SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 2

APRIL
25th April – ANZAC DAY MARCH- 10.15 meet at the Royal Hotel.
27th April 8.30 HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY- ALL FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WELCOME!
28th April Parent Information Night for Year 2/3 (6pm & 3/4 6.20pm). Miss Wright & Mrs Wozencorft will present classroom information. All parents welcome to attend.

MAY
16th May- Saturday -Boonah Show- Our Harrisville choir will be performing- 12.30- 12.50. Parent Teacher Interviews & Report Cards will be handed out in term 3.

News from the Principal

Welcome Back!
I hope you all enjoyed your holidays. Welcome to all our new families to Harrisville. We have had a smooth start to the term with all children settling nicely into their new groupings.

Thank you to all families for their understanding about these necessary changes to our groups. We are looking forward to a busy term of learning.

Please remember to send along a named royal blue jumper or track pants for your child. The weather is cooling down and we are finding children do require a jumper earlier in the day. Our school has a uniform policy and I would encourage all parents to ensure their child is in the correct uniform. I have spoken to the children about showing pride in their school by wearing their full school uniform.

I have reminded all children that they are required to wear the full school uniform including their jumpers and track pants. Children can wear any royal blue pants/leggings/track pants/skirt.

If you child cannot wear the correct jumper please send along a note to your child’s classroom teacher. We will be giving children a little time over the next week to ensure that they have the correct uniform. If you are experiencing difficulty purchasing items please let us know. The P&C have also done a jumper order. If you require one of these items please contact our uniform coordinator for our P&C-Melinda Merlehan.

Thank you again for supporting our great school!

Yours in Education
Christie Minns

STAFFING UPDATE!

This term we welcome Mr Daniel Markert to staff for the first 2 weeks of term replacing Mrs Le-Anne Whittred while she takes a well-deserved break.

At the end of last term we have received some additional allocation of teacher time for our school. Mr Markert will be joining our teaching team each Friday to support our classes with numeracy and literacy activities. Welcome to Mr Markert.

Daniel Markert
Bachelor of Education- Primary
Daniel has been working at Harrisville State School for a couple of years on a casual basis. He fills
short term contracts and does supply days for all our staff. This term Daniel joins us on a more frequent basis with working here each Friday on our literacy and numeracy programs. Welcome to Daniel.

Nicole Griffiths

Nicole works as a casual cleaner here at Harrisville and is currently completing her high school studies. Nicole fills in when required.

Karen Gunston

Karen has been working at Harrisville as a part of the cleaning team for the last couple of years. She also works as a cleaner at other local schools.

Robyn Griffiths Cleaner

Robyn has been a school cleaner for over 17 years. She has done relief work across many schools within the Fassifern and is currently working at Mutdapilly and Harrisville. Robyn joined the staff here at Harrisville in 2012 and has enjoyed working in schools.

Roger Gray

Roger Gray has worked at Harrisville SS as the grounds care officer since 2006. He is a retired school teacher/principal. Roger understands the workings of schools and enjoys being part of our team here at Harrisville. Roger strives to keep the grounds in tip top shape.

MUSIC NEWS- BOONAH SHOW

Anzac day is fast approaching (first Saturday of term 2). Again our choir will be performing at this event under the capable organising on the day of my choir captains (as Miss Bauer will be conducting the Boonah choir at exactly the same time at their ceremony). Our choir is planning lead the community in singing "Advance Australia Fair", the "New Zealand National Anthem" and have been asked to also lead "Abide With Me" for this event. Like last year we may have some choir members from Peak Crossing and Mt Alford join us on the day. Mrs White has offered to run a few extra rehearsals in the first week back if we need them, so that our choir can do an outstanding job. As always when we perform I'd like to see our students in full school uniform (unless they are marching with scouts or guides on the day). I also plan to run through these songs in music lessons that first week back with all students so that they will be familiar with them on the day.

Date Claimer Boonah Show Sat 16th May 2015

Choir performance

Harrisville Choir again has the opportunity to perform at the Boonah Show on Saturday 16th May, I have not yet finalised a timetable yet, but we will be performing sometime between 10am and 4pm and like last year will do one or two songs with another choir "large choir performance group" or in "friendly competition" with another choir group. Again this is an opportunity to showcase our schools fantastic choir and for our students to get to attend a local show. Students are FREE entry with an accompanying Adult I believe will be $15 like last year. Our new Recorder Ensemble, may also have the opportunity to perform a few items on this day if they are keen.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS 2/3 & 3/4

Parent Teacher Interviews

Mrs Wozencroft and Miss Wright will be holding a parent information session next Tuesday night. This is an opportunity to meet with our new classroom teachers and talk to them about their learning for the year.

Tuesday 28th March 6pm 2/3, 6.20 3/4

Mrs Wozencroft and Miss Wright will also be offering parent teacher interviews. This is a great opportunity to check in about your child’s learning
and development. A note was sent home earlier in the week.

**ANZAC DAY MARCH- 25th April**

On Saturday our children from Harrisville State School can attend the Harrisville Anzac Day March. All children are to meet at the bottom pub at 10.00-10.15 for a 10.30 start.

Children will need to wear their full school uniform including their wide brimmed hat. Parents may pick children up at the Harrisville Hall at the completion of the march if they are not attending the ceremony. Our Choir students will be performing so teaching staff will be supervising the children until they have performed. If you have any questions please contact the office.

The RAAF will be doing a fly by at 9.30. Keep your eyes and ears peeled as they will not be able to make another flyby later!

**NEWS FROM YOUR CHAPLAIN**

Chaplaincy News

As chaplain attending Harrisville every TUESDAY, I try to be involved in numerous activities throughout the school. These include quiet reading with students, presenting the ‘Friends’ program to all students, games zone in the library on some lunch time and talking to students one on one as directed by staff or requested by parents.

I hope you have all had a great restful and relaxing holiday, and are ready for term 2. During 1st term some families and students participated in Chappy challenge. Thank you for supporting our major fundraiser for the chaplains in the district. I don’t have the final amount raised but it was a wonderful event and all who were involved enjoyed it.

During 2nd term (week 5) we acknowledge ‘Chappy week’, bringing awareness of the chaplaincy service in the school here at Harrisville. The fundraiser through this week will be Cup Cakes for sale during 2nd break on Tuesday. I will put more information in the next newsletter.

I look forward to term 2 again with everyone.

Mrs Irene Hurren
School Chaplain

**CROSS COUNTRY @ HARRISVILLE SS**

Next Monday we will be holding our annual Cross Country event at our school. Details:-

- Monday 27th April 8.30 warm up for a 9am start.
- Come along in your Hornets and Hounds shirts.
- All families and friends are welcome to attend

**WHOLE SCHOOL CAMP IN 2015**

KEEP SAVING!! We are looking to take the whole school on camp in term 3. Camp costing will be between $200 and $300 per student/ adult. We wanted to give families plenty of time to save and plan for this event. We currently don’t have a date or a firm booking for location. Our school camp is a great opportunity for personal development, leadership and team building. If you have any questions please come make a time to talk about our camping program.

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**HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP**

Come along and have some fun at our Koala Joey Program and Playgroup
Thursday 9.30-11.00
All welcome to attend!

Please talk to Lauren Gunstone & Sarah Robertson-Playgroup Co-Ordinators for the P&C for further information!

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**P&C NEWS**

Next P&C Meeting- to be advised.

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

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