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Newsletter

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<http://www.huntingdon-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

RECEIVING OUR WEEKLY 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.

Mon 19th Nov-Fri 30th Nov	<i>Intensive Swimming for all students</i>
Tuesday 4th December	<i>Year 6-7 High School Orientation Day</i>
Thursday 6th December	<i>Last Kindergarten Transition 9am-3pm</i>
Thursday 6th December	<i>Captains Speeches at 9am</i>
Thursday 6th December	<i>Year 6 Farewell at Port City Bowling Club</i>
Thursday 13th December	<i>P&C Annual Christmas Tree 6pm-8pm</i>
Monday 17th December	<i>Presentation Day and Semester 2 Reports sent home</i>
Wednesday 19th December	<i>Last day of term for students</i>

Kinder Transition

Another successful Kindergarten transition was had last week. Our 2019 students joined the K/1 class for the morning session. We were lucky to have the Year 4/5 student's visit and share some reading time. They also enjoyed recess and a play in the playground with the whole school. The final transition day will be on Thursday, the 6th of December. They will be able to experience a full day of school with the K/1 class. How exciting!!



10 Day Intensive Swimming Program

Last week our school began our intensive swimming program and this will run until Friday 30th November. Don't forget all children need to bring their swimmers, towel, sunscreen, t-shirt or rash shirt and thongs each day. If you wish to collect your child from the pool each afternoon, a note *must* be supplied to the classroom teacher each morning, so we know your child will be collected and will have their school bags with them. If no note is supplied, or you are not at the pool by the time the bus leaves to return to school, your child will return to school on the bus with the rest of the school. As the bus is on a strict schedule, we cannot hold the bus while we wait for parents to collect their children.

2019 Captains Speeches

Just a reminder it's that time of year again where we start to think about our school leaders for 2019. All Year 5 students are invited to deliver a speech to the whole school to nominate themselves for a student leadership position in 2019. These speeches will be held in our School Hall on Thursday 6th December at 9am. Parents and community members are very welcome to join us and listen to each student explain how they will fulfil the role of a student leader for 2019.

Year 2/3 Marvellous Minibeasts

The Year 2/3 classroom has literally been alive with all manner of critters. As a culmination to the Unit of work on Minibeasts Year 2/3 have been presenting their Recycled Minibeasts Projects in an oral presentation where they have shared with their peers information, they have researched about the minibeast they chose and given a detailed description of how and what they used to construct their minibeast. This has been a very exciting unit for the students in which they have honed their scientific skills – observing, recording, illustrating, creating, categorising, classifying, predicting and hypothesising. The students have been learning about some of the interesting and varied ways in which spiders catch prey and how minibeasts interact with other creatures and construct their homes. Congratulations to those students in Year 2/3 who have already presented their projects.



Illustration by Haylee

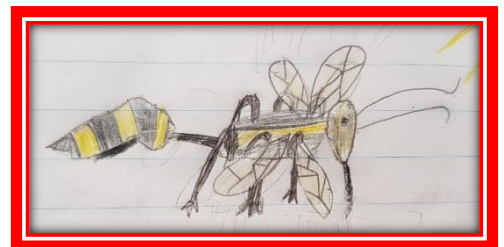


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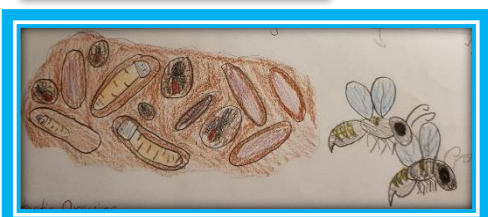


Illustration by Lyla



Illustration by Syd



Illustration by Bella



Illustration by Skylah



Illustration by Jayden

Impressive Mud Wasp Nest

By Spencer

Two weeks ago, Jayden and I were playing the best game ever Dodge Ball. I threw the ball as hard as I could and it hit the blackboard. Bang!!! A humongous brownish blackish mud wasp nest fell down onto the seat and cracked in half. Lachlan brought it down to the classroom and he had it for news. Today we cracked it open and 3 of the interesting white larvae are alive also one of the yellow spiders was also running around. There are heaps of spiders' exoskeletons, an exoskeleton is a hard outer shell. Some are yellow and the rest are just plain old black and brown.

Mud Wasps

By Bella

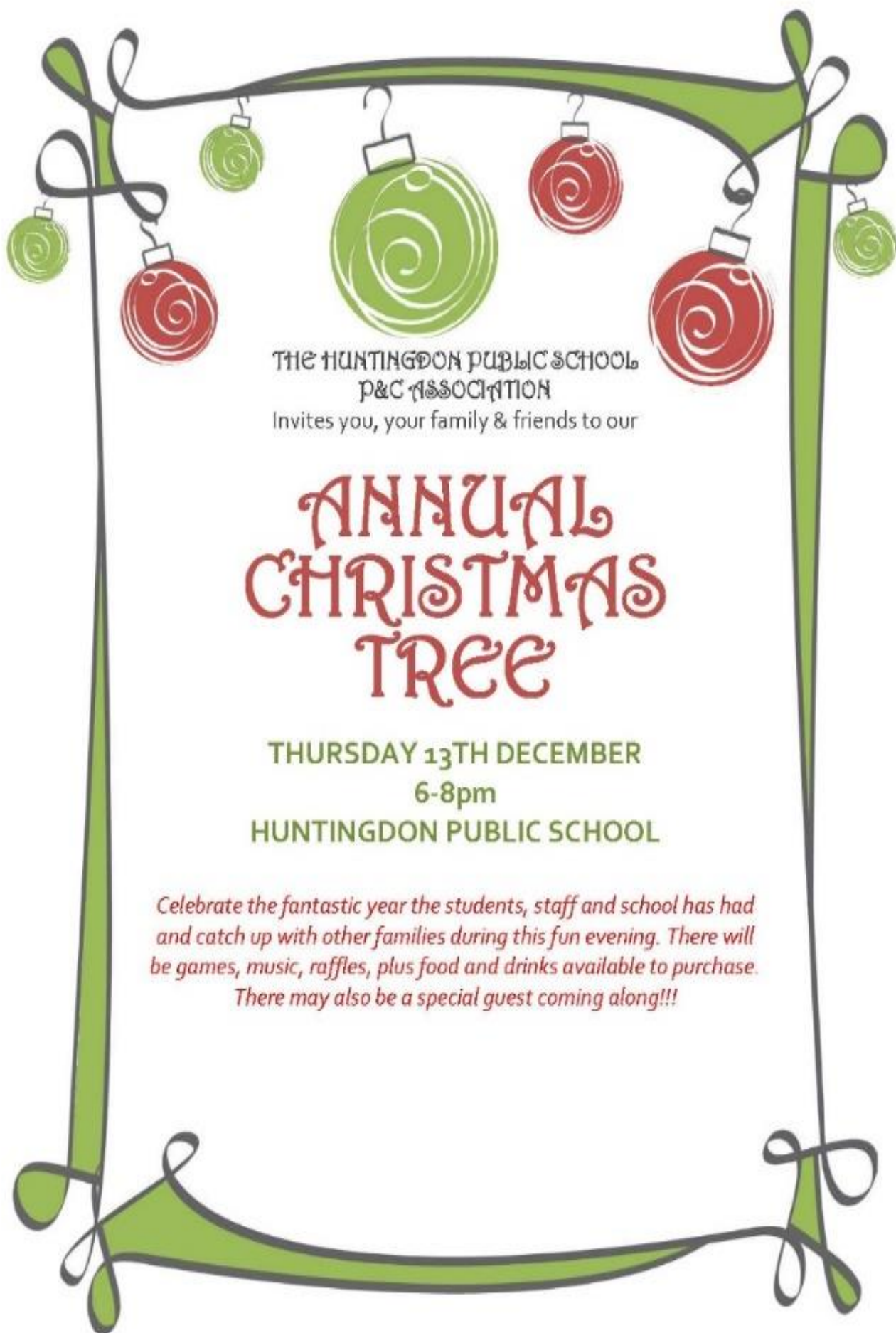
There is a long light brown mud wasp nest in our classroom. Mrs Elliott cracked it open so we could see what was in it. It looks like dirt at first but then I saw spiders. The wasps paralyse the spiders for the babies to eat. There is a real spider in it and it is tiny. I think the mud wasp nest is really fascinating and interesting. We got the mud wasp nest because Spencer hit a ball and hit the mud wasp nest so it fell down. Then Lachlan found it and showed us it for news. It is in a big plastic container. Have you ever found a mud wasp nest?

Library Van

Monday 3rd December is our *last* Library Van visit. The students have been asked to return all Library Van books to the school by the 3rd of December. Elizabeth from the Library Van will be sharing with the students, the Summer Holiday Reading Challenge and the wonderful rewards to be gained by those students who actively participate.

Library News

Just a reminder that our library stocktake will begin soon. This is an important part of the library systems each year and means that each book that we have in our school library needs to be accounted for. To assist in making this task easier, we ask that you have a look at home in cupboards, drawers, under the bed and lounge and even in the car for any school library books that might have gone astray and return them to school. We will still be borrowing for the next 2 weeks and then our school library will close down for the year to allow for the stocktake to be completed.



THE HUNTINGDON PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C ASSOCIATION
Invites you, your family & friends to our

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE

THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER
6-8pm
HUNTINGDON PUBLIC SCHOOL

*Celebrate the fantastic year the students, staff and school has had
and catch up with other families during this fun evening. There will
be games, music, raffles, plus food and drinks available to purchase.
There may also be a special guest coming along!!!*