Principals report

Kindergarten BBQ
Despite the weather we had some extremely brave and resilient attendees at last Saturday’s “Welcome Kindergarten BBQ”. While the weather left much to be desired it proved to be a great afternoon. A huge thank you to Suellen and Andrew (Jack & Rex) for all their hard work on the BBQ and for providing the much needed diversions and entertainment.

Australian Curriculum
All schools are undertaking an intensive orientation to the new National English Syllabus over the coming months. The work and extensive professional learning carried out this year is in preparation for full implementation of the English Syllabus in 2014. A schedule for the implementation of additional syllabuses is provided below.

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School Development Days Term 2
In 2013 an additional school development day has been scheduled for 30 April. The additional day has been provided to allow schools to undertake professional learning for staff around the processes required to enable implementation of the new English curriculum. The first day back at school for all our students will be Wednesday May 1 2013. More information about School Vacations can be found by clicking on the following link.

NSW Public School Holidays

Craig Davis

Good Luck to all the Nippers at the State Carnival this weekend

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Selection of School Teams and Groups
Throughout the year Harbord students have the opportunity to participate in a range of programs across all aspects of school life. Many of these programs are limited by numbers of positions available and the process becomes competitive.

The teacher in charge of the program assesses the applicants and selects the team or group. The teacher has a range of expectations and criteria to assess the students and to guide their choices. It is expected that these decisions will be accepted by both the child and the parent.

Constant challenging of team selections by parents unwilling to accept the selection process is unhelpful and at times disappointing.
Parents need to be aware of what message they are sending to their child when decisions on team or group selections don't suit the perceived outcomes of parents and therefore are challenged. Students in all sports are encouraged to accept the umpire’s decision and move on with the game.

Parents who wish to have any concerns with selection processes clarified should make an appointment with the principal or deputy principal.

Gifted and Talented Students
Information leaflets are available from the school office for our current year 6 students interested in applying for gifted and talented placement at our local high schools in year 7 in 2014. The year 6 teachers also have copies of these information leaflets.

These sheets give details of programs available and dates of upcoming tests.

Mosman High School
We have received Expression of Interest forms from Mosman High School for our year 6 students interested in accessing placement in special classes in year 7 for 2014. The classes cover Visual Arts, Drama, Music and Academic Extension. These programs are aimed at students with special talents, interests or gifts. Copies of these forms are available from year 6 class teachers or the school office. These applications are to be submitted direct to Mosman High School and attract an application fee of $35. Applications close March 14th.

Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2014
Year 6 students will receive information next week related to enrolment procedures for year 7 students in 2014. The information booklet includes:
Moving to Secondary School
Government Secondary Schooling options
Completing the Expression of Interest Form
Please read this information carefully. The Expression of Interest form needs to be returned to school office or child’s class teacher by March 22nd.

Enquiries can be directed to Mr O'Rourke or Mrs McKenzie.

School Leaders’ Induction Ceremony-change of date
The induction ceremony for our 2013 Captains and Seniors, House Captains and Vice Captains has been changed to Wednesday 13th March at 1.50pm in the school assembly hall.
We will also be inducting our year 3-6 SRC students at this assembly. Our concert band will perform at the induction assembly. The ceremony will conclude by 2.30pm. This is a special day in our school year and we look forward to seeing our proud parents witness the induction ceremony. The change of date was necessary as several school leaders will be involved in the It’s Academic Program on the previously advertised date of Wednesday 27th March.

Photographs
Please note the following dates for school photographs.
Friday March 22nd Summer PSSA team photographs 9.10am-11.10am.
Wednesday March 27th K-6 Class photographs 9.10am-3.00pm

Swimming Carnival
Our school swimming carnival will be held at Manly Swim Centre on Monday March 4th.
The Manly District Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday, March 8th at Warringah Aquatic Centre. Harbord will nominate students to participate in the district carnival in the following categories. The categories are the same for boys and girls.
3 representatives in 50m freestyle 8,9,10,11,12yrs and 2 representatives in 13yrs 50m freestyle.
2 representatives in 50m junior breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.
2 representatives in 50m 11yrs breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.
2 representatives in 50m 12/13yrs breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.

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2 representatives in 4x50m open individual medley, junior 4x50m individual medley and open 100m freestyle.
1 team in each of the 4x50m relay divisions: Junior boys, junior girls, senior boys, senior girls.
Junior events refer to students who are turning 8,9,10 this year.
Senior events refer to students turning 11,12,13 this year.

Stewart House Clothing Bags
Thank you to families who returned clothing bags for Stewart House. We have had a good response and this support for fundraising initiatives for Stewart House is appreciated.

Term 1 Sport
Summer PSSA Sport commences on Friday March 1st. There are only 3 rounds of competition in term 1.
Parents will be invoiced for Summer PSSA bus costs of $5 per round.
All year 3-6 students not participating in Summer PSSA Sport will participate in a 5 week program with Sports Skills Group commencing Friday, March 1st. Year 3-4 students will use specialised equipment to develop balance and coordination skills. Year 3-6 students will be involved in minor and major games skills of summer sports. Students will be invoiced to cover the weekly $4 cost of this program. This program is conducted at Harbord Park.

Brian O'Rourke

Three year old Neve Brady was recently diagnosed with leukemia and needs weekly blood or platelet transfusions. Parents, Kelly and Matt have asked those of you from the Manly/Freshwater community who wish to support their daughter, to do so by giving blood. Not only will Neve benefit, but so will many children like her. For details ph 0402318329 or krissy_71@hotmail.com

We WANT you, we NEED you!!!!!
HARBORD PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Meetings are held once a month (morning or afternoon) in the school staffroom to plan and organise fundraising for the year. We need volunteers from all years, to help with cake stalls, trivia night etc

The FIRST MEETING for the year is on:
FRIDAY 8th MARCH at 2.15pm in the STAFFROOM
Email Suellen on suellend@bigpond.com
If you would like to be involved, even if you can’t make the meeting
JUNIOR CHOIR

Children in Year 1 and Year 2 are welcome to come along to Junior Choir each WEDNESDAY at lunchtime. There are NO auditions for Junior Choir. If your child has a love of singing they are welcome to come along.

Junior Choir involves coming to practice every Wednesday (unless notified) at lunchtime, immediately after eating time. Practise sessions will take up half of lunchtime in Ms Montgomery’s classroom.

We look forward to a fantastic year singing together.

Ms K Montgomery and Mrs Lavelle

Canteen News

Volunteer Roster:

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Allergy Alerts:

I’ve managed to set up a system with Flexischools that will enable you to flag an allergy alert in your child’s details when ordering which will show up on the printed order label I receive. If you child wishes to place an order please fill out this field. I have created a number of options that I know are issues for students at school this year. If you have any questions regarding this please give me a call. Also feel free to come into the canteen and go through all the labels to see what your child is able to have. Both Bec and I have children with food allergies so we are very aware of the importance of preventing cross contamination.

Volunteers:

The volunteer roster is now looking fabulous. There are still spaces on Mondays if anyone is available. Please remember to wear enclosed shoes for your day in the canteen.

New Menu Items:

Wednesday’s burger meal deal (burger + fruit + drink) are proving very popular $5.50. We also have humous with carrot, celery & bread sticks for 50c. Small plain milk $1.00. Watermelon slices 20c. Fruit ball cups (watermelon, rockmelon, honeydew melon balls) 50c. Please note jelly sticks are no longer available.

Jan Baldwin
Canteen Manager
**GARDEN GURUS**
Harbord’s Garden Guru's will be selling delicious fresh herbs (parsley, basil, oregano, chives) at the canteen Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8.45am until 9.05am.

**CHESS**
Social Chess club will begin 8.30am Friday the 8th March in 11’s classroom. Students from Years 1 to 6 are welcome to attend.
Jeanette Iacovitti Chess Coordinator

Stella Maris College Open Evening Wednesday 20\textsuperscript{th} March 5 - 8
St Pauls College Open Evening Thursday 28\textsuperscript{th} Feb 4 - 7

Open Days 2013
Mackellar Girls Campus
Tuesday 26\textsuperscript{th} February 9.00 – 11.30 am
Info Night: Thursday 28\textsuperscript{th} February 6.30 – 7.30 pm
Enquiries: 9949 2083

Manly Selective Campus
Thursday 28\textsuperscript{th} February 9.30 – 11.00 am
Enquiries: 9905 3982

Cromer Campus
Monday 4\textsuperscript{th} March 4.00 – 7.30 pm
Enquiries: 9981 1155

Freshwater Senior Campus
Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} March 4.00 – 7.00 pm
Tuesday 21\textsuperscript{st} May 3.00 – 5.00pm
Enquiries: 9905 2634

Pittwater High School
Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th} March
5.15pm – 6.00pm

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4\textsuperscript{TH} MARCH 4PM-7.30PM
Harbord Harlequins Rugby starts soon. We need more U6’s – email colin@3rdsense.com

REGISTRATION STILL OPEN

 Play with Friends   Training at Kik-Off all weather pitches  
Online Registration - www.hsufootball.com.au or Paul 0403 938 980
Harbord Seasiders United Football Club

Play AFL this year
If you are looking for fun and to meet new friends, then why not play AFL?

It is the perfect opportunity to get fit, have fun and meet new friends during winter. There are modified rules of the game to suit boys and girls from five years, as well as a competitive open-age competition for boys and girls from 11-16 years. By registering at your local AFL club you can be one of the 120,000 participants from NSW and the ACT that play the game each year. There is also the chance for some lucky children to run onto the SCG or ANZ Stadium during Sydney Swans games as part of the Auskick half-time program. Playing AFL will be the one of the best decisions you make this year. Your local club is the Manly Bombers Junior AFL Club. Register online at www.manlybombers.com.au or contact the Club President: Kelvin Millsom on 0407 228 443 to discuss.

‘ CURL CURL SPORTS NETBALL CLUB
Are you still considering joining a netball team this winter season. It is not too late to register.
We are looking for a few 8 and 9 year players for our Netta teams and also 12 year players to fill our low grade divisions. It doesn’t matter if you have not played before. We will train you.
Please contact secretary@curlcurlsportsnetball.asn.au for more information and visit our website www.curlcurlsportsnetball.asn.au”

No Parking – Kiss and Drop Zone Etiquette

- Always drive to the start of the zone (in line with the first sign to allow maximum number of vehicles behind, even if there are no vehicles queuing behind you).

When No Parking/Kiss & Drop Zone is full -
- Do not stop and wait unless a space is immediately or about to become available.
- Continue driving but very slowly (as a space may become vacant).
- Don’t wait for the last vehicle to move off - take any vacant space – this will keep traffic flowing.

When a Pedestrian/Children’s crossing is before the No Parking Zone –
- First check the crossing before checking the No Parking Zone for space availability.
- If the No Parking zone is full - do not wait at the crossing (unless pedestrians are crossing). This causes other vehicles to overtake on the crossing which is extremely dangerous and illegal.

Be mindful how you park – don’t take up 2 spaces when you can move closer to a vehicle or driveway and by doing so it will allow another vehicle to fit in. We appreciate that you may need to get out of the driver’s seat to help unload bags and children etc. Please do this expeditiously and efficiently. Tying shoe laces, combing hair and tucking shirts are all activities best done before the journey begins, not while you are parked in the Kiss-Drop-Go Zone holding up traffic.

Further Information –
www.rta.nsw.gov.au › Rules and regulations

Peter Wright – Warringah Council Road Safety Education Officer – Ph 9942 2447
**Tennis Whizz** is a new innovative program that teaches 3 to 5yr olds how to develop their tennis and athleticism through storytelling and other unique, innovative approaches!  
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**Term 1 Sessions commence**  
**Wednesday 13th Feb**  
9:30 to 10:15am

**Thursday 14th Feb**  
9:30 to 10:15am

Possible classes on Tuesday at 2.00 - 2.45 pm, Saturday afternoon at 4.00 pm.

**Contact Information:**  
To book or for further information call Scott at the Narraweena tennis Centre on 0432 835 854 or Theresa 0405424413 or email: flyingv182@hotmail.com

Also at Narraweena a complete junior tennis program as well Holiday tennis camps in April.  
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