Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to another great week at Holland Park State School. This week has been filled with many exciting events including several parent information sessions.

INFORMATION EVENING FOR NEW PREP PARENTS – 2016
Evening and morning sessions designed for ‘new parents’ of the 2016 cohort of prep students were presented this week. Parents were treated to a slideshow of our school routines, facilities and some of the unique features that make our school such a wonderful environment for our students. Thank you to our Community Liaison Officer, Karen Oliver, for your support and warm welcomes. Thanks to our terrific school leaders who developed and delivered a great ‘snapshot’ presentation for these parents reflecting the wonders of attending Holland Park State School from a students’ perspective!! Finally thank you to all parents who attended. Welcome!

OUR OTEMON JAPAN TRIP AND STUDENT EXCHANGE 2015
An evening for our students travelling to Japan in September and their parents was held on Monday evening this week. This was a good opportunity to check final arrangements, paperwork and the itinerary, as the adventure for our excited travellers draws nearer.

Thank you to all the families who sent applications to provide 5 night homestays for students from Otemon Gakuin Elementary School. The International Relations’ Committee recently received news that there will be 24 students accompanied by 7 teachers on the study tour. We are expecting the student profiles to arrive shortly and we will then be able to match and allocate homestays to Holland Park families.

This year has special significance year in our 23 years of friendship with Otemon Gakuin. It will be the 10th anniversary of the signing of our Sister School Agreement and we plan to celebrate this milestone at the Welcome Assembly this year. The Japanese students and teachers will arrive on Friday 24 July and depart on Wednesday 29 July.

YEAR 3 INCURSION – STARLAB COSMODOME
Last week, Year 3 had a visit from the Starlab Cosmodome. We experienced Earth’s rotation movement, changes in the sky throughout the day and how day and night are created. We also looked at the placement of the planets as well as both the past and future through the eyes of space.
“I felt really dizzy when we were going through the lava. I learnt that people might be able to live on the moon in 2075! When we were going through the lava I felt that we were actually driving through and over it. It was kind of scary. After we got out I felt relaxed because it felt like we were on Earth again. Yay!” Priya - 3LS

“In Starlab my friends and I felt really dizzy when it was like we went down a volcano. We also saw people in the future that were living on the moon. I learnt that you can’t see the stars twinkle when you live or are standing on the moon.” Jake -. 3LS

SCIENCE CLUB
The second Year 5 Science Club at Cavendish Road State High School commenced last week. In these weekly science lessons at the Cavendish Road SHS Science laboratories, students participate in totally hands-on, highly engaging Science investigations which helps them to develop Science Inquiry Skills such as observing, inferring, analysing and interpreting. The report this week is written by Lilly from 5GR.

At Science Club this week we had lots of fun looking at the cells of microorganisms under a microscope. After examining slides of Amoeba, Euglena and Paramecium, we had to observe how they move, what shape they are and how they obtain food. We learnt that some organisms are so small that they are made of only one cell. We finished up with a fun quiz.

MATHS TEAM CHALLENGE
We are in the process of nominating and choosing our Maths Team Challenge Teams – we will be taking two teams consisting of 5 members and a reserve. The Mathematics Team Challenge is a forum where students can put their talents to the test and compete for themselves and their school in an intellectual capacity.

The aim of the competition is:
- To stimulate student interest in mathematics and in creative problem solving
- To provide a day of intellectual fun in a scholarly atmosphere.

Preparation:
The teams will prepare in lunchtime sessions with Mrs Trembath for the challenge which will be held at Stretton State College between 10am and 2pm on Friday, 31 July 2015.

The teams will be announced soon!!!

CHESS CLUB
Last week we learned some openings called ‘The fried liver’ and ‘Halloween’ these can be subsisted for scholars mate if you want a longer game or your opponent knows how to block it. Redmond

At chess club we always do a chess tournament. These are always really fun because every game you win you get one point and the more points you get the better. They’re also fun because you are able to see how good other people are. Joel H.

SCHOOL DISCO
Next Friday night, 5 June, we will hold our term 2 disco for years 4 to 6 students in the school hall.

WHEN: Friday June 5
WHERE: Our School Hall
YEARS: 4, 5 and 6.
TIME: 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm
COST: $5.00

SUPERVISION: Admin and Teaching Staff. Parents please ensure that your child is collected from INSIDE the hall promptly at 9:00pm. Children are encouraged to “pre purchase tickets” from the school office.

Pre purchased tickets will go into a draw for the LUCKY DOOR PRIZE.

Tickets are also available for purchase at the door on the night.

Drinks and Healthy Snacks will be available for purchase. If you are able to assist in selling drinks and snacks could you please leave your name at our school office or email Cathy Polities on cpoli1@eq.edu.au

Kind regards
Leigh Harrod
Acting Deputy Principal
Holland Park State School is committed to helping all students strive for excellence within a secure and supportive environment. Students are encouraged to reach their potential as caring, self-disciplined and confident individuals who take their place academically and socially in the wider community. Holland Park State School has high expectations for all students and a commitment to high standards of achievement.

Holland Park State School students from Prep to Year 6 will have the opportunity to demonstrate their outstanding gifts and talents in the following areas:

- Instrumental Solo
- Vocal Solo
- Public Speaking
- Dance Solo
- Reading Australian Verse
- Writing
- Japanese Speaking
- Japanese Native Speaking
- Mathematics
- Technology
- Visual Art
- Asian Studies
- Science
- S.T.E.M.

Nomination booklets will be available online on the school’s website (www.hollparkss.eq.edu.au) from Monday 15 June.

Families who require a hard copy of the nomination booklet will need to contact the school office by Tuesday 9 June with the name of the student and class.

**General Orientation Session for Prep parents and any parents and staff members new to HPSS**

This session will introduce Excellence Expo to all parents and staff new to HPSS in 2015.

This will be held on Monday 22 June, 3–3.30pm, in the PGY classroom.

Supervision of students will be available in the PCM classroom.

**Excellence Expo 2015 Science Workshop for parents**

There will be an information session for parents of students in Prep to year 6 who wish to enter the Science category. This will be held on Wednesday 24 June, 2 – 3pm in the school hall.

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The Queensland Association for Gifted and Talented Children Inc.

**Anglican Church Grammar School will host Challenge 2015: Workshops for the Gifted**

Tuesday 30 June and Wednesday 1 July at Anglican Church Grammar School, East Brisbane

**Challenge 2015** presents a series of workshops for Gifted Young People aimed at providing valuable opportunities to experience the excitement of learning extension within novel and engaging workshops conducted by experts in a variety of disciplines.


**Deadlines**

- **Deadline for registration is 12 June.**
- **Numbers must be finalized by this date with payment received by 12 June.**

For further information Email: office@qagtc.org.au

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**QLD JUNIOR PHILOSOTHON**

On Tuesday the 19th of May two Year 6 teams competed in the 2015 Queensland Junior Philosothon competition at Cavendish Road High School. The students competing were Hudson D., Lewis G., Erika D., Jessica H., Matthew SS., Jade R., Juliet B. and Alec B.

There were three rounds of Philosophical discussions, one about identity, one exploring freedom of choice and one on changing technology. Students had to demonstrate their skill in debating, giving a reasoned argument backed up with evidence.

The team comprising; Hudson Denning, Lewis Griffin, Jessica Hood and Erika Deacon won the trophy and were the 2015 Junior Champions. In the logic puzzle section our boys’ team (Alec B., Matthew SS, Lewis G., and Hudson D.) convincingly won. The team would like to thank Mr Adam Kuss, Junior Head of Department Cavendish Road High for organizing the competition.

By Lewis G. and Hudson D.
Calendar

Jun 2-5  Beginner Band Camp
Jun 5    Disco – Years 4, 5, 6
Jun 8    Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
Jun 9-12 Junior String Camp
Jun 17-19 Year 5 Camp, Mapleton
Jun 20   Trivia Night – Battle of the Bands
Jun 23   Senior Sports Day – all day
Jun 24   P&C Meeting
Jun 25   Senior Sports Day – 800m final
Jun 26   Last day of term 2.

Excellence Expo Dates:
Jun 15   Excellence Expo nomination booklets available on the school website
Jun 22   Excellence Expo General Orientation Session, 3–3.30pm, PGY Classroom
Jun 24   Excellence Expo Science workshop for parents, 2-3pm, school hall

SCHOOL WATCH – 13 17 88

FROM THE OFFICE

ENROLMENTS
Prep Enrolments for 2016 are now open. Please submit forms to the school office.

FINANCE
Please keep in mind the following:

1. You may have a negative amount (-) on your statement – this may be due to refunding from excursions, sport (some from 2014) etc. Keep in mind when paying via EFT to use the credit amount.

2. Permission slips have been handed in indicating payment via EFT. In some cases this payment has not been received by the bank therefore not receipted by the school.

3. Reminder – if you have a credit on your account, please remember to advise the office you would like to use this against an excursion.

Voluntary Contributions will still be accepted throughout the year.

MUSIC

GOLD AWARD FOR JUNIOR CHOIR!!

On Monday our Junior Choir took part in Choral Fanfare at Coorparoo Secondary College. The students sang beautifully and received a glowing report from the adjudicator and received a gold award for their performance. Congratulations to the junior choir.

Thank you to all those parents who attended St Paul’s Music Festival on Saturday morning. The Holland Park families filled the beautiful church and listened to some fine performances from our Senior band (conducted by Mr Tony Bryer), the Junior Choir and our Recorder Band. It was a great performance opportunity for our music students.

Warren James (Music Teacher)
**FIRST AID ROOM**
We are in need of spare uniforms in our first aid room (located in the office). In particular we need Boys Shorts Sizes 6-12. If you have any school uniforms that are not being used your donation would be appreciated.

**RULES OF THE WEEK**

**STAYING SAFE AT ABBOTSLEIGH STREET PICK UP ZONE**

- Wait quietly between G and H blocks
- Remain inside the school gate until parent vehicle is at pick up spot

**5C TIP OF THE WEEK**

**CONSIDERATION**
Be considerate towards others by being:
- thoughtful
- friendly
- attentive
- concerned

**P&C News**

**TUCKSHOP NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Due to parents going back to work the tuckshop is in need of volunteers once a month on a Wednesday.

If you can spare 1 day a month on a Wednesday from 9am -11.30am PLEASE contact the tuckshop on 34216263 or send a txt to Mel with your details on 0408628800.

A BIG THANKYOU to all the volunteers we currently have. The tuckshop would not be able to run without you.

**TUCKSHOP REMINDER**

Hot and Cold food/drinks MUST be written on separate bags. We cannot put hot and cold into the same bags, so if you write them together the drink may be missed.

**ONLINE is our preferred method of ordering.** If you are unsure on how to do so, please contact the tuckshop and Mel will help you with it. Mel

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**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.**
Holland Park State School's

P&C presents a ..... BATTLE of the BANDS

Trivia Night

Date: Saturday 20th June 2015
Venue: HPSS School Hall

Time: 7.00pm for a 7.30pm Start

Costs: $20 per head - Tables of 8 - 10
BYO Drinks and Nibbles

Supper will be provided

Dress up as your favourite Band! Prizes are awarded for the best dressed Table, Lucky Door, Heads and Tails, and Trivia Champions.

For Table Bookings:
Contact Jacky Lynch—0408 159676
Or email jackyboggetti@hotmail.com with details

Table Name or Person Registering Table: ___________________________
Contact Name and Phone No.: ___________________________
No. of People on Table: _________ Total Amount Enclosed or Paid by BPAY: _________

Please tear off and leave information for table and monies at school office. Thank you

BPAY details
BSB #064-112
Acct #10244712
Ref: TriviaName&people
COMMUNITY NOTICES

RUN FOR KIRRANI
Our beautiful daughter Kirrani Samantha was born 6 weeks premature on the 10th September 2014 at the Mater Mothers' Hospital. Tragically, she was born with a very rare condition and spent 69 days in the Neonatal Critical Care Unit before growing her angel wings on 17th November 2014. We witnessed the amazing work Dr Luke Jardine and the team at the Mater NICU do to care for premature and sick babies and we were fortunate enough to meet some amazing people along the way. The love and the support we received from the staff was incredible and we could not have done it without them, nor will we ever forget them. On July 5, I will running the Gold Coast Marathon and we are hoping to raise some money and awareness for the Mater Little Miracles so they can continue the great work they do for premature and sick babies. If you would like to get behind a great cause and support the Mater Little Miracles, please follow the link below or friend one of us on Facebook. Any donation, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated!

https://give.everydayhero.com/au/AngelKirrani
https://www.facebook.com/paul.kazoullis
https://www.facebook.com/stella.kazoullis

Thank you,
Paul, Stella & Annabelle Kazoullis (PGY Family)

Brisbane City Council Libraries Gold Star Reading Club
The Gold Star Reading Club will take off in Council libraries across the city on Monday 1 June 2015. There are five great reasons for children to get involved in the 2015 Gold Star Reading Club.
1. Membership to the Gold Star Reading Club is FREE!
2. The Gold Star Reading Club can help children improve their reading and literacy skills.
3. Children will be rewarded for reading with exciting monthly incentives – a magnifier bookmark, coloured pencil kit and torch pen.
4. The opportunity for all participants to enter the monthly draw to win a $25 book voucher.
5. It’s FUN! Children will have fun sharing their reading experiences with family and friends.

This is a great opportunity for parents to share in their children’s reading achievements.

To register your child for the Gold Star Reading Club, simply visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/libraries or your local library to complete a registration form.

For more information about the Gold Star Reading Club, visit your local library or call Council on 3403 8888.

Mott Park Kindergarten is holding an Open Day on Saturday 13th June from 2-4pm. Bring your child along for a play, meet the teachers and explore the kindy! You will be able to put your child on the waiting list for kindergarten. Offers of enrolment for places in 2016 will commence in July (for children born between 1.7.11 - 31.7.12).
If you are unable to attend our Open Day, you are welcome to contact us in another way to join our waiting list...
- call us on 3397 9119
- email us at admin@mottparkkindy.org.au
- pop in and see us at 880 Logan Rd, Holland Park
- Download our waiting list form at www.mottparkkindy.org.au

We are looking forward to meeting you and your children!
LAFFS TENNIS – FREE RACQUET OFFER

Enrolments for Tennis coaching in Term 3 2015 will be distributed next week and are to be returned to the school office or to our PO Box address by Thursday 11th June.

Any new pupil signing on for these lessons will receive at no charge a Junior Tennis Racquet.

Laffs Tennis, PO Box 2509, Graceville, 4075
Telephone: 0412 638036

School Holiday Clinics are available at Chandler Tennis Centre – please call 07 3245 4494

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