**Principal's Message**

**NAPLAN**
The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) began today and will continue until Thursday. Students in Years 3 and 5 sat the Language Conventions and Writing assessments. They have assessments in Reading and Numeracy to complete.

**School Phones**
During the heavy rains and thunderstorms our phones were damaged leaving us without any phones to take incoming calls for two weeks. After much lobbying and highlighting our concerns to Telstra regarding no phones in an emergency situation, action was taken and the phones have been repaired.

**Skoolbag**
After the free trial period the school has now signed up to Skoolbag following positive feedback from parents. Next week the school will distribute the Husky Star via this app.

**Cross Country**
The District Cross Country will be run next Monday 18th May at ‘Timberhills’ Tomerong. I wish all runners representing Huskisson Public School the best of luck.

**Staff Professional Learning at Gerringong PS**
Staff attending the professional learning workshop at Gerringong PS last Friday returned inspired and convinced that Inquiry Based Learning equips students with the skills and capabilities to succeed in the future.

**African Children’s Choir**
The African Children’s Choir touched the hearts of many of us and made us reflect on what a lucky country we live in. I was privileged to attend the concert on Thursday night at Vincentia High School. What an amazing experience that I will never forget. I believe the three days they spent at Huskisson Public School will also leave memories for our students and our school community they will never forget.

**Grip Leadership UOW**
Our Year 6 students will travel to Wollongong University for a day of leadership activities at the Grip Leadership Conference. We thank Mr Grahame Allen (former Principal of Husky) who has volunteered to drive the mini bus and Sanctuary Point Public School for supplying the bus at no cost. I’m sure it is going to be a very worthwhile day.

**Ann Sudmalis**
Ann Sudmalis will be at Huskisson Public School on Thursday to talk to students in class 5/6 on leadership. This will be a great lead up for our Year 6 students who the next day will spend a day on leadership at Wollongong University.

**Assessment and Reporting**
Yesterday at our weekly staff meeting, teachers discussed the new report format used semester two (December) last year. Major changes were made to the existing format in the light of discussions at P&C meetings and feedback from the school community. We are now interested in what you thought of the new format. Are there any improvements we can still make, before they go out to parents at the end of this term? Please talk to me or your child’s class teacher if you have any ideas.

**Diary Dates**

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WELL DONE

Congratulations Huskisson Public School. You raised $139.00 which will go to an organisation aiding the earthquake victims in Nepal.

SALE

The P & C is selling all old uniform stock excluding sport shirts and school jumpers at 30% off regular prices. Items include light blue long and short-sleeved polo shirts, grey school shorts and school trousers, black tracksuit pants and other items.