SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 1
March
14th March- SCHOOL DISCO! 6.30- 8.00- All welcome! $5!
29th March DATE CLAIMER- Seafood Night!
April
2nd April- P&C meeting 7pm School Library- All welcome.
4th April- Easter Egg Hunt and Bonnet Parade – All families welcome!
8.30- 10.30 am
Term 2
24th April- Harrisville SS Cross Country – 11.00- 12.45- All welcome!

News from the Principal

Year 7 Induction Ceremony

Congratulations to all of our Year 6/7 students.
Today was a very proud day for our Year 6/7 students.

News from the Principal

We heard speeches from each of our students. In their speeches they were able to make their pledge of commitment to our great school. Each student spoke about their role as a school leader and the actions each day in order to fulfil their commitment.

We also heard from Mrs Debbie Lee Ibbertson about the important step to high school that these children will be making at the end of the year. Cr Rick Stanfield, Division 5 Councillor for the Scenic Rim Council also addressed our leaders and spoke about the importance of making lasting memories of their primary school days. Thank you to everyone who attended. I was moved by the student’s dedication and commitment. I am looking forward to a great year with my school leaders!

Chappy Challenge!

Congratulations to everyone who attended the Chappy Challenge on the weekend and completed the course! This was a very worthwhile event and helps to raise funding and awareness of the wonderful work that our chaplains do in our schools. Thank you to Irene Hurren for her work in contributing towards the day!

Congratulations to Hayden and Ryan who placed 2nd and 3rd! WELL DONE!

MAKE EVERY DAY COUNT!

Make 2014 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV.
http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland

Yours in Education
Christie Minns
Principal
SCHOOL DISCO
Coming up next week the school will host a school disco!

Friday 14th March
6.30- 8.00pm
School Library

WEAR SOMETHING GREEN TO CELEBRATE ST PATRICKS DAY!
$5 All funds raised will go towards the Student Project Club!
We will provide a snack and a drink!
Come along and have some fun!
If you don’t have green….. just wear your dance gear!

STAFF PROFILES

Teacher Aide  Tracey McLaren

Tracey has worked at Harrisville on and off since 2002. She floats between all classes working with students in all areas of learning. Tracey enjoys working with children with learning difficulties implementing support programs. She lives locally at Harrisville and her two girls also attended the school.

Teacher Aide  Jenny Hall

Jenny Hall studied Institutional Management at college in England before coming to Australia. While studying she worked with mentally handicapped children. She is a well-respected staff member of Harrisville School. She has been a teacher aide for 36 years and was awarded the Australia Day Medal from Ed Qld for proficiency in teaching art. She believes children are born artistic and this needs to be nurtured.

Librarian & History Curriculum (Prep to Year 7)  Joan Sheldon

Joan Sheldon works in a variety of schools across the Fassifern Cluster. She currently works as our school librarian and history curriculum teacher for all our students. Joan is well travelled and has taught in New Zealand and Scotland. Joan also speaks German fluently and teaches LOTE at some of the schools within our cluster.

German LOTE  Sandra Noller

Sandra has returned to Harrisville State School as our German LOTE teacher this year. She has been at Harrisville previously over the years and has a strong German teaching background. Sandra enjoys teaching language studies to students

2/3/4 NEWS

We are well established in most of our routines now and are working well as a group. The children are familiar with the way in which transitions occur throughout the school day as well as expectations of behaviour and work ethic; I am proud of them and very happy with the smooth transition they have made into their new class or year level. They’re a nice bunch!

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the Parent Information Session. I was able to describe a little about the way our class is run, how behaviour is managed/ expectations of behaviour.
I also spoke about how valued each and every child is; that their whole development, whether it is cognitive, social, emotional or physical, is an objective both of us share. I am happy to work with all parents to help your child reach their potential and am available to chat briefly, most afternoons, or at an arranged time for a longer discussion.

I inadvertently left an Atlas off the Class booklist; could you please ensure your child has a suitable Atlas (Jacaranda Junior Atlas is a very good one) as we will be using these quite a lot within our new Geography units. My apologies for any inconvenience.

One of my favourite things about teaching is just how much the kids can make me laugh...when they’re not even trying. Here are some of the funny things we’ve heard...so far:

J: “Cane toads probably came to Australia on Chicago ships.”
R, talking about tsunamis: “Will we ever get salami in Australia?”

5/6/7 NEWS

Don’t forget to make your final payment for your Leadership shirt! Our Year 6/7 students look fantastic! across the Fassifern.

STUDENT TEACHER VISIT

Hi,
My name is Jessica Coller and I’m a fourth year student studying my Bachelor of Education, focusing in Early Childhood. I’m very excited to be joining the P/1/2 class for the 5 weeks, starting on the 17th of March. I’m looking forward to joining all the wonderful going-on’s at Harrisville State School. Feel free to speak to me and ask me any questions! I look forward to my time here.

Jess

ADOPT A COP VISIT

We had a visit from the Harrisville Police on our parade last week. It was a great opportunity to hear about how our local police officers help in our community. We learnt that is their job to help enforce community rules and to keep the public safe! Thank you again for joining us on parade.

Students of the Week

Congratulations to Aaron and Hannah 3/3/14!

Congratulations to Marcus, Bailey, Blake and Elizabeth 24/2/14
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

P&C NEWS

Next P&C Meeting will be Wednesday 2nd April.
We look forward to seeing you there.

Seafood Night-UPDATE!

Our seafood night is coming up on the 29th March. If you could assist or would like to book a table on the night please contact Ricky Quinn.

In the coming weeks there will also be an order form for seafood for interested families. The P&C would like to get pre orders so they know how much seafood to order. Stay tuned for more information.

DONATIONS PLEASE!

The P&C are also after donations to make up hampers to raffle on our Seafood Night. If you could bring along something to add to the collection that would be greatly appreciated. Please drop all items to the school office.

Easter Raffle- Donations!
We will be holding an Easter raffle again this year. If you could drop in some yummy Easter treats to raffle that would be appreciated.

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!