SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 4
December
ART AUCTION- DATE CHANGE- NOW AT SCHOOL LIBRARY- WEEK 9 1st- 7th 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.
7th December- Concert and Awards Night! 6.30 start, 5.00 shared dinner, 4.30 Art Auction deadline.

2015
January
Monday 19th January- 23rd January- Pupil Free Days
Monday 26th January- Australia Day Holiday
Tuesday 27th January- School resumes.
School Calendar for 2015-

February
Tuesday 3rd February- P&C AGM and General Meeting- 6.30 pm school library- All welcome! Come and join in our wonderful group of volunteers.

March
11th/ 12th March – Life Education Van visit. All students to attend. $9 per student. More information next year.

News from the Principal

The next two weeks will be very busy for staff, students and the wider Harrisville Community. Next week please come along to our Art Auction. Our staff will be setting up the library display on Friday to be ready for your viewing from Monday 1st December. We are very happy for parents to come into our library at any time from Monday to Friday from 8am to around 5pm in the evening. Please come and make a bid for your child’s artwork. They have worked extremely hard over the semester and we are very proud to show off their talents.

Don’t forget coming up on Sunday the 7th December is our Annual Concert and Awards Night. We will finish off the bidding for our artwork by 4.30 sharp and then have a shared dinner. There will be more information in the coming week from our P&C. The concert will begin at 6.30pm! We are looking forward to welcoming friends, family, staff and students. It is going to be a beautiful showcase of singing, dancing and guitar…. As well as a few awards for our deserving recipients. Please take the time to see the costume requirements for your children in today’s newsletter. We are also asking that all children have a Xmas Hat of some sort for our grand finale at the concert.

Looking forward to seeing our students shine! See you there!

Yours in Education
Christie Minns

P12 NEWS

End of Year Events
Dear Parents and Caregivers,
The end of the year is fast approaching and there are lots of things happening.

Art Auction
Next week your child’s art will be on display in the library for a silent auction. You can come and make your bid. Some students will have 2 pieces of art so Grandparents might like to have a piece of their work or you might like to get them a Christmas present?

The close of the art auction will be at 4:30 on the day of the concert.

Concert
The children are busy practising their dance with Mrs Tunks.
For costumes please check your child’s year level below. All children are asked to bring a Santa hat for the last item of the night. You are not expected to buy extra clothes for your child so contact me if you have any questions.

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you don’t have anything suitable and I will organise for you to borrow one for the concert.

The preps can dress in Christmas clothes/T-shirt or Christmas colours.
The Yr 1s in a white T-shirt and blue skirt or shorts (can be your school blue)
The Yr2’s – a white shirt that is required at school before the concert to be decorated, a colourful afro wig (some wigs have been seen at the Winston Glade cheap shop for around $5-$7) and bright coloured shorts. Mrs Stenzel has included some detail for our Year 2 students below.

**Last Week**

On **Monday, 8 December**, the parents are invited to a ‘Celebration’ afternoon to have afternoon tea with their child. Your child will read you the book they have been reading in class and challenge you to a maths game. We ask that you come at 1:30 and the afternoon will conclude at 2:30.

Wednesday is Christmas Craft day where the children will rotate around 8 activities. At the end of the day they will bring home some lovely handmade items to decorate your home.

Thursday will be break up day. Children to bring hats, water bottle, togs/sunshirt or T-shirt for water games. A change of clothes. Lunch of a sausage sizzle, left overs from the tuckshop freezer and watermelon will be available on the day. If your child does not eat these items then send some food of your own. There is usually plenty of food.

Friday is clean up day.
I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the families, for your support this year and wish you all a very Merry Christmas and an enjoyable school holiday time.

Regards,
Michelle White

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**2/3/4 NEWS**

Dear Parents,

With our Christmas Concert fast approaching, it’s time to think about the costume for the Year 2 and 3 dancers. The song we are dancing to is, ‘Happy’ and it’s a really fun, boppy song so I’d like the kids to wear something bright and fun to match. This is the plan:

Plain white T-shirt. Mrs Sharon Stenzel has been a trooper and made each child a bright yellow smiley face which we ask you to please tack to the front of the shirt. These will be sent home today. Could we have these faces removed after the dance, then returned for future costumes please?

Plain, bright coloured shorts. Even the children’s school shorts will do if you don’t have anything suitable.

A rainbow afro wig. These are available at most cheap shops eg Tivity at Winston Glades Shopping Centre for $6.99.

I don’t want parents to go to much expense; please let me know if you will have difficulty in organising a costume for your child.

I am very grateful for your help in making the children look fabulous for the dance piece and appreciate your support. They will be GORGEOUS!

Thank you,
Sandra

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**QSCHOOLS APP**

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With the free QSchools app you can find out the latest news from our school instantly. No more missing newsletters or hearing about school events at the last minute. We also use the app to issue notifications such as emergency announcements to you. You can ‘favourite’ more than one school on the app if your family has children attending another state school. QSchools is available for Android, Apple and Windows devices.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT DAY
Christmas Craft Day: Wednesday 10th December
Wednesday of the last week of school will be lots of fun because...we’re going to have a Christmas Craft Extravaganza! All the children will be divided into multi-aged, smaller groups to rotate around a selection of 8 beautiful Christmas Crafts to create and treasure.

At this stage it is predicted that the festivities will begin at 9:00 and finish at 12:30 approximately. We will stop for Morning Tea as per usual. Firm times will be published in next week’s newsletter.
We are inviting parents to join us if they wish to assist in providing an extra pair of hands to help glue, paste, cut, fold etc. Any donations of Christmasy papers, old cards, stickers etc are also welcome.

If you are able to join us as a helper/ supervisor on the Craft Day, please fill in and return the slip attached.

Many thanks,
Sandra

Christmas Craft Day
Yes, I am able to join the children as a helper/ supervisor on the Craft Day.
Name: ____________________________
Signed: __________________________

SWIMMING HIGHLIGHTS
Thank you to all our families for supporting our swimming program. Don’t forget to send your final payment by next Monday! We don’t have swimming in the last week of term.

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 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.
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Please bring lunch, water bottle and a hat if you are a new enrolment. New enrolments can wear sun smart free dress with sneakers, their current school uniform or come along @ 8am to try on and purchase your Harrisville SS uniforms.

YEAR 6 2015 LEADERSHIP SPEECHES
On Thursday 4th December we will be asking our new leaders for 2015 to stand up and present their leadership speeches. We invite parents and friends to come along and see our new leaders step up and begin their leadership journey. Our students will be selected for School Captain, Vice Captain, Hornets and Hounds Captain and Vice as well as school leader positions. We will be in the library from 1.30- 2.30. Looking forward to seeing you there!

CAMP AND GRADUATION PAYMENTS
Please don’t forget to send in your final payment for camp ($25 per child) and for our graduation dinner ($20 per family). We have had to cover all the costs of both these events and do require final payment by all parents by next week. Thank you for your understanding.

P&C NEWS
NEXT MEETING AGM & General Meeting- Tuesday 3rd February @ 6.30 in the school library. All positions will be declared vacant and we will elect our executive for the 2015 year! Come along and join a wonderful group of volunteers that support our school.

ART AUCTION – In the school library- 1st December through to the 5th December! Come along from 8am-5pm each day to have a look at the artwork that our students have produced over the semester and make a bid! All funds raised will go to the P&C and will directly benefit all students at our great school! We will also be open on Sunday 7th December from 4pm for a final viewing. (This is before our concert). Grandparents/ friends are welcome to make a bid! On the 7th of December we will also be holding a live auction of our group pieces of artwork that were created with the help of our visiting artists- Mr Mark Paddick and Dr John Jackson.
BOONAH SHS UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

High school uniforms are now ready to be collected. Preferable time for pick up is 11.45 - 1.00pm, however if this is not suitable please ring the tuck shop on 54606161 to arrange a suitable time. The uniform shop will be open from Monday 19th - Friday 23 January 2015 from 8.00 - 12.30. Payment can be made by cash or eftpos. No cheques.

HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL
MOVE UP DAY & PREP ORIENTATION

Thursday 4th December
8.30 - 2.30

Come along to our 'MOVE UP' day at Harrisville State School. Children will work with their new class for 2015 for a day. All new enrolments welcome from Prep to Year 6.

HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

Thank you to all the parents who found time to join our playgroup throughout 2014. We wanted to give a special thank you to Mrs Minns, Mrs Charlick and Miss Cook for giving us their time and energy every Thursday to run the playgroup and Koala Joey Program. You have made our little playgroup such a fun and beneficial place to meet with our kids. Thank you.

Lauren Gunstone - Playgroup Co-Ordinator for the P&C

ART AUCTION
Harrisville SS Library

Monday 1st Dec through to Friday 5th Dec- 8am - 5pm each day.

Come along to our library and make an offer on some of our student artwork.

Featuring local artists-
Mr Mark Paddick – Street Artist
Dr John Jackson – Ecological Artist

Sunday 7th December- 4pm - 5pm
Final Bids close @ 4.30pm. We will be auctioning off our group pieces of work created by our students with the help of our visiting artists- Mr Mark Paddick and Dr John Jackson.

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