SCHOOL CALENDAR 2016
School Calendar for 2016-

TERM 2
27th May- Boonah Show- Choir students to perform
June
2nd June- Day of Excellence – Year 6 Boonah SHS
7th June- Labyrinth in the Library Incursion- School Performance Tours
$4.95 per student
15th June- Hornets/ Hounds Athletics Carnival
22nd June- Harrisville Small Schools Athletics Carnival- Mutdapilly SS/ Warrill View/ Harrisville. Venue Harrisville SS
24th June- NRL Sevens – More information to follow

News from the Principal

Coming up in the last four weeks of term our students will be involved in a range of activities. Looking ahead we have:-

• Senior girls (Year 5/6) inter school soccer competition
• Day of Excellence for our Year 6 students
• Boonah show performance for our choir students
• “Labyrinth in the Library” Incursion for our whole school
• NRL sevens for girls and boys in Year 3-6
• Athletics coaching- 2 sessions weekly to prepare for our athletics carnivals
• Hornets V’s Hounds Athletics Carnival
• Small Schools Athletics Carnival

It certainly will be a busy time for us here at Harrisville.

Report Cards/ Parent Teacher Interviews
During the last two weeks of term our teachers will be finalising assessments and completing report cards. Report cards will be handed out at parent teacher interviews in the first two weeks of term 3.

Please keep a look out for the parent teacher interview form as these will go out before the June holidays. Remember if you have any questions or concerns about your child’s learning please arrange a time to talk to your child’s classroom teacher. Classroom teachers are often busy organising the program before school and if there are issues or concerns that require more time it is important that an appointment is booked.

Well done to the Seniors!
This week our Year 6 students attended the Boonah SHS and were engaged in a range of games with the Year 12 REC class. Students represented our school with pride! Our students have returned to school and have been implementing a range of new games in the playground, which has been lovely to see. Thank you to our parents who were able to transport children to the high school for this event.
ICT Equipment/ Bandwidth Upgrade
In the coming weeks we will be purchasing 4 new interactive panels for each of our classrooms. These are like large touch screen TV’s! Our current data projectors are due for equipment replacement and our school has decided to modernise with the latest digital technology. Two of our classrooms will have the panels installed on our classroom walls, and we will also have 2 panels on trolley’s so that they can be moved around the school.

The cost of these devices is approximately $23000! This is a huge investment for our school but it will make a difference to the learning programs in each of our classrooms. Most of our work in classrooms today has a digital element and these boards will be able to connect with our computers and ipads in our seamlessly. Staff and students are looking forward to the upgrade.

The P&C have been successful in obtaining a $5000 Community Grant for ICT equipment which will be supporting our school purchase these devices! Thank you again to the P&C for your contribution! Our school is a great place and our P&C make a huge contribution to the purchasing of resources for our students! Thank you!

We have also been identified to have a bandwidth upgrade. You would have seen workers over the last couple of weeks digging trenches at the front of the school. This upgrade will be finalised in the coming weeks and will give us a huge increase in the speed of our internet! We are looking forward to the change over.

Yours in Education
Christie Minns

CROSS COUNTY DISTRICT CARNIVAL
Congratulations to our students who attended the district cross country at the Boonah Golf Club last Friday. We had Brock, Kira, Mackenzie, Isabella, Emma, Jhai, Philip, Zac, & Max represent our school with pride. Congratulations to Brock, Emma and Kira for being selected in the Met West Team. Well done!

ATHLETICS COACHING
This term we were successful in obtaining another sporting schools grant to employ a coach for athletics. Tuesday afternoon we have employed Coach Marty to conduct and coach the children in the correct technique for each of our events. Mrs Janet Mckenna has also organised Rotations for Wednesday afternoons 1.30- 2.30 over the coming weeks. Please come along in the afternoon to join in the fun!

Our Tuesday program will be 30 mins for each class- 3/4 - 12.15- 12.45, 5/6 1.00- 1.30, P/1 1.30- 2.00 & 2/3 2.00- 2.30.

Looking forward to some great athletics learning.

Coach Marty is also conducting an officiating course for our staff to ensure that we have the latest information on conducting the track and field events for our Hornet’s V Hounds carnival and our Small Schools Carnival.

Thank you again to our P&C for their successful application in the sporting schools grant!

ATHLETICS CARNIVALS
Programs for both carnivals will be sent home in the coming weeks. Stay tuned for more information.

Hornets V’s Hounds Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 15th June, 8.30- 2.30. Families and friends invited to attend. Tuckshop menu will be available soon.

Small Schools Athletics Carnival (Warrill View, Mutdapilly & Harrisville)
Wednesday 22nd June 8.30- 2.30. Venue Harrisville State School. Tuckshop menu will be available soon (Warrill View P&C conducting).

If you need a Hornets or Hounds sports shirt please see Alanna Williams. The uniform shop is open each Wednesday 2.15- 2.45.

LABYRINTH IN THE LIBRARY
As a part of our English Curriculum studies our school has organised an incursion at our school library. All students are invited to attend and this will be a great way to introduce our classroom English topics for the year. School performance tours will be putting on a show called:- The LABYRINTH in the library. The brochure with further details has been attached for your information.

Venue: Harrisville State School Library
Date: Tuesday 7th June
Time: 1.30-2.30
Cost of incursion: $4.95 per student.
5/6 GIRLS INTERSCHOOL SOCCER
Permission notes were sent home last week. Please ensure you have returned all forms. We have an away game next week on the 3rd June. We require parent help for transport to Kalbar SS. We will organise transport groups when all our forms have been returned. The school will send an SMS via text to sort out transport groups. The remaining 2 games will be at Harrisville SS. Please come along and support our girls!

5/6 NEWS
Our class has implemented a new system of reward and recognition for all students, by all students. Research shows that what students hear about themselves can become their own ‘self-talk’. This self-talk can serve to either empower or defeat them. This in turn can have an incredible impact on their capacity to learn and feel happy in school and in society. I am very proud to say that all students have embraced this project by writing sticky note comments with positive messages for ALL students in the class. At the end of the day these sticky notes are read out and each student is presented again with the knowledge that they ARE valued, they ARE noticed and they ARE part of a wonderful class, school and community. We are committed to ensuring that the self-talk of every single student in our care is one that empowers them to strive to be the best they can be as individuals and as part of the whole.

Yours in Learning
Debbie-Lee Ibbertson & Christie Minns

BIGGEST MORNING TEA- CHOIR PERFORMANCE
Thank you to Mrs White and Miss Bauer for their work with our choir. Students performed beautifully! Our choir will be performing at the Boonah Show Saturday 28th May @ 3pm. All students are expected to wear their uniform and bring along recorders if performing with the recorder band.

KOALA JOEY PROGRAM
On Tuesday of every week the school provides the Koala Joey Program to our Pre-Prep Children in the Community. It consists of lots of singing, rhyme, stories, numeracy and dancing around, all with an Australian theme. Our Prep Children also follow the program for 30 minutes on a Tuesday. We all enjoy the time together and have lots of fun.

MOVIE NIGHT/BINGO NIGHT
Thank you to all our families for coming along and supporting our movie night and bingo night! It was a huge success! Thank you to all my staff for giving up their Saturday night to conduct the event! Our movie night raised around $280 which will go towards our chaplaincy program.
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT- MEETING MEM FOX!

On Tuesday evening Mrs Ibbertson and Mrs White were able to meet the world renowned Australian author Mem Fox. Among her most famous books are ‘Possum Magic’, ‘Koala Lou’ and ‘Where is the Green Sheep?’

It was an enlightening evening talking about the connection built between the student/child, the reader and the story. Mem Fox was explicit about the importance of daily reading to students focusing on rhyme, rhythm, repartition and most importantly – developing a life-long love of reading. We have handouts on Mem’s top ten tips for reading aloud to your child so please drop in and pick one up at the office.

Yours in Learning, Debbie-Lee Ibbertson

AUSLAN NEWS- MR CRAIG MCNEILL

This week I will focus on how we ask the person we are signing with to slow their signing down. It is not uncommon for a conversation between signers to speed up when the subject topic is exciting, so you may ‘slow’. Likewise, if the fingerspelling or topic is unfamiliar, you may need to ask someone to repeat what they have signed. In this case we sign ‘again or repeat’ for clarification. This exchange may be repeated several times during the conversation. Good luck with your signing.

Slow

Also: slowly

How to sign it: Slowly slide flat hand up your other arm, starting at wrist.

Again

Also: repeat, repeated, pardon

How to sign it: With middle and pointer fingers extended apart from fist and pointing forward arc hand up and down (keeping wrist still), twice.

ANZAC DAY PRIDE

We captured some of the moments from ANZAC day. Thank you to all families who attended and to our choir students for performing.

Absence Note

“Every Day Counts”

Dear _______________,

My child _______________ was away on __/__/2016, __/__/2016, 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/ SMS your absence note to admin@harrisvilless.eq.edu.au

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**P&C NEWS**

Next P&C Meeting to be confirmed. 
Thank you to all who supported our Bingo Night! It was a huge success.

Fundraising Events for Term 2:
• Loose Change Challenge
• Pie Drive

Uniform shop open each Wednesday 2.15- 2.45

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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**HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP**

Come along and have some fun at our Koala Joey Program and Playgroup

Tuesday 9am  All welcome to attend!

Koala Joey 9am- Literacy and Numeracy program.
Conducted by Qualified Early Childhood staff.