HUSKISSON PUBLIC SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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COMING EVENTS

March:
This Week:
Wednesday 6th: Joanna Gash Visit for Years 5/6
Friday 8th: # Clean up Australia Day
# AFL Gala Day

Week 7:
Tuesday 12th: * Vision Screening - Kindergarten
* Poetry Performance 2pm - 3pm
Wednesday 13th: Choir Begins
Thursday 14th: Assembly - Year 1
Friday 15th: Rugby League and Netball Trials

Week 8:
Monday 18th: * Selected 5/6 students to VHS
* 6pm - P & C Meeting
Wednesday 20th: Nowra Zoo excursion - Kinder, Year 1 and 2/3

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE.

We have a number of students in our school with severe nut allergies. We ask that you do not send packets of nuts to school. It is also advisable to limit foods that also contain nuts, and even though our students are told not to share foods, it is very easy for accidental consumption to happen. This includes peanut butter. Last week I sent home plans for students with asthma, anaphylaxis and allergies. We will put in the photo when you send back the plan. It would be much appreciated if you could send these back. Thanks, everyone.

Next week STEPS Vision Screening will take place for Kindergarten students. Forms accompany this newsletter. It is possible to include older children in this eye testing if you have concerns or if your child previously had an irregular result, please ask at the office for a permission note.

Our Library days have been set in place. There may be times or situations resulting in changes (excursions, long weekends etc.) but the following classes have Library on the following days. 3/4V and 2/3R are on Mondays; Kindergarten S on Tuesday, Year 1D on Wednesday and 5/6N on Thursday. All children should have a Library Bag.

School contribution envelopes will be going home in the near future. Families have the option of paying $10 per term or $40 for the whole year. This contribution pays for classroom supplies, exercise books, paper and curriculum resources, which as you can imagine are quite substantial. We don’t ask parents to individually buy these and we don’t use textbooks, which we find inadequate to match the wide curriculum needs of our students and therefore we rely on your contribution each year. We also send home Medical Forms once a year so that we can have the most up to date information should your child have an accident. The Department of Education pays for Ambulance costs (now in ACT as well), but having these forms kept at school negates the necessity of you having to fill out separate medical information every time your child attends a school outing.

Next week we have a performance of Poetry. Permission notes will be coming this week. Choir begins next week, and all choir students will bring home a letter for you to sign about their commitments during the year. New Gala Day notes have also gone out. We are endeavouring to have notes onto the website where possible, but if you are missing any please call at the office.

Thank you,
Helen Wimmer
**UNIFORMS**
The Uniform Shop will be open on Mondays 3.00-3.30pm. Hats can be purchased from the office for $12 at any time. Orders for Waterproof Jackets (polar fleece) Long / Short Can now be placed at Uniform shop or ring Karen 44417222

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**Year 5/6**
Our gifted and talented groups have started and students are enjoying the extra input by our wonderful gifted and talented leaders. A big thank you to them for their support. Also thank you to John Hatton for his talk on our unit of work, Democracy.

_Maggie New_

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**BIG ART**
Wednesday 10th April (Week 11)
At Sanctuary Point Public School
9.30am-2.00pm
Any student wishing to attend, please contact Mrs New. Children have to use private transport. The school will cover the cost.

_Maggie New_

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**BOOK CLUB**
Flyers came home with this newsletter. Please place orders in an envelope with payment. (Credit card, cash or cheques made out to Scholastic) and don’t forget name and class on order forms.

- Busy Bee and Wombat - Kinder
- Lucky - Years 1 and 2
- Arrow - Years three and Four
- Star - Years Five and Six
- Theme pamphlets - all grades

If you do not want your child to receive the order, please indicate on the order form or envelope.

_Please have orders to office by Monday 18th March_

Thank you, Margaret Clark

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**EASTER HAT PARADE**
**THURSDAY MARCH 28TH**
Put this date in your diary. Children will need to start thinking about their hat they are going to wear. Hats need to be made at home. Thank you.

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**WHITE SANDS EASTER PARADE**
**SATURDAY 30th March 2013**
Students who are interested in participating in White Sands Easter Parade in Huskisson on Easter Saturday please fill in the form below and return to Mrs Smith as soon as possible.

Students need to be dressed in Sports uniform with an Easter accessory (e.g. Easter hat or bonnet, bunny ears, basket with eggs).

My Child: ………………………………...
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Will be representing Huskisson Public School in the Street Parade on Saturday 30th March, 2013

PLEASE RETURN SLIP TO MRS SMITH AT SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

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**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY**
**FRIDAY 8th MARCH 2013**
Due to the wet weather last week, we are having our Clean Up Australia day THIS Friday 8th March

Parents welcome.
Children are encouraged to bring gloves to wear for the clean up and have their broad brimmed hat to wear while outside.
Parent and Carers News.  
Next P & C Meeting: Monday 18th March - AGM at 6:00pm in Staffroom.
Hi Folks,
Lots of very important dates for your diary this week:
## THURSDAY 14th MARCH 3:30-5:30 pm at Vincenitia Public School: Free Parent Training to qualify for a chance to be a panel representative. Please RSVP to Kylie Blakemore by FRIDAY 8th March so I can confirm numbers. Afternoon tea will be provided and a certificate of completion # sorry no children allowed at this event.
## FRIDAY 15th MARCH 1-5pm: HELPERS REQUIRED to SET UP and/or TAKE TURNS MANNING A SCHOOL STALL at the WOMEN'S WELLNESS FESTIVAL at the LADY DENMAN.
# PLUS DONATIONS of HEALTHY CAKES AND TREATS TO SELL to be delivered to school that morning please. This is a great opportunity to promote our school and join in a fun, local festival.
# All classes will be contributing to a range of displays promoting the school and celebrating being healthy, happy and well at school. # We hope to have lots of volunteer star student PERFORMERS of all ages to join in an impromptu performance of a popular school song performed at the 2012 presentation night
# Parents will need to escort their children to and from the event after school hours, so please contact Ali Goodwin or Marcelle Smith if you can assist at this event in any way.
## MONDAY 18th MARCH # HUSKY P&C ANNUAL AGM at 6:00 pm in staffroom #ALL executive positions (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Uniform Officers, Canteen Manager), will be vacated and must be re-filled to form a new committee for 2013, or we cannot run discos, canteen, uniform shop and other vital fundraising events for the school! #No prior experience necessary as you have a great support crew in the wings -- just a couple of hours a month can go a long way to helping the school -- and your child!
## ORDERS FOR HOT CROSS BUNS @ $4.50 per half dozen (#Choc chip or fruit with no peel) will be collected this year to raise funds for the school with the support of Husky Bakery, so please start asking around at work and extended family for this yummy and inexpensive fundraiser.
## ORDER FORMS WILL BE SENT HOME WITH NEXT WEEK’S NEWSLETTER AND NEED TO BE RETURNED ASAP for DELIVERY OF THE BUNS TO THE SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 28th MARCH - right on time for the EASTER LONG WEEKEND!
#Please see Ali Goodwin (Isabellia's mum) outside the 1/2 room for more info or if you can help kids spread the word to collect more orders from the local community.
## EASTER HAT PARADE at school on Thursday 28th March - all children to make and parade their choice of Easter bonnets - parents welcome to join in too or just come and watch the fun! Husky pre-school kids will also be our very special guests in the parade.
## WHITE SANDS FESTIVAL EASTER BONNET PARADE - supervised by Mrs Marcelle Smith - details in special notice in newsletter.

# In other news, PLEASE NOTE the NO PEANUT RULE for kids lunch boxes and donations to the canteen or class parties etc and remember that Foodies provide lunch orders on Mondays and the canteen operates every Wednesday. #Helpers always welcome!
# Husky RSL will be including my thank you letter and progress update from the P&C and Husky School( for their generous donation of $10,000 towards new air conditioners and electrical upgrades in 2012) in their next club Newsletter, which is a nice little promo for the school within the local community. The RSL sub branch committees are very keen to help with future requests to support the school so Mrs Kim Domazar and I have been very busy working on the next round of Club Grants for much needed new computers and playground upgrades!

# In general housekeeping: if you have an issue with any aspect of your child's education or wellbeing at school, please contact your child's teacher first or the principal Mrs Wimmer or the friendly admin staff (either in person, via the phone, email or letter
Feel free to contact me anytime with ideas or feedback on P&C issues... at least for the next few weeks before I retire!

Cheers

Kylie Blakemore
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CANTEEN NEWS:

Canteen will be open tomorrow, Wednesday 5th March

Canteen helper this week is a wonderful helper

Thanks – Gail Hodgson - 44415854

FOODIES DELIGHT REMINDER
You may place orders for lunch Mondays only from our canteen list (spare copies available from front office). Great care is taken to ensure no nuts are contained in the food items offered. Some proceeds of sales are donated back to our school to help with future projects.

Many thanks, Foodies delight Management.

COMMUNITY NEWS

BELLY DANCING FOR GIRLS aged 5 - 12 years
Want to learn how to shinny and shake to exotic oriental music? Then maybe give Belly Dancing a whirl! Every Wednesday from 4pm at Tomerong Hall.
Please contact Mimi for further details on 0416 204 801
SPORTS UPDATE

SWIMMING:
Congratulations to Banksia competitors!
Banksia were overall winners of our school swimming carnival. Waratah were placed 2nd with Boronia in third position.
Below are the school swimming champions for 2013.
Junior Boy: Noah Simpson
Junior Girl: Bronte Wright
11 Yrs Boy: Jarrod Whykes
11 Yrs Girl: Molly Carr
Senior Boy: Tyler Fryar
Senior Girl: Elena Domazar

Today Bronte Wright, Noah Simpson, Lauren Bailey, Molly Smith and Lara Whykes will be competing at the Regional Swimming Carnival. Good luck!

RUGBY LEAGUE:
This Friday the NRL and Vincentia High School students will be running a skills session for children in Year 3 and 4. They will be learning how to play ‘Dragon Tag’ (Oztag) in preparation for their gala day later in the term. It is great to build these relationships with the high school and the NRL.

AFL:
This Friday is also the Senior Gala Day. The gala day is to be held at Thompson Street Oval at Sussex Inlet. We will have a boys team and a girls team.
If there any parents that wish to come along and act as a team manager please notify Mr Vidler.

The Shoalhaven Women’s Wellness Festival
is shaping up to be a huge event which women of all ages, their families and friends, will find both fun and informative. And it is free!!!!
The Shoalhaven International Women’s Day theme for 2013 is ‘Women’s Spaces’. The Festival is providing lots of spaces where women can learn more about health and wellness. There will be a range of fun activities including performances, workshops and information stalls with lots of free giveaways. Activities will range from health screening, finance education and art therapy through to listening to inspiring women speakers. There’ll be lots of opportunity to connect up with the many agencies, services and supports available in the Shoalhaven. Food will be available throughout the event.
We invite all Shoalhaven women to come along to the Wellness Festival to Celebrate, Investigate, Communicate and Rejuvenate at the Lady Denman Museum Complex, Huskisson, Friday 15th March from 1 – 7 pm.
Contact for further information including transport options to and from the Festival: Judith Reardon 4422 1299 or Maxine

Visit the Women’s Memory Tent at the Women’s Wellness Festival Friday 15th March, 1pm onwards.
We would love to see what’s hidden in your closet! Objects have an amazing way of triggering memories - and they connect people by triggering stories from the past
Also come and get a Women’s Health Check
Inside the main building at the Lady Denman Complex