Week 4 Term 2 2014

From The Principal

Thank you to all the Hobartville community for a settled start to Term 2.
The students have been following school rules and trying hard to remember our ‘HANDS OFF’ policy at the school.

NAPLAN testing was completed last week. Year 3 and Year 5 participated in the National testing and are relieved that is now over for them for another 2 years.

As the weather is getting cooler, please make sure your child has a clearly labelled royal blue jumper or jacket. Other coloured jumpers and hoodies are not part of the school uniform. A broad brimmed or bucket hat in royal blue is the only hat to be worn at school. No caps of any kind are to be worn.

You should have received your photo orders. It was great to see so many happy, smiling faces. They will be a wonderful memory for you to cherish in years to come.

I attended a forum at Windsor Police Station on Monday that featured many interesting topics. As you are all very aware, we live in a digital world that can be very dangerous. I strongly encourage you to attend the Police Liaison sessions at Richmond High School. See page 3 of this newsletter for more information.

Good luck to all the competitors at the District Cross Country at Cattai National Park this Friday. A HUGE thank you must go to the fantastic team at Hobartville, both staff and community, who have organised the event. Fingers crossed for a lovely, shining day.

Head Lice

There have been a number of children with head lice this term. Below is some general advice that may help with the problem:

• Regularly check your children’s hair. Young girls growing up often become very independent about their hair care and it can become difficult to convince them that it’s important for you to continue checking their hair. Try to persist or show them how they can check their own hair when they wash it.
• Tying long hair back or braiding it, may help to reduce the transmission of lice.
• Keep a good quality lice comb in the shower so that every time anyone washes their hair they use the comb. The more people who know about simple management methods the easier it will be to reduce the problem.
• Head lice and detangle combs should be cleaned between treatments in hot soapy water and rinsed in running hot water.

S3H

Mrs Hansen will be leaving us at the end of the term to start a teaching position in China. He has decided it was an opportunity he couldn’t refuse. We are currently in the process of finding someone for his class and the Assistant Principal role. I will keep the class and the parents informed when we have selected a replacement. We would also like to provide an opportunity for the teacher to meet the class and get to know them before the end of the term.

Lisa Crawford
**Athletics Carnival 2014**

This year our Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday July 16. Please note that this is the second day of Term 3 for students.

As in previous years, all students in Years 3 - 6 will be practising the skills for each field event during Sport sessions in Term 2. Finalists for each event will be selected at this time. This allows us to complete the events in a reasonable time on the carnival day.

Year 2 students will be taught the basic principles and skills of the field events, using modified equipment, during their sport time in Term 2.

Any 8 year old student in Year 2 who demonstrates exceptional ability in shot put or discus will be given the opportunity to qualify for the Junior event at the Carnival, using the correct weight equipment. For long jump, the distances jumped by Year 2 students will be compared with those of the Juniors in Years 3, 4 and 5. If any Year 2 student is able to jump a distance to qualify for the carnival, they will be included in the final.

Please note that for Field events, the age groups are Junior: 8, 9 and 10 years old; 11 years and Senior: 12 and 13 years old. Whilst we have a Turbo-Jav event, this is NOT a recognised event.

If your child competes at Little Athletics in High Jump, and you would like them to be considered for District Representation, please bring their Little A’s participation card to Mrs Ford.

**Busways change of times**

Commencing Monday 19th of May there were changes to bus times. If your child does not already have a note with the new times on it, please come to the office and collect one.

**Hobartville P.S Awards**


**Blue Flying Horse:** Liam D S3S

**Hawkesbury Show Art**

Congratulations to all our Hawkesbury Show Art entrants. A special mention to Katie C., and Ayrton B., who were 1st and 2nd place prizes winners. Ambrose M., received a “Highly Commended” and well done to Jacob K., Max G., Bree S., Isla B., and Isaiah S. for receiving “Commended” awards.

Mrs Dingle

**Gifted and Talented Exhibition Night - Richmond**

**Thursday 5th JUNE**

Richmond High School is holding an exhibition to showcase the work of the students involved in the Gifted and Talented English Enrichment program. This has been a term-long project in which the students have created a major work in the field of English, as well as a visual representation of their concept. The exhibition will be held at Richmond High School in the Trade Training Centre (entrance from Castlegarh Rd) on Thursday the 5th of June (Week 6) from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. All are warmly invited to attend to see the wonderful work that these students have created. It is also a great opportunity for those thinking of enrolling their child at Richmond High to gain more information about the school and the programs that we offer.

Elise Lewis Gifted and Talented Coordinator

**Assembly Day**

K-6 Tuesday even weeks 2.00pm
K-2 Thursday odd weeks 2.00pm
3-6 Tuesday odd weeks 2.00pm

**Stewart House Bags**

Could all Stewart House bags be returned to students class room by Monday 9 June.
Canteen

I apologise for the wrong return date on Cheeseburger notes.

Cheeseburger Day is 28th May 2014. Last chance to place orders FRI 23 May 2014. If you need a order form please see me in the Canteen.

Roster – Week 5

26-5-14 Mon Selina Samuel
27-5-14 Tues Canteen Closed
28-5-14 Wed Kelly Gardiner, Katrina Hoad

Cheeseburger Day
29-5-14 Thurs Canteen Closed
30-5-14 Fri Sam de Araugo, Stephanie Oatley, Michael Callow

Week 6

2-6-14 Mon Simone Wilson
3-6-14 Tues Canteen Closed
4-6-14 Wed Hayley Meyer-Gleaves
5-6-14 Thurs Canteen Closed
6-6-14 Fri Angela Doran, Kathy Irving

Thankyou Cathy

P&C News

Mothers Day Stall
What a great morning it was. It's great to see the children all enjoy buying for that special someone in their life. We raised $1440.

We had a wide variety of gifts on the day, lots of items under $5 with only a few over the $5 mark, we sold all the stock we ordered which is a great result. Many thanks to all the mums who helped us on the day. Thankyou also to Cathy in the canteen who donated all our bags to put them in.

Hawkesbury Show
Our school raised $720 during the 3 days. We covered 9 shifts. Thank you to our volunteers who gave up 4 hours of their time on the weekend to assist Rotary, the Hawkesbury District Agricultural Society and of course our School.

District Cross Country
The P&C have been asked to run a BBQ for the day at this event. Mick Callow at Outback Steakhouse Penrith has kindly offered his Restaurants services to supply staff & food for this event. All profits will be given directly back to our school. This is a great result for us and we look forward to working with Mick and his staff on the day, and look forward to the delicious Steak sandwiches that will be on offer along with a lot of other yummy treats from Chutney Cafe in Richmond Mall.

SCHOOL POLICE LIAISON SEMINARS

Senior Constable Ben Gillen from St Marys Local Area Command will be conducting a parent only information seminar for all RHS and local primary school parents on Wednesday 18th of June in the Trade Training Centre. This seminar will commence at 6.00pm and conclude by approximately 7.30pm. On this evening Senior Constable Gillen will deliver a presentation on Cyber Safety and Cyber Crime to inform parents of the dangers lurking in our increasingly complex digital world. Senior Constable Gillen will present a graphic, no holds barred legal perspective of how young people are misusing social media and the consequences of such misuse. I would recommend that all parents mark this in their diary as it will provide parents with a real eye-opener about what precisely is happening in your son/daughters social networking world.

If you would like further information in regards to this seminar please feel free to contact Ms Jones at Richmond High school on 45781177
Website: http://www.richmond-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php.
Great exhibits at the Hawkesbury Show