

What's on at HPS?

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Open Classrooms

On Thursday 12th February all classrooms will be open between 3:30 and 4:30pm to allow parents time to visit their child/children's classroom/s and discuss organisation and expectations for the school year.

This is the perfect time to ask questions and work together with the teaching staff to support your child's education.

Afternoon tea will be provided in the Rose Garden.

Principal's Message

Welcome Back

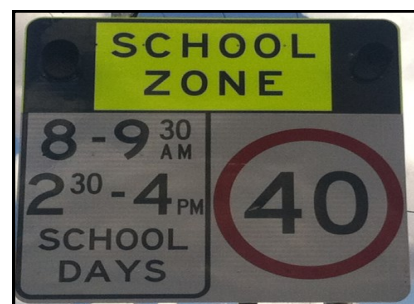
The 2015 school year has commenced smoothly with students extremely excited to be back at school. Thank you to those families who have been so organised by returning notes, purchasing book packs and ensuring their children are prepared for school.

P&C

Our first P&C meeting will be held in the Library on Wednesday 4th February at 7:00pm. All families are welcome to attend.

School Bus Zone

During the Christmas holiday period flashing lights were installed on Sladen Street to remind all drivers to use the correct speed in our school zone. Please abide by the speed and assist in keeping the students safe.



Regards, Theresa



Mission Statement: Quality Teaching, Quality Learning for all in a safe, happy and supportive environment.

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Education &
Communities

Class Notes

Kindergarten / Year 1

Julie Clancy & Melanie Durnham

Welcome everyone to 2015 and to K/1! We hope that everyone had a happy and relaxing holiday period and are ready for the school year.

Firstly we would like to say that we are very excited to be teaching your children. If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to come and see us at any time, or give us a call.

It is wonderful seeing so many smiling happy faces coming in each morning with everything they need, so thank you to all families. Thank you as well to those families who have already purchased book packs it is incredibly helpful to us.

We are kicking things off nice and early. In kindergarten we are looking at a sound a day starting with a, our math focus for kinder is number identification and looking at our fine motor skills to help with completing work. Year 1 are focusing on a as in apple this week then number skills in maths.

We are sending out home readers this week, so please get your folders in as soon as possible. Both kinder and year 1 will receive blank books in their reader bags. Our sight words will be getting stuck into these for children to learn and to practice.

Children will not be participating in the swimming carnival this week, it is only for children 8 years and over. Kinder and year 1 won't swim until the end of the year when we have intensive swimming.

In week 3 we will be having an information afternoon and we really hope to see you there and get to meet people that we haven't met before.

Our leaders this week are Opal and Dana.

Enjoy your first week and please drop in whenever you feel.

Year 1 / 2

Emma Byles

It has been lovely to welcome the Year 1 and 2 students back with their smiling faces and enthusiasm to start the school year. This week we will be settling into our timetabled class routine.

Week at a Glance

Monday - Tuckshop

Tuesday - Art with Mrs Fraser

Wednesday - Scripture and Assembly (Even weeks)

Thursday - Library with Mrs Eulenstein

Friday - Swimming Carnival (Year 2's, 8 years of age)

It has been really pleasing to see the time and effort parents and carers have put in to providing their children with the necessary equipment to use in class. Having the appropriate equipment really impacts on how well some learning tasks can be completed. Please remember that all stationary and uniform needs to be **CLEARLY LABELLED!!!** Thankyou also to those families who have purchased their book packs already. These books are used every day in the classroom.

This week you would have noticed home reading and news plans have been set for home learning time. Every child is encouraged to read a book (or for 10 minutes) every night at a level appropriate to their ability and recorded into their home reading book. I endeavour to view these books every day to ensure reading is being completed on a regular basis so please add comments where necessary. Each child will also need to have their news plan completed in order to share news each week on a nominated day. Children will share news this week on their designated day and will need to have their news plan completed beginning next week. As the term progresses additional activities will be added to home learning time.

Class Notes

Year 3 / 4

Joanne Malmo

It was lovely to greet and make welcome, our new Year 3/4 group last Wednesday. All students have settled into class very well and are ready to experience some new and interesting learning activities. I would like to thank all families for providing their children with the essential items required each day. Every child has arrived fully armed with lead pencils, rubbers, gluesticks and coloured pencils etc. The year 4 students will receive their pen licence during this year, a blue and red pen will be required once they have reached this milestone.

Thank you to the families who have paid for their book packs, we will begin to use these books this week.

I will not be introducing homework until week 3, however, I do expect the students to be reading at home on a regular basis.

The Year 4 students began band today. We welcome the 2015 band teachers from the Murray Conservatorium of Music, Tony Smith and Kim Newman. They will be teaching each week from 9.30-11.30, this session will comprise of sectional time (small group tuition) and whole band time. While the Year 4 students are taking part in the band program, the Year 3 students will be having intensive writing, reading and language convention lessons in readiness for NAPLAN testing next term.

The whole school will be taking part in morning fitness at 9.15 each Monday-Thursday, while every Friday the students will have a programmed Physical Education lesson. Beginning Friday, week 3, the students will be receiving tennis lessons at the Henty Tennis Club. These lessons will continue each Friday in term 1, this is the only day the students will be required to wear their sports uniform. This Friday will be the school swimming carnival. The students have received extensive information about the carnival, please take time to read all the communication. Every Tuesday the class will be attending library with Mrs Eulenstein from 1.00 - 2.30 and art with Mrs Fraser from 2.30 -3.30. The students will have the opportunity this week to borrow books for home reading.

I look forward to a fruitful year of learning and new experiences with your children, please feel free to contact me at any time with queries, or just pop in to say hello.

Year 4 / 5

Mary Liston

Welcome back to all the students in Year 4 & 5. It was great to see all the enthusiastic children, keen to be back with their friends and ready to learn.

Well done to all the students who have their book and stationary organised. Thank you to those who have purchased their book packs too. Every student in our class is ready to go.

Our regular classroom timetable will begin this week and here is an outline of our week.

Tuesday is library, art and band;

Wednesday is scripture with assembly in even weeks.

Friday will be sport (swimming term 1). Homework will go out on Friday and is to be returned on Thursday. This is to allow for those who may like to do work over the weekend, rather than week nights when they have sport or other activities. Homework will commence next week.

Please label all belongings clearly & ensure your child has their drink bottle with them each day.

If you have any questions or concerns with any event or activity that is taking place, please contact me or and I will be happy to discuss it with you before or after school.

We are all looking forward to a productive and happy year of school.

Class Notes

Year 5 / 6

Theresa Kane & Claire Ross

Welcome back to all students and families in Year 5/6. I look forward to a productive and rewarding year with the students. I will be teaching all numeracy and literacy sessions. Mrs Fraser will teach art. Miss Ross will teach the class on Monday, Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

Weekly organization:

Monday—canteen

Tuesday—Kalori, art

Wednesday library, assembly, scripture, peer support during term 2

Friday—sport, tennis

I look forward to the swimming carnival on Friday and thank all parents who are assisting on the day. Lunch orders for the carnival **MUST BE** sent to school prior to the carnival.

Congratulations to those students who were elected as sports captains for Taylor and McKay.

Dates and costs are being confirmed for the Peer Support camp which will be held midway through this term.

Hopefully notes will be sent home no later than Friday.

In the afternoon learning sessions students will be focusing on the following topics with Miss Ross:

Science & Technology- This term we are exploring the concepts of light. What light is and how we can use it.

Students are looking forward to creating some light experiments.

History- During History this term, we are looking at Australian Federation and how it has shaped Australia for us today.

PD/Health- These lessons will be based using the *Friendly Families* program, exploring issues such as; bullying and peer influence.

Library- Each week students will have an opportunity to borrow books from the school library.

.Thank you to the parents who have offered assistance on the day.

Please ensure you bring protective clothing, hats, food, water and sunscreen for the day.

A picture of our very proud House Captains!!



Community Notices

HENTY NETBALL CLUB

Senior training will commence Thursday 12th February, 6pm sharp at the netball courts. All welcome. Please come along and meet our new committee! Enquiries to Tania Wettern (0428 634 727)

SHARYN HILL SCHOOL OF SPEECH AND DRAMA

Drama will be offered for primary & secondary students. Classes take place after school in central Albany. Classes involve creative thinking, improvisation, dramatic movement and vocal work developing confident & imaginative

individuals through theatre workshops.

For more information go to the web site: www.shdrama.com or contact Sharyn Hill (0411 181 655) or admin@shdrama.com

2015 HOLBROOK TRIATHLON

The 22nd annual Holbrook Lions Club Triathlon is only three weeks away. The triathlon and 8 km run will be held on Sunday 15th February.

A range of event categories will again enable competitors of all ages to take part as an individual or part of a team, these include: The stand alone **Mini-Triathlon** for kids eight and under (10:30am start), under 11, 14 and 17 age groups in the **junior race** (8:30 am start), combined with the open and veteran sections in the **senior race** (9:30 am start time). There will also be an **8km run** (9:35 am start) for those who don't wish to ride or swim. All age sections have male and female categories.

Competitors will be able to compete as individuals or form a team and it is possible to be both an individual competitor and member of a team, for example, another person may use your bike ride as part of their team. The basic aim of having so many sections is to enable as many people as possible to participate in this long running community event.

Race distances:

Junior race (8:30am start): **8km bike, 200m swim and 3 km run.**

Senior race (9:30 am start): **15km bike, 200m swim and 4.2km run.**

Fun Run (9:35 start): **8km.**

Mini Tri 8 yr and under (10:35 start): **2km bike, 33m swim and 700 m run**

Competitors will be able to pre-enter on line or on the day (if entering on the day you will need to be there one hour before the event and pay a late fee).

For registration forms and information visit www.holbrook.nsw.au

BLACK DOGS BLACK CATS

Black Friday, February 13th from 4.30pm at The Henty Community Club.
Mates looking after their mates by tackling rural depression.
Guest speaker mind coach Margaret Cutler, BBQ dinner & entertainment

POOL CANTEEN ORDER FORMS

On Friday, order forms were sent home with children 8yrs plus. If your child is ordering from the pool canteen, these must be returned **TOMORROW**.

BUS LIST

If your child is on the bus list and their pick up details for that day change, please make sure that you send in a note or give us a call to avoid any confusion.
Thank you.

ASSEMBLY

There **WILL** be an assembly tomorrow.

Canteen Roster Term 1

Canteen Co-Ordinators are Alison Baldock & Mary-Anne. Thank you to both of these ladies for taking on this role.

9/2: Teneal Jones

16/2: Saja Redha

23/2: Sandy Newton

2/3: Julie White

9/3: Michelle Lieschke

16/3: Debbie Klemke

23/3: Kirsty Brennan

30/3: Jo Bradshaw

School Choir & Speech Lessons

Willow Aliento is continuing to instruct students in the school choir. If your son/daughter would like to participate in the choir please return the note below to school by Friday 6th February.

Grace Stein will also be continuing her speech lessons. A note was sent home with the Kalori today so please return it if you would like your child to participate in speech lessons with Grace.



School Choir

If your child is interested in participating in the School Choir, please indicate below:

Name of Child: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Canteen Help

If you are interested in helping in the Canteen from 10 to 2 on a Monday please indicate below:

Name: _____



Sport



House Captains: Congratulations to our new house captains, who were elected last week. The McKay captains are Tayla Roulston and Drew Scholz; vice-captains are Sam Harrison and Charlie Doig. Taylor captains are Eliza Bahr and Kyle Cocking; vice-captains are Hannah Zweck and Lachlan Coe. Please see photo.

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Swimming: Our swim Carnival will take place this Friday 6th February, at the Henty pool. We have had a terrific response from parent helpers on the day, thank you for the support we really do appreciate it. The carnival will commence at 10am sharp. We look forward to seeing as many families there as possible.

Golf: Golf lessons will be available to all primary & high school aged children each Sunday morning beginning this Sunday 8th February, 8am at The Henty Golf Course. The lessons will be FREE OF CHARGE. Bring your golf clubs if you have some. Please contact Peter Skeers for more details (02-69 293093)

Tennis: Tennis lessons with Karen Staines will commence on Friday 13th Feb, in Week 3. Notes will be sent out with more details.

Trials: Cricket trials will take place this week for trials at Holbrook next week.**ase Note:** This year, students who are selected for trials will be required to play the sport at a local/club level

Sporting Events Calendar

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
6TH FEB	SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL	HENTY POOL
11TH FEB	SR CRICKET TRIALS	HOLBROOK
27TH FEB	SR SWIM CARINIVAL	LAVINGTON SWIM CENTRE
5TH MARCH	SR AFL TRIALS	HOWLONG
13TH MARCH	SR NETBALL TRIALS	HENTY
30th MARCH	PAUL KELLY CUP	CULCAIRN

Henty Public School—Parents & Citizens Association

The P&C is open to all parents, carers and citizens of the Henty Public School Community. P&C Meetings are a place to find out what is happening in the school, gain a better understanding of curriculum, school policies and activities.

Actively participating in the P&C is great for meeting other parents, finding out what's going on within the school and providing input into your child's future at Henty Public School.

Our fundraising efforts are concentrated around Henty's major annual event, the Henty Machinery Field Days. Over the years the P&C together with the school has been able to raise funds to purchase smart boards in all classrooms and numerous other projects which have directly benefited the children who attend our school.

Meetings are held on Wednesday at 7pm in week 2 and week 8 of each term. It is here that we make decisions about funding priorities, activities and operations for the year. The school principal gives an update on school matters that concern the school community.

If you are interested in joining the P&C or assisting with any of our events you are welcome to come along to a meeting. New members to the P&C are always welcome and encouraged. We hope to attract a cross-section of the school community, with the idea that different people are able to contribute in different ways.

The P&C Executive are President Jenny Zweck, Secretary Willow Aliento and Treasurer Monique Doig. Should you wish to find out further details or have any questions, please contact any of the Executive members. The first meeting of the P&C is this Wednesday 4th February at 7pm in the school library. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

Jenny Zweck

Henty Art & Photography Exhibition

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The Henty Civic Centre & Henty Camera Club will host their 4th exhibition to showcase the talents of local & guest artists, photographers & needleworkers. Theme is "Colours of the Outback" All welcome to submit work for the exhibition.

Friday 20th March from 7pm to Sunday 22nd March from 10am to 5pm at The Henty Civic Centre.

Cost will be \$5.00 per person per session