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PRINCIPAL REPORT

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Education’s purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one. [Malcolm Forbes] (1919 - 1990)

KINDERGARTEN 2012 ORIENTATION

This Friday will be the first of our Kinder 2012 Orientation Days with students and their parents enjoying a brief orientation to our school. The session will run from 9:15 to 10:15 am in the Kinder rooms. I would ask any parents who are unable to attend to notify the school office. Our Kindergarten Orientation Program has been designed to allow new students the opportunity to develop a strong connection to their new “Big” school and a growing self-reliance. To this end, I would ask parents during subsequent visits to drop off their child and celebrate with a coffee up town until it is time to pick them up. Presently we have over 80 students enrolled for Kindergarten in 2012. This means we have a minimum of four Kindergarten classes for next year. If parents are aware of any new families in the area who have not enrolled their children for 2012 could you please pass on to them an invitation to visit the school and discuss the enrolment of their children.

125th CELEBRATIONS

Parents and community members will probably be aware that 2012 marks the 125th year of the operation of Helensburgh Public School. The school is requesting any memorabilia, photos, old uniforms, trophies or programs parents or community member may have. The school will scan any photos or print products and carefully store and display all other pieces of memorabilia. Our P & C will soon be calling for members of the parent body and the local community who would like to be part of the organising committee for next year’s celebrations.

THE PATHWAY

Last week workers from Wollongong City Council completed an all-weather pathway from the top of Postmans Track to the school entrance in Lukin Street. Concrete entrances were also constructed to the school gates. This should make it much easier for parents with prams walking up from The Crescent.

Important Dates to Remember

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Apple Quest

Students in Kinder, Year 1, 2S and 2H are participating in Apple Quest from October 17th till October 28th. Students received a note last week about Apple Quest. We are encouraging students to eat healthy foods and a tally is being made of how many apples are eaten. We can all be Apple Chomping Champions! We have 2 slinky machines to make apple slinkies. Bring in an apple (see timetable) and have fun eating a slinky! Tuesday 18th – 1K; Wednesday 19th – 2H; Thursday 20th – 1G; Friday 21st - 2S; Monday 24th K/1D; Tuesday 25th – 1HT; Wednesday 26th – KB; Thursday 27th – KF; Friday 28th – KW. 300 apples are being supplied to Helensburgh School by NSW Farmers Association via Woolworths so get ready to munch, crunch and chomp your way through Apple Quest 2011!

Coles Shopper Dockets

Shopper docket is closing soon please keep sending them in this week.

Mr Christopher Connor
(Principal)
SRC News

The SRC has registered our school to support the cancer charity CanTeen by collecting old mobile phones. The phones will be recycled to raise funds for cancer research. The school benefits by gaining rewards according to the number of phones we collect. As few as 65 phones will get our school a SONY camera and 450 phones could earn us an interactive whiteboard! The phone collection bin will be located in the office foyer so let’s get the collection underway!

Wollongong Combined Schools Instrument Festival Tickets

The Instrument Festival is coming up fast, less than 2 weeks! It is time now to buy your tickets. The show is 7pm Thursday evening October 27th at Wollongong Town Hall. Tickets are $12 for adults and $6 for children. You can order your tickets at the school office, they will be allocated daily (except on Thursday) to your child.

Illawarra and South East Region (ISER) Music Camp

Last Tuesday and Wednesday I had the very great pleasure of attending the ISER Junior Music Camp at Jamberoo. It was amazing! The teachers are very accomplished, talented and enthusiastic individuals that encourage learning and diversity in the children. The camp is comprised of a number of ensemble groups; Electric Guitars, Acoustic Guitars, Vocal, String, Orchestra, Concert Band and Stage Band. The students also take part in workshops to help them learn about various aspects of music and the music industry like recording, stage presence, African drumming, jazz improvisation and/or dance to name a few. The children were all so talented and enthusiastic; it is truly an experience not to be missed if you have any interest in music. The camp takes place annually during the first week of term 4, and is open to students in years 6 to 9. Any sort of musician is welcome. (singers, electric and acoustic guitars, wind players, string players)

Alison Garvie
Band Co-ordinator

Environmental News

Just a reminder that Helensburgh Public School are recycling Ink Cartridges, old mobile phones and now used household batteries. If you would like to support this cause we have recycling bins in the front office.

Mr Campbell

Live Life Well

Be healthy – be active

Children and adults need physical activity every day. Activity helps build better bones, muscles, joints and helps maintain a healthy weight. Physical activity can also reduce the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers. Get active anyway you can — walking, riding, swimming, and playing active games such as Duck, Duck, Goose or Bull Rush.

P&C NEWS

Heathcote High School Uniforms

Helensburgh PS P&C have organised with Claudine Clothing Co. to give you the opportunity to purchase Heathcote High School uniforms, at competitive prices, without having to travel to their store in Caringbah.

On Wednesday 2nd November 2011 between 3pm & 6pm uniforms, in a variety of sizes, for both boys & girls will be available at our school for students to try on. We will take orders, with payment required at the time of ordering & Claudine’s will return the uniforms to our school for your collection. A price list will be available at the canteen & will be sent home closer to the date.

This opportunity is primarily aimed at Year 7 students, however other sizes or items can be ordered for older students.
Inter-Schools Equestrian Competitors
On Saturday 24 September three students from Helensburgh Public School competed in Arndell College Inter-schools Equestrian Carnival at Hawkesbury showground. They were Tyara, Kelsey and Reece. Tyara won: 5th Best Presented year 3, 4th Rider year 3, 3rd Best Exhibit year 3, 4th Active Rider
Kesley won: 1st Rider year 5, 3rd Best Exhibit year 5, 4th Active Rider, 5th Pair of Riders year 5 and year 6
Reece won: 5th Best Presented year 5, 1st Best Hands year 5, 3rd Best Position, year 5, 3rd Junior Best Exhibit year 5
Tyara also competed at Berry Inter-schools Equestrian Carnival on 18 September, held over two days. She placed 3rd overall in the Primary (K-6) division of 3 Phase Showmanship (Dressage, Hacking and Handler), and 7th overall in the Primary and Secondary (K-12) division of the Hunter Seat Jumping Competition. 4th in Large Pony Hack K-6, 3rd in Best Educated years 3 & 4, 4th Best Hands and Seat years 3 & 4, 4th Rider years 3 & 4. She placed 3rd in Western Bending, 3rd Scudahoe, 4th Keyhole and 4th In and Out the Paddock.

Canteen News
We will be compiling a new roster and we URGENTLY NEED helpers. This roster will be for 1st Term 2012. Canteen is approximately 1 day per month from 8.30 to 12.30. Without your help we can’t run the canteen for the children.
Thank you Jan & Bronwyn
Please fill out the form below and return to canteen A.S.A.P

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Canteen Helpers

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For Sale
Girls formal dress size 10 worn once Light blue and purples $25 Ph 0416 264 157

Interrelate
Interrelate will be at Coledale Public School on Monday 17th October. Yrs 3 & 4 at 6pm and Yrs 5 & 6 at 7.15pm.
Family Admission: 1 session $17 - 2 sessions $22 (pay at the door).

For Sale
Kawai Keyboard + stand $80 and Rinnai Gas Heater $150 Ph 0421 827 685

Playgroup Stanwell Park
Fridays 9.30 til Midday. Safe, Friendly, Atmosphere. Stanwell Park Childrens Centre. Contact Monique 0425 320 597

Musical instruments for Sale
Buescher Alto Saxophone $1100. All have been fully re-padded and serviced. If interested, please ring Alison Garvie 040 808 9262 or email agarvie@aapt.net.au

Spanish Lessons
Hello everyone, Spanish lessons will be on again in term 4. We will start WEEK TWO. We will begin Wednesday the 19th of October. Same time, same place. Payments: Costs stay the same $10 for the first child, $5 for the second. If this is difficult just let me know. I count 9 lessons, ending on the 14th of December so that's $90 for the first child add $45 for subsequent children. If your child has a birthday in this term please let me know so we can sing and make a fuss :) Payment details have changed during this year so please take note for those transferring the money. If you are paying cash please put it in an envelope with your childs name otherwise I get very confused. Bank - Illawarra Credit Union Account Name - The Story Line Account number - 2653 3264 BSB - 802 249 We will be continuing with the verbs ser and estar throughout term 4 as well as working on vocabulary. Thanks and see you all soon. Lilli

Waniora Public School and Bulli High school
would like to invite you to Trivia for a triathlete When: Friday 18th November Time: 7.00pm Where: Bulli High School Hall cost:$15 per seat, tables seat 10 Bring: Byo drink, nibblies and gold coins for games

Carolyn Morgan Fundraising Night
Carolyn has a rare disease called Gastroparesis which has paralysed her digestive system which means she can not eat or drink anything. There is no cure. Our aim is to raise money to assist with medical bills and ongoing medical care. Friday 25th November 7pm at the Helensburgh Workers Club tickets $40 all proceeds to Carolyn Morgan for medical expenses and ongoing treatment. Finger food, Live entertainment, auctions, raffles. Come and support a great local family.

Found
Children’s reading glasses at Engadine Pool on the last day of swimming lessons. Please contact Mrs Clarke

Sealiff Hockey Summer Comp
Sealiff Hockey has a summer comp running on Tuesday nights from 5pm for any kids interested. Forms are on www.sealiffhockey.com.au or call 0403 927 977.

Helensburgh Lions’ Country Fair
Lions’ Country Fair this year is Home Grown! Be at Charles Harper Park on Saturday 29 October for our annual day of fair fun, food, entertainment, stalls and the Grand Parade. This year we have a home grown competition - dust off your secret recipe and enter your jam, chutney or pickle for a community taste test! Entries are $1 and can be collected from the Post Office or downloaded from www.helensburghlions.org.au. See the website for details and see you at the Fair!

“Getting SORTED”
Strategies for supporting the child with ADHD through the challenges of high school.

When: Wednesday October 19th 2011 Where: Citylife Church 129 Jardine St, Fairy Meadow Time: 7pm to 9pm Please arrive 5 minutes prior so the session can start at 7pm Cost: $15.00 per person Payment please by direct deposit or transfer by Friday 14th October: Account name: Need2Connect BSB: 814-282 (cua Figtree) Account No: 31025923 BOOKINGS and payment in advance ESSENTIAL To book: Phone Jill at Citylife Church 42844414 or Barbara 0403 582 372

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