Dear Parents and Carers

NEW TEACHER AIDES
Seventeen new teacher aides began their important work on Monday supporting our reading and writing programs in the school. Two are working on our early intervention strategies in Year 1 and fifteen supporting teachers from Years 1 to 7. What I have seen so far encourages me to think that the enthusiasm and ability these people are bringing to the classroom adding to the good work already being done by our present aides, will make a very big difference indeed. Not to be forgotten, all our Prep staff including teachers and aides had the opportunity to be trained in “Read It Again”. This strategy, applied across the whole of Prep will help ensure that our students will get the most out of their learning and support you to encourage a love of reading. Our teachers and aides are being coached in this important work by Senior Speech Language Pathologist, Leonie Douyere.

MATHS ON-LINE
In response to some feedback from parents that you sometimes find the ways of teaching mathematics in class a little confusing, I have secured for the school a free trial until May 2 of Maths On-line. All teachers from Prep to Year 7 have distributed student logins that I would encourage to use to have a look. Good points of Maths on-line are its breadth, its alignment to the Australian Curriculum and the explicit way in which the animations show exactly how mathematics is set out. Many hundreds of small teaching sequences are displayed. I would be very interested in your feedback as to what you think.
If your child does not seem to have a login, please contact your child’s teacher or me.

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
The Gifted Education Committee will be hosting an information night in the hall from 6.00pm until 7.30pm on Thursday, 20 March. Presenters will include staff and parents. If you have any questions, or you would simply like to find out more about the work of this group, I would urge you to come along.
A large number of our staff will be attending the Annual Gifted Education Conference on 28/29 March. We will fulfil our role as a school doing quite a lot of work in this space by having Gail Young co-present with other staff and parents to all conference attendees.

Regards
Anthony Gribbin, Principal
School Payments

FOR VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS:
All payments should be directed to the
Holland Park State School General Account
BSB: 064-112
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00090133
It is also an audit requirement that all contributions are
accompanied by a completed and signed ‘Voluntary Financial
Contribution’ form. These forms were sent home with the youngest
in each family or can be obtained from the school office.

FOR BUILDING FUND PAYMENTS TO THE P & C
ASSOCIATION:
All payments should be made through this website –

FOR DONATIONS TO SU QLD IN SUPPORT OF CHAPLAIN
HOWARD:
All payments should be made on the designated form
‘DONATE TO SU QLD’

PLEASE DO NOT COMBINE PAYMENTS ONTO ONE FORM.
Thank you for your assistance with these procedures.

PARKING in Meals on Wheels Car Park

Some parents have been using the Meals on Wheels Car Park for
pick up and drop off of students. I have had a very concerning
telephone call from the staff of Meals on Wheels, who have
witnessed a near accident this week.
Whilst this is private property and you are parking at your own risk,
Meals on Wheels are happy for parents of the school community to
use their car park as long as the users follow safe practices as set
out below.

• Drive SLOWLY when entering and exiting the Car Park.
• Do NOT use the Car Park to do a U-Turn.
• Using the Aid for the Blind collection bin as a climbing frame is a
dangerous practice.
• At all times consider the care and safety of our students.

Thank you

National Day of Action Against
Bullying & Violence

BULLYING. NO WAY!

Australian school communities getting to the heart
of the matter

On Friday March 21 HPSS will celebrate ‘National Day of Action
against Bullying & Violence’.
We are asking all staff, parents and students to wear something
orange. This is not a free dress day. We suggest keep it simple
such as a shirt or shorts or scarf or wrist scarf/band etc.

WHY ORANGE? Orange is the symbolic colour of the day as it
‘stands out’ – hence the colour and slogan used by

Calendar

20 Mar  PCG, PCM – Lone Pine excursion
20 Mar  HPSS Gifted & Talented, Parent &
Community Information Evening,
6.30 – 7.30pm, Hall
20 Mar  HPSS Cross Country
21 Mar  National Day of Action Against
Bullying and Violence
21 Mar  Year 4 – 7 Disco
27 Mar  Starlab visit Year 5 classes
30 Mar  P&C Easter Event
13 May  NAPLAN – Writing
14 May  NAPLAN – Reading
15 May  NAPLAN – Numeracy
16 May  NAPLAN - Catch-up for absent
students

DATE CLAIMERS
• HPSS Fete – Saturday 14 June

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: 3421 6263
Open Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs and Fri

The P&C meets at 7:30pm on the 4th
Wednesday each month.
www.bullyingnoway ‘TAKE A STAND TOGETHER – BULLYING NO WAY’. This suggests we encourage not just the victims but the bystanders also - to take a stand and we (parents and staff) can take a stand by educating children on how to deal with problems.

At lead up assemblies and in class, students will be reminded to follow the ‘High Five’ – ‘5 steps to solve a problem’ -
1. Ignore
2. Talk friendly
3. Walk away
4. Talk firmly
5. Report.

Orange Badges reminding students of this process will be distributed to all classes for use on the day.

INTERHOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country will be held on Thursday 20th March commencing as close as possible to 9.10am. Children should move to House areas under teacher supervision at 8.55 am.

Order of Events

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- Suitable shoes must be worn **(NO SPIKES OR BARE FEET)**. Wear light, cool clothes. Wearing a hat is optional when running.
- Warm up before competing - Warm down & stretch after competing.
- **Drink** some water on the morning of the Cross Country, up to half an hour before your race. Bring your own water, hat, sun cream. **Asthmatics** bring sprays and have puffs as per your asthma management plan.
- The course commences at **STARTING LINE ON BIG OVAL**. Keep any markers and the continuous line on your right throughout your race.
- TO FINISH, follow the line of markers to the cricket nets, turning sharp right into the middle of the oval to the finishing bay.

**Children turning 9 years in 2014 (2005)** do nearly 2 laps of the marked track on the school ovals. As they come to the western gates for the 2nd time cut left & follow around and down towards the Scout Hall. Follow the marked track past the Adventure Playground, and large trees then head left up the concrete pathway to the **Cann Oval following** the marked track onto wood oval. At the cricket nets turn sharp right and run to the finish line.

**Children turning 10 years in 2014 (2004)** will follow the single black line around the Scout Hall & into Mott Park. Return the same way around the Scout Hall & up the concrete path past Checkpoint 1 & left to follow the black line to the Finish.

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The next Fete Committee meeting will be held the Shady Palms, Logan Road, Stones Corner on Sunday 27 April from 3pm.

Come along and be part of the school’s largest event.

Also keep an eye out for the Fete Newsletter - coming to you via the HPSS Newsletter email.

If you can’t make it, but are interested in being involved please email or call:

Louise Hope
lhope@bigpond.net.au or 0407 369 061
**Children turning 11 years in 2014 (2003)** will do an additional lap of the upper ovals before following the line around the Scout Hall then continue as above to the finish line.

**Children turning 12 / 13 years in 2014 (2002/01)** will do the same as 11 yrs with an additional lap around the Creek Fence, Rotunda, Footbridge, Play Area, past Checkpoint 6, the Bowls Club, & uphill around the Scout Hall etc.

All times displayed are approximate and there is the possibility that all events will be completed prior to first break.

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**Sports Report**

**CROSS COUNTRY**

We have had a fantastic response to the Cross Country morning training sessions. It is really awesome to see so many students participating and taking the opportunity to prepare for this event. Special thanks go to Mrs Moore, Mrs Ford and Mrs Griffin for offering their time to supervise the training sessions. We would also like to thank parents and carers for supporting our training sessions.

**MLC TENNIS HOT SHOT PARTNER**

HPSS is now a MLC Tennis Hot Shot partner. The more registrations that we have the more equipment that the school can redeem. Parents and students, please complete the online form together before 30 June 2014 to claim your free stuff! Get your exclusive MLC Tennis Hot Shots T-shirt as well as some other cool things, including a gift from our partner MLC! Complete your child's details and a few easy questions, and we'll send these gifts to your MLC Tennis Hot Shots venue. [http://hotshots.tennis.com.au/start-playing/claim](http://hotshots.tennis.com.au/start-playing/claim) or alternatively go to the main Hot Shots web site and search for online registration. Your support with this program is greatly appreciated.

**CHANGE OF DATE**

District Soccer Trials will now be held on the 24th and 25th March.

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**School Banking help needed**

More volunteers are urgently needed to process school banking on Thursday mornings. If you can help, please call in to the staff room on a Thursday and speak to Virginia.

Prep class also need a prep parent volunteer to deliver each class bank bag (5) to the staff room every Thursday morning. If you can help, please speak to your child's teacher.

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**Gifted & Talented Education News**

**THE QUEENSLAND ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN INC**

22ND State Conference
Friday 28 & Saturday 29 March, 2014
APPROACHING GIFTED EDUCATION: WHAT WORKS BEST IN SCHOOLS?

Full day workshop with Dr John Munroe – Friday 28 March, Marymac Centre, Ipswich Rd, Annerley
Keynote and workshops by Dr Kate Niederer – Saturday 29 March, Our Lady’s College, Chester Rd, Annerley

Any questions may be directed to Gail Young (Gifted Education Mentor), PGY classroom teacher
For more details visit www.qagtc.org.au or contact Gail Young (HPSS Gifted Education Mentor) PGY classroom teacher

P&C News

TRIPPED ON PERCIVAL TERRACE RECENTLY?

Get wet socks walking to school? How about a bit of off roading with your stroller?

With Ian McKenzie’s support, we’ve got a petition online to get a footpath installed. We need at least 100 signatures to help make walking and riding to school a safer and easier process for many families.

Go to http://www.communityrun.org/petitions/we-want-a-footpath-along-percival-terrace-holland-park and add your name. Share the link with others you know. The more support we get the better.

NOW’S THE TIME TO BECOME A MEMBER!

Did you know that our Annual General Meeting (AGM) is on Wednesday 26 March? If you submit your membership form prior to or at the AGM, you automatically become a member without having to attend a meeting! Hurry this deal won’t last long. So get your form in now. Email me and I’ll send it to you, or ask the team in the office for one.

2014 P&C EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

Every year at the AGM we elect the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary roles for the executive committee. Sadly we say goodbye to our faithful Secretary this year (Sarah Fryer) who has given many years of service and been a key contributor to both the P&C and school. Sarah, on behalf of all of us, thank you!

So that means the Secretary role is up for grabs. If you would like to know more, please get in touch.

In terms of the other positions, Lisa O’Donnell (Vice President), Stephanie Sullivan (Treasurer) and I (President) intend to continue in our positions, if you’ll have us. Of course if you’re interested in one of these desirable, high profile positions, drop me an email and I’ll get you the nomination form.

How else can you help?

Not ready to take on an exec role? No worries, this year we need lots of support to achieve our fundraising, business and delivery goals.

A few ways you can help are:
1. Become a member
2. Do something for the fete
3. Volunteer in the Tuckshop
4. Email me, and I’ll find something for you to do :)

We are always looking for extra hands to tie lolly necklaces, bake, set up, BBQ and a myriad of other things. So even if you’ve only got a little time to offer it will be warmly received.

Cheers,
Kumar Thaivarayan
P&C President
E: pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au
M: 0424 447 675

THE FOREST LAKE SQUADRON

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For more information please contact the Commanding Officer Chris Chandler on 0421 578 641 or oc.forestlake@airleague.com.au.

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Swimming Club

FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB

There was a good turnout on Friday night, for our last regular club night for the season. There are certainly a lot of young members as there are 12 heats in many of the 25m events. Well done to Olivia D who improved the most over 3 strokes last Friday night.

This Friday is the first night of the Age Championships. The night starts a little later with warm-up at 5.30pm and racing from 6pm. Medallions will be awarded on the night to the top three times in each age group for both girls and boys. No finals will be swum. The program will be emailed to club members for copying this week. An engraver will be there and at a small cost, you can have your name and results put on the medallions.

The events this week will be 50m and 25m Butterfly; 50m and 25m Backstroke and 100m Freestyle for the children aged 10yrs and over. There will be NO 13m events during the Age Championships. Lane 1 can be used for a free swim prior to the commencement of the program. Lanes 2-6 will be used for warm-up.

Results from club night 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. Last Club Night’s most improved were:-

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WET’N’WILD CLUB BREAKUP
143 members are going to Wet’N’Wild on Sunday 23rd March, 10am-5pm. Should be a fun day! An area will be reserved for our Swim Club and advice of the area name will be notified soon.

TROPHY NIGHT
Trophy night is scheduled for Friday 28th March. All members receive trophies based on their improvement during the season. The list of awards presented on the night is in the Handbook.

Tuckshop Talk
HELP!! Tuckshop needs volunteers, so if you enjoy helping your children, having a chat and can spare 1 morning a month PLEASE contact me on 0408628800 or email me at tuckshop@hollparkss.eq.edu.au. If we do not get volunteers the tuckshop will not be able to stay open for 5 days a week.

On a lighter note I would like to thank CONNY EBA and the great band of volunteers that kept the tuckshop up and running over the last 2 weeks whilst I was on holidays. Without you, this would have been impossible. THANK YOU again.
Mel

JJ’S AT GREENSLOPES
We would like to extend a special thank you to “JJ’S” for the support they give the school supplying fresh fruit and vegetables each week.

- TUCKSHOP ROSTER
  17 – 21 March
  
  | Mon 17 Mar | NEED HELP           |
  | Tues 18 Mar| NEED HELP           |
  | Wed 19 Mar | NEED HELP           |
  | Thu 20 Mar | Raelene Batkin, NEED HELP |
  | Fri 21 Mar | Jody Paddison, Karen Simpson, Sophie Hills, NEED HELP |