Dear Parents and Carers,

P & C ASSOCIATION AGM

The P & C AGM was held last night, March 11, in the school library. An election of new officers and executive took place. There is very little change this year to the executive team with the following officers being re-elected for another year.

President – Kumar Thaivarayan
Vice President – Lisa O’Donnell
Vice President Communications – Patricia Gibbons (A new position)
Secretary – Rhian Persal
Treasurer – Stephanie Sullivan

Thank you very much to the executive for taking on these voluntary roles for another year. It has been such a wonderful team who have achieved so much in school improvements and providing student resources during their time with the P & C. The school enjoys a very close and supportive relationship with the P & C Executive and we look forward to another very productive year ahead.

DISCO

A very successful term 1 disco was held last Friday evening for students in Years 4 – 6. Our experienced DJ led the students in dance and disco games. Our students are to be complimented on the excellent behaviour during the night. Thank you very much to the parents who helped out by selling drinks and snacks from the tuckshop and the teachers who helped with supervision.

Your help was greatly appreciated.
STAFFING UPDATE

Congratulations to our PE teacher Matt Walker and year 3 teacher Karina Denyer who have both received a permanent appointment to Holland Park State School.

From the beginning of week 8, March 16, Cassie Walker will be teaching 3LR on a full time basis. Thank you very much to Stephanie Williams for her excellent work with 3LR so far this year.

Lesley Retchford has been working on a contract as STLaN at Acacia Ridge State School for term 1 of this year. She is returning to Holland Park after the Easter vacation. She will be job sharing with Melanie Jones on 1WJ. Melanie will work on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Lesley on Thursday and Friday with 1WJ. Lesley will also take over Melanie’s Tuesday NCT day.

Edward Danielewski returns from leave on Monday, March 16.

Regards
Cathy Polities
Acting Principal

proudly announces
GIFTED AWARENESS WEEK 2015
16 – 20 March
“The Many Faces of Giftedness”

GIFTED AWARENESS WEEK 2015

Gifted awareness Week, Monday March 16 to March 21, will be launched at the International Conference: Illuminating the Spectrum of Gifted and Talent Development at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, South Bank, Brisbane Australia.

Interestingly, 2015 is the International Year of Light.

Holland Park State School will celebrate Gifted Awareness Week from Prep to Year 6 during this week. Students will display their wide diversity of gifts and talents with special displays in their classroom representing all the gifts or talents of all students. Our school leaders will also speak at our school assemblies next week about the talents and gifts of all students at HPSS.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN

If you are looking for a stimulating holiday activity for your child (aged between 7 – 12 years old) the Young Ethos Scholars one-day program may be for you.

This program is designed to inspire and challenge gifted and talented children to be innovative and resourceful, and to become thoughtful leaders of the future.

The Ethos Foundation is a not-for-profit learning organisation. The various program options will be offered on WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL during the next school holidays. Please visit https://ethosfoundation.org/course/young_ethos_scholars/ for further details and registration.

Calendar

Mar 16 GIFTED AWARENESS WEEK starts
Mar 18 & 19 Yrs 5 & 6 Nexus Art Incursion
Mar 20 National Young Leaders, Year 6
Mar 24 Cross Country, Years 4 - 6
Mar 26 Yr 5 Star Lab
Mar 26 Lone Pine, Year 3
Mar 27 Yr 1 – Arty Aussie Animals Incursion
Mar 29 P&C Easter Eggstravaganza, 1.30 – 4pm, HPSS Oval
Mar 30 Popcorn fundraiser for Japanese Garden

DATE CLAIMER
HPSS EXCELLENCE EXPO 2015
OFFICIAL OPENING
9 SEPTEMBER

SCHOOL WATCH – 13 17 88

P&C Contacts

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Swim School: 3421 6262
hollandparkpool@gmail.com
Enquiries 3 – 5pm Mon – Fri term time

Swim Club website: www.hollandparkswimclub.com

Uniform Shop: (07) 3397 7426
Open Mon, Wed and Thurs, 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.
Interschool Sports Report

On Friday 27 February, the Senior Mixed C Team played Marshall Road State School at the Annerley Football Club. Our team lost 5 goals to one. This was our first game and we demonstrated good sportsmanship and an excellent team spirit. Our two team superstars were Luke W and Taylor S.

Alice P.

Last Friday 6 March, Senior C Mixed and Senior B Boys teams played a by-game at Annerley Football Club. Our teams were mixed. The ‘Purple’s’ beat the ‘Blues’ 6 goals to 5. Players of the Match were Bradley C, Miggy, Milley G. and Ziggy. Everyone played fairly and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship. Joseph H. and Roklan W.

HPE Report

CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

It has been fantastic to see so many students attending the morning training sessions for Cross Country. I would like to acknowledge Mrs Moore, Mrs Griffin, Mrs Ford, Mrs Williams for offering their time to support our students.

Cross Country will be held in Week 9 on Tuesday 24th March. (NB: there has been a date change from the 19th)

INTERHOUSE CROSS COUNTRY 2015

The Cross Country will be held on Tuesday 24th March commencing as close as possible to 9.10am. Children should move to House areas under teacher supervision at 8.55 am.

Order of Events

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- Suitable shoes must be worn (NO SPIKES OR BARE FEET). Wear light, cool clothes. Wearing a hat is optional when running.
- Warm up before competing - Warm down and stretch after competing.
• Drink some water on the morning of the Cross Country, up to half an hour before your race. Bring your own water, hat, sun cream. Asthmatics bring sprays and have puffs as per your Asthma Management Plan.
• The course commences at STARTING LINE ON BIG OVAL. Keep any markers and the continuous line on your right throughout your race.
• TO FINISH, follow the line to the cricket nets, turning sharp right into the middle of the oval to the finishing bay.
• Colour coded maps have been placed in the Notice Board and at all Year 4, 5 and 6 classroom areas.

Children turning 9 years in 2015 (2006) in Year 4 do nearly 2 laps of the marked track on the school ovals. As they come to the western gates for the 2nd time cut left and follow around and down towards the Scout Hall. Follow the marked track past the Adventure Playground and large trees then head left up the concrete pathway to Cann Oval following the marked track onto Wood oval. At the cricket nets turn sharp right and run to the finish line.

Children turning 10 years in 2015 (2005) will follow the single black line along Wood and Cann oval down the concrete path and past the Scout Hall and into Mott Park. Follow the footpath past the water catchment area down the concrete causeway and follow the black line around the Rotunda, Footbridge, Play Area, the Bowls Club and past Checkpoint 6. At Checkpoint 7 head left and then return the same way around the Scout Hall up the concrete path past Checkpoint 1 and left to follow the black line to the Finish.

Children turning 11 years in 2015 (2004) will do an additional lap of the upper ovals before following the line around the Scout Hall then continue as above to the finish line.

Children turning 12 years in 2015 (2003) will do the same as 11 yrs with an additional lap of the footpath past the water catchment area down the concrete causeway and follow the black line around the Rotunda, Footbridge, Play Area, Play Area, the Bowls Club and past Checkpoint 6. At Checkpoint 7 head left and then return the same way around the Scout Hall up the concrete path past Checkpoint 1 and left to follow the black line to the Finish.

Multi age event boys and girls students have the option to walk, jog or run two laps of Wood and Cann ovals. This event has been introduced to maximize participation in our Cross Country event.

All times displayed are approximate and are subject to change.

Japanese Club

JAPANESE COMMEMORATIVE GARDEN

A Popcorn Day will be held on Monday 30th March to assist with fundraising for the Year 6 Japanese Commemorative Garden. Popcorn will be available for purchase during 1st and 2nd Break. $1 per cup of popcorn! Keep an eye out for our Flyers around the school.

LAFFS TENNIS – Free Racquet Offer
Enrolment forms for tennis coaching second term 2015 have been distributed and are to be completed and returned to the school office or to our PO Box address by Thursday 19 March, 2015. Any new pupil signing on for these lessons will receive at no charge a Junior Tennis Racquet
School Holiday Clinics are available at Chandler tennis centre – please call 07 3245 4494
Tuckshop News

TUCKSHOP ROSTER
16 – 20 March (Group 3)
Mon 16 Mar: Hamiah Tevelen
Tues 17 Mar: Emily Chen
Wed 18 Mar: Stella Kazoullis
Thurs 19 Mar: Raelene Batkin, Jo Martin
Fri 20 Mar: Chantal Dangerfield, Jody Paddison, Sophie Hill, Georgi Greer, Kate Carrafa

Volunteer names are not always correct due to changes. If unsure, please contact Melisa.

Easter Eggstravaganza
Sunday, 29 March 2015
1.30pm - 4pm
HPSS oval
Easter hat parade, traditional games and lots of fun. More info closer to the date.

Taking expressions of interest for
Ladies fitness classes

Would you like an after or before school drop off class?
An indoor or outdoor class?
Would you like to bring your children too?

We would love to help you to create the exercise class that suits your needs.

Contact us today - for more information about our flexible options - small groups - personal approach & a money back guarantee

Serendipity Fitness
Energy, health and mental wellbeing
Ph: 0422 525 625 or email info@serendipityfitness.com.au
ADVERTISING IN THE NEWSLETTER – All advertising is to be at school NO LATER than 9am on Monday. Ads cost $4 for the first 4 lines and $2 for each additional line or part thereof. Sanja Popovic, BSM, HPSS, 3421 6222