**School Calendar**

**Term 3**

**July**
17th July – Fassifern Cluster of Schools Athletics Carnival – Whole day event.

**August**
22nd August – Public Speaking Competition - More information to follow soon.
30th August P&C Father’s day Stall
31st August P&C Seafood Night Fundraiser

**September**
5th Sept – School Photos
14th Sept P&C - Election Day Stall
18th Sept- Under 8’s Day- Boonah SS
20th Sept- Boonah Soccer & Netball Carnival (4-7)

**Term 4**

**November**
2nd Nov Harrisville 150th Celebrations
9th - 11th October – Bornhoffen Camp
21st October- Student Free Day

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**News from the Principal**

Welcome back everyone! I hope everyone had a relaxing break. The first week back has been a wonderful start to the term. Our school athletics carnival was a fantastic day! Thank you to all our families and friends for coming along and supporting our students. I know both the Hornets and the Hounds were extremely pleased with their efforts on the day! Well done to Hornets for winning the overall highest points for the day! Our Hounds didn’t miss out by taking out the march past! Our school sports captains- Kirralee and Broden did an exceptional job at leading their teams. Well done! We will see Kirralee and Broden join forces tomorrow as they lead our school in the Harrisville Small Schools Athletics Carnival! Well done to our school leaders! Don’t forget to come along and cheer on our students.

At the end of last term our school published our School Annual Report for 2012. This document highlights the successes at our school over the last year. Please take the time to read this document. It is available on our school website or through the link below. I am so proud of our achievements and I would like to ensure all families know of the great work we do here at Harrisville.


Over the holidays you may have noticed some building work with the construction of a new shade structure over our P12 playground. This is a great addition to our school. This funding was secured through a Community Gambling Grant that our P&C was successful in gaining this year- it was well over $21 000. Well done and thank you again to our wonderful P&C who work tirelessly for the benefit of all students!

Yours in Education

Christie Minns
Principal
Attendance Matters!!

Every day counts
At the start of term 3 parents are reminded of the importance of sending children to school every day. Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year.

Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year. More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html

Next Monday on Parade we will be celebrating and recognising children at our school who have exceptional attendance records. All children with 100% attendance will be recognised at this ceremony. Parents & caregivers are invited to attend next Monday 22nd July @ 8.30 am. Where possible I will let families know if their child will be receiving an award. If you would like more information about Harrisville State School’s attendance policy please go to our school website documents section or click on the link below.


5/6/7 NEWS

Hounds and Hornets Sports Carnival
By Kirralee Hounds House Captain

As Hounds house captain, I am very proud of my team, and all the effort they put in. Even tho we didn’t win as many points as the Hornets or won the day. I won because I have the best team ever. The day was all about having fun and that’s what happened. There were many children jumping high, throwing far and running fast. Lara Bell jumped 1 metre WOW. I am so impressed. Well done Lara.

Broden threw over 20 metres in discus.

Broden and I are going to compare our war cries and talk about what ones we can easily change the words hornets or Hounds to Harrisville. With the Hounds being legendary and the Hornets power we will be the team to beat at the all schools carnival.

I’m so very proud of the Hounds. As soon as I made the first Hounds war cry. The Hounds returned with a roar we had the power within each other. And throughout the carnival the Hounds used that roar as confidence. And as soon as Mrs Minns announced that the Hornets won the Hounds clapped with acceptance.

Hounds and Hornets Sports Carnival

By Broden – Hornets House Captain

This year on the 9th of July we had a sports day it was a day where two teams go face to face to fight for the bragging rights of victory! Hounds vs Hornets.

Everyone was having a blast! All the running, jumping, and throwing. I was very impressed with everyone there but more to my team, every time I had a glance around to see how everyone was going, I seen them putting in a solid 100% effort. We started off by doing a march past; it was a very
an exciting way to kick off the day but unfortunately, Hounds won that, but we couldn’t let that let us down, so we kept our heads held high and started doing all the running events. All the cheering was incredible, and then we moved onto the field events including: shot put, discus, high jump and long jump my favourite event of the day was discus, I threw 20 metres.

It was very nerve racking for both Kirralee and I, being our first time leading Hornets and Hounds, we had a big responsibility. Towards the end of the day the big call was going to be made, who will win? “This year’s carnival winner is….Hornets! All the Hornets were cheering and screaming. We were all very proud. I had to do a quick speech. So I thanked all the supporters, and parents for coming out and cheering us on, last but not least, Hounds, for giving us a great competition.

WHAT A DAY! 😊

By Britney- School Vice Captain

BANG!

Mr Market blew the whistle and the race started. You couldn’t hear anything except the Hounds, Hornets and everyone else cheering wildly. It was insane!

We’re waiting in anxiety. Waiting to see who won the races. We all competed furiously. Then moving on to the other events, e.g shot put, discus, high jump, and long jump. Everyone was waiting.

There were cheers and congratulations. Everyone is friendly and competitive at the same time. It was a massive rat race. No one knew what was going to happen next.

Finally! That was the moment when……….. the announcements were made.

And bringing it home, with a total of 406 points------------------The HORNETS!!!!
3/4 NEWS

Dear Parents,

Firstly, just let me say how happy and excited I am to be teaching at Harrisville for this period of time. I have found the students to be respectful and extremely helpful in all situations. The school has a lovely calm manner about it, which is a valuable asset for every student in the learning process.

The 3/4 class is currently completing the unit ‘Examining traditional stories from Asia’. They are identifying the pivotal point in the plot and morals these stories teach. The students will respond to the unit by writing a traditional story for a younger audience.

In our Math unit the year 4s are extending place value to decimals and solving problems using mental strategies. The year 3s are identifying the connection between addition and subtraction to identify missing numbers in an equation.

In science students are studying the unit “Properties matter”, in this unit students will investigate the properties of solids and liquids including the effect of adding and removing heat. Students will evaluate how adding and removing heat affects materials in everyday life.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Markert

P/1/2 NEWS

Welcome back to term 3! And a special welcome to our new student Ryleigh.

This term we are studying the following things:
In Language we will be looking at informative texts and for assessment we will be compiling a powerpoint presentation for years 1 and 2 and a poster for preps on an Australian animal. Maths will look at time, algebra, number and numeration and operations.
Science is focused on weather, space and geographical landscapes. The students will be making a diorama at school. (They need a shoe box for this please.) Technology is looking at designing and making a Father’s Day present; SOSE is looking at craft as a social and cultural endeavour (we will look at craft with an aboriginal theme); History is concerned with past and present. Wherever possible we will be using computers and the internet and ipads to support our learning. As an aside, if anyone knows of a good app on space I would love to know about it.

Mrs Williams

Koalas by Blake
Koalas are grey and white with pink in their ears and they are fluffy. They live in Australia in trees. They have live babies. They eat gum leaves.

Giraffes by Melanie
They are yellow and brown and they are big. They have long necks. They live in Africa. They have live babies. They eat trees.

Koalas by Max
Koala’s colour is grey and they are big. They have claws. They live in parts of Australia. Koala’s have live babies. Did you know that koalas are endangered? There are only 80000 left.

Koalas by Kira
Koalas are fluffy and they are white and grey. They are little. They live in trees. The babies go on their mums back. They eat leaves. Koalas have sharp claws and they are cute and little.

Small Schools Athletics Carnival-Harrisville, Warrill View and Mutdapilly

Please come along to our Small schools Athletics Carnival at Harrisville State School.
Wednesday 17th July (8.30-2.30)
Events- sprints, long jump, high jump, shot put, Minor games/ events, relays.
Students of the Week

Congratulations to Hannah, Isabella and Melanie.


Congratulations to all our students who participated in the Meeting of Mathematical minds at Boonah State High School at the end of last term. All our students were presented with a participation certificate on parade this week. WELL DONE!

P&C NEWS

Harrisville State School Playgroup
Thursday mornings at 9:30am
Bring a hat, sunscreen, $2 and morning tea for your child. We either hold playgroup at the new sandpit behind P/12 classroom or in the Library. It’s a great morning for the kids with lots of fun activities for them to try. See You There!

Please note P&C information will be coming home on Thursday this week.

Mmmm- YEAR 7 FUNDRAISING
By Britney

A warm milo every Tuesday whilst it’s cold here in our town Harrisville. Just the cost of $2.00.

Also with an additional 50c you could win a jar of jellybeans by guessing the correct number in the jar.

Starting next week on Tuesday 23rd July.

So bring your money and give yourself a chance to win the jar of whatever it may be.

All you have to do is guess how many is in the jar. As well as a warm milo.

Bring along a plastic mug so you can join in the fun.