**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**Term 3/4**  
**September**  
19th September- Soccer/ Netball Carnival Years 4-7  
October  
20th October – Pupil Free Day  
SWIMMING TERM 4- TUESDAYS- 10.30, 11.00- WHOLE SCHOOL- Return Permission ASAP.  
Prep Transition Sessions- Thursday 9.30- 11.30 - 16th October, 23rd October, 30th October.  
November  
1st November - TRIVIA NIGHT  
11th November - ART AUCTION- 6pm-  
December  
4th December MOVE UP DAY & PREP ORIENTATION- All new enrolments welcome- 8.30- 2.30.  
4th December- Boonah SHS Year 7/8 Orientation Day.

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**News from the Principal**

The term has zipped quickly again. Thank you to all our families and students for your continued support of our great school. I wish everyone a happy and restful holiday!

Next term is going to be really busy with Swimming, Camp, End of Year Concert, Trivia Night and the Art Auction to name just a few things! Stay tuned each week by reading our school newsletter or downloading our QSchools App! It is a great way to say in the loop with activities and events throughout the term! Download the app at the App store or through Google Play! Then search for Harrisville SS and make us a favourite.

Yours in Education  
Christie Minns  
Principal

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**READING COMPREHENSION- SYNTHESISING**

Our comprehension focus for the last part of this term has been Synthesising. Synthesising involves merging new information with existing knowledge to form a new idea or see a new perspective. Synthesising requires readers to combine their prior knowledge with new knowledge and put it in their own words. Synthesising can result in a product. For example, children may design a new machine or suggest a new use for an existing machine, based on knowledge gained from reading a text or watching a documentary.

Synthesising may also mean that readers change their ideas about a topic because they can now see another perspective.

Good readers show they are synthesising information by asking themselves these questions.

- Has my thinking changed after reading this text?
- How can I use what I have read to create my own ideas?
- How else could I use this information?
- What would happen if ____________?
- How would I deal with ______________?
- What would be an alternate to _____________?

Synthesising is the highest and most complex form of comprehension. It can be a powerful resource to enable readers to transfer information to new situations.

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**BOONAH SOCCER AND NETBALL CARNIVAL**

**Soccer Information**  
Venue: Coronation Park, Boonah  
When: 9:15 am, September 19th 2014  
Divisions: Junior – Grades 4 &5  
Senior – Grades 6 &7

**Netball Information**  
Venue: Boonah Netball Courts  
When: 9:15 am September 19th 2014  
Divisions: Junior – Grades 4 &5  
Senior – Grades 6 &7
The netball component of the Gala Day will be held at the **Fassifern Netball Association courts** (via Melbourne or Macquarie Streets, Boonah). Schools are able to arrive at 9:00 am to set up shade tents. At 9:30am there will be a quick event briefing for all teachers/teacher aides and parent helpers. **First games will start at 9:45am.** Games will then be every half hour. Clean Up will begin at 1:45pm for a 2:00pm finish.

Your child needs to wear their school uniform, suitable sport shoes and **school hat/cap/visor**. It is advisable that sunscreen is applied before arrival. Students are required to bring their **food and water FOR THE DAY**. There will be very limited access to the soccer club canteen, as the students’ school teacher/teacher aide needs to be available to take any students. Due to umpiring duties this could mean there is no access for your school.

Schools have been asked to bring shade tents, your child may like to bring a picnic blanket to sit on. Please ensure fingernails are short and smooth prior to the day. **Happy Netballing**

**ASTHMA AND ANAPHALAXIS TRAINING FOR STAFF**

Over the last week our staff have been involved in professional development in first aid for Asthma and Anaphylaxis. Staff reviewed the first aid treatment in both cases.

It is a timely reminder for all families to let us know of any additional medical information that needs to be added to your child’s records. If your child has Asthma or requires the use of medication please ensure you have filled out the correct forms with a current Asthma plan from your child’s doctor. I have attached a copy of the request to administer medication form with this week’s newsletter. Please ensure your child has a spacer for the reliever medication. This is the best way to administer the medication.

Asthma Training included:-
- Asthma First Aid
- Asthma at School
- Policy for Schools in Managing Asthma

Anaphylaxis Training included:-
- What are allergies and anaphylaxis?
- Signs and symptoms- action for allergy and anaphylaxis
- Adrenaline auto injectors
- ASCIA action plans
- Anaphylaxis management in schools

**SURVEY OF INTEREST FOR CAMP 2014**

Possibility of a new date for CAMP!! Some of our dance families have a QPAC performance on Friday 31\textsuperscript{st}. Please let us know if Thursday/ Friday 13\textsuperscript{th}/ 14\textsuperscript{th} November (week 6) clashes with any local events!! Stay tuned for more information soon!

**CAMP QUALITY PUPPETS- SHOW FOR P-7**

What a wonderful learning opportunity for our students! Monday we were able to watch the Camp Quality puppet show to support children and families living with illness. The key message was to stay happy and live life to the full!

Thank you to the Camp Quality puppeteers for such an entertaining and informative performance.
Students of the Week


YEAR 2/3/4 NEWS

It is incredible to believe that the Term is over and Christmas is fast approaching; where has the time gone? We welcomed Jace to our Year3 cohort last week. He has settled in well and is already one of the crew.

This week we are wrapping up our units with assessments—it’s been a busy few days so far. Assessment is both formative and summative:

Formative assessment tells me what is yet to be consolidated within my students and gives me direction for my future planning; it shows me what concepts are yet to be fully understood by the children and who might need further support or learning experiences. In other words, it informs me as to where my teaching needs to go next. It improves my teaching by giving me feedback.

Summative assessment informs me as to how children are performing in comparison to their own progress and in terms of where they are sitting within their peer group.

Once again, I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching my class this term; they are, each and every one of them, gorgeous little people. I am so happy to be their teacher. Have a well-deserved and safe holiday everyone.

Sandra

BOONAH STATE HIGH SCHOOL- UNIFORM SHOP HOURS- REVISED!

Please see revised dates for the Uniform shop for Yr 6/7 parents. Original dates forwarded included days in September school holidays.

September – 3.00pm to 5.00pm each afternoon as follows:
Monday 8
Thursday 11
Monday 15
Thursday 18

Date Claimer- Orientation Day Year 7/8 - Thursday 4th December.

YEAR 4/5/6/7 NEWS

The students in Year 4/5/6/7 have been exploring some of the new APPS on our ipads. I have included 3 of the new apps as a feature in this week’s newsletter. If you had an ipad at home...
these are great apps and some ideas of how to use them have been included.

**Concept**

Developer: Elsa Mourato

Concept is a brainstorming app that students may use to help them organise their thoughts and explain their thinking.

Students may wish to complete the following activities during mathematics sessions:

- Brainstorm everything you know about a certain topic (e.g., fractions). Share with the class and add any new ideas to your mind map.
- Create a table or a chart of different types of angles or 3D shapes. Find pictures on the internet that you can add as a photo note.
- Create a mind map of all the different tricks that you know about that will help you learn your times tables. Compare with a friend.

**iMotion**

Developer: Fingerlab

Use your weekly spelling words and the iMotion app to complete one or more of the following activities.

- Use MAB one's blocks to create an animation of your spelling words - block by block.
- On a piece of paper, write your spelling words one letter at a time and create a stop motion animation.
- Once you have tried writing one word at a time, try writing an entire sentence!
- Create a stop motion animation of your spelling words using letters cut from magazine titles.

Remember:
- Include your name on your work.
- Start a fresh page for each task.
- Export your work to the camera roll.
- Share your work.

**Year 6/7 Graduation Dinner**

It is that time again when we need to prepare our students for their final term at primary school. This year we will be holding our Graduation Dinner at school. We are hoping that Tuesday 21st October @ 6pm will suit all of our Year 6/7 families. We will dine alfresco if the weather is fine! Please let us know if there are any clashes for this date. Our students will be putting together an iMotion movie of their life at primary school. When we return next term children will need copies of school photos/any special work samples that could be scanned/photographed to be used in their personal presentation for parents and staff.

If there are any parents who would like to assist with decorating for the event please let us know. We have balloons, glitter and will make place settings for our tables.

We will also be asking parents to assist with making salads on the night to keep our costs down. The school will organise cold meat/chicken at a minimal cost to families, plus the graduation cake/coffee/drinks and nibbles.
WORLD TEACHER’S DAY STUDENT CHALLENGE

You could win money for our school

Students have the opportunity to win cash prizes for our school by taking part in the World Teachers’ Day student challenge. To enter, students, either individually or as a group, must create a digital product that expresses the theme: a teacher’s commitment to their students’ learning is inspirational.

This could include a presentation using PowerPoint or Prezi, a poster, banner, animation or cartoons. You’ll need to get a move on as entries close Friday 10 October.


ALCOHOL SUPPLY NO MINOR OFFENCE

As end of year celebrations approach, parents and guardians are reminded that the supply of alcohol to anyone under 18 for unsupervised consumption in a private place is an offence. It carries a fine of up to $9108. For more information visit http://www.qld.gov.au/families/education/pages/drug.html

G20 CAIRNS EXPECTED IMPACTS

The G20 Finance Ministers’ and Central Bank Governors’ meeting will be held on 20-21 September. Advice from the Queensland Police Service on the expected impacts in Cairns is available online.

http://www.qld.gov.au/about/events-awards-honours/events/g20/what-is-on/

http://mypolice.qld.gov.au/g20/2014/06/13/g20-update-cairns-finance-ministers-meeting/

PREP 2015 PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

WEDNESDAY 15th October—9.00am - 10.30am (children welcome to attend with parents)

Twilight Session—Wednesday 15th October 6.00- 7.00 (session repeated for parents unable to make daytime information session).

Meet our Early Years Staff—Mrs Michelle White and familiarise yourself with our school and facilities.

PREP TRANSITION SESSIONS

Harrisville State School will be providing a transition program in conjunction with our local kindergartens to assist with a smooth transition to school.

Thursday 16th October 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 23rd October 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 30th October 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 6th November 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 13th November 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 20th November 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 27th November 9.30– 11.30
Thursday 4th December 8.30– 2.30

MOVE UP DAY AND PREP ORIENTATION

For all new enrolments – Prep to Year 6
Thursday 4th of December - 8.30am- 2.30pm
Come along and experience life at our wonderful school for a day!

To book your place phone or email.
PH 5467 1288
Email:- the.principal@harrisvilless.eq.edu.au
www.harrisvilless.eq.edu.au

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
THURSDAYS @9.30 am

STARTS UP AGAIN NEXT TERM
- 16th October

Bring a gold coin donation! $2.00
Playgroup is held on the Harrisville School
Grounds. Everyone is welcome!
Koala Joey Program supports early literacy and
numeracy development. Come along and have
some fun!

P&C NEWS

TRIVIA NIGHT! DATE CHANGE!
Please note the Trivia Night will be on
Saturday 1st November. There will be a flyer
to follow. Donations welcome!
Examples of suitable items- Gift cards (Coles/
Bunnings ect.), Gift packs.

ART AUCTION
SAVE THE DATE- 11th November.
Meals will be available from 6pm
7pm Auction of Student Artwork.
More information to follow!

P&C FACEBOOK PAGE-
Our school P&C has a face book page. Go to-
https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=694704363884694