

# Holland Park State School

# NEWSLETTER



30 July 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Otemon Gakuin Elementary School Visit

Our visiting student group and teachers will now be back home in Japan. By all accounts the children had a wonderful time together and I would like to thank all the homestay families for looking after our young Japanese visitors so well. They take back to their families memories of a great time living in an Australian home and experiencing a lifestyle different to their own.

May I extend my congratulations to Mr Olive and the members of the International Committee for planning, organising and managing an exchange visit of a truly high standard; reflecting and acknowledging the strong 23 year partnership between Otemon Gakuin Elementary School and Holland Park as well as the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formal sister school agreement.



The setting of the commemorative plaque, the tree planting and the release of the ten doves all made the celebration a memorable one; along with the student performances in the hall, the singing, recorder playing, the class activities, the trip to Lone Pine, the Saturday afternoon barbecue and the present making. Not to forget the gymnastics and PE lessons. All in six days!

The exchange of gifts between our two schools is a traditional one and this will be reciprocated on our trip in September to Osaka. All these gifts are on display; you'll notice some of these gifts in the school foyer.

Mr Higashida, the Principal of Otemon Gakuin Elementary School, expressed his gratitude to everyone for the effort and commitment in making this visit one of a very

high standard. He and his teaching staff were appreciative of the care, the experiences and attention extended to the children by the homestay families.

Thank you everyone.



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

## NAPLAN: Year 3 and 5 Reports

The NAPLAN reports for the children in years 3 and 5 will be forwarded home next week with the children. This is significantly earlier than in previous years and our overall school results will be released to us at the end of next week; these results will allow for comparisons against those of Queensland Schools, similar schools and overall national results. The children will bring home their results in the traditional A3 page format. Please check with your children.

## School Opinion Survey

Thank you to the parents who completed the school opinion survey online. They do close this Friday, 31 July at 5.00pm, so there is still a small window of opportunity to provide your opinion about what our school does well and how it can improve. Access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey have already been sent home with students.

## Sick Children

When your child is ill, please ensure to call the absentee line on 3421 6260 or email the office at admin@hollparkss.eq.edu.au to record an official absence before 10am. Our messaging system is backed up to these options and only informs parents if the student has been marked as absence on the roll and an official absence has not been recorded. Otherwise you will get a text advising you of their absence; so please ensure you make contact with the office by 10am.

## Late Arrivals

It is a requirement that parents come to the school office to sign in late students to ensure that text messages are not sent when an official absence has not been recorded.

## Influenza and Influenza - Like Illnesses

We have had a large number of children presenting ill (particularly vomiting) to our first aid room these last two weeks. We would ask all families to look at keeping children at home with these illnesses, rather than sending them to school.

*Our health guidelines regarding influenza are clear; please keep children at home if they have influenza and influenza like illnesses.*

Thank you for your cooperation.

Regards

Edward Danielewski  
A/Principal

## RULES OF THE WEEK

### STAYING SAFE IN ALL AREAS OF THE SCHOOL

- Avoid hurting others by keeping hands and feet to yourself

## 5C TIP OF THE WEEK

### CO-OPERATION

- Show compassion towards those in need.

## Calendar

<b>3 Aug</b>	Yrs 3-6 Pat Flynn Author Visit
<b>4 Aug</b>	PDY/PTS/PGY Geography Field Trip
<b>5 Aug</b>	PSC/PCM Geography Field Trip
<b>19 Aug</b>	Prep-Yr3 Junior Sports Carnival
<b>14 Aug</b>	3KD/3KJ Fort Lytton National Park (date change)
<b>7 Aug</b>	Yr 6 EKKA excursion
<b>20 Aug</b>	Music Gala Concert – School Hall
<b>27 Aug</b>	Yr5 Hands On Education – Gold Rush
<b>9 Sept</b>	Yr 5 Raw Art – Clay Modelling
<b>9 Sept</b>	2MB Pullenvale Environmental Centre
<b>10 Sept</b>	2OM/2TG Pullenvale Environmental Centre
<b>11 Sept</b>	2AF/2SW Pullenvale Environmental Centre
<b>14-18 Sept</b>	– HPE Asia Week activities – whole school
<b>17 Sept</b>	4CS/4MS/4CP Science Centre Excursion
<b>18 Sept</b>	4MG/4KD Science Centre Excursion
<b>18 Sept</b>	Last day of term

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

**SCHOOL WATCH – 13 17 88**

## 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).



### WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

This year's program commences on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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)**

## 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)

## LIBRARY

### CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK CELEBRATION PREQUEL PART 1: PAT FLYNN AUTHOR VISIT MONDAY 3RD AUGUST

Award winning Queensland author Pat Flynn is visiting our school for the day on Monday 3rd August. On the day he will be presenting to students in Years 3, 4 and 5 in the Hall. (Parents are welcome to attend the relevant sessions as well.)

9.10 - 9.55 - Year 5 (four classes)  
10.00 - 10.45 - Year 3 (3LS, 3AM, 3JM)  
12.30 - 1.15 Year 4 (5 classes)  
2.00 - 2.45 Year 3 (3CW, 3KJ, 3KD)

Pat will have copies of some of his books available for sale on the day in the library at first break and, if needed, at second break.

All books cost \$10. (Cash only payments and please bring the correct money.)  
Titles available for sale include  
Don't Kiss Girls (Years 5 and 6 only)  
Beeware  
The Tuckshop Kid  
To the Light  
Tom (new title)  
plus some others.

**Margaret Kittson (teacher-librarian)**

## HPE

### Under 12 Boys Cricket Trials

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2015  
MacGregor Cricket Club - Granadilla Street  
3:30pm - 5:45pm  
Students Born 2003, Born 2004  
Please see Mr Walker for trial forms.

## CHAPLAINCY

The Partner Program, is an SU Qld initiative which provides a way for you to invest in and support the work of your local school chaplain "without costing you a cent".

Your chosen local school chaplaincy will directly receive funding, if you support them through Partner Program, just click on this link:

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### ALL YOU NEED TO DO: DONATE CTP

If you own a registered motor vehicle you automatically pay CTP insurance with your car's registration. So why not financially support your local school chaplaincy and SU Qld every time you pay your registration "at no additional cost to you". The good news is we can facilitate this for you right now.

Click the "DONATE CTP" button on the right side of this page and follow the 3 easy steps to support your chaplain.

### YOU CAN ALSO: INSURE & SUPPORT

In addition to the above CTP insurance, take out a car, house, business or any general insurance policy through any of SU QLD Partner Program's insurance providers and your nominated chaplain will receive ongoing financial support for the life of the policy. Get a no obligation quote now and see just how easy it is to support your chappy.

Thanks for your support,  
Chappy Howard.

## BOOKCLUB

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](http://issuu.com/redgumbookclub/docs/redgum_book_club_term_3_2015_school/1).

To place orders go to [www.redgumbookclub.com.au](http://www.redgumbookclub.com.au). Once you have put your books in the cart, select "Checkout" and click on 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 **17<sup>th</sup> August** and books will be delivered to the school between **31<sup>st</sup> August - 7<sup>th</sup> September**.

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](mailto:schools@redgumbookclub.com.au).



# EXCELLENCE EXPO 2015 IS COMING!!!!

Nomination booklets are now available online on the school's website ([www.hollparkss.eq.edu.au](http://www.hollparkss.eq.edu.au)).

We are pleased to advise that nominations from students Prep to Year 6 for all Performances for Excellence Expo will now be accepted up to Friday 7 August 2015.

Instrumental Solo  
Public Speaking  
Reading Australian Verse

Vocal Solo      Japanese Native Speaking  
Dance Solo  
Japanese Speaking



## CATEGORIES AND NOMINATION DATES

Instrumental Solo	Prep to 6	Nominations will now be accepted up until 7 August.
Vocal Solo	Prep to 6	Nominations will now be accepted up until 7 August.
Public Speaking	Prep to 6	Nominations will now be accepted up until 7 August.
Dance Solo	Prep to 6	Nominations will now be accepted up until 7 August.
Reading Australian Verse	Prep to 6	Nominations will now be accepted up until 7 August.
Japanese Speaking Japanese Native Speaking	Prep to 6	Nominations will now be accepted up until 7 August.
Writing	Prep to 6	Entries are due Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 and are to be placed in year level boxes in the Staffroom.
Mathematics	Prep to 6	Entries are due on Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 and are to be placed with the year level signage in Staffroom.
Technology	Prep to 6	Entries due Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> August 2015.
S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics)	Prep to 6	Entries are due 21 <sup>st</sup> 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 S.T.E.M. (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) Workshops

On Thursday 30 July, I attended the Year 1 and Year 4 S.T.E.M. workshops facilitated by Ms Politics and Mr Gibney. The workshops were attended by Year 1 and Year 4 students and provided insight into the Year 1 and Year 4 tasks for Excellence Expo 2015. Students who attended asked questions and were keen to participate in the workshop.

Ms Politics and Mr Gibney with Ms Dyer professionally led the students through the requirements for the tasks. The teachers modelled how the year level S.T.E.M tasks were created and supported students in understanding the curriculum focus areas. Ideas were suggested on how to approach the task and the criteria was very well explained.

I thank Ms Politics, Mr Gibney and Ms Dyer for their professional leadership with S.T.E.M and their ongoing support for all students keen to participate in this task and all task for Excellence Expo 2015.

Mr Adams 6NA continues to hold S.T.E. M club for Year 6 students. Year 2 S.T.E.M workshop for all Year 2 students will take place next Wednesday 5 August and will be facilitated by Mrs Gorrie, Year 2 teacher.

### 2016 Date Claimer

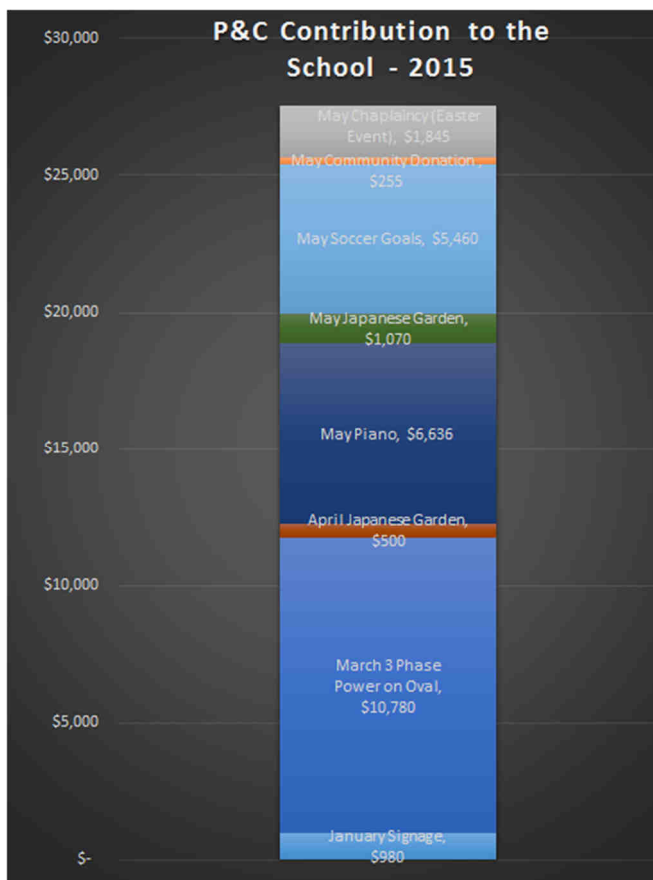
AAEGT National Gifted Conference Theme Beyond the Boundaries in Gifted Education  
29 September -1 October 2016 at UNSW Campus in Kensington Details of the release of the conference will soon be available on the AAEGT website

**Gail Young, Gifted Education Mentor**

## P&C NEWS

### P&C CONTRIBUTION UPDATE

With your support, the P&C has been able to contribute to our school in the following ways so far this year:



*We thank all HPSS families for your continued support!*

### **VICTOR STREET EMBANKMENT WORKING BEE**

Looking for helpers! Any time you can give would be greatly appreciated to assist with the improvement of the Victor Street Entry (behind the prep area). No particular expertise necessary – please RSVP to Kumar ASAP. See attached flier for details.

### **HOMEBAKE**

Helpers needed! If you are interested in sharing your talents with the school community and are not already on the Homebakers roster, please email the P&C. Our Homebake volunteers are valued and appreciated by students and teachers alike! As we will be losing our Homebake coordinator in 2016, we are also seeking a new coordinator for next year. If you are interested, please contact us for details.

## P&C Contacts

Email: [pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au)



**Swim School:** 3421 6262  
[hollandparkpool@gmail.com](mailto:hollandparkpool@gmail.com)  
Enquiries 3 – 5pm Mon – Fri term time

**Swim Club website:**  
[www.hollandparkswimclub.com](http://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](http://www.school24.com.au) (ID: 25245963)

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

## TUCKSHOP

A BIG thank you to all the volunteers at the tuckshop, your time is greatly appreciated. Due to some parents leaving the school mid year we currently need help on 1 Monday a month and 1 or 2 Fridays a month.

If you are interested in helping out for the rest of the year PLEASE contact Mel by txt on 0408628800 or call in to the tuckshop.

Please check that you have the correct prices and money in your bags. On-line ordering is the best way if you are unsure.

Thanks Mel

### **TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

Mon 3 Aug: Karen McCarthy  
Tues 4 Aug: Kathy Kwan  
Wed 5 Aug: Chantal Dangerfield  
Thurs 6 Aug: Raelene Batkin, Sarah Dawson  
Friday 7 Aug: Carrie Simpson, Belinda Baker, Danielle Hemer, Shay, Alejandra, Christal Fysentzou

## SWIM CLUB

Holland Park Swim Club sign on day will be Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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

**Redbacks Netball Club** would like to offer players aged 9-12 the opportunity to participate in the MDNA Twilight competition. This runs from September through to November.

This will cost \$90 for 10 games (depending on finals!) and we can lend you a uniform if you would like to try this fun sport! Boys are welcome too.

Please email Cathy Carmody [cscarmo@optusnet.com.au](mailto:cscarmo@optusnet.com.au) (0411467751) with your child's name, date of birth and your telephone and email.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

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Prep to Year Two

Held in the Music Room from  
3:10 to 4:25pm every Monday  
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#### Holland Park Masterclass

Year Three to Year Six

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NETBALL Commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 7.50 – 8.35am

SOCCER Commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 7.50 – 8.35am

To join go to Register online at [www.gosports.com.au](http://www.gosports.com.au)

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