SCHOOL CALENDAR

School Calendar for 2015:

TERM 3
July
Parent Teacher Interviews & Report Cards will be handed out in term 3
15th July: Wednesday - Harrisville State School Athletics Carnival - Hornets Vs Hounds
22nd July: Wednesday - Interschool Athletics Carnival - Harrisville SS, Multapidilly SS, Warrill View SS @ Multapidilly SS
Swimming: 8 sessions (2 week block). 18th – 28th August. Monday/ Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Thursday/ Friday. Two week block.

TERM 4
7th/8th/9th Dec: Whole School Camp- Maranatha
16th/17th/18th November: Year 6 Camp Maroon- Fassifern Cluster of Schools. More information to follow.

News from the Principal

Thank you to all our families for your effort this term in supporting your child’s homework program. Classroom teachers have been reflecting on the progress to date as we write report cards. This term our teachers have been checking reading homework each week with a focus on reading each night. Thank you to all our families for ensuring that this happens at home. Your support is greatly appreciated. Don’t forget to keep reading over the holidays. Children will be able to borrow books to read over the holidays to add to their Premier’s Reading Challenge tally. All children need to read and record at least 20 books. The holidays is a great time to indulge in reading!

Next term we will be holding parent teacher interviews. At your child’s scheduled interview time we will hand out your child’s report card, discuss work samples and assessment items and let you know the plan for your child for the coming semester.

Yours in Education
Christie Minns

SCHOOL SAFETY THESE HOLIDAYS

Keep a watch on our school these holidays
With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please call School Watch on 13 17 88.

The School Watch program is a partnership between the Department of Education, Training and Employment, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter. Keep the number handy—13 17 88—and let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

NRL GALA DAY- END OF TERM- YEAR 3-6
BOYS AND GIRLS ATTENDING

We have organised transport groups for all children attending. Please be at school ready to depart by 8.30am. Team meeting will commence at 9am for all officials. Miss Wright and Mr Markert will be the supervising teachers on the day. Thank you to all our families for assisting with transport. We had a huge crew to get to the field. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Children will need to bring their hat, water, suncream and snacks. A tuckshop menu for the Gala day was sent home last week. Please note that all children may bring money to purchase items on the day. It is going to be a wonderful way to finish off the term.
TOUCH FOOTBALL- WELL DONE BOYS!!

Last week our boys represented the Fassifern District of schools at touch football. We had some outstanding players, as well as sportsmanship showed by all on the day. Well done to Hayden M, Jhai, Brock, Hayden L, Ryan and Dominic. Three of our boys also made the final 20 for probables and possibles for selection into the Met West team. Congratulations to Hayden L, Hayden M and Ryan.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is an annual statewide initiative for state and non-state schools and home-educated students up to Year 9, and children attending an approved kindergarten program or long day care centre.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2015. The challenge is not a competition but aims to improve literacy and encourage children to engage in reading for pleasure and learning.

Registrations are now open for the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge. The reading period for Prep - Year 9 students is 19 May - 28 August and the early childcare centres participation period is 15 - 28 August 2015. Our school will be participating.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL NEXT TERM!  
SAVE THE DATE!

Harrisville SS Athletics Carnival- Hornets V’s Hounds- Wednesday 15th July 8.30- 2.30. All family and friends welcome to attend. Harrisville Small Schools (Harrisville SS, Mutdapilly SS, Warrill View SS) 22nd July- 8.30- 2.30. The venue will be Mutdapilly SS. All children will need to make their own way to the carnival. Please see classroom teachers with any issues regarding transport.

EAT LOCAL WEEK- 27th June – 5th July

Experience the food and wine of the Scenic Rim during Eat Local Week.

Featuring plenty of free and low-cost activities for children and families, including farm tours, cooking classes, producer dinners and opportunities to meet the farmers and taste their wares. For more information www.eatlocalweek.com.au

The week culminates on the 4th July with the Winter Harvest Festival, Eat Local Week’s signature event. A celebration of food, wine and farming. There’s live music, fresh produce, cooking demonstrations and plenty of good old fashioned country hospitality.

Are you STRONG enough??

Why not get a team together and enter the Tractor Pulling Competition to raise funds for the School or a local Community organisation.

- HOW IT WORKS:
  - Senior Competition - Teams of 12 register to pull a John Deere Tractor over 20 metres.
  - Junior Competition - Teams of 4 register to pull a Boomer tractor over 20 metres.
  - Each team gets two “pulls” and the fastest time counts. (A handicap system will be in place for the junior competition)
  - Event will take place during the Winter Harvest Festival, 4th July, 2015 at the Aratula Community Sports Complex.
  - No spikes to be worn
  - The Junior Competition will commence at 10.30am, the Senior Competition will commence at 1pm.

FUNDRAISING FOR CAMP- BRING $2 FOR MILO

Each Tuesday this term our student leaders (with the help of Mrs Hurren) will be organising milo each lunch. Children will need to bring their mug and $2 for a cup of milo. All funds raised will go towards our school camp.

THINKING IN PICTURES COMPETITION

Students looking for a holiday project should consider entering the Thinking in Pictures competition. Queensland University of Technology is offering a $5000 prize pool and is looking for visual presentations (film, animation or games are acceptable) up to three minutes long that look at the
future of thinking. If you’ve got an idea, get a team together over the holidays to create a presentation. Entries close on Sunday 19 July. All the details are available online.

**WHOLE SCHOOL CAMP- MARANATHA**

Go to the Maranatha website on the link below for all the information about this great adventure facility. [http://www.maranatha-camp.com/](http://www.maranatha-camp.com/)

The cost of the camp is going to be $200 per child ($105 parent helper). Please check our previous newsletter for more information about camp. A permission form will be coming home soon.

**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!*

**P&C NEWS**

Next P&C Meeting- will be today 14th July @ 6.30- Harrisville State School library. All welcome.

Last day of term 2- tuckshop.

For children remaining at school on Friday 16th June (Prep/1/2) we will be having free tuckshop. Please ensure your child has some snacks in case they don’t like the options provided by the P&C. Thanks!

**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](https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=694704363884694)