125TH SCHOOL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

On Friday 22nd June celebrations for our 125th year of public education will be officially launched. Parents and friends are invited to join us from 11.25am. Our wonderful P&SC are organising a BBQ where students and parents will be able to pre-order their lunch, and parents will be asked to assist on the day.

We will be unearthing our school time capsule, followed by a ceremony officiated by our school captains, cutting of the 125 Anniversary cake and the presentation to students of commemorative gifts.

After recess a full school assembly will be held, during which our school will be signing the Partnership Agreement with representatives of our local Aboriginal Education Consultative Committee. This will be an historic event witnessed by the whole school community. Past students and teachers will be in attendance and our official guest will be Cr. Greg Petty from Wollongong City Council.

Please see below a timetable for the day’s events.

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<td>Students &amp; visitors assemble in playground for a Special Assembly to raise and open the Centenary Time Capsule and cutting of the birthday cake</td>
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<td>School canteen will be selling afternoon tea for parents &amp; visitors</td>
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<td>Special assembly to be held in school hall – everyone welcome</td>
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LATENESS TO SCHOOL

I would like to remind parents that all students who are late to school must be signed in by a parent or adult. Older students should not be signing in their younger siblings or friends. If there are circumstances that make it impossible for a parent to accompany late students to school please telephone the school ahead of time to offer an explanation. Otherwise, students who walk to school maybe dawdling or wasting time on their way.

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Did You Know......

By the early 1900’s Helensburgh Public School was a “Superior Public School” after the successful application in the 1890’s—only the third Superior School, after Hurstville and Wollongong. Classes were held for Grade 1 to Grade 6.

The children always did exercises before they marched into school. They celebrated Bird Day, Wattle Day, Anniversary Day (now Australia Day) and Empire Day, which was the best day of the year.

Empire Day was the “Sports Day” and the children received Empire Day medals and ribbons. The mothers would come to the school and fill bags with treats for the children. The girls did Maypole dances dressed in sailor suits!

WELCOME BACK, MRS BADHAM

It is nice to have Mrs Badham back in the country and ready to return to her position at Helensburgh Public School. I would like to thank Mrs Warner and Mrs Parkinson for the great job they have done teaching KB in her absence. I know the children had a wonderful time with you both. I would like to also thank Mrs Carter who relieved as Assistant Principal during Mrs Badham’s well earned break.

In 1905 ill health forced Mr Byrnes to transfer to a ‘country school’ in Wagga Wagga. He exchanged positions with Mr Walter Campbell, who became the next Headmaster.

Mr Byrnes was the first Headmaster at Helensburgh Public School from 1887—1905. He was a good, but firm, teacher who established the beginning of a great school.

125 Years later we have a lot to thank him for!
We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which Helensburgh Public School is situated. We pay our respects to the Dharawal people and to elders past, present and the future.

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KINDEGARTEN MONSTERS’ PARTY
Last Friday I had the privilege of attending our Kinder Monsters Party. I was once again totally overwhelmed by the level of activity, the variety of activities and the quality of presentation. It was heart-warming to see so many parents lending a hand, helping to run events and guiding our little monsters from one activity to the next. Our students are to be commended for their excellent behaviour and enthusiasm and our Kindergarten teachers for their care and attention to detail that makes this activity so special and something our students will always remember.

Christopher Connor
Helensburgh Public School
125th Anniversary Year

Important Dates to Remember

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Helensburgh PS: Signing of the Indigenous Partnership Agreement.
K–6 Assembly on Friday 22nd June, 2012
On Friday 22 June the Principal and a member from the local Indigenous community will formally sign the Indigenous Partnership Agreement. This agreement will be signed in front of all school students (K – 6) and our staff to acknowledge our commitment to the betterment of the education of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children at our school.

All parents and carers are warmly invited to this assembly, to witness the signing of the agreement as a formal recognition of Helensburgh Public School’s commitment to strive with honour in all our educational pursuits.

Ms J. Stillwell and Mrs L. Murray

Library News
During the 125th birthday celebrations the library will be home to an exhibition of photos from the school’s long history. Please come in and have a look at some of the changes that have occurred over the years.

Mr McQueen
Teacher Librarian

SRC News
Indigenous day will be on Tuesday, 26th June. Aboriginal Survival Technology Performance from Philip Green ($5.50 per student). Students are permitted to wear red, black and yellow mufti clothing. Please bring in a bag of lollies (jelly beans, snakes etc.) instead of a gold coin which will be donated to the school fete.

The new parliamentary model of the SRC met on Wednesday last week to vote for ministers. The ministries are now all filled, the ministers are:

Prime Minister/Deputy Prime Minister: Roles shared between Ellouise and Chase

Minister for Finance: Brodie
Assistant Minister for finance: Chloe
Minister for Transport: Matthew L
Minister for Canteen: Matthew B
Minister for Playgrounds: Emily
Minister for Sport: Tyra
Minister for Creative Arts: Kyrah
Minister for Technology: Ethan
Minister for Environment: Tommy
Minister for Health and Safety: Ryan
Minister for Communication: Kelsey
Minister for Kindergarten: Bijou
Minister for year 1: Tarleigh
Minister for year 2: Brianna
Minister for Library: Matthew W
Clerk1: Jamie
Clerk 2: Aiden

The Ministers have already begun their work. If any students have any issues to raise please see the appropriate minister or your classroom representative.

Kelsey

Monster Party
The kindergarten teachers would like to thank all the parents for a successful Monster Party.
Who Are You?? School Day Memories
Thank you to all the people who have sent in their memories of school days at Helensburgh Public School. We have stories from way back to the 1930s but would love to hear from students of more recent times as well.
Unfortunately, a few people have omitted to write their names, so if the following facts ring a bell with you, please let the school office know your details:

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Who are you?
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Many thanks for all contributions on behalf of the 125 Year Committee.

Bev Taunton
Former Teacher/Librarian

Choir Rehearsal
On Wednesday, 20th June, the choir will be attending our first rehearsal at Corrimal East Public School. We have learnt all our repertoire and look forward to singing all day, with all the other schools that will perform on our night at the Wollongong Schools Choral Festival.
Children in the choir need to bring their recess, lunch and extra water. They may also bring some money if they wish to buy a treat at the school canteen. Please note that the children may not order their lunch. Students must wear full school uniform on Wednesday.
Our performance night will be at the Wollongong Town Hall on Wednesday 1st August. Tickets for the concert will soon be available from the school office.
Please see me if you have any further queries.

Mrs Louise Murray

Student Bus Behaviour
We have concerns about the afternoon school buses with students moving around the vehicles and not sitting on their seat.
We ask that you encourage your child to use appropriate bus behaviour at all times when travelling on the bus to ensure the safety of all students.

Greens Northern Coaches

CSIRO Science Incursion
Once again, we have booked the CSIRO for a great science show for 4L and 4M on Thursday. We have been studying all about Simple Machines. On Thursday we will be able to make our own machines and power them to work and be fully functioning. We look forward to our budding Einsteins having a fun time.

Mrs Murray and Ms Lawless

Environmental News
Save the Date!
Our upcoming working bee is to be held on Sunday the 24th of June, kickoff at 9am. Come along with gloves and energy, to spend a fun hour or so, further beautifying and tidying our school grounds.

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Band News
Week 10 (last week of Term) there will be no band on Thursday morning. The lessons will be condensed into the first three days as follows:
Monday 1st Lunch - Percussion, 2nd Lunch - all Trumpets, 1.45 - all Flutes, 2.15 - all Clarinets.
Tuesday 1.45 - all Saxophones.
Wednesday 1.45 - Keyboard/Guitar, 2.15 - Bass Guitar/Trombone/Euphonium.

This schedule ONLY refers to the last week of this Term. (The Schedule is also posted on the demountable window).

Mrs Garvey
**Helensburgh Public School 125 Year Celebration Fete!**

As part of our 125 celebrations, the whole school community is looking forward to this week's birthday party! There are lots of activities planned and our 125 merchandise will be on sale for the first time, including the 125 Yearbook - a great piece of school history! Parents and friends are most welcome at this event, so please come along and enjoy the first of our official anniversary celebrations.

Next week's mufti day is also part of our 125 fete preparations. We are asking for a packet of lollies or a gold coin donation to be brought in. These contributions will be magically transformed into lolly bags and prizes on fete day. Chips and small chocolate bars are also a good idea - if it's yummy, we'd like it!

We still need volunteers to run the Chocolate Wheel on fete day. All prizes will be sourced, so we need your game show talents to draw the crowd and sell the tickets. With the terrific prizes we have lined up, this should be easy! Please contact Sandy or Gina if you can help.

**Fete Coordinators**
Sandy Szewcow - szewcow@gmail.com or 0418 289 569
Gina Krohn - phork@yahoo.com or 4294 1371

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**125th Anniversary Dinner**

**DON'T MISS OUT!**
**TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST!**

Our **125th Anniversary Dinner** will be held Saturday **21st July** at the Workers. Tickets are **$40 each** and are available from the canteen or office **NOW**. Buy your own ticket or get a table of ten friends together. Ticket price includes: 2 course sit down meal, tea, coffee and drink voucher on arrival. Great value.

Enquiries to the school 4294 1332 or please contact Bronwyn Charman on 0423693629.

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**Canteen News**

Friday **22nd June** we will be open at recess for normal trade due to the School Birthday Party. We will be selling good coffee for $3 and tea/instant coffee for $2 plus cakes and other treats etc. to parents and friends during the party and up until the assembly.

**Tuesday 26th** we will be having another **Cheese 'n' Bacon Roll Meal Deal Day** in conjunction with the school's Indigenous Day. We will also be selling some red and yellow treats at lunchtime on the day. Order forms will come home tomorrow (Tuesday) and should be returned to the canteen by Friday.

Thank you to everyone who supported our BLUES DAY last Friday.

Jaffles are still available every day as a warm winter alternative.

**We cannot accept ANY FOREIGN COIN**

**Uniform News**

The soft yellow sport visors are now available from the canteen for $8

Sport socks (all sizes) are now available from the canteen for $8.

Second hand clothes - please drop any good quality second hand uniform items to the canteen.

125th Anniversary caps are now available from the canteen for $10

Thank you for your continued support.
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**Community Notices**

**Lost Dog**

Lost white female staffy from Hay St Helensburgh answers to Roxy Ph Kerrie - Lee 0414 541 489

**Playgroup Stanwell Park**
Fridays 9.30 til Midday. Safe, Friendly Atmosphere. Stanwell Park Children’s Centre. Contact Monique 0425 320 597

**St John Bosco Baseball & Softball Club**

No Experience Is Required! Registration days for 2012/13 season **Sunday 22nd & 29th July 2012**
1.00pm à 3.00pm at Boystown Gymnasium, Banksia Avenue, Engadine. Also, we have Try Baseball sessions on these days from 10am to 12pm at Boystown Oval for the new kids to come along and have a go at the game. We’re looking for players from 5 y/o to seniors for both baseball & softball catering for all standards from new players to the experienced.

**Wollongong NRE Hawks School Holiday Basketball Clinic in Wollongong**

Tuesday 10th July 9.30am to 2.30pm Illawarra Basketball Stadium from $45 per child Registrations: online at hawks.com.au
KEEP FIT. CLASS LOCATIONS AND TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- TUESDAYS 7PM AT HELENSBURGH PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL
- THURSDAYS 7PM AT MACKILLOP HALL, MACMILLAN ST HELENSBURGH (OPP HOLY CROSS SCHOOL)
- SATURDAYS: 9AM AT HELENSBURGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

COST: $10 PER CLASS FOR ADULTS AND $7 PER CLASS FOR STUDENTS

WHAT TO BRING: A DRINK AND A SMILE.

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EVERYONE WELCOME!

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Adults & Kids: 0458 829 999
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