

Holland Park State School

NEWSLETTER



6 August 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reading Instruction Professional Development

This week at Holland Park, our Curriculum Leaders lead whole staff professional development in reading instruction that was underpinned by current research into the teaching of reading. The P.D. focused on five areas of reading instruction: **phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and text comprehension**. Evidence from research, suggests that an integrated approach to reading that explicitly teaches these five key elements, coupled with effective support from the child's home, is critical to success.

The five key elements are described below:

Phonemic Awareness: The ability to notice, think about, and work with the individual sounds in spoken words (phonemes)

Phonics: Phonics instruction teaches children the relationships between the letters (graphemes) of written language and the individual sounds (phonemes) of spoken language. It teaches children to use these relationships to read and write words.

Fluency: The ability to read a text accurately and quickly using phrasing and emphasis.

Vocabulary Development: Teaching new words *directly* through clear definitions and examples and *indirectly* using word learning strategies.

Reading Comprehension: Connecting what has been read to what the reader already knows in order to understand the information.

Prep Literacy Program

The Prep Literacy Program includes these five elements of reading instruction and is showing early results with students learning how to become great readers and writers by learning about letters (graphemes) and their speech sounds (phonemes). They are taught that before we start reading we need to switch on our brains and think about what we are reading. We need to switch on our eyes and check the letters in the words we are reading and switch on our ears for when we are reading out loud to make sure that our reading sounds right....because if what we read doesn't look right, make sense or sound right.....then we've made a mistake and we need to stop and go back and fix it up.

Kind regards

Julia Whittaker

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Finance: Minimum Credit Card payment accepted is \$10.
Payment window is open until 11am each day.

RULES OF THE WEEK

STAYING SAFE AROUND OUT OF BOUNDS AREAS

- Stay out of classrooms unless a teacher is present
- Ask the principal for permission to leave the school during school hours
- Ask the teacher on duty for assistance when balls go out of bounds

5C TIP OF THE WEEK

COURAGE

- Make your own decisions
- Don't say 'yes' just to follow others

FROM THE OFFICE

ENROLMENTS

Prep Enrolments for 2016 will be closing on Friday 14 August 2016. Please submit enrolment forms to the school office ASAP (this includes siblings).

MUSIC

To celebrate the purchase of the new piano by our P&C, we will be holding a twilight Music Gala in the school hall. The 3 school choirs and recorder band will be performing. The concert will also feature piano solos by two of our students.

When: Thursday 20 August 2015
Time: 5:30-6:30pm
Where: School Hall
Dress: School Uniform (for students performing)

BOOK WEEK CHARACTER PARADE

DATE: Friday 21st August (the day before the start of this year's Children's Book Week).
WHEN: 9:00am – 10:00am
WHERE: Oval
WHO: Whole school event
THEME: 'Books Light up Our World' - students are invited to dress up as a "book" character - someone who lights up their world.

HPE

Calendar

19 Aug	Prep-Yr3 Junior Sports Carnival
14 Aug	3KD/3KJ Fort Lytton National Park (date change)
18 Aug	Crazy Hair Day – Student Council
19 Aug	Junior Sports Day – Prep – Year 3
20 Aug	Music Gala Concert – School Hall
21 Aug	Book Week Character Parade
27 Aug	Yr5 Hands On Education – Gold Rush
9 Sept	Yr 5 Raw Art – Clay Modelling
9 Sept	2MB Pullenvale Environmental Centre
10 Sept	2OM/2TG Pullenvale Environmental Centre
11 Sept	2AF/2SW Pullenvale Environmental Centre
14-18 Sept	HPE Asia Week activities – whole school
17 Sept	4CS/4MS/4CP Science Centre Excursion
18 Sept	4MG/4KD Science Centre Excursion
18 Sept	Last day of term

**DATE CLAIMER
EXCELLENCE EXPO 2015
WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2015
5:30PM**

SCHOOL WATCH – 13 17 88

JUNIOR SPORTS DAY – WEDNESDAY 19 AUGUST

Please refer to the document also attached to this week's newsletter email.

GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY STUDENT

Hi, my name is Matthew Jackson and I am a 4th year university student from Griffith University. Over the next 6 weeks I will be completing an internship here at Holland Park State School with Matt Walker. During these 6 weeks I will also be running a 'Continent Club' each Wednesday at first break. Each week we will be learning about a different continent and some of the countries that make up that continent. It is a great, fun way to broaden students' geographical knowledge and for them to see what other cultures are like. If you have any questions about either my internship or Continent Club, please feel free to contact Matt Walker

STUDENT COUNCIL

On Tuesday 18th August, Student Council will be holding a Crazy Hair Day to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis Research. On this day, we'd like all students to wear their hair in a crazy style and bring along a gold coin donation which will be collected by your Student Council Representative.

Thank you for your support.



PTS: Alice C, Elliot W
PGY : Imogen , Jean Louis
PCM : Toby R, Emily D
PDY: Izzy, Maria
1RP: Oscar M, Rose C
1MG: Tilly, Tessa
1BD: Edie, Roan
1SB: Maggie, Olivia
2AF: Andreas, Angus, Lucy
2SW: Ethan
2TG: Antonio, Greyson
2OM: Matthias, Catherine
2MB: Bronte
3AM: Joshua, Ellie
3JM: Jayda, Brynn
3KJ: Madison
3KD: Jack F, Sonny F
4MG: Daniel Z
4KD: Joseph F, Scarlett S
4CS: Kyah H, Benjamin S
4MS: Grace T
5FM: Emilee P, Gabriel P
5GO: Magnus J, Julian H, Arlyn C
5GR: Holly E, Lily F
6NA: Caitlin W
6AW: Millie N, Jonathan L
6TM: Fraser A, Lauren M, Simran T, Stephen K,
 Jacob H
Japanese: Tara, James D

MATHS TEAM CHALLENGE

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of accompanying 15 Year 5 & 6 students to Stretton State College to compete in the Maths Team Challenge. It was the first time I had trained and taken students to this event. I'd like to thank the students for their commitment to training and their brilliant participation in this event. The students performed outstandingly! Thank you to the parents who transported and assisted with supervision on the day. Well Done Team!!

Matthew, Fergus, Holly, Hudson, Lewis, Emma, Zoe, Liam, Jack, Patrick, Millie, Kashti, Aditi, Brooke and Mia.

Please read what two of our team had to say below.
Mrs Trembath

As the bell rang, I raced to the library and rushed in. I didn't want to be late. It was the day of the Maths Team Challenge, which we had spent five weeks preparing for. The training had included all different types of maths – area, multiplication, problem-solving,

division, multi-step problems and much more. And now, we were ready.

On the drive there, I wondered what it would be like – how many schools would there be? What would the questions be like? But I soon found out. When we arrived at the Stretton State College hall, it was incredible. There were 27 different schools there, and hundreds of children. There were other year levels as well, other than just a bunch of grade 5 & 6 students like I'd expected. There was Senior: Years 11-12; Upper Middle: Years 9-10; Junior: Years 7-8; and then there was Upper Primary: Years 5-6. That was us. As I was in Group 2 in the Team Challenge, I walked over to the table that our team was sitting at, and sat down. All that was left to do was wait. "You have 45 minutes. Your time starts... Now!" We had it all worked out. There were 10 questions and 5 team members, so we did 2 questions each. Patrick was doing 1 and 2, Liam was doing 3 and 4, I was doing 5 and 6, Emma was doing 7 and 8, and Louis was doing 9 and 10. I got to work on question number 5. "If there is a 500mL container that contains 50% water and 50% cordial, how much water do you have to add to make the solution 90% water and 10% cordial?" Well, this one seemed simple. I wrote 450mL in the little box for number 5, not realising I had misunderstood the question. I then moved on to number 6. Well. This was not as easy as its predecessor. The question was nearly impossible! But I worked out an answer. As soon as I figured it out, I wrote it on the answer sheet. I then asked the other team members if they needed any help. There were 25 minutes left on the clock. I began to work on number 4, the second hardest question. But I couldn't work it out, so I helped Emma with question number 8. She then got the answer. I went back to number 4. And so it went. Finally, with 14 minutes left, we had finished all of the questions.

Mia W – Year 6 Representative.

Maths Team Challenge 2015 = AWESOME!!!!

The Maths Team Challenge was awesome!!! I loved it SOOOOOO MUCH! We drove to Stretton State College for the event, after 5 weeks of training with Mrs T. I was so excited and I think everyone else was too.

We were packed into the enormous school sports hall with heaps of other teams. We competed in two rounds - the Team Event and the Relay Event. I loved both!!! It was A+ !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Matthew B – Year 5 Representative





WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

This year's program commences on Wednesday 15th July. Members of our school community – staff, parents and friends – shopping at Woolworths can collect a sticker for every \$10 they spend. The program runs until 8th September.

COLLECTION BOX LOCATIONS

Sticker (and sticker card) collection boxes are located at two of our local Woolworths stores – Woolworths at Whites Hill (off Samuel Street) and Woolworths at Mt Gravatt East (off Creek Road.)

As well, there are collection boxes at these locations at the school – the office, the library and upstairs in Prep (outside the PGY classroom).

In previous years the school has benefited enormously from this program with a wide range of resources being acquired. Let's hope that this year's program brings even more benefits.

Margaret Kittson (Teacher-Librarian)

EKKA'S JUNIOR BAKING COMPETITION

Congratulations to Adam M. who received his best results ever in the Junior Baking Competition.

First prize- Marble Cake

First prize- Rich Fruit Cake

2nd prize- scones

4th- patty cakes

Adam also won "most successful exhibitor" for his marble cake. Please pop in to the new fine arts pavilion to check them out!



BOOKCLUB

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

We are using **Redgum Book Club** to offer a wide range of literary books for our students to purchase and to raise funds for our school library. Redgum Book Club supports Australian authors, illustrators and publishers to keep our Australian children's book industry strong.



Your child will have brought a catalogue home, please look at their term 3 digital catalogue http://issuu.com/redgumbookclub/docs/redgum_book_club_term_3_2015_school/1.

To place orders go to www.redgumbookclub.com.au. Once you have chosen your books select "Checkout" choose the current term 3 catalogue and your school from the dropdown menus. Your order will be delivered to your school after the end of the catalogue period. Every order includes a **free gift** for your child.

The last date for orders is on **17th August** and books will be delivered to the school between **31st August – 7th September**.

There are 137 Australian author titles in this catalogue, along with 125 new releases. The catalogue includes: *The 65-Storey Treehouse*, *Anne of Green Gables*, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *Dr Seuss*. There is a range of Usborne early readers, *Jack and the Beanstalk* and *The Tinder Box* and the popular Australian Geographic: All About Australia. Get reading and support your school and our talented Australian authors and illustrators. If you have any questions about Redgum Book Club orders, please contact Lesley Kelly at schools@redgumbookclub.com.au.

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CATEGORIES AND NOMINATION DATES



Instrumental Solo	Prep to 6	Students will receive notification of judging dates/time over the next 2 weeks
Vocal Solo	Prep to 6	Students will receive notification of judging dates/time over the next 2 weeks
Public Speaking	Prep to 6	Students will receive notification of judging dates/time over the next 2 weeks
Dance Solo	Prep to 6	Students will receive notification of judging dates/time over the next 2 weeks
Reading Australian Verse	Prep to 6	Students will receive notification of judging dates/time over the next 2 weeks
Japanese Speaking Japanese Native Speaking	Prep to 6	Students will receive notification of judging dates/time over the next 2 weeks
Writing	Prep to 6	Entries are due Friday 14 th August 2015 and are to be placed in year level boxes in the Staffroom.
Mathematics	Prep to 6	Entries are due on Friday 14 th August 2015 and are to be placed with the year level signage in Staffroom.
Technology	Prep to 6	Entries due Tuesday 18 th August 2015 in the Library.
Science	Prep to 6	Science entries are to be taken between 8.30am to 9.30am in Lower H Block, Classroom H7 on Friday 21 st August 2015.
S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics)	Prep to 6	Entries are due 21 st August 2015 and will be collected between 8:30am – 9:30am in the Old Tuckshop.
Visual Art	Prep to 6	Entries due on Thursday 3 September 2015 and will be collected between 8.30am and 9.15am in the Staff Room.
Asian Studies	Prep to 6	Entries are due on Thursday 3 September between 8:30 – 9:15am under D Block (OHSC area).



Excellence Expo Year 2 S.T.E.M Workshop:

On Wednesday 5 August Year 2 teacher Mrs Gorrie facilitated a workshop for Year 2 students on the Excellence Expo S.T.E.M task. Students have to design and create a model of a house to live under water or a town from the future. Mrs Gorrie clarified details of the task and modelled how students may approach this task with specific details. Students were so very keen to undertake their planning and I was so very impressed with their questions to seek further information. Mrs Gorrie encouraged students to still see her if they required any further support. Special thanks to Mrs



Gorrie for her leadership with this S.T.E.M task and I wish all students the very best with their S.T.E. M projects.

May I take this opportunity to thank all teachers involved in their leadership in S.T.E.M workshops in preparation for Excellence Expo 2015 Mr Neil Adams, Ms Politics Mr Gibney, Mrs Dyer their valued support is commendable.

Excellence Expo Performances Nominations

May I thank all students Prep to Year 6 for their nominations for performances in the following solo categories: Vocal, Dance, Instrumental, Public Speaking, Reading Australian Verse, Japanese Speaking. Your nominations indicate your extraordinary interest in your talent development. Students will receive notification judging dates will be circulated to all nominating students.



Gail Young (Gifted Education Mentor) GEM

P&C NEWS

Grade 6 Graduation Party

Date Saver for your diary - Friday 4th December from 6:30pm. Further details to be provided in due course.

Working Bee

A big thank you to both adults and children who gave up their time over the weekend to contribute to a very productive effort! All plants were planted at the Victor Street embankment area and we look forward to seeing it take form as the plants grow. You may have noticed the paving in the front of the school is also well underway. A special thanks to Lisa Kuiri who provided plans and single handedly laid out the pavers!



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7.00am – 9.30am term time

Tuckshop: 07 3421 6263

Open Monday – Friday

Order online at

www.school24.com.au (ID: 25245963)

The P&C meets at 7:30pm on the 4th Wednesday each month.

TUCKSHOP

TUCKSHOP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Due to parents either leaving the school or going back to work, the tuckshop has lost some great helpers. If you are available ONCE A MONTH (yes that's all) on a Friday, PLEASE contact Mel via txt on 0408628800 or call in to the tuckshop. Thanks Mel.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Mon 10 Aug: Kim Amos Hohnke

Tues 11 Aug: Elin Hyunsung Min

Wed 12 Aug: Neelima Sharma, Amanda Oliver

Thurs 13 Aug: Raelene Batkin

Fri 14 Aug: Linda Tobin, Sam Smith, Chrissa Konstantinos, Lisa Ridler, Amy Wood

SWIM CLUB

Holland Park Swim Club sign on day will be Sunday 23rd August 2015 from 10am to 2pm.

There will be a free sausage sizzle and swim for the kids.

Please contact Swim Club Committee for more information.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Holland Park
Kindergarten
Engaging hearts & minds

An evening with Maggie Dent

9 Things: A back-to-basics guide to calm, common-sense, connected parenting Birth-8 for parents.

Date: Monday 17 August, 2015
Time: 7 to 9 pm
Venue: Holland Park Kindergarten
882 Logan Road, Holland Park
Tickets: \$27
Bookings: hollandparkkindy.yapsody.com
4 tickets per person

Supper will be provided.
Seats are limited to 60 so get in quick!



“ In this seminar Maggie explores the role of healthy parenting with a back-to-basics, common-sense guide to what is essential for babies and toddlers that allows children to be able to thrive and be ready for school and life. The motif of *Army Wilma the wallaby* is Maggie's guide for parents of children birth to 8 as she explores the 9 Things that really matter when making decisions in children's lives. ”



TINY TOUCHIES

Intro to Touch Footy for kids

When: Thursday afternoons

Start: Thursday 6th August 2015

Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Who: Boys and Girls aged 5-7 years

Cost: \$70 for a 7 week program

Email: admin@bmta.com.au or 3397 5133

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