HARRISVILLE NEWS

Wednesday, June 04, 2014

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 2
June
15th June- P&C working Bee/ Flea Market- Donations welcome!
20th June- MOVIE NIGHT- ALL STUDENTS WELCOME $5 movie/ $2 popcorn- starts @ 5pm with a sausage sizzle.
27th June- Rugby League Fun Day-Boonah SS - More information soon! Years 4-7

Term 3/4
July
15th July- P&C meeting- 6.30pm all welcome- School library
17th July- Half Day Small Schools Athletics Carnival- Year 4-7
18th July- Harrisville SS – Hornets/ Hounds- Athletics Carnival
24th July- Small Schools- Full day Athletics Carnival

October
October 11th TRIVIA NIGHT- SAVE THE DATE!
ART AUCTION- Date to be confirmed.

News from the Principal

ADDITIONAL STAFFING ALLOCATION!!!
Mrs Jayne Schelbach will be joining us to the end of this term. She will be providing in class support to our 3 classroom teachers until the end of the term. We are so happy to welcome both Mrs Ibbertson (full time) and Mrs Schelbach – Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

Uniform Policy
With the winter weather upon us I would just like to remind families to ensure that children come along with their royal blue jumpers and track pants. If for any reason your child cannot wear their full school uniform please send a note along with your child.
At our school we take pride in ourselves by wearing our school uniform every day. This includes our winter uniform. I have included a link to our uniform policy that is supported by our school P&C. Thank you to all families for supporting our school uniform policy.


Reading! WOW!!!
The last couple of weeks our teachers have been conducting one to one reading assessments on each of our students. Our students have individual reading targets that they have been working towards achieving this term. When conducting these assessments teachers are looking at the strategies that children use to make meaning and to decode words. We can then use this information to plan for the next cycle of teaching and learning for reading. Children have been placed in reading groups based on their learning needs. We have been extremely happy with the progress of our students across the school. Please check in with your child’s classroom teacher during parent teacher interview time. Thank you again to our reading group helpers that support our program! It is with your help that our students can achieve their reading goals!

Yours in Education
Christie Minns
Principal

ENROL NOW FOR PREP TO YEAR 6 2015!
TARGET 15!!!
Our beautiful school is growing! Over the next 6 months we will be focusing on our schools enrolment strategy! We are calling it TARGET 15! What does this mean? Our target for prep enrolments for 2015 will be 15 new enrolments. This will help to ensure that we can maintain our fourth classroom teacher for 2015. At this stage we will be losing 10 year 6/7 students to high school in 2015. If we can replace them with at least 15 new enrolments from prep to year 6 we will be able to maintain our fourth teacher. The current number of students in our school is 77. We need 78 students on day 8 next year to maintain the numbers for our fourth class.

I would encourage all parents with prep enrolments for 2015 to enrol now! If we can secure our future enrolments I will be able to negotiate with regional office to start next year with our fourth class grouping.

It is also vitally important that you let us know your plans if you are moving or leaving our school. Please spread the good work our school is up to. If you know of any families wishing to enrol please ask them to contact the office.

ALL NEW PREP FAMILIES FOR 2015 PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED ENROLMENT FORMS TO THE OFFICE ASAP. WE ALSO NEED COPIES OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent teacher interviews will be coming up in the last 2 weeks this term. All report cards will be handed out during our interviews. Our teachers will be providing feedback on each of our curriculum areas as well as ways to support your child at home. At this stage of the term all of our teachers are busy collecting and analysing our final pieces of assessment. It will be a busy time for our students as they complete the final end of term assessments. Please keep an eye out for our parent teacher interview note and return this ASAP.

MY FRIENDS AND I – SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Thank you to all our families for contributing towards our incursion on bullying. All of our children thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

4/5/6/7 NEWS

In the senior class this last month we have been focusing on writing a persuasive piece about our opinion on saving an old bridge, or building a new one! All our children have done a fantastic job at using persuasive devices – high modality, descriptive language, repetitive language, expert opinions and rhetorical questions! See if you can pick up the features that our students have used.

WE MUST DESTROY THE OLD BRIDGE!!! By Bree

The old bridge MUST GO! We most definitely should build a new bridge because it would be much safer and much easier for the community. The new bridge would make shopping easier and going places easier too.

One day an un-expecting person could fall through one of the wooden planks on the bridge into the water below could possibly drown. That would be dangerous then the old bridge would have to be repaired. The wooden planks would have to be repaired with wood from trees and the more trees cut down the worse for the environment. So the old bridge is doing harm to our environment. The old bridge looks tacky in the town and it needs to be upgraded NOW. The bridge is letting the town down within the looks of it.

When people get old the start to get weaker and they start to die, that’s exactly what will happen to the bridge that’s why it needs to be destroyed. It won’t be able to stay standing any longer. Do you think that would be safe for the community? Would you like to walk on it?

The town has complained that they won’t be able to fish off the new bridge or picnic near the new bridge well the town can build a jetty to fish off and a park to picnic at. Wouldn’t that be better?

People are making comments on whether or not to keep the old bridge and two of many commenters said we should build a new bridge because “It would bring more customers for the stores” said a shop keeper. “It would be easier to make deliveries” said the local delivery man. “It would make shopping a lot easier because on the new bridge you can drive but the old one you have to walk on” said a local.
The old bridge cannot be driven on but the new one can and if we keep the old bridge people walking home in the rain will get wet and could get majorly sick and could end up in hospital and it could be fatal, but driving on the new bridge could prevent all of that. Therefore we should get a new bridge. The old hazardous bridge must go it is an accident waiting to happen. WE SHOULD GET A NEW BRIDGE NOW!!!!

SAVE IT OR BREAK IT- By Makayla
Should we SAVE IT OR BREAK IT? You choose!! I certainly believe we must keep the old bridge. I am absolutely certain that 64% of the town agree who wants a nosey shiny silver busy highway bridge? When you can have a natural fishing bridge and good memories at the old bridge, I sure don’t

If you destroyed the old bridge you would have broken people’s hearts, imagine if your heart was broken. I know if my heart was broken I would absolutely cry for days and my beautiful house would be soggy and wet and disgusting.

Just before I interviewed one hard worker he said “I want to keep the bridge, my wife and I got married at that bridge if they destroyed it I would forget my marriage it is a quiet town if we build the new bridge it would be loud and revolting gas and disgusting fuel would invest our town. I strongly believe that we must not destroy the natural and peaceful bridge because buried my great grandfather and I had our last memories there.

Who wants to just throw away a perfect sensational bridge that has astounding views? My father loves fishing at that bridge but if we get rid of it he will cry and all the fish will die. My little sister grew up at that bridge she has swam in that river while I was watching her from the bridge, we had great times.

I am furious, this is just disgraceful I must stop this is you want to help me go to saveitorbrake.com or call on 5467****. We must stop this, save it or break it.

We Must Keep The Old Bridge! By Riley B

There are a lot of people that like to fish in town. If the new bridge is built the fisherman won’t be able to fish any more.

I completely disagree that the old bridge is not a ticking time bomb. If you take the old bridge away it’s like taking our heart and destroying it.

DO YOU REALLY WANT THAT?

Bike riders won’t be able to ride on the new bridge because of the traffic. They could really get hurt. The new bridge will bring tourist.

The fumes from the cars, trucks will smoke the wildlife and be bad to breathe in. The trees will get bulldozed if the new bridge is built.

So that is why we must act NOW!
So we certainly must not get a new bridge because it will cost a lot of money. The town doesn’t have that money. I HOPE YOU AGREE.

P/1/2 NEWS

The P/ 1 /2 classroom enjoyed the anti-bullying incursion last week and are learning a rap to present on parade later in the term. Stay tuned. Everyone practised for the Athletics day on Friday and enjoyed having an extra practice of the discus and long jump. Please help your child by reminding them to check their hat and home folder are in their bag. We are marking off who has achieved their goal in reading. Prep Goal – recognise more than 30 words. Yr 1 and 2- learn 8 lists of their sight words and go up to the next dolch list. All the children are working very hard at their reading to meet these goals and improve.

RUGBY LEAGUE NEWS

Over the last three weeks our students have been participating in a Rugby League Clinic to support
and build their ball skills as well as encouraging participation in physical activity. Our students had an absolute blast! Thank you to Lane Bird from the NRL Rugby League Development office. It was amazing to see the footy talents of our students.

**RUGBY LEAGE GALA DAY- YEAR 4-7**

The NRL will be hosting a 7 a side tag gala day for boys and girls from Years 4-7. Our school has nominated for 4 teams. The day will be non-competitive with an emphasis on maximum participation. Each team will need to pay $20 towards registering and the school will cover all these costs.

**Date:** Friday 27th June  
**Venue:** Coronation Park  
**Time:** 9.30 am – Managers/ Coaches Meeting  
9.45- Games kick off  
2pm – Presentations for all teams

There will be a permission note sent home for all students in Year 4 to 7. If you could assist with transporting children on the day please return the Transport Helpers form. Thanks!

**SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL- HORNETS vs. HOUNDS!!!**

Friday 18th July we will be holding our annual Hornets Vs. Hounds athletics carnival. This will be a whole day event for all our students. More information will come home in the coming weeks. Please save the date!

**SMALL SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

Our small schools athletics carnival will be coming up early next term. On the Thursday 17th July we will be hosting our half day carnival for our students in Years 4-7 (or 9 years to 13 years). We will begin the day at 11am with Warrill View and Mutdapilly State Schools joining us for discus, 800m and 200m. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend. The full day carnival will be on Thursday 24th July. Warrill View, Mutdapilly and Harrisville SS will all compete for school points as well as for selection in the district athletics teams. Please come along and join in the fun!

**NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL**

This term we will be moving to a completely electronic newsletter. If you still receive a hard copy could you please advise us of your email address. Our newsletter is available to download from our school website, on the QSchools App as well as being distributed via email. If you have any concerns or are experiencing difficulty with your email please let us know.

**G20 CURRICULUM RESOURCES**

With the G20 Leaders’ Summit being held in Brisbane in November, our school is taking this opportunity to help our students further explore the world they live in and Australia’s place in the world through this important global event. Each year level will be learning about G20 in different ways which link directly with the Australian Curriculum. To find out more, talk to your child’s teacher.

http://education.qld.gov.au/community/events/g20/index.html

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**HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP**

**THURSDAYS @9.30 am**  
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!

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**Congratulations to Geoffrey, Ryleigh, Ryan and Emily!**

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**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
MOVIE NIGHT FOR ALL STUDENTS

FRIDAY 20th June 5pm- 8pm

$5 entry, $2 to purchase popcorn

All funds raised will be donated to the Scripture Union to support chaplaincy in our school.
The P&C will be putting on a sausage sizzle for dinner for the students. Come along and have some fun!!!

Supervised by our Chaplain and Classroom Teachers.

WEAR YOUR PJ's

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NOW FOR
2015!

P&C NEWS

Next P&C Meeting … 15th July – 6.30- Library

SCHOOL WORKING BEE/ FLEA MARKET
15th JUNE 8am!

Come along and help the school to clean up under our buildings. We will be removing unused furniture for sale.

8am- SET UP- VOLUNTEERS Please come along to help move out furniture.
11.00am- SALE OF ITEMS RECOVERED FOR DONATION TO THE P&C! ALL WELCOME! MAKE AN OFFER!

If you have any saleable items that you would like to donate to the P&C FLEA MARKET please contact the school or Susan Land.

Bookclub

Your child will bring home with them today Book Club catalogues. Orders and payments are to be returned to the P&C Collection Box in the office by Wednesday 6th June 2014. Payment can be made by cash, cheque (made out to Harrisville State School P&C) or credit card (for credit card payments see instructions on order forms). If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Susan Land on 0418 780 137. Remember that the school benefits from all sales from Book Club. There are some great specials in this issues catalogues.

Uniform News- Updated Price List
Adult size shorts - $17.50
Children’s size shorts- $15
Children’s size shirt - $23
Adult size shirt - $25

Sports day is coming up if you require hornets/ hounds house shirts please call Melinda or our school office.