Sustainability Workshop
On Monday all students were involved in a workshop presented by ‘Environmentors’ of Keep NSW Beautiful. This is an Environmental Education program to foster positive environmental change in communities. It is designed for school students and funded by Fairfield City Council. Each workshop looked at the issue of sustainability in cities and communities. All students participated enthusiastically and learnt lots about the correct disposal of waste and preservation of our natural environment. Thank you to Mrs Elwing for organising the workshop sessions.

Debating
On Wednesday 27th May 2015, the H.P.P.S. Debating Team travelled to Middleton Grange Public School to compete in the first round of the Cowpasture inter-school Debating Competition. The debate topic was ‘Honesty is the Best Policy’ and our school argued for the negative side. The students did an amazing job and walked away as very convincing winners. Congratulations to Chris, Keali, Sarah, Dale, Aiden, Laura, Madison and Elyse. The team is looking forward to their second round debate against Bringelly Public School next Wednesday. Good luck!

Working With Children check
Just a reminder, all volunteers working within our school need to have a working with children check processed. The Website is: http://www.kids.nsw.gov.au/Working-with-Children/Check. As a volunteer there is no charge for this process. Please ensure you tick the volunteer section of the application. Please provide the office with a copy of your clearance once you have received it.

Carpark
Please ensure that you continue to follow the car park rules of driving safely within the school car park and that you accompany your child to and from the vehicle when being picked up and dropped off. Please DO NOT park in the designated parking space (labelled with the Disabled Parking sign) that has been allocated as the drop off and pick up point for our taxied students. It is important that this area is clear in the morning between 8:30am and 9:30 and the afternoon between 2:30 and 3:30pm.

Afternoon Scripture
The After School Scripture Club will be on again this term on 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 at the office 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
Classroom News

KR

Welcome to week 6!

This week KR will be completing their final assessment tasks to guide their report comments. In Maths this week we will be completing our learning about Fractions - Half and Whole and consolidate our understanding of 2D Space.

Just a reminder, for students in KR, to keep collecting their class awards (little awards). Positive behaviour can earn children a ‘little award’. Examples include a Classroom Award, Library Award, Italian Award, Playground Award, Scripture Award, etc. 5 little awards can be traded for a MERIT CARD. Once your child earns 5 MERIT AWARDS (including sport merits) they can bring them up to the office to receive a BRONZE award. (Another 5 merits = Silver/another 5 merits = Gold).

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.

On a final note, on behalf of all the dance and choir teachers, I would like to congratulate all the students who attended The Biggest Morning Tea last week to perform at Mandavilla. Not only are you all to be commended on your wonderful behaviour, but also your ability to perform under ‘somewhat’ cramped circumstances. You should all be proud of yourselves as you were wonderful representatives of Horsley Park Public School. Well done!

Have a lovely week!
Mrs Rositano

1/2

Hello everyone!

Well, isn’t this term flying by. We are making great progress within the classroom this term. Our reading and writing is improving greatly! We are also very lucky that we have Mrs Raiti joining us for a number of lessons to help us become even better readers and writers. She is loving her time in the classroom with us! I’m very proud and impressed with the commitment to their learning that the students in 1/2C are showing me so keep it up.

We have been looking at Growing and changing within our science unit and we are really enjoying learning new things. We have created some great artworks of living things that we can display around the classroom.

Just another reminder about home readers. Please make sure you are bringing them back to swap for another book every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It is very important that students are reading every night to increase their reading skills. If you are interested in taking another book to read on the Tuesday or the Thursday please ask.

Hope you are all enjoying your week!
Miss Carey

3/4

Welcome to Week 6!

Students in 3/4 AK have had another busy fortnight with the booknic, environmental visit, and zone cross-country taking place. Hopefully things will start to settle down as the term draws to a close.

Students have been working really hard in class and the improvements we are seeing in reading and spelling are amazing. We encourage the children to continue reinforcing these skills by completing their weekly homework tasks. This week in Mathematics, 3/4 AK will be looking at Mass, Quadrilaterals and Multiplication. We will also be doing a number of formal assessments to assess their progress.

Students are enjoying our text ‘The 27th Annual African Hippopotamus Race’ and are writing some wonderful transformations in our creative writing lessons. Next lesson they will be editing and publishing their work.

Our supplies of tissues and paper towel are running low again, any donations of these items would be greatly appreciated.

Please ensure your child’s clothing is labelled as these items are regularly misplaced.

Have a wonderful week!
Mrs Adams and Miss Kovacic

5/6

Good afternoon families,

It’s the end of week 6! As usual, time is passing us so quickly, but we are immersed in learning as usual, making discoveries about ourselves as learners, as well as the content we are learning.

We have been looking at what enhances an Information Report and will be writing our own reports in class next week. The next fortnight’s homework began this week and we are pleased to see more students handing in completed work on a Friday.

We enjoyed our ‘Environmentors’ workshop earlier this week, where we were able to look closely at and feel raw plastic and metal materials, before being recycled. This session was an enjoyable lesson on sustainability for our students.

Part 1 of our Science assignments on Weather were due this week. Please see Miss K if you have any queries about the assignment.

Our silent reading at the beginning of the day has proved to be an enjoyable time for our students. More students are bringing in books from home to read at this time. This is a sign to us, that they are valuing this time in class. Comprehension skills are being focused on too, where students discuss what they read with a partner, at the end of each silent reading session.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Elwing and Miss Kovacic

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