

Mount Hunter Public School

Newsletter Week 6 Term 4 2015

Principal's Message

We are definitely having a very productive Term 4 with many projects and initiatives coming to an end over the next few weeks. We know that life is hectic when even the students comment, 'Where has the year gone?'

Under the Gonski Funding Plan all schools have received additional funding to deliver high quality education and to support students and their learning. This year we have been able to provide extra MultiLit sessions (Individual reading program) extra Maths, Writing and Spelling groups as well as Social Skills development sessions for both small groups and individuals. We know the students are benefitting from the extra attention they receive each week due to this funding.

This term we have also been able to secure a grant from 'Sporting Schools' which has enabled us to employ Mr Bill Webb to teach all the students some AFL skills under the banner of an 'Traditional Indigenous Games' program. All the students are thoroughly enjoying these Wednesday afternoon sessions with Bill.

As a Friday sport initiative, Miss Hill has been giving the students Softball/T ball lessons, with the assistance of some representative players. Ms Hill believes that we may have a few potential representative players at Mount Hunter PS. Wow!

It is now the time of year where we reflect upon the quality of our teaching and learning programs and evaluate the growth in our student's learning. To this end, I am sending home a **Parent Satisfaction Survey** to each family at Mount Hunter PS. Could you kindly participate and hand it back to the office by the 20 November, for the staff and I to evaluate? Your assistance and comments will be greatly appreciated and will help to inform our planning and directions for 2016.



Traveller have been enjoying a 'Slinky Revolution'. More than half the class is bringing in apples to be 'slinkied' for their **Crunch and Sip** break each morning! Yum!

Just a reminder that I have tabled an item on the agenda for our P & C meeting this Monday evening concerning the 'Live, Life Well' program and our commitment to healthy living at Mount Hunter PS. All parents and friends are welcome,

to attend, as I will be presenting a powerpoint about our Healthy Lifestyle plans for 2016.

Please remember to refer to the calendar and our website as we have a busy end of term planned and there may be some unavoidable changes to dates and times along the way.

Mrs Doris Herrmann

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Dates to Remember

Also check our Mount Hunter PS website:

<http://www.mthunter-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

calendar for all the Term 4 events.

Date	Event
Week 6 9.11.15	Science Expo - Douglas Park PS
11.11.15	Indigenous Games program – Westbrook - session 1 Traveller - session 2
11.11.15	School Assembly 3:00pm
12.11.15	Kinder Orientation - Session 1 10:00-11:30am
Week 7 17.11.15	Watch this space! Possible P & C Disco
18.11.15	Indigenous Games program – Traveller - session 1 Westbrook - session 2
Week 8 23.11.15	Camden - Local Area Command Police - Bike Day - to be held in the school grounds. More information later.
25.11.15	Indigenous Games program – Traveller - session 1 Westbrook - session 2
26.11.15	Kinder Orientation – Session 2 9:30-10:30am - Library Lesson
Week 9 30.11.15	Swim Scheme commences- Week 1
Week 10 7.12.15	Swim Scheme continues- Week 2
8.12.15	Presentation Day – All welcome Commences at 10:00am
9.12.15	Parent Helper - Afternoon tea
10.12.15	Year 6 Farewell
11.12.15	Reports home today
14.12.15	Reward Day
14.12.15	Laser Tag & Panarotti's Year 5/6
15.12.15	Year 6 and leaving families- Farewell arch. 3:15 pm
16.12.15	Movie Day – Dumaresq St cinemas. *LAST DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS
17-18.12.15	SDD for teachers

Our school website has an electronic calendar that we continually update with the latest happenings and information.

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P&C News

Our Next P&C meeting will be held @ 6.30pm on **Monday 9th November, held in the school Library.**

Please come along and support your children by being involved with this hard working group of volunteers.



Congratulations to all the students who made a milk carton Derby car. We had some very interesting makes and models and most of them actually worked very well!!! We hope you all enjoyed the Science Expo day at Douglas Park PS. Thank you to Mrs Powter for organising the day for us.



Reminder to bring in absent notes

There are still many outstanding notes for absences required for both Terms 3 & 4. Notification needs to be provided within two days of your child returning to school. If you have forgotten which dates your child was absent, please send in a request for dates, so that our records can be updated. Otherwise, your child will receive an unjustified absence on his/her record card.

Mount Hunter PS Student's Corner **Year 6 Fundraising committee**

Thank you to everyone who supported our last fundraiser for the year – the Mufti day and Haunted House experience. We raised approximately \$55.00, bringing our total for the year to over \$500. The money raised will go towards our Year 6 farewell and a gift to the school. Thank you for supporting us throughout the year.

Through World Vision, Mount Hunter Public School students sponsor a Rwandan boy called Jean d'Amour. He is now in Year 3 and we are expecting a progress report at the end of the year. We would like to place the Soccer-ball money-box outside the canteen and if anyone has

a spare coin that they could donate, we could send it off to Jean before Christmas. Thank you!

Ambassador's Column

Monday is the Science Fair at Douglas Park PS. A Science Fair was one of the goals I had as School Ambassador, so I am so excited to see this happen. We have all had heaps of fun creating our milk carton racing cars. Good luck to everyone who is racing on Monday. Last week we had our Haunted House, this was heaps of fun and we hoped all the kids loved it. With the end of the school year fast approaching, all the year 6's can't wait to start their new adventure at High School. This is an end of era for us 8 students, with 4 of us being together every year since Kindergarten.



Community News

Cobbitty Village Markets

The markets are held on **Cobbitty Public School grounds** on the **first Saturday of each month** except for January and February, and are **open to the public from 8am-1pm**. We **warmly welcome** all visitors to our market, and encourage anyone **interested in joining our volunteer market committee** to contact us. Ph: 0438 512728

St Pauls Mt Hunter



Invites you to our Christmas events

Carols on the Corner

Saturday 28th November

6.30pm

Free BBQ

followed by

Community Carol Singing

Other Christmas events include:

Christmas Craft

Saturday 5th December 2pm Cost \$15

Christmas Day

Family Service 9am

Contact Charles 0488558133