

Holland Park State School

NEWSLETTER



27 November 2015

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Carers

P&C PROJECTS

As you already know there are some quite big P&C projects that will begin quite soon. The refurbishment of the main grandstand at the pool begins on 12 December. While we are still awaiting final departmental approval, I hope that air-conditioning will be completed in time to ameliorate at least some of this summer's heat. The multi-purpose court has hit a temporary snag with what appears to be the necessary addition of a root wall. Once we have that figure confirmed, I am sure we will be able to expedite the project. The P&C has also contributed \$15,000 to the refurbishment of the junior toilets. This particular project will be scoped in the new year for completion as soon as possible.

TECHNOLOGY NEWS

I have recently given approval for the completion of the wireless network at the school at a cost of \$72 000. This promises the school much more capacity to incorporate digital pedagogies in the delivery of the Australian Curriculum. Recent contract negotiations with Telstra mean that the school will also be able to receive broadband services at more competitive process. Our clean internet service will include:

- Network security services
- Internet intrusion protection
- Content filtering
- Reporting services including internet usage reports.

Email and calendaring will include:

- Email security services
- Anti-virus
- Anti-spam
- Word scan

Currently our school is on a 4Mbps Business Grade fibre that costs us \$10,000 per annum. Our new deal will deliver 20 Mbps at a much reduced cost.



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ADVANCING EDUCATION

I hope you have had some time to look at the Queensland Government's action plan for education in Queensland. Education Queensland would be very happy for you to have your say by joining the conversation at www.advancingeducation.qld.gov.au Briefly the plan addresses our desire to inspire students to become:

- **Lifelong learners** who are knowledge creators, technology savvy, problem solvers, innovators and effective communicators who share ideas respectfully with others and respond positively to change.
- **Global citizens** who have relationships based on fairness and tolerance, and culturally competent and able to connect locally and globally.
- **Successful people** who set goals, are resilient, able to create opportunities and are confident in pursuing their passions.

CLASSES FOR 2016

There will be 34 classes in 2016.

There will be 5 Prep classes, 5 Year 1s, 5 Year 2s, 5 Year 3s, 5 Year 4s, 4 Year 5s, 4 Year 6s and one multi-age 5/6 class. The process of allocating students to these classes is now complete and you will be informed of class assignments at the end of our final week when students reports are issued.

Regards

Anthony Gribbin

SCHOOL RULES

STAYING SAFE AROUND PLANTS AND ANIMALS

- Keep out of trees
- Care for animals and plants in school grounds

THE FIVE "CS"

CONSIDERATION

Show concern towards others needing help if:

- hurt
- lost
- lonely
- unsure

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 **ASAP**. 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:

Calendar

1 Dec	Years 4-7 Senior Swimming Carnival
4 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Party, 6:30-9:30pm
7 Dec	Year 1 Fun Swimming Carnival
9 Dec	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony – School Hall
9 Dec	Year 2 Fun Swimming Carnival
10 Dec	Year 3 Fun Swimming Carnival
11 Dec	Last day of school

27 Jan 2016 - First day of school

SCHOOL WATCH – 13 17 88

FINANCE

Final statements have been issued via the classroom. Please settle all accounts by Friday 4 December 2015.

HPE

INTER HOUSE SWIM CARNIVAL

Tuesday 1st December will see our first whole day Inter-House swimming carnival for Year 4, 5 and 6 students. All 50m events are held in age groups 9, 10, 11 and 12 Years. All 25m events are held in Year levels. Please ensure to remind your child/children on the following points.

- Bring healthy food/snacks and plenty of water for the day
- Ensure medical management has been followed e.g. asthma puffers
- Do not leave the pool area unless approved by supervising teachers
- Students will miss their regular play breaks on the day. If they leave the pool area they may miss their heat or final.
- Be sun safe! Apply sun screen, wear a hat and put on a shirt when not swimming
- Show our awesome Holland Park Spirit
- Support your house and have fun

Parents are welcome to come along and support the event. All viewing can be done from the Hall deck area, seating will be provided. There will be no access to the pool deck area.

Thank you to the swim club and parents that have registered to volunteer. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Let's go Bowen...Lavarack...Wilson....good luck to all swimmers!

YEAR 1 SWIM FUN CARNIVAL

Year 1 will be holding their Swim Fun Carnival on Monday 7th December 9.00am -11.00am. Please ensure that your child has swimmers, goggles, sun vest and swimming cap. The morning is based around having fun events using freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke. Students will swim either 25m or 12m.

YEAR 2 SWIM FUN CARNIVAL

Year 2 will be holding their Swim Fun Carnival on Wednesday 9th December 9.00am – 11.00am. Please ensure that your child has swimmers, goggles, sun vest and swimming cap. The morning is based around having fun events using freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke. Students will swim either 25m or 12m.

YEAR 3 SWIM FUN CARNIVAL

Year 3 will be holding their Swim Fun Carnival on Thursday 10th December 9.00am – 11.00am. Please ensure that your child has swimmers, goggles, sun vest and swimming cap. The carnival is based around having timed events using freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke. Students will swim either 25m or 12m. Events will be timed. We need volunteers for timing, so if you could help out please email jhugh215@eq.edu.au All events are subject to available time.

Parents are welcome to come along and support each of the Year level events. All viewing can be done from the Hall deck area, seating will be provided. There will be no access to the pool deck area.

JAPANESE CLUB

This week the Japanese Club had their last session finishing off the year with a pool party and then an origami session. We have had a fantastic year investigating and sharing information on a variety of modern, historical and culturally significant facts that have shaped Japan. Thank you to all of the students and parents that supported our club activities. We hope to see more students at our first club session in 2016.

JAPANESE GARDEN

Wow, what a year! It is hard to believe that at the beginning of the year we had a bare and boring eastern side of R Block. It is absolutely fantastic to see how this area has been transformed by the hard work of our Year 6 students. Special thanks go to our garden work groups who contributed to funding, designing, construction and reporting back to our community. On behalf of the Year 6 students and teachers I would like to thank the following major contributors to the garden.

- Holland Park State School P & C
- Holland Park State School International Committee
- Robertson Gymnastics Club
- Joe Kelly MP Member for Greenslopes
- Bunnings Hardware Mt Gravatt

I would also like to thank the families that have contributed to our garden. We have another beautiful area in our school.

Thank you everyone!

DISTRICT TRIALS 2016 – dates subject to change

Swimming 11th February
Netball 11yrs 15th February
Netball 12yrs 16th February
Basketball Boys 17th February
Basketball Girls 18th February

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

We have had a fantastic response with students attending the JRFH sessions. It has been so much fun getting back into the basics of skipping and trying out some of the many tricks that skipping can offer. What has been really impressive is that we have 19 school members that have registered and have donated a massive \$3538.13. This is absolutely amazing!

It has been great fun, skipping along to music and trying out new tricks. What a great way to stay active, get healthy and have fun all at the same time. We celebrate the end of our Jump Rope fundraising this week. However, this does not mean that skipping has to stop.

Fantastic effort everyone! Keep on skipping..

LIBRARY NEWS



BOOK FAIR 2015

A big thank you to our school community – students, parents and staff – for their support at this year's Book Fair. Total sales exceeded \$15,000 with the school earning 20% commission on this amount. This means that a bit over \$3000 in Book Fair profit will be incorporated into the library cost centre budget for 2016.



Just by saying a 'Big Thank You' to our teachers and librarians, you can help our school/early childhood centre win one of 5 x \$1000 education resource bursaries.

Your child can also win one of 100 x \$50 gift vouchers just by entering.

All they have to do is visit **bigthankyou.com.au** and say in 50 words or less how their teacher or librarian helps to inspire a love of reading (parents can help younger students with their entry).

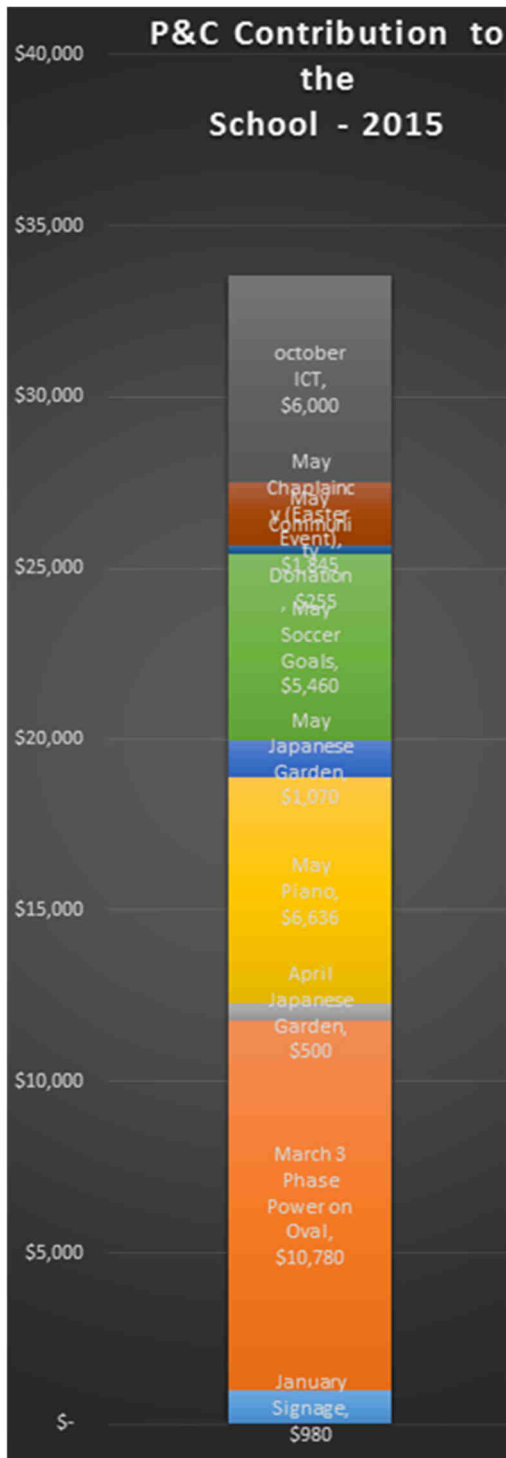
The 'Big Thank You' Giveaway is proudly sponsored by TUH, a health fund that was founded in Queensland 43 years ago to serve the education community.

TUH was also the proud principal sponsor of the 2015 Premier's Reading Challenge.

Entries close on Friday 4th December 2015.

P&C NEWS

P&C CONTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO THE SCHOOL - 2015



P&C Contacts

Email: pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au



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

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www.hollandparkswimclub.com

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 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.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION GIFT

Bookings close for the Graduation Party on 27 November. We are looking forward to a fabulous party with the vast majority of grade 6 students & their families attending.

Any grade 6 families not able to attend the Graduation Party can still contribute to the traditional grade 6 gift to the school which benefits future students. It is a gesture of appreciation to HPSS for their wonderful years of schooling. A card for contributing grade 6 students to sign will be circulated at the party on 4 December and then in classrooms on 7 & 8 December, before being presented to the school on the 9 December.

Please make your contribution to **BSB 064-112 Account No. 10244712** and email Lisa at odonnellmoritz@hotmail.com to confirm your transfer.

AIR CONDITIONED TEACHING AREAS THROUGHOUT HPSS!

The P&C are proud to announce their commitment of approximately \$120,000 for air conditioning to be installed in all of the school's teaching areas!

A decision was made at this week's P&C meeting for this work to go ahead with installation due to commence in early 2016.

TUCKSHOP

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Mon 30 Nov:

Tues 1 Dec: Kathy Kwan

Wed 2 Dec: Chantal Dangerfield

Thurs 26 Nov: Raelene Batkin

Fri 27 Nov: Carrie Simpson, Belinda Baker,
Danielle Hemer, Shay, Alejandra

ONLINE ONLY FROM 2016 No more bags!

HPSS is moving to ONLINE LUNCH ORDERS ONLY from 2016! If you are not already registered with Schools24, give it a try now so you're ready for next year.

For those of you who are not signed up for online, now is the time to get that sorted by logging into www.school24.com.au

HPSS registration ID: 25245963

If you have any trouble, please see Mel at the tuckshop and she will help where she can or please email pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au.

LAST day for tuckshop this year will be Wednesday 9th, December. Please be mindful that stock will be getting low that last week and your child's order may need to be changed.

Mel

FOR SALE

Jupiter Trombone, 2 years old, perfect condition.
RRP: \$1200, will sell for \$600 ono.
Call Kristina on 0419 989 304

COMMUNITY NEWS

Face painting, balloon animals, a jumping castle and SANTA! Prepare your kids for a fun packed afternoon of awesome entertainment in the C B Mott Park!

Get involved in our charity Auction with some amazing products and packages donated by your generous Holland Park local business owners.

Everyone is encouraged to bring along a gift to leave under our Christmas tree for 'A Little Ray of Giving'. With help from Rotary Club all gifts will be donated to disadvantaged families in our local community to put a smile on their faces at Christmas time.



Christmas in the Park

When: Sunday 6th December from 2-5pm

Where: C B Mott Park
49 Abbotsleigh Street, Holland Park

SANTA
FACE PAINTING
JUMPING CASTLE
BALLOON ANIMALS



COURTESY OF RAY WHITE HOLLAND PARK

Carols on the Oval

Sunday 06 December
Belmont State School Oval
Old Cleveland Road

4:00 PM Pre-show Entertainment
7:00 PM FREE Carols Concert
8:15 PM Fireworks

With Special Guests:
Mark Lowman
Bec Laughton

For more, up to date information "Like" Belmont Carols on the Oval on Facebook

Play Netball in 2016 with Royals Netball Club

Royals have vacancies for new members turning 7-17 in 2016

More information available on our website
www.royals.qld.netball.com.au

Or email royalsnetballclub@gmail.com for our brochure

On Tuesday 1 December at 6:30pm Coorparoo State School is hosting a FREE Community Christmas Carols. This open air performance will take place under the stars on the Junior School Oval (entrance via Halstead Street).

Performers from a local Community Choir will sing new and traditional Christmas carols. Students from Coorparoo State School's Combined Choir, Junior Band, Senior Band and Strings Orchestra will also perform.

"Dizzy" from the very entertaining Wide Eyed Puppet Group will tell the story of Christmas and we're hoping Santa Clause will drop in during the last song. The event starts at 6:30pm and concludes around 8:30pm.

BYO picnic and picnic rug. This event is supported St Stephens Church and the Lord Mayor's Suburban Initiative Fund

For more information: juliet@ststephenscoorparoo.org.au

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