Dear Parents/Carers,

This is my first week back to school for some time. I must say that I am very happy to be back and looking forward to the rest of this year and then onwards to all the exciting challenges and ventures that no doubt wait in the future here. I want to thank Edward Danielewski and Cathy Polities who acted very capably for me at different times but also to Leigh Harrod, Julia Whittaker, Mimi Fites and Tenielle Maassen who willingly took on extra responsibilities in my absence.

Tony Gribbin
Principal

Welcome Back
This week we welcome back our principal, Tony Gribbin, who has returned from extended leave. He has been enthusiastically welcomed back by students and staff. Thank you to all those who have acted up in higher positions during his absence.

Junior Sports’ Day
On Wednesday our students from Prep to Year 3 enjoyed participating in the many and varied sports’ day activities. This year a new game was added to the program, ‘Bean Bag Toss’. Mr Walker saw this idea when he was the exchange teacher at Otemon Gakuin Elementary School last year. The idea is for the team members to throw as many bean bags into the basket in a nominated period of time (30 seconds).

Students also participated in sprints, novelty relays and tabloid events. It was a wonderful day where students were involved in maximum participation throughout the day. The day ran very smoothly and this does not happen without much preparation and planning. A huge thank you goes to Mr Walker and all teachers for their support. Thank you also to the P & C who held a very successful coffee and cake stall.
Gala Music Concert
A gala music concert was held this week to celebrate and thank our P & C for providing the school with our new piano in the hall. This piano has been used on many occasions already this year including Anzac Day, the Otemon Welcome and Farewell Assemblies, Excellence Expo performances and Music Concerts. Thank you very much to our music teacher Mr James for his wonderful concert on Thursday evening. The choirs, and recorder band performed beautifully and the solo instrumentalists were outstanding.

Cathy Polities
Deputy Principal

SCHOOL RULES

Our School Rules are:
- Be safe
- Be responsible
- Be respectful

THE FIVE ‘CS’

We act safely, responsibly & respectfully by following The Five ‘Cs’:
- Courtesy
- Consideration
- Co-operation
- Commitment
- Courage

FROM THE OFFICE

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO HPSS IN 2016
Please advise the school office if your child will be not returning to HPSS in 2016 by Friday 18 September 2016. Please send an email to admin@hollparkss.eq.edu.au with the following details:

Student Name:
Student Class:
Last day of school at HPSS:
School transferring to:

FINANCE

BPOINT is an online payment system which provides schools with a secure and efficient method of collecting payments from parents. Holland Park State School has now adopted this BPOINT online payment system. BPOINT is the preferred payment method for the department due to the efficiencies that automated receipting brings to schools.

To implement this system fully we require your support by providing a current family email address. Families will receive invoices directly into their nominated email address. Please read a BPOINT step by step guide attached to this newsletter.

Please note: parents are still required to return permission slips for any events, even if payment has been received via BPOINT. If you have any queries regarding this new procedure, please contact the school office.

LIBRARY

PAT FLYNN AUTHOR VISIT
On Monday 3rd August, students in our Year 3, 4 and 5 classes attended sessions run by our special guest author Pat Flynn. Students really enjoyed Pat’s presentation, in particular the short play where Pat acted out ‘Silly Mozzie’, a story contained in one of his books, ‘Beeware’.

Margaret Kittson (teacher-librarian)
### CATEGORIES AND NOMINATION DATES

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### 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 and Japanese Native Speaking. Your nominations indicate your extraordinary interest in your talent development.

Also may we thank all students for the wonderful entries for Writing, Technology, Science, S.T.E.M and Mathematics. We are looking forward to receiving Visual Art and Asian Studies.

**Gail Young (Gifted Education Mentor) GEM**
P&C NEWS

FATHER’S DAY STALL
The P&C is hosting the Fathers’ Day stall on Tuesday 1 September from 8.55am to 1.15pm. Gifts are priced at $5 and $10.

It will be held on the verandah outside the hall. Students will attend in class groups throughout the day.

Children are invited to purchase gifts for fathers and grandfathers to celebrate families.

The stall will also be open on Wednesday 2 September from 8.30am to 9.30am for students who were away or forgot money and for exchanges (e.g. If siblings select the same gift).

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 24 Aug: Di Reynolds
Tues 25 Aug: Manuela Taboada
Wed 26 Aug: Neelima Sharma, Amy Colston
Thurs 27 Aug: Raelene Batkin, Cecilia Gunluk
Fri 28 Aug: Stephanie Sullivan, Beatrice Leach, Sharon Taylor, Patrice Cox

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.

P&C Contacts

Email: pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Queensland Government has announced $15 million in Sports vouchers over the next 3 years. These vouchers assist children and young people join a sport or recreation club.

You can receive up to $150 a student to help with sporting costs! Apply for these from 15 July, 2015 and redeem at your local sporting club. visit www.npsr.qld.gov.au

The Moorooka Oztag club are part of this initiative and will be running a Tuesday afternoon competition for Boys and Girls 6-14 years starting September.

Redeem your voucher and play Oztag for Moorooka visit the website www.moorookaoztag.com
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