuri artists.

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery
Civic Centre, Cnr Baylis & Morrow Streets
Phone: 02-69 296 660 - www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/gallery
Launch– Sat 25th July @ 1pm, will run until 6th September Free Entry

HENTY ROTARY CLUB
If you have any old spectacles you are no longer using could you please leave them at Dale's Electrical Store from where they will be forwarded to Third World countries?

MOVIE X+Y Media Release
Aspire Support Services would like to announce the exclusive showing of the Movie X+Y at the Regent Cinemas in Albury on Wednesday the 22nd of July at 7.00pm with a light supper available from 6.00pm.
X. This screening of the Movie X+Y is open to the general public to raise the awareness of Autism Spectrum Disorder in our community.
Cost of the movie is $25 which includes a light supper before hand.
Tickets are available from Aspire Support Services offices at
220 Borella Rd, Albury and 4 Footmark Court, Wodonga.
Direct Deposit is also available upon request.
For further details contact Sue Pringle on (02) 6058 4000 or email sue.pringle@aspiress.com.au
Travel Authority

Parents transporting school students to school events are required to complete travel authority documentation. Documentation can be obtained from the school office. Parents are required to attach a copy of their drivers’ licence and car registration to the completed form and return all documentation to the school office.

Student Teachers

We welcome two students from Charles Sturt University who are completing their Internships. Mrs Kellie Noske will be teaching Year 6 and Miss Jessica Breen will be teaching Year 5. Mrs Kane and Mrs Liston will be completing school based projects including scope and sequences for new syllabus documents and a technology audit.

ASSEMBLY

There WILL be an assembly tomorrow.

Canteen Roster

Canteen Co-Ordinators are Alison Baldock & Mary-Anne Scott.

Term 3

27/7: Cindy Scott  
3/8: Saja Redha  
10/8: Sandy Newton  
17/8: Michelle Lieschke  
24/8: Debbie Klemke  
31/8: Joanne Hutchesson  
7/9: Teneal Jones  
14/9: Julie White

Working with Children Check for Volunteers

All parents volunteering at the school are required to complete the volunteers Working with Children Check. This can be completed online at http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check

This check is for free. If you require any assistance in completing this, please contact the office.

REMINDEERS

- Term 2 band fees are overdue and Term 3 are now due.
- The $80 deposit for the Year 5/6 excursion was due last term.
Can these payments please be finalised ASAP. Thank you for your co-operation.

WANTED

With the cooler weather upon us we are in need of any winter items for the school clothing pool. If you have any spare clothes, please bring them in to the office. Thank you.
Bernie O’Connor Carnival: We are seeking assistance from parents and families to act as coaches or team managers for both our football and netball teams on the day. If you could assist in any way, please contact the school as soon as possible.

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Feedback from Students from Project Rockit Program

“Was excellent as we learnt about solutions to bullying.”

“Moved past types of bullying to more challenging work that needs to be done to stop bullying.”

“A fun way to learn about bullying.”

“We learnt about how we would feel if we were bullied.”

“The leaders were very enthusiastic which made us want to listen.”

“I liked the 3 checks to see if it was bullying - repeated, unfair power and on purpose.”
Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to those parents who attended the parent / teacher interviews last term. If you did not have an interview with your child's teacher and/or require a follow-up interview please contact your child's teacher. **We would appreciate your feedback to support the parent / teacher interview process at the school.**

- [ ] I am satisfied with the current parent / teacher program and times
- [ ] I would prefer a longer interview time eg 15 minutes
- [ ] I would like a break between interviews eg 5 minutes
- Additional comments and ideas appreciated

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School Choir

This term choir will be offered on Wednesday afternoons from 2:50—3:25pm every odd week of term. This will commence tomorrow. Please complete the following permission note to indicate your child's attendance.

I agree to allow my child/children ______________________________ to participate in the choir program on Wednesday afternoons.

The latest students to have completed the NSW Premiers Reading Challenge are Hannah Male, Elsa Meyer and Khyla Gardiner. Well done girls and a reminder to other students that they have until the 21st August to complete the challenge so keep on reading!! Please hand all completed sheets into the library as soon as possible.