School Sports, Choir, Dance, Band

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all parents and students for their ongoing support and trust in the way in which the school manages the very difficult process of team selections or group auditions. Not everyone can be successful at audition or trial selections. Dance, Choir, Debating, Schools Spectacular, Band and Competitive sports all require that difficult decisions be made. At every school these processes are always heavily scrutinised and it is just as problematic for schools that can only put one team or group forward as it is for schools in a larger setting.

The one thing I find completely unacceptable in any school setting is when the integrity and honesty of those involved in any of these audition or selection processes is challenged, based on assumptions and hearsay. As has been seen from the recent issues in the media of late, the spread of inaccurate information often reflects poorly on those who make unsupported comment.

For some reason sports tend to attract more negative comment. Our school is fortunate enough to have willing and highly skilled committed staff who freely give their time and volunteer to manage these extracurricular groups. Just in the Winter Season alone the school has 20 PSSA Teams competing in the local competition. Be it one team or twenty, spaces are limited and additional teams are not a solution. The PSSA competition is governed beyond the school and unless other schools can field additional teams the competitions end up with uneven rounds and a series of byes. Harbord Public School recognises the importance in terms of setting good practices and promoting healthy lifestyles in the lives of all our students. To this end the school further support students by implementing the Sports in Schools Program. This program is operated by trained Physical Education Teachers to improve skills and provide games environments for the more capable.

The Sydney Junior Rugby Union

All Players, Coaches, Officials, Parents and Spectators entering this venue must comply with the Australian Rugby Union’s (ARU’S) Expectations of Behaviour Guidelines which include the following:

Do’s

Encourage the players to abide by the Laws of the Game.

- Applaud all good play whether it is by your team or your opponents.
- Treat everyone as you yourself would like to be treated.
- Display exemplary behaviour and accept responsibility for your actions.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from the game.
- Most importantly have fun and enjoy “the game they play in heaven”.

Don’ts

- Abuse, criticise, threaten, ridicule or intimidate a Player, Coach, Match Official or Spectator while attending the venue.
- Question the decisions of the Referee or Assistant Referees and never question their honesty or integrity.
- Enter the field of play unless invited to do so by the referee.
- Discriminate because of a person’s gender, disability, ethnicity or religion.
- Swear, use bad language or harass anyone at the venue.

ABUSE OF PLAYERS OR MATCH OFFICIALS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!

Failure to comply with these Expectations of Behaviour Guidelines will result in your expulsion from the venue and being reported to the Sydney Junior Rugby Union Competition Manager.

For further information go to: www.rugby.com.au/rugby/competition/Policies.aspx

Remember enjoy your Rugby experience!

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NAPLAN
Well done to all Year 3 and Year 5 students who have had a busy three days undertaking the NAPLAN assessments.

WINTER UNIFORM
With the weather beginning to become a little cooler the students are beginning to enjoy the benefits of our warmer uniform.

COMMUNITY CPR
Due to popular demand, the community CPR program is again being offered to the local community. Local surf clubs are again working together to deliver a FREE Community CPR and First Aid Course. Funded by Freshwater Community Bank, Life Saving experts from South Curl Curl, North Curl Curl and Freshwater Surf Life Saving Clubs will be hosting a FREE training seminar on the last Wednesday of each month over the winter period, from May until October 2013. There is more information available within this newsletter.

CONGRATULATIONS STEWART HOUSE AMBASSADORS
Last week 12 of our senior students acted as Stewart House Ambassadors. These students did an outstanding job showing the many dignitaries around the complex. So much so that I received a lovely letter from the Deputy President of the NSW Teachers Federation who took the time to write commending the work of our students.
Mr Zadkovich writes in part about one of our student, Vivienne from Year 6…
“I am delighted to be able to commend this fine young person as an outstanding ambassador of Harbord Public School and the public education system. …..I left her company with a warm heart, knowing her parents, her teachers and you her principal, can be truly proud of Vivienne’s qualities and character.”
Indeed we are!

COMMUNITY NOTICE:
One of our very prominent ex- students Elizabeth Handsley, Professor of Law Flinders University will be the programme guest on Midday with Margaret Throsby, on ABC Classic FM, on Tuesday 11 June. Elizabeth provided many of the photos used by the school during our Centenary.
In case you’re not aware of it this is a show where Margaret interviews guests about their life, and the guests choose music. I expect that I will be discussing my time at Harbord Public (1968-74) in the course of the interview.
Podcasts are available here afterwards for anybody who can’t listen to it live.

C Davis
Principal

From the Deputy Principal

Opportunity Class Placement 2014
Opportunity classes are one strategy used by the Department of Education to cater for the learning needs of gifted and talented students. Year 4 students have the opportunity to apply for opportunity class placement in year 5 in 2014. Placement tests will be conducted at designated local high school venues. Applications can be completed online or by requesting an application package from school. On line or paper applications need to be completed by Friday 17th May. Paper applications are to be returned to the child’s class teacher.
The school is required to provide an assessment in Mathematics and English for each applicant. Year 4 teachers have issued expression of interest forms to their students. Parents wishing to have their child undertake the test are asked to return the tear off slip to their child’s class teacher.
The OC placement program is a very competitive process designed to cater for the most able students with a history of academic success. Please note that online applications are accessible from Monday 29th April at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. Information sheets are also available from the school office. (cont’d)

**Representative Sport Trials**

Congratulations to the following students on their selection in Manly Zone squads at recent zone trials.

Rugby Union – Guiseppe Plati, Noah Perego

Touch Football – Noah Perego, Oscar McMillan, Maddi McGrath and Mya Geros

**PSSA Winter Sport**

Round I has come and gone and all students enjoyed their competition matches on Friday. Some teams had wins and some had losses but all participated in a sporting manner. Thank you to parents who had their children well prepared for PSSA sport on Friday. Permission notes and code of conduct notes need to be returned to team coaches by this Friday.

**Photographs**

Order forms are available from the school office for students wishing to order Summer PSSA team photographs taken in term 1. The team photographs are on display in an album located in the school office. The cost per photograph is $18.00. Orders need to be finalised by Friday 31st May.

**Stewart House**

Our current envelope drive has realised over $1300 in donations to Stewart House. This is an excellent response by our students. This has surpassed our goal of $1000. Well done boys and girls.

**Cross Country Carnival.**

Thank you to Mr Holmes and staff for the excellent cross country carnival for our students on Monday. Students who placed in the top 6 in their respective age groups will represent Harbord in the zone cross country on Wednesday the 22nd May at the same venue. Thank you to all students who participated to ensure a successful carnival.

Brian O'Rourke

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**Harbord Parents & Citizens**

Come and join our next meeting – an opportunity to listen to our principal speak on issues affecting our school and children

Wednesday 22 May, **7.30pm**

School staffroom (enter via front door)

**New Members Welcome**

**Refreshments after meeting**

If you cannot attend, you are welcome to email any questions or suggestions to jenbourg@bigpond.net.au or drop a note into the box in the office foyer by the end of this week.
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Life Saving experts from South Curl Curl, North Curl Curl and Freshwater Surf Life Saving Clubs will be hosting a FREE training seminar on the last Wednesday of each month over the winter period, from May until October 2013.

Due to popular demand, this program is again being offered to the local community.

Funded by Freshwater Community Bank® and coordinated by volunteer trainers from each surf club, it’s important to note that this course is not accredited, but can be tailored to suit your needs.

Whether a new parent or newly appointed carer, an ageing citizen or someone just wanting to update their current knowledge, this course is available to everyone.

Group bookings are also welcome, and can be scheduled according to availability each month.

Freshwater Community Bank® is also donating a portable resuscitation mask and take home notes for each attendee.

For more information, or to register for a course, please contact Course Registrar, Alison Moss by email at freshwatercommunitycpr@gmail.com or phone 9939 0362.
MOTHERS’ DAY

My family love to spoil my Mum. On Mothers’ Day we gave Mum breakfast in bed, had a sushi lunch and stayed up late to watch a movie.
First we made my Mum breakfast in bed. It was French toast. That was yum. My Mum loved it.
After that we went out for lunch. We had sushi. It was so yummy. I had one cucumber roll.
Finally we stayed up late and watched a movie.
Mothers’ Day is great because we love to spoil Mum.
By Olive 2B

Mothers’ Day is for fun for Mum. We gave her breakfast and presents. My sister and I made breakfast for her. We gave her fresh bread for breakfast in bed. My Mum loved the chocolate truffles. For dinner we had salmon teriyaki. My Mum loved Mothers’ day.
By Luca 2B

My Mum didn’t like Mothers’ Day, she loved it! We gave her breakfast in bed, gave her all her presents and went out for dinner.
First we gave her the breakfast in bed. She ate pancakes with syrup. She thought that was delicious.
Next Mum opened all her presents but I gave my present a bit later.
Finally we had dinner and that’s when I shared the chocolate truffles.
Mothers’ Day was the best day because we love to spoil my Mum.
Kiera 2B

NATIONAL WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Have you taken up the challenge?

It’s only two weeks until Walk Safely to School Day.

On Friday 24 May we are asking parents and carers to walk their primary school aged children all or part of the way to school to improve health, promote road safety and reduce congestion around schools. Those who can’t walk the whole way are asked to combine a walk with public transport or to park the car a good distance away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

For more information visit www.walk.com.au
Garden Gurus Friday Market Stall

Garden Gurus are now meeting at lunchtimes on either Monday or Wednesday.

We are also moving our Market Stall to a Friday afternoon to line up with the Canteen being open for Happy Half-Hour treats after school on a Friday.

So grab the kids a treat and grab yourself some super fresh herbs to put into the dinner at the same time!

Check out some of our Gurus enjoying their bruschetta this week 😊

Canteen News

Volunteer Roster:

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PSSA Orders: Please note that winter PSSA has begun. Please make sure you select the PSSA option when ordering on Friday if your child is involved in PSSA sport. This ensures that their lunch is ready for the early PSSA pick up time. If PSSA isn’t selected I am unable to find these orders in the large volume of orders that I have on a Friday. So if you forget to select this option your child’s lunch will be kept in the canteen for pick up on return from PSSA.

Happy ½ Hour Fridays....

The canteen will be open on Friday afternoons till 3.15pm for drinks, ice blocks & slushies. GREAT way to start the weekend!!!!! We have been really busy so thanks for your support.

Soup: Soup is back on the menu now that there is a winter chill in the air. Please order online. Type of soup will change weekly & will be changed on flexischools

Jan Baldwin
Canteen Manager
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