SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 3
August
29th 2/3/4 Father’s Grandfather’s Night 7pm
30th August P&C Father’s day Stall
31st August P&C Seafood Night Fundraiser

September
3rd Sept- Flag Raising Ceremony 2.15 – All welcome
6th Sept – School Photos
14th Sept P&C - Election Day Stall
16th Sept- FINAL PAYMENT FOR CAMP
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

News from the Principal

Celebrate Australian Flag Day

Tuesday 3 September is Australian National Flag Day and our school will celebrate this 112th birthday with a special assembly/flag raising ceremony. Please come along as a part of this ceremony. We will kick off at 2.15 in the afternoon.

Did you know 14-year-old school boy Ivor Evans was one of the five people whose similar designs won the competition to design Australia’s flag? The winners shared £200 prize money which was still a lot of money for a student back then.

One change has been made since the original design was first flown in Melbourne on 3 September 1901. If you missed the point of difference you can look it up on www.australianflag.org.au.

At our school we recognise the importance of developing pride in our country. This is one way our school has chosen to develop pride!

We believe in developing children’s pride in themselves, school and their community. On September 3rd we will be showing that we are proud Australians by raising the flag.

Details:-
Tuesday 3rd September, 2.15 pm
Flag raising ceremony!

Yours in Education
Christie Minns
Principal

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP

Thank you to all our families for supporting our Book Week dress up day. We had a great day!

WELCOME BACK CHOOKS!
Thank you to Aaron and Tennille for looking after our chooks over the cool winter months. They have been returned to their new home at school. Our school is committed to environmental sustainability and reducing our environmental footprint. We will be reducing our food waste through our chook program! We are also hoping to get some eggs! The children were so excited to see the return of our chooks. Thank you to the P&C for funding this worthwhile project!

Also thank you to the Merlehan family for providing grain food for our chooks! They will be the best fed chooks in the district. Also a thank you to the Stenzel family for organising the food and water containers for the chooks! A wonderful effort!

Please don’t forget the student contribution will be $215 per student. Adult contribution will be $121.

If you could assist with transporting children to the camp please contact the office ASAP.

THANKS!

**READING INFORMATION**

**Comprehension Strategy – Questioning**

Ask questions to understand what I’m reading. Good readers ask questions before during and after they have read a text. Sometimes the question is answered in the text. (What? When? Who? Where? How many?)

Sometimes readers need to use their prior knowledge as well as what’s in the text to come up with the answers. (Why do you think…? What if…? How would you feel…? What might…?)

Answers to some questions may not even be in the text and readers may need to look for extra information from another source.

“Asking and answering questions helps to engage the reader with the text. It provides a purpose for reading and gives the student a reason to clarify meaning. This connection helps to deepen comprehension.” Sheena Cameron (2009)

**P/1/2 NEWS**

We wrote stories about our Dad in writing this week. Here are some:

**My Dad:** I love my dad. My dad is the best. My dad is cool. (By Brock)

**My Dad is the best because he lets us have ice-blocks.** (By Jessica)

**My Dad is the best because he tickles me. I love him very much.** (By Marcel)

**My Pop:** I like going to see Pop and sometimes Pop comes with us in the car and comes shopping in our car with us. Pop also plays with me. (By Blake)

**Why my Dad is the BEST!** My Dad is the best because he gives me cuddles and kisses. He takes me fishing and we catch fish and he reads me stories and that is why I love my dad. He lets me go in the pool. By Kira

**My Dad loves me:** My dad is the greatest. He gives me hugs and kisses me and he rides with me. He climbs with me and walks with me. We go to the football and we go in dad’s car and we love each other. (By Justin)
Why my dad is the best: My dad lets me play on the PS3 and he gives me piggybacks and cuddles and kisses. (by Max)

My Dad... he is the best, he walks with me. He will ride with me. He will take me fishing. He helps me in football. (By Zac)

My dad is the best dad because he takes me bike riding. (By Ben)

My dad is the best because he gives me bike rides. (by Levi)

My dad is the best because he gives me the best hugs. ( By Jacob S)

**YEAR 5 /6/7 News**

This week for homework I have sent home a basic maths facts revision page. Most children have goals of improving their speed and accuracy of maths facts. Please ensure your child reviews their multiplication facts and times how long it takes to complete. We are trying to improve!

Our Year 5 6 7 class have been working on personal memoirs. Thank you to Aaron for his contribution this week.

**Our holiday by Aaron**

It was the day to go to the beach we were packing the car getting ready to go. On the way there we passed Dream World Movie World and Wet N, Wild. We finally arrived and we could smell the salt air and hear the sea crashing up on to the shore.

We went down to the beach and took pictures and we went for a walk along the beach, I was kicking the sand. We went our hotel and checked in we were on the fifteenth floor at the top of the building. We could see whales’ big boats sea gulls and the sand bars out in the ocean.

We got changed into our togs and went down to the beach splash! Crash. I was dumped by a big wave. I got up and went out again I got on my boogie board and I rode a wave right back into the shore. I came back onto the beach and started to dig a big hole down past water level and found water. We sat in the crisp warm sun and then we went back to the pool at our hotel. The next day we went shopping I bought a nerf gun and a toy helicopter we went back to the hotel I played with my helicopter and my nerf gun. We went for a walk up to Miami Beach. On our way back we went to a shop on the corner of a street. We bought ice blocks we ate our ice blocks on the way back to the hotel. We went for a swim in the outdoor pool. I went for a shower then I sat outside on our balcony and the wind was blowing a gal. It felt good blowing my hair swish swash. We went up to the corner and I bought some lollies. We went back and walked along the beach eating our lollies I felt happy.

The next day we went to the beach I went out to catch a big wave. I hopped on my boogie board splash the wave hit me. I was gliding through the sea like a dolphin sliding across the water. I got to the shore whooo I said. That was awesome; I went back and got dumped by a wave. We went back to the warm deluxe quiet pool. I swam down to the deep end. I sunk myself to the bottom of the pool I sat there and then I came up for air. My sister and I raced each other to the other end of the pool. I hopped out and went into the spas, the spas were hot. I put the bubbles on they lasted for a few minutes. I hoped out and we all went back to the hotel. The next day we went fishing at Tallebudgera creek, we walked around the mountain. I caught a whiting. We came home and had whiting for tea.

The next day we went pushbike riding up to surface paradise to watch the v8, s race. It was so loud they roared through the shakiness. And down the main straight it sounded like thunder. I went to bed early that night. This trip taught me to have fun and enjoy life.
If parents are wanting sibling photos they are to contact Master School Portraits to make a booking; 3848 3946.

**HARRISVILLE 150th STUDENT PARTICIPATION- HELP NEEDED**

November 2nd, Harrisville celebrates 150 years since settlement. The school will be dressing students in costumes relating to certain eras and will be marching in the parade on the day. The following are the eras defined and just one brief idea for each. Staff have been allocated an era and will be brainstorming ideas for each.

- **1863-1900 ink well,**
- **1901-1950 paper and pen and ink well, rules for teachers,**
- **1951-1970 slates,**
- **1971-1990 paper and pen ghetto blaster,**
- **1991-NOW iPads technology.**

Parents, we would like to you to let us know if you have any old photos or school uniforms we could dress students in for the parade. If possible, we would also appreciate if you could keep an eye out at op shops or home to see if you have any clothes that would suit the early 1900’s when Harrisville had no uniform e.g long skirts, high neck blouses, aprons or those round material hats –sorry, not sure of the name. If you have any skills such as sewing that you are willing to offer photos or clothing, please drop into the school or see one of the teachers.

Kind regards
Peta Bates

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**P&C NEWS**

Next Meeting- Tuesday 10th September 7pm School Library – All Welcome!

Harrisville State School Playgroup
Come along this Thursday @ 9.30 am!

Father's day Raffle tickets
Last week you would have received your Father’s day raffle tickets! If you did not receive them please let Susan, Jenny or Lauren know and we can get these to you ASAP! There are some great prizes to be won! We need to have all raffle tickets back by Friday 30th August! It will be drawn on the 31st August at the Seafood night.

Father’s day Stall
Friday 30th August will be the Father’s day stall. Please have your children bring $5 (per gift) along to purchase a present for their Dad. If they do not bring along the money Friday we cannot guarantee your child will be able to purchase a gift!

**Seafood Night**

This Saturday is our Seafood night! There will be fresh prawns, oysters, crab, baked fish, calamari and scallops as our seafood options. There will also be a non seafood option – Chicken, roast meat and about 6-8 different salads and a variety of hot dishes also. On arrival you will receive a glass of wine, beer or soft drink with a purchase of ticket and complimentary bread and dip for each table.

**Seafood buffet - $50**
- Non –seafood buffet - $25
- High school students - $20
- Primary school students - $10
- Under 4 free

We would like to encourage parents, families and friends to come along and support the night! The more support received from YOU the brighter the future for your child/children!

Also if you could give 15mins- 1 hour of your time to help set up on Saturday morning or help on Saturday night would be really appreciated!

We do have our consistent families that put in the time and effort but are slowly wearing out! We encourage new people to come and help support the P and C as YOUR child benefits from it as well! It doesn't take much just a ½ to an hour of your time here and there!

Just a reminder of what the P and C has provided/provides for YOUR child/children this year so far:
- New laptops
- New air conditioner
- Fridges in each classroom
- Vegetable garden
- Chicken coop
- Henny Penny hatching program
- Tuck shop and Ice blocks service every week
- PA system
- High jump mats
- Shade sail over prep-3 playground
- Provided buses for excursion
- Gave the school money to assist with more new computers
- Ran stalls to reduce camp fees for children
- The year isn’t over yet!

And the year isn’t over yet!

**Election Day Stall & Meat Tray Raffle**

On the 7th September the P&C will be holding a stall at the school. We are looking for donations for the stall. If you could donate baked goods (with ingredient list and date made on items.) Plants, eggs, jams, toys, knitted items or even your time to sell on the day. The stall will run from 8am to 12pm. Please drop off items in the office on Friday the 6th September or early Saturday morning. Thank you for your support with this fundraising event and don't forget to grab some raffle tickets when you come up to vote!
Book Club Due back Friday 6th September!

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

Students of the Week

Congratulations to Riley, Bree, William, Darryn, Jessica, Ryan!

MILO- YEAR 7 FUNDRAISING

$2 MILO VERY TUESDAY THIS TERM. 50 Cent Jelly Bean Guess!

AP’s Tennis Coaching

TENNIS

AP’S TENNIS COACHING...
will run before or after school (on alternate weeks) at a cost of $9.00 per child. Times will be given when you call to enroll ☺☺

GET IN QUICK! LESSONS HAVE ALREADY STARTED!

HARRISVILLE STATE SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS.

Please phone AP on 0437 657 220 to book your spot in the program!