

HARRISVILLE NEWS

Wednesday, May 14, 2014



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 2

May

13th, 14th, 15th May – NAPLAN Year 3, 5 & 7

17th May- Harrisville State School Choir Performance Boonah Show 1pm.

21st May -Rugby League Clinic- 30 minute sessions each class.

26th May- Anti Bullying Performance- All students attending- \$6 per child

June

3rd June- P&C meeting 6.30pm all welcome- School library

15th June- P&C working Bee/ Flea Market- Donations welcome!

20th June- MOVIE NIGHT- ALL STUDENTS WELCOME \$5 movie/ \$2 popcorn- starts @ 5pm with a sausage sizzle.

News from the Principal

NAPLAN!

This week students in Years 3, 5, and 7 will take part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy, or NAPLAN, as it is commonly known.

Skills that will be tested include: reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy.

These tests are done here at school and are considered just another part of the curriculum.

It is important for you and your child to know that NAPLAN is not a pass/fail test. It simply looks at what level students are achieving in literacy and numeracy against National Standards and compared with student peers throughout Australia.

NAPLAN cannot be studied for and students are not expected to do so. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that it is just a routine part of their school program, and to urge them to do the best they can on the day.

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are expected to participate in NAPLAN testing.

Later in the year we will send you an individual student NAPLAN report that you can use to view and monitor how your child is progressing.

More information is available on the NAP website (<http://www.nap.edu.au/>).

If you have any concerns, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

Cross Country

Congratulations to our students who represented Harrisville State School last week at the Cross Country. We had a great team! A super effort from Bree and Hayden who have been selected in the district cross country team!!

P&C GRANT SUCCESSFUL- THANK YOU!

Congratulations to our P&C executive for a successful grant application for approximately \$5000 which will go towards classroom computer furniture. What a fantastic outcome! Thank you to Mrs Sharon Stenzel for all her work in writing our grant applications!!

Yours in Education

Christie Minns

Principal

PREP 1/2 NEWS

P/1/2 hopes all our Mothers and Grandmothers had a lovely day on Sunday and enjoyed getting the surprise that the children had made. If your magnet is glued on incorrectly then please send it back and I will fix it for you. A HUGE thank you to the P&C for our reading desks. They have arrived and will make our group reading times extra special. Please remember to read every night from Monday to Thursday and practice your sight words. We will be

participating in the Premiers Challenge so stay tuned.

5/6/7 NEWS

Cross Country by Thomas

I think cross country was a huge success and I'm sure the other students did too. I got to see nearly every race and thought they were great.

It was wonderful to see all the parents and families there to support the students compete.

Congratulations to Hounds for winning and the Captains for their great leadership. Well done to the Hornets for trying their best. And congratulations to everyone who won and also to those who participated.

Harrisville State School Cross Country- by Damian

On Monday 28 April, the students of Harrisville State School competed in the cross country. The parents joined to spectate too. At the start of the day it was very cloudy and a bit of rain started to come down. But when cross country started it was alright (a few drops but it was still good).

For my age group Hayden was 1st, Ryan was 2nd and Patrick was 3rd, as for me I came last (not the sporty type). I saw great sportsmanship, especially the people who didn't come 1st, 2nd or 3rd were being encouraged by spectators.

At the end of the cross country everyone went to the undercover area and Hounds and Hornets cheered their war cries. After that Mrs Minns announced the scores and Hounds won which was my team.

The end
Thanks for reading
By Damian

Cross Country by Emily

In the morning the team captains got the Hounds and Hornets teams together to practice their cheers. After that everyone went to the library to get their year of births written on their arms. It was now time to race. First of all, the under 11s to 13s raced the 3 km course. Then followed the under 10s with the 2 km course, and then the rest of the school with the 1 km and 500m courses. It was great to see that the whole school participated and cheered on each other, no matter what team they were on. It was common to see the older children running with the younger children, to help them finish the race. Now it was time to find out who won the day – was it to be Hounds or Hornets? Once we had all received

out ribbons of participation, drum roll please..... It was time to find out who was the winner. It was Hounds. The Hornets cheered for us and we cheered for them. Even though Hounds were the winners, we were all winners for running the races.

BOONAH CHOIR PERFORMANCE

Boonah Show Performances 2014

Harrisville State School Choir children have the opportunity to perform at our local show on Saturday 17th May. The timetable for the schools-performances Marquee that will be set up somewhere near the Animal Nursery this year includes a number of groups this year. Primary school age students get FREE entry to the show, Parents entry is **Adults \$15**.

Our students enjoy performing for big audiences so please feel free to invite lots of friends, family and neighbours to come and watch our students perform.

The Harrisville Choir (Most of our school from year 2-7) will be performing a 20 minute set this year. Can students in the choir please meet Miss Bauer and my Choir Captains at the Marquee at 12:50pm (ie 10 minutes before our performance time) to get ourselves into a nice performance order and be ready to start at 1pm. Students are asked to wear a school shirt for this performance but may wear it over the top of plain clothes or get changed straight after our performance to enjoy the rest of the show. This is an opportunity to showcase our school at a local event and is usually a great day out for all the family.

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

This term we will be moving to a completely electronic newsletter. If you still receive a hard copy could you please advise us of your email address.

Our newsletter is available to download from our school website, on the Qschools App as well as being distributed via email. If you have any concerns or are experiencing difficulty with your email please let us know.

MY FRIENDS AND I – SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Coming up on Monday 26th May we will be hosting a school performance called – My friends and I. This is an antibullying performance that supports our school program. The cost of this performance will be \$6 per child. If you could ensure your child makes this payment prior to the 26th May that would be appreciated.

KEEPING SAFE AROUND BATS

Children need to be aware that bats, including flying foxes, are protected species and pose minimal risk to humans provided they are left alone and not touched. However, children should not try to hurt or help sick or injured bats as they are putting themselves and the animal at risk. If you see a bat or flying fox that is hurt call:

- RSPCA—1300 ANIMAL (1300 264 625)
- Department of Environment and Heritage Protection—1300 130 372
- your local wildlife care group/rescuer/carer for assistance.

If a child is bitten or scratched by any bat, they should tell their parents, teacher or responsible adult straight away, wash the wound thoroughly with soap and water and visit their local doctor immediately.

Students of the Week



Congratulations to Nate, Jacob, Elsie, Riley and Ryan!

P&C NEWS

Next P&C Meeting ...Tuesday 3rd June
6.30pm

Tuckshop News

This week our egg and lettuce sandwich will be replaced by an egg and bacon roll. The cost of the roll will be \$2.50.

SCHOOL WORKING BEE/ FLEA MARKET

15th JUNE 8am!

Come along and help the school to clean up under our buildings. We will be removing unused furniture for sale.

8am- SET UP- **VOLUNTEERS** Please come along to help move out furniture.

11.00am- SALE OF ITEMS RECOVERED FOR DONATION TO THE P&C! ALL WELCOME! MAKE AN OFFER!

If you have any **saleable** items that you would like to donate to the P&C FLEA MARKET please contact the school.

P&C FACEBOOK PAGE- NEW!

Our school P&C has a face book page. Go to <https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=694704363884694> P & C Facebook page for notifications.

Absence Note

"Every Day Counts"

Dear _____,
My child _____ was away on ___/___/2014, ___/___/2014,
due to:

- sickness
- holiday
- family reasons
- other (please explain) _____

Parent Signature _____

Please return this note to your child's classroom teacher. Please note all student absences must be explained. **Alternatively please email your absence note to admin@harrisvilless.eq.edu.au**

MOVIE NIGHT FOR ALL STUDENTS FRIDAY 20th June 5pm- 8pm

\$5 entry, \$2 to purchase popcorn

All funds raised will be donated to the Scripture Union to support chaplaincy in our school.

The P&C will be putting on a sausage sizzle for dinner for the students. Come along and have some fun!!!

Supervised by our Chaplain and Classroom Teachers.

**HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL
PLAYGROUP**

THURSDAYS @9.30 am
Bring a gold coin donation! \$2.00
Playgroup is held on the Harrisville School Grounds.
Everyone is welcome!

