



HUNTINGDON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Newsletter

Our school's website is found at: huntingdon-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Friday 22 March	Harmony Day
Saturday 23 March	P&C Election Day Fundraiser
Mon 25 March – Wed 27 March	NAPLAN Online Practise Tests
Tuesday 26 March	Pizza Lunch – For our Super Swimmers
Thursday 28 March	Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Program
Monday 1 April	P&C Meeting @ 3.30pm
Thursday 4 April	Library Van Big Vegie Crunch
Tuesday 9 April	K-2 Parent, Teacher, Student Interviews
Wednesday 10 April	3-6 Parent, Teacher, Student Interviews Sundial Dental Visit

RECEIVING OUR NEWSLETTERS BY E-MAIL ... Please contact the school so we can add your name to our ever growing list of families receiving their newsletters by e-mail

State Swimming Carnival

Once again, our super swimmers, Ashwin, Max, Jarvis and Flinn have achieved success in the North Coast Swimming Carnival, taking out third place in the 4x50 metre relay. These four young men have now qualified for state and will be competing in Sydney at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre on Friday 12th April. Well done boys!



Assembly

Congratulations to all of our assembly award recipients for Weeks 6 and 7. A big thank you to all of the parents, family members and friends who joined us to recognise our students. It is so lovely to have you in our school. Congratulations to **Harper, Lyla, Matilda, Skylah, Ruby, Darby, Liam, Lilliana, Ethan, Herby, Jayden and Jacob**. Another big congratulations to **Amaya** for 25 Nights of Reading Award.



National Day of Action Against Bullying

The National Day of Action gives schools the chance to take action and empower young people to be part of the solution when addressing bullying. It provides an opportunity to focus on bullying and the changes we can all make to help create safer communities for everyone. Our students have been participating in explicit lessons about how they can be upstanders and stand up for what is right. Friday 15th March was the National Day of Action Against Bullying. Our students created some very detailed posters and presented them at assembly.

NAPLAN Online Practise Tests

This year, our school is transitioning to the online platform for NAPLAN. Next week, students in Year 3 and Year 5 will have an opportunity to experience this platform in some practice tests to allow them to familiarise themselves with the online environment. We look forward to hearing their feedback.



Harmony Day

This Friday 22 March, our students will participate in Harmony Day Activities. Harmony day is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism and the successful integration of migrants into our community. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values. To celebrate this day, students may come to school dressed in a cultural theme or wear the colour orange which represents Harmony Day.

To show the students how much the staff respect the students and value all that they bring to our school, the staff will be providing a multicultural lunch for all students. Students will not need to bring lunch on this day, however, they will still need to provide their own recess. There is no need to pre order lunch as there will be plenty for all students and this lunch is free of charge with lots of different types of cuisine for the students to sample.

To finish the day, our students will present their ideas and activities at our whole school assembly at 2.20pm. All parents and friends are invited to join us for this assembly. We look forward to sharing our learning with you.

K/1/2 News

The whole school participated in the National Day of Action against Bullying last Friday. The theme was, **Be Kind, Lend a Hand**. Our class discussed what it means to lend a hand, how you can lend a hand when someone is upset, and the definition of bullying. The students then thought of ideas to help others when they are being bullied. These lessons led to some fantastic discussions and the importance helping others when they need it.



Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Program

Next week, Angela Marr-Grogan and Skye Nicholls are donating their time to support our students in Aboriginal Cultural Awareness lessons. Our students are looking forward to engaging in these lessons and learning about our country's history and how it has shaped our nation. We appreciate all that Ang and Skye are sharing with us and can't wait to share some pictures and stories with you. Thank you, Ang and Skye.

Mid North Coast Primary School 7s

A reminder - During our Friday Rugby sessions our students have been honing and developing their ball skills, practising their running, dodging and participating in a variety of skill building games and drills. They have also been learning about respect, teamwork and good sportsmanship. This year our school will be participating the 2019 Mid North Coast Primary School 7s. We will have two teams, consisting of Years 3/4 and Years 5/6. This event will be at Stuart Park in Port Macquarie and travel will be by bus. This event is fully funded by the school and we have been lucky to receive free coaching for this event by Coach Mrs Lisa Vogel from NSW Rugby Union who has been coaching our Friday Rugby sessions.

P&C News

If you would like to receive email correspondence concerning upcoming P&C event and Meeting Minutes please leave your details with the school, marked to the 'Attention of the P&C Secretary' or email your P&C at: huntingdonpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au. You do not need to be a financial member of the P&C or even attend meetings to receive correspondence and updates, this is your opportunity to say 'in the loop'!

Upcoming events for your calendar:

- **Election Day – Saturday 23 March 2019**

This is a great fundraising opportunity for the P&C, with many people coming out from Wauchope to escape the crowds and get parking at the door! The P&C will be operating a cake stall and selling Pork & Slaw rolls from 10-2pm, further information will come out soon (calling for volunteers to man a stall for 30 minutes and baking goodies to sell at the stall).

School Voluntary Contribution Fee

A reminder - All families are asked to contribute to the cost of supplying students with all the learning materials provided by the school. The cost of resources used every day in the classrooms, including books, pencils, pens, paper, art supplies, craft supplies, printer ink, readers etc.... is ever increasing. The contribution amount is:

\$30 per student

\$40 for 2 students

\$50 for 3 or more students

This school contribution can be made at the school office at any time or via the Parent online Payment (POP) on the school website. Your contribution will greatly assist the school in off-setting the cost of providing equitable new and quality resources and materials for all students in our school.

P&C Pizza Lunch Day

Four of our super swimmers, Max, Jarvis, Ashwin and Flinn, will be travelling to Sydney in April to represent the school at a State level. The P&C are running a PIZZA LUNCH on **Tuesday 26th March** to celebrate this wonderful achievement and fundraise to help cover some of the cost for the families. Please return payment and order by Mon 25th March. (Notes were sent home last week)

Big Vegie Crunch

Our school will be participating in the Big Vegie Crunch on Thursday 4 April at 10am. All students will be provided with a sample of fresh fruit and vegies to try. Get ready to Crunch!



Kindergarten 2020 - Taking enrolments now!

A reminder - Parents of children who will commence Kindergarten next year are asked to advise the school office so that enrolment numbers can be anticipated. Children who turn five on or before July 31, 2020 may be enrolled from the beginning of the school year. Please complete the table below for your child/children or for any child that you know of in the district, whom we may not know about, who will commence school at Huntingdon over the next two years and give to the school as soon as possible. This will greatly assist with our forward planning.

Please ensure that you include your name, phone number and address so that we can ensure that all information regarding our Kindergarten Transition Program can be sent. We will bring our Transition Days **next term**.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2019		
Name of Child	Phone No.	Date of Birth

Name of person providing this information: _____

Address of parent/carer (if no other siblings at school): _____

Phone No: _____

Libray Van Dates - Term 2

Thursday 9th May

Thursday 30th May

Thursday 20th June



Sundial Dental

Sundial Dental will be attending the school and offering a Free Oral Health Presentation to the students on Wednesday 10 April 2019. This is a fun interactive presentation with dietary advice, oral health instructions and an opportunity for the students to ask questions. They will also give each student a "Dental Health Party Bag" containing a toothbrush, information for the parents and a few fun pieces to encourage healthy lifestyle choices. The presentation will be delivered by qualified and caring Hygienist/Oral Health Therapists or Dentists. This is a great opportunity for students to learn how to take care of their teeth, instil good dietary habits and give them ideas of how to make healthy lifestyle choices starting while they are young and form habits that will last a lifetime.



Stewart House Donation Drive 2019

Envelopes will be sent home today. Please return sealed envelopes with donation to the school no later than Wednesday 1 May 2019.


SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

... to choose a SunSmart hat

A SunSmart hat not only protects the face, head, neck and ears, it can also reduce the amount of UV radiation reaching the eyes by 50%.




CHOOSE a SunSmart hat:

- Broad-brimmed hats
- Bucket hats
- Legionnaire style hats

Baseball caps and sun visors do not protect the cheeks, ears and back of the neck and are not recommended.

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



Stewart House Donation Drive 2019

Your donation supports the 1,700 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

“Stewart House was one of the highlights of my teenage years and I met so many people I am still friends with today. The dedicated staff that run this program are amazing.”

Past student, Facebook review 21/10/2018

NSW Public Education's
Charity of choice

Win a \$4,000 holiday to a destination of your choice

- Place a \$2 coin or equivalent in this envelope
- Complete entry details on the back
- Return to your school to be eligible for the draw

All entries must reach Stewart House by Friday 31st May 2019 in time for the draw at 12pm on this date




The simplest way

... to choose foods for the lunch box

Pick one food from each food group:

Breads & Cereals:
rich in carbohydrates, the body's preferred source of energy – perfect for kids to play and learn all day.

Veggies & Salads:
high in fibre and packed full of vital vitamins and minerals to boost health and help maintain a healthy weight.

Meat & Alternatives: rich in protein, iron and zinc.

Dairy: important for growing healthy bones and teeth.

Fruit: naturally sweet and refreshing the perfect snack for growing bodies.

For simple ideas on foods from each group visit healthylunchbox.com.au



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**ENQUIRIES
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Registration
start from
\$100
Government
School
Voucher
available

FRIDAY NIGHT RUGBY

U6/U8 Girls & Boys 5pm-6pm

U10 Girls & Boys 530pm-615pm

U12 Girls & Boys 615pm-715pm

U14/U16 Girls 715pm-815pm

SEASON STARTS

May 3rd 2019

Stuart Park Port Macquarie

COME AND TRY RUGBY

GIRLS & BOYS

FRIDAY 5TH APRIL

5PM-630PM

FRIDAY 12TH APRIL

5PM-630PM

Please feel free to contact any of the named teams for specific training schedules. If you are not affiliated with a team please contact Trudi or Jacqueline from Port Macquarie Junior Rugby Union and they will assist you with your enquires.



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