Biggest Morning Tea

Next week is going to be very exciting for the students at Horsley Park P.S. Our dance troupes and choir have spent many hours refining their performances, ready for The Biggest Morning Tea at Mandavilla Function Centre on Tuesday. The students are due to perform at approximately 11am. Thank you to the teachers that have spent many hours preparing the students and organising costumes to ensure the performances look polished for this very worthy cause.

Mastering Spelling

Are you checking your child’s weekly spelling homework? Try talking to your child about how you spell, and what you do when you don’t know how to spell a word. Here’s some advice about how to help your child master spelling:

- Use everyday opportunities to draw your child’s attention to words.
- Talk to your child about how you spell and what you do when you don’t know how to spell a word.
- When your child comes to words they can’t spell, encourage them to look at the new words, say them, cover them with their hand, write them from memory, and then check them.
- When learning to spell an unknown word, first talk about what the word means.
- Explain to your child that some words can be sounded out, but not all English words can be spelt correctly by ‘sounding out’, eg the words ‘you’ and ‘said’.
- Encourage your child to write at home on paper and on the computer, eg filling in forms, writing notes to family members, writing phone messages and reminder notes, making lists, replying to letters and emails, and sending cards.
- Provide a dictionary and use it together.
- Encourage your child to first try spelling unknown words themselves, and then praise the parts of the word that are correct and suggest what else is needed.

Book Fair

The students have had the opportunity this week to browse through and purchase books from the book fair. There are many wonderful titles for the students to choose from and enjoy. The books will be available for sale throughout next week. Happy reading!

Label everything

With the cold weather now upon us, the number of jumpers in the Lost Property box is now increasing. Students will quite often wear their jumper to school, but take it off when they are playing in the playground. If we find a jumper with a name on it, we return it to the child’s classroom. Unlabelled items of clothing end up in the Lost Property box outside the 5/6 classroom. Please ensure that your child’s name is written clearly inside each item of clothing, to ensure that we can return it to them immediately. If your child has lost their jumper or hat, and it has not been returned, please come and check the Lost Property Box.

Our children’s safety

Just a reminder for all parents and caregivers who use the school’s carpark that safety is a priority. The students’ safety is paramount. Please ensure that you drive with the utmost care in the school’s carpark. We do our best to ensure that the students know about their safety, particularly road safety, it is up to us as adults to do the same. Please ensure that your child/ren are dropped off safely, walked into the school grounds and are picked up from our pick up area. Please remind your children that the shelter shed is our pick up area of an afternoon. The students are not to be left to walk through the school’s carpark or play in the playground without adult supervision.

Have a great week!
Mrs R. Raiti

HORSLEY HAPPENINGS

**WEEK 5**

Monday, May 18
Book Fair

Tuesday, May 19
Book Fair

ICAS Digital Technologies exam

Wednesday, May 20
Book Fair

Book Nic (Middle session)

Thursday, May 21
Book Fair

Friday, May 22
Book Fair

Little Athletics Program
Zone Cross Country

**WEEK 6**

Monday, May 25
Book Fair

Tuesday, May 26
Book Fair

Wednesday, May 27
Book Fair

Debating Middleton Grange PS

Thursday, May 28
Book Fair

Friday, May 29
Book Fair

Little Athletics Program

**WEEK 7**

Wednesday, June 3
Chess Day-Bringelly Public School
ICAS - Science Competition

Thursday,

Friday, June 5
Mufti Day-Autism Awareness
Classroom News

KR

Hello everyone and welcome to week 4!

In the coming weeks KR will be completing some assessment tasks to guide their report comments. I would like to congratulate parents and students for all their hard work learning sight words. Please keep it up because the students are showing great improvement in their reading and writing. Thank you!

You should have all received a note regarding our upcoming excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm on Wednesday 17th June 2015. The cost of the excursion is $22.00, which includes travel, entry into the farm, an educational tour as well as a tractor ride. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to see me.

During Mathematics we will continue looking at Multiplication and Division as well as looking at Fractions with a focus on dividing an object into two equal parts. We will also continue our daily work on Whole Number.

I have asked each student to donate a tissue box for classroom use. Thank you to the many parents and students who have already donated this Term.

Have a lovely week!
Mrs Rositano

1/2
Hi everyone,

Well, this term is flying by. We are doing some very exciting things in 1/2 this term. We have been cooking up a storm. We cooked ANZAC biscuits in week 2, jelly in week 3 and chocolate crackles this week. The students are enjoying this immensely and it is motivating us to produce some great writing. We are confirming our knowledge in maths by practising measuring wet and dry ingredients. We are also putting our scientist hats on and wondering why certain ingredients go together to produce an end product. We are having a lot of fun doing this and we have a lot more exciting recipes coming up this term.

I just have a couple of reminders for you.

Home readers need to be brought in Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Little athletics money needs to come in as soon as possible if you haven’t brought it in already.

Hope you are all having a lovely week!
Ms M Carey

3/4
Welcome to Week 4,

Congratulations to those Year 3 students who sat their first ever NAPLAN tests this week. The children were focussed and relaxed, and we look forward to receiving their results later this year.

Students appear to be enjoying our class text study, and are producing some excellent transformations during our guided writing sessions. Students are also working well in Mathematics, Grammar and Reading. We continue to focus on improving spelling outcomes, and encourage students to consistently practise their spelling words using the Look, Cover, Write, Check, Say method.

With regards to other homework, we would like students to do one Maths Mentals task every night. We also ask that they bring their books in each day for marking, so that any misunderstandings can be discussed as a whole class. If it is not possible for your child to complete the Maths activity each night, please let Miss K or I know.

We have a very busy week 5, with The Greatest Morning Tea, Booknic and Zone Cross Country taking place. Can you believe we are almost halfway through Term 2?

Have a wonderful week!
Mrs Adams and Miss Kovacic

5/6
Good afternoon families,

We’re so busy already as we approach the halfway mark of Term 2! 5/6 thoroughly enjoyed hosting assembly yesterday, we hope you enjoyed it too! Our year 5 students completed their Naplan tests this week. All were focused and gave their best efforts in each test. The tests were on Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy.

Our students will be having a few assessments over the coming weeks, as we prepare for half yearly reports which will go home at the end of this term.

Next Tuesday, our choir and dance students will be performing at the Biggest Morning Tea event at Mandavilla across the road. We’d love to see you there too if you can make it! We also will be having our next year 6 fundraiser towards the end of term – a whole school disco! Our students are deciding on a theme for the night, we’ll keep you posted.

We have a comfortable new reading area in our learning space. Students are able to use this space during group work and using it has been a welcome addition to our school day! Our students are active participants in our silent reading sessions also, listening to the short discussions they have with their peers (discussing characters, story events or interesting facts) is music to our ears as teachers!

Have a relaxing weekend,
Mrs Elwing and Miss Kovacic

Afternoon Scripture

The After School Scripture Club will be on again this term on Tuesday, 19th May and Tuesday 2nd June at 3pm and we are looking forward to seeing you all there. All children and parents are welcome. It will run from 3pm to 4.30pm.

We have lots of games, craft and stories organised and it will be a fun time for everyone, of course parents are very welcome. Jeff will be bringing his guitar as usual and yummy afternoon tea will be provided again.

Jeff and Johanna Flood who teach scripture at the school every Tuesday will be running the club together with a motivated and excited team.

Please fill in the form attached if you have not already handed one in last term and return it to the school.

If you have any questions just talk to Johanna (ph. 0407 067 082) who is at the school to drop off and pick up her own children.

Thanks a lot.
Johanna
0407 067 082

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Horsley Park After School Scripture Club

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The After School Scripture Club is on again. We now have two dates which are **Tuesday, 19th May and Tuesday, 2nd June** 2015 for this term. Hope you/your kids can make it. Dates for next term will be advised.

We are planning on having a fun day which will include afternoon tea, bible stories and lots of new games and crafts. It will run from **3pm to 4:30pm** at Horsley Park Public School. You will find us outside or on the verandah of the reading room.

All students and parents are welcome as usual.

If your child would like to **attend** After School Scripture Club, please fill in the form below and return it to the school or have your child bring it on the day. If your child has attended this year’s After School Scripture Club in term 1, you will not need to sign a new form.

If you have any questions about the club or are able to help on the day please talk to Johanna at school or give her a call on 0407 067 082.

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*I give permission for my child/children __________________________ from ___________ to attend After School Scripture Club being held at Horsley Park Public School, and being run by Johanna and Jeff Flood from Cabramatta Vineyard Christian Church.*

*My child/children has NO food allergies/ Has the following food allergies/dietary requirements.*

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*My emergency contact number is ______________________________*

Name:____________________________________________________

Signed:__________________________________________________