SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 4
October
21st October - Student Free Day
30th October - PREP Information Session 9am- 10.30!

November
2nd Nov - Harrisville 150th Celebrations
4th Nov - SCHOOL BOOK FAIR- Library!
13th Nov - Year 7 Graduation Dinner
19th Nov - SCHOOL CONCERT – DATE CLAIMER!
Swimming - Term 4- Mondays (Week 2- 11)

Dental Van coming soon!
Dance Program- Every Wednesday up to Concert Night!

December
10th Dec - MOVE UP DAY- ALL NEW ENROLMENTS FOR 2014- 8.30- 2.30
12th Dec- BREAK UP DAY- POOL PARTY @ BUNDAMBA POOL 9am - 1

News from the Principal

Welcome back!
Thank you to all our staff, parents and students for making camp last week so enjoyable. It was a fantastic experience for all. Camp would not have been so successful without the support of parent volunteers and our dedicated team who attended the camp. Thank you to all for your contribution for making it the best camp yet.

We had extremely positive feedback from the Bornhoffen staff about the exemplary behaviour and attitude of our students on camp!
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL CHILDREN FOR THEIR CAN DO ATTITUDE!

At this point of the year I would also like to let families know about our staffing changes for 2013. Next year brings some changes to our staffing here at Harrisville.

Mrs Sue Williams has been transferred to Amberley Districts State School. Mrs Michelle White will be replacing Sue in the P12 Classroom.

Mrs Peta Bates has been transferred to Longreach
School of Distance Education. At this stage we do not know who will be replacing Peta/ Brooke.

Mrs Brooke Graham (current on Relieve At Level @ Mutdapilly SS) has been transferred to Mount Marrow State School.

Our Specialist Teachers at this stage will remain in their current circuits. If there are any further changes to staffing I will let families know.

Again I would like to wish our departing staff the best of luck in their new schools or roles. All our valued members will be missed by students, families and staff. We also take this opportunity to welcome some new faces!

Staffing across the region has been difficult this year and the school has worked with Human Resources in South East Regional Office to minimise the impact of changes. As you can imagine the process of placing teachers across the region is a complex one. If you have any questions about any of these changes please come and see me. I have included a letter from Mrs Michelle White in this week’s newsletter. I know that families will make her feel welcome when she joins our team of staff here at Harrisville.

Yours in Education
Christie Minns
Principal

Letter from Mrs Michelle White
Our new P12 Teacher for 2014

I am very excited to be appointed to Harrisville State School. I am married to David and we have three grown up daughters. One of our daughters, her husband and our only grandson live locally at Harrisville and we are moving to be close to them. I have spent my career teaching in the early years and have taught all year levels from Prep to Year 4 as I currently teach in a small school near Caboolture where we have multi age classes. In addition to being a classroom teacher I was also head of Mathematics curriculum for my school for two years which gave me a chance to develop my love of this subject. I look forward to meeting the students, their parents and joining your community.

Michelle White

PREP INFORMATION SESSION FOR CHILDREN ENROLLING IN PREP IN 2014

On Wednesday 30th October we will be holding a Prep Information Session for all our new Prep children. The children will come along to work with our Early Years staff while parents are presented with information about our Prep year program at Harrisville State School.

Please come along to find out information about our wonderful school.

Children meet at the Early Years Classroom
9am – 10.30
Wednesday 30th October

We will also hold a second session for all our new preps and any new enrolments on our MOVE UP DAY! On our MOVE UP DAY the new Prep Children will be able to come along for a day and experience life in the big school.

MOVE UP DAY FOR ALL NEW ENROLMENTS FOR 2014

TUESDAY 10th DECEMBER
8.30am – 2.30
Come along and get to know our school.

Please come and collect an enrolment information pack from the school if you have a child enrolling in Prep in 2014. We do need to know our numbers for 2014 so that we can start to make arrangements for our class groupings! Please pass this information on to any local families that you know of!

Students of the Week

Congratulations to Thomas, Lara, Zac, Jack, Bree & Maddy!
P&C NEWS

Harrisville State School Playgroup
Come along this Thursday @ 9.00 am! All welcome!

XMAS RAFFLE/HAMPER
ALL FAMILIES- Please donate some items for our XMAS Raffle. We will be collecting items over the next couple of weeks and the raffle will be drawn on our concert night. Items can be brought in anytime in the lead up to our concert.

Examples of items that would be suitable for the hamper- wine, Christmas decorations, wrapping paper, candy, nonperishable food items, candy/ chocolate, small gifts/ toiletries ect.

JARS JARS JARS for the 150th Celebrations
At the P&C last night an idea for fundraising was raised with the group. Could all families please start collecting jars with items in them for a raffle/ Jar stall.

Suitable items for inside your jar- lollies, balloons, small toys, toiletries, pegs, bangles, scratchies, party favors… the list is endless as long as it fits into a jar!

If all families could bring along 3-4 filled jars that would assist in the P&C’s fundraising efforts! THANK YOU!

PREP INFORMATION SESSION

WEDNESDAY 30th OCTOBER
9.00- 10.30
Meet our Early Years Staff and familiarise yourself with our school and facilities.

MOVE UP DAY
For all new enrolments – Prep to Year 7

Come along and experience life at our wonderful school for a day!
8.30- 2.30
Tuesday 10th of December

*This is the same day that our current Year 7’s have their transition day at the high school.

Absence Note
“Every Day Counts”

Dear _______________,
My child _______________ was away on ___/__/2013, ___/__/2013, 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