MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

THE NEWSLETTER WILL NOW ONLY BE AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING THROUGH HOLLAND PARK S.S WEBSITE AND ON THE QSCHOOLS APP STARTING MARCH THE 2ND. HARD COPIES AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE.

Student Leaders

The process for the selection of student leaders is well underway. This week I shared with the teaching staff and deputy principals the great experience of listening to each of our 17 boy and 16 girl candidates put their cases forward for selection. Each did an excellent job and each was a very worthy candidate.

Four boys and four girls were shortlisted through the student voting process and were interviewed yesterday by Mrs Harrod and me. Again, these interviews were of a very high standard. However, we have only four positions to fill for these roles. I am very happy to announce that our school captains for this year are Naomi Ura and Spencer Vann. The vice-captains are Jessica Williams and Luca Maddox. I know that they will live up to the high expectations we have of them and to the example given them by previous school leaders we have had here.

We will soon begin our process for house leaders and I look forward to announcing those in this newsletter.

Writing

Again it has been a great week for writing at the school. Sizzling starts have indeed become sizzling with the practice we have been doing. I have included some selected samples of student writing to illustrate how we have been applying sizzling starts to persuasive writing. (Examples are featured on the second page)

Tightening Tension is the second of The Seven Steps to Writing Success I wrote about last week. Next week we will be working on that step as it applies to writing narratives.

In good narrative writing the reader must believe that the hero (male or female) will fail. For example, the tornado is too strong, the villain is just too evil, the plane is out of fuel and lost in a blizzard. Yet, through strength, talent and determination, somehow our hero wins. Strong tension scenes are built and enhanced by reference to what you see, hear, touch, taste, smell and feel. I’ll share some of these next week.

Music for Bells

As you may have noticed, we are trialling having a few bars of music instead of bells to signify breaks and transitions. I believe this has been very popular with students. We are still refining the music we want to use but it would be great to incorporate some student choice as well as music we might like our students to hear.
DOGS ARE BETTER THAN CATS

Author - Madison O 5MT

Cats – feisty, little felines! Cats - who would want one? NOT ME!

DOGS ARE BETTER THAN CATS

Author - Priya T 5EB

Cute little eyes, soft fur, floppy ears and a beautiful heart. That's a dog. Would you want an animal that scratches your furniture and hides in corners? That's a cat. Why buy a cat when a dog is for sale?

THE COLOUR BLUE

Author – Gypsy V 3JC

Blue is the colour of the sky. It's the colour of our school uniforms. It's the colour of the water we swim in. Could you imagine what the world would be like without the colour blue?

SHOULD KIDS HAVE THEIR OWN COMPUTERS?

Author - Torin S 3AM

“Mum! He's doing it again! He's hogging the computer so I can't do my homework! If you buy me an iPad I could do my homework … and LOTS more.”

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES UPDATE

(Mrs Michelle Smith A/Head of Curriculum)

THANK YOU HPSS P&C

We have an active I.C.T. committee in our school chaired Mr Andrew White (Year 5/6 teacher). Staff involved in this committee have been busy organising the purchasing and roll out of 50 iPads for classroom use. Plans are in progress to purchase more iPads in the coming weeks. This very exciting initiative could not have been possible without the support of our wonderful P&C.

Many thanks also to the P & C for supporting the purchasing of Robotics Kits for use in our ‘Robotics Club’ being organised by Mr Matt Walker.
Punctuality

It is very important that school starts on time. The targeted writing sessions that I have been writing about and a key to our improvement agenda begin at 8.55am. While I am aware that things can happen to make a child late, I believe this should be rare. However, we seem to have students who are routinely late. If this continues, it will impact on their learning. As the school day is fully timetabled, I have asked all teachers to ensure, that they begin instruction promptly at 8.55am. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Anthony Gribbin
Principal

NEW FINANCE PROCESS

WE ARE ENDEAVOURING TO IMPLEMENT A MORE EFFICIENT FINANCE PROCESS. AS THE PREFERRED METHOD OF COMMUNICATION IS ELECTRONIC, ALL EXCURSION LETTERS AND INVOICES WILL BE EMAILED. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS. THIS EMAIL ADDRESS MUST BE YOUR PRIVATE EMAIL ADDRESS. IN MANY CASES WE ARE UNABLE TO EMAIL INFORMATION DUE TO THE FACT THAT PARENTS HAVE CHANGED EMPLOYMENT AND HAVE NOT UPDATED THEIR EMAIL ADDRESS. YOU ARE ABLE TO UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS VIA QPARENTS.

LETTERS ARE GENERATED BY THE OFFICE STAFF AND INVOICES ARE GENERATED BY ONE-SCHOOL. IF YOU HAVE REGISTERED FOR QPARENTS, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO LOCATE THE INVOICES THERE AND PAY VIA BPOINT, USING THE CRN AND INVOICE NO. AT THE BOTTOM LEFT OF THE INVOICE. ALTERNATIVELY PAY VIA EFT ONLINE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

Entrepreneurs of Tomorrow

This week, the Entrepreneurs of Tomorrow students were privileged to listen to Mr Cameron Dunlop from The App Team as our special guest speaker. The App Team specialise in app development. They have businesses in Sydney, Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba.

Mr Dunlop inspired our students with ‘app’ ideas and information around creating a successful ‘app’ business.

Students were surprised to learn that there are over four million apps in ‘app’ stores and that around 80% of these are gaming apps. Out of all of these apps, only 5% make enough money for their business to survive. This got our students thinking that their ‘Educational Apps’ are a smart business move.

Next week the ‘Entrepreneurs’ will continue coding their apps.

Stephanie Williams
ICT coach
FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Hot Weather

It has been exceptionally hot for a number of days this school year and I wanted to take the opportunity to reassure parents that the teachers do consider the weather when undertaking activities at school.

Not all classes are air conditioned; however, air conditioning the rest of the school is still our goal. Unfortunately, there are no firm dates, at this stage, when this is likely to happen.

Our teachers are aware of the heat and adjust their activities as much as possible, and ensure that their children drink water throughout the day. Water is the recommended drink, at room temperature or slightly cool, rather than cold.

They take into account both the ambient temperature and relative humidity, the duration and intensity of the planned activities, hydration and interchange opportunities, the fitness levels of students and their medical conditions.

Our departmental guidelines advise that: “Unless the Principal or Regional Director determines that the school must temporarily close due to a disaster or emergency situation, Queensland state schools remain open and students are not sent home during periods of excessive heat or heat wave conditions.”

Our school’s approach during excessive heat or heat wave conditions is to:

- modify or suspend normal school activities
- postpone/reschedule any outdoor or sporting activities where appropriate
- increase access to the coolest areas of the school grounds or facilities for lessons or other activities
- ensure students are hydrated with ready access to water and encourage students to drink plenty of water and restrict their exposure to the sun and
- ensure school lunch boxes are stored in the cooler areas of the buildings (having ice bricks in lunch packs is highly desirable and consider the types of food best for hot days).

The prediction is that we will continue with days over 30 degrees. If you have any concerns, please contact your child’s teacher.

BUS ZONE: WILBUR STREET

Please note the times of the Wilbur Street bus zone: a zone only for buses from 7 – 9am and 2-4pm. We have had a number of repeat incidents where buses have been prevented from not only entering the bus zone but also leaving after picking up our students. Two minute pick up areas are closer to the Prep and pool entrance; please utilise these. If you note vehicles double parking and blocking buses, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Regards

Edward Danielewski
Deputy Principal
FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB

Just over 100 swimmer's swam on Friday night, with a few not swimming due to exhaustion from camp, high school competitions commencing and a few were resting up before the Brisbane Sprint.

Remember that swimmers must compete at 50% of the club nights available to them since joining to be eligible to compete at the Age Championships. The club’s handbook is on the website and this should answer most questions.

Parents are reminded that they are to supervise their children at all times whilst at club.

There were a number of pool records broken on Friday night. Congratulations to Jack H who broke the 12yrs, 100m IM record and to Nick E who broke the 15yrs, 50m Freestyle and Breaststroke records and the 100m IM record.

The order of events this week are:- 13m/25m/50m Freestyle, Backstroke, Butterfly and Breaststroke, and the 100m Freestyle being the special race for the night.

The winner of the Aqua Shop swim cap on Friday was Maggie G.

Results from club are on the website.

MOST IMPROVED AT CLUB NIGHT

The club wishes to acknowledge the great improvements in times achieved by swimmers throughout the season. Each week we shall list the swimmer who took the most time off their previous best swim for the season. The following children will be presented with a “Treat Voucher” for the canteen. (only 1 voucher per child per week) Friday night’s most improved were:-

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<td>100m IM</td>
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BRISBANE SPRINT

Well done to all of our swimmer's who competed at the 2017 Vorgee Brisbane Sprint Championships at Chandler over the weekend. Most of the swimmers achieved PB’s.

Nick E made the finals of the 15years, 50m Freestyle, Breaststroke and Butterfly and placed 3rd, 2nd and 10th respectively.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Ron Hall Shield – Saturday 4th March
Age Championships – 10th and 17th March
Trophy Night – 24th March
Wet’N’Wild – 26th March;
Dear Parents,

Our school is participating in Redgum Book Club this term. The catalogues will be sent home this week.

To view the current catalogue, please open the link Redgum Book Club Term 1 2017. You will find many more great titles on their website that you can order this term, with books starting from $2.00.

The catalogue is now open and closes on 27th February. Ordered books will be delivered free to the school week commencing 13th March. Every book order will earn resources and books for our school.

Redgum Book Club newly released books for term 1:

- **Lion: A Long Way Home (Young Readers Edition)** - A true story of survival and triumph against incredible odds, now the major motion Australian film starring Nicole Kidman
- **Alice Miranda Holds the Key** - From Australian best-selling and multi-award winning author, Jacqueline Harvey
- **Red Dog: True Blue** - A charming story of a young boy and his dog adventuring through the outback
- **Middle School: Word of Mouse** - James Patterson's illustrated story follows the illuminating journey of a very special mouse
- **There's a Snake in my School** - From Number One bestselling author David Walliams, comes this spectacularly funny picture book
- **Mr Romanov's Garden in the Sky** - Heartfelt, evocative and compelling – another masterpiece from the award-winning Australian Robert Newton

How to place an order:

Order and pay online by credit card or PayPal at www.redgumbookclub.com.au
Email your order with your credit card details to: orders@redgumbookclub.com.au

- Fill out the order form on the back of the catalogue and fax (02) 9997 5850

If you have any questions about Redgum Book Club orders, please contact Lesley at schools@redgumbookclub.com.au

Thank you

**GIFTED AND TALENTED**

Gifted Awareness Week 2017 (Australia)

During Gifted Awareness week 2017 the Gifted and Talented Education Committee invite you to a Parent Information evening on Monday 13 March from 6.30pm - 7.30pm This event will take place in the Holland Park School Hall. All families and community members are invited to attend.
Gail Young
Gifted Education Mentor
gyoun2@eq.edu.au

On behalf of the 2017 Gifted and Talented Education Committee.
From the Community Liaison Officer

(1) **Class Parent Representatives** – we would like to have a Class Parent Rep for each class, if you would like to share the role with another parent in your class I’d love to hear from you. It’s a great way to get to know other families, assist the teacher in a variety of ways, and even organise social activities for your class. **Please email me and I can send you the necessary forms to complete. Thank you to those Mums who have contacted me I’ll be in touch with you shortly.**

(2) **QParents** – All Prep and new families have been sent (via email) their QParent Account Owners Reference Number to register. All these families will also need their child’s EQ ID number, if you haven’t been given this number, once again, **please email me and I can forward it to you.**

(3) **QSchools** – Don’t forget you can sign up to this app, nominate Holland Park State School as your preference, it will alert you to school events, notifications, news feeds, calendar events, newsletters, etc.

Kind Regards,
Karen.
Email: koliv33@eq.edu.au

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**TUCKSHOP**

**TUCKSHOP ALWAYS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS IF YOU’RE AVAILABLE ONCE A MONTH FROM 9AM—11:30AM PLEASE CONTACT MELISA ON 0408628800 BY TEXT WITH YOUR DETAILS**

**TUCKSHOP NO LONGER ACCEPTS BAGS OVER THE COUNTER. ALL ORDERS MUST BE MADE ONLINE.**

If you haven’t signed up online yet, now is the time to do so. Go to [www.school24.net.au](http://www.school24.net.au) and register. HPSS registration ID: 25245963.

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**FROM THE OFFICE**

Please remember our office hours are 8am to 4pm.

Finance Reminder!
Credit Cards: Minimum payment is $10.

Credit on your account: Please remember to deduct your credit from your next invoice payment, in particular when you pay by EFT.

We appreciate your patience with excursion notes and invoices as we are transitioning our payment process through BPoint and in the near future QParents. We will be holding information sessions for parents in the very near future.

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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**SCHOOL RULES**

OUR SCHOOL RULES ARE:

- Be safe
- Be responsible
- Be respectful

**STAYING SAFE BEFORE SCHOOL**

- PREP with parent, Yrs1,2 under B block & sails near D. Yrs3,4 under C block & sails, Yrs5,6 under F&G blocks and between G&H
- Stay out of classrooms unless a teacher is present
- Stay off stairs and verandas
- Walk, not run, on hard surfaces
- Keep away from out of bounds areas such as outside library

**5C TIP OF THE WEEK**

We act safely, responsibly & respectfully by following The Five ‘Cs’:

- Courtesy
- Consideration
- Co-operation
- Commitment
- Courage

COURTESY Remember your manners:

- Use please & thank-you manners
- Use ‘Good morning’ & ‘Good afternoon’ greetings
- Make eye contact & smile at others
P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting Under The Stars!

If you haven't yet joined the Holland Park State School P&C, join up now!

Receive updates on what is going on within the school and in the wider community - Contribute to discussions about fundraising events and how funds are used to benefit our school - Meet other HPSS families - Have your say - Share ideas and your enthusiasm and be a part of the success of Holland Park State School! Take a look at the attached ‘End of Year Wrap-Up for 2016 for a rundown of what kept us busy last year.

Keep an eye on the school noticeboards, in the school newsletters, on our facebook page, an on our website for details of upcoming events - there are many ways you can be involved, or you can support the event by just coming along!

To join the P&C before the meeting to receive a copy of the Agenda - simply complete the attached Member Application Form, email pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au, or visit the school website at https://hollparkss.eq.edu.au/Ourcommunity/PandC to download an Application Form at any time. Member Application Forms will also be available at the first meeting if you don't get to sign up in advance. New Members Welcome!

You're invited to a P&C meeting with a difference to welcome new families to HPSS and new members to the P&C. Come and catch-up, meet new people and enjoy a drink before we dive into business! We'll also show you the work being done to refresh the outdoor theatre – a wonderful learning space, and one of many P&C projects.

When Wednesday 22 February
   6.45pm pre-meeting drinks and nibbles (gold coin per drink)
   7.30pm P&C meeting

Where The outdoor theatre (below the tennis courts). If it rains we'll move to the Library (our usual meeting venue)

RSVP 18/2/17 For catering purposes please email hpsspc.secretary@yahoo.com.au if you plan to attend.

OUTDOOR THEATRE REFRESH … Can you help with the final stage?

Speaking of our Outdoor Theatre, our volunteers have done a wonderful job with new stairs and backdrop, replacing floor boards, installing new mirrors, lighting and fans in the dressing rooms as well as improving the sound system. We need help with the final stage…

For this we need:
· Painters
· Loan equipment such as spray painting guns and scaffolding / ladders to help keep costs down

Can you come to our "Painting Bee" on the weekend of 18 & 19 February? Any time you can spare would be greatly appreciated! The more volunteers we have, the easier the job will be to get finished!

If you can lend a hand to paint or own painting equipment we can borrow please email hpssvolunteers@gmail.com with your contact details, or call Martyn on 0437 726 092. Once you're signed up we'll keep you informed.
Look out for our new bike and scooter racks which will be installed shortly around the school to help with Active Travel!

We will announce the start date for stamping soon, so dust off your AST passports and keep practicing your walking, scooting and riding to school. If you don’t have an AST passport, please visit the school office to collect one.

**Easter Eggstravaganza!**

**Sunday 19th March : 1pm - 4pm**

If you are interested in volunteering at this fun event, please email us at hpssvolunteers@gmail.com with “Easter” in the subject line and let us know if you have a particular area where you wish to assist (see list below) or whether you are happy to have a task nominated for you. Assistance is required in the following areas:

- Set Up
- Sausage Sizzle
- Baking
- Cake Stall
- Treasure Hunt Marshalls
- Pack Up

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**P&C NEWS AND COMMUNITY**

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**JUNIOR SIGN ON DAY**

Sunday 5th February 2017
9.30am – 2.30pm
31 Halifax Street, Coorparoo

New players MUST come in and register at Easts
Please bring some form of identification & proof of age

All returning players can register online or at the club!
All are encouraged to come down to enjoy the festivities

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR ALL 2017 REGISTERED PLAYERS!
Please bring registration confirmation

**Activities**
- Big Tiger slide
- Canterbury Activities
- Fire Engine
- Other Entertainment
- Drinks available, upstairs bar open
- Meet the Premier Squad & some Reds Players
- Other Entertainment

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Monday & Wednesday 5.45 - 6.30 pm
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Saturday 10.45 - 11.30 am
Cannon Hill at the "School of Arts" 155 Wynnum Road
Tuesday & Thursday 4.00 - 4.45 pm

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