PRINCIPALS REPORT

NO PARKING
For the safety and amenity of everyone it is important that drivers obey these signs. There is absolutely NO PARKING between these signs from 8.30am up until 9.30am each school day.
As you would imagine, parking in these zones leads to traffic congestion and poses a risk to the safety of our students.
Please consider others and obey the signs!

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Exemptions from Attendance at School
Under the Education Act 1990, Certificates of Exemption from compulsory school attendance may be considered. Harbord Public School has a high level of compliance with requests for such reasons as family holidays, health reasons (as directed by Public Health) employment in the entertainment industry or participation in elite sporting events for one or two days.

Students Attending Lessons Outside School During School Hours
It is important that students attend school for the whole day. The Department recognises that it can be difficult to make alternative arrangements for medical appointments. However, other reasons for non-attendance are not supported by the Department as it impacts upon the effective operation of the school or to the education of the student concerned.
While it can be tempting to try and squeeze other activities in throughout the school day, the Department expects any involvement in private lessons or a students’ involvement in extra-curricula activities will usually be limited to outside school hours. If parents withdraw their children from school for private lessons, schools are directed to record an unjustified absence.

School Security: 1300 880021
You can assist in reducing the enormous cost of vandalism by ringing SCHOOL SECURITY 24hrs on 1300 88 00 21 if you see anything suspicious.

Craig Davis

REMINDER: Band Camp is on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th May

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From the Deputy Principal

Student Care
The focus of this school in the area of Student Care is on positive reinforcement. We reward children for good work, good behaviour and good manners and for participating in the many activities available at Harbord. These rewards take the form of chook lotto certificates, merit certificates, stickers and recognition at banner assemblies. The emphasis is on encouraging children to do what they know to be right. We aim to anticipate problems and then take steps to avoid them. Our school code of conduct is expressed in positive terms. Next week I will report on the Referral System.

District Cross Country Carnival
Mr Holmes is organising the District Cross Country Carnival this year. He will do an excellent job. Harbord will have 6 participants in each division. There are divisions for boys and girls in the following age groups: 8/9yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs and 12yrs. The carnival is at John Fisher Park, North Curl Curl on Wednesday 21st May. Go Harbord.

Mathematical Olympiads Program (MOPS)
A number of selected year 6 students will participate in the Mathematical Olympiad Program in terms 2 and 3. This is a problem solving activity made up of 5 questions in each Olympiad. The students complete 5 Olympiads over 2 terms. The students meet with Mr O’Rourke each Friday morning at 10.30am to prepare for the Olympiads. The program commences Friday 16th May.

Opportunity Class Placement 2015
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 2015. Placement tests will be conducted at designated local high school venues. Applications can be completed on line or by requesting an application package from school. On line or paper applications need to be completed by Friday 16th May. Paper applications are to be returned to the child’s class teacher.

PSSA Winter Sport
Round 1 ran smoothly for all our PSSA teams last week. A reminder that permission notes and code of conduct forms need to be returned to team coaches by 16th May.

Stewart House
Thank you to Mrs McKenzie and Ms Berry for supervising our choir and year 6 students at the Stewart House Presentation Day last Friday. The students did a wonderful job as ushers and entertainers. We are currently raising funds for Stewart House with an envelope drive. K-6 students are asked to donate a gold coin to support the wonderful work of Stewart House for disadvantaged children. The theme of Kids Helping Kids is an excellent idea. Students are asked to complete a chore at home for a gold coin and place it in the envelope and return it to school by Monday 16th May.

Brian O’Rourke
BAND CAMP
Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th May
Arrive at HPS 12.40pm
Permission notes to be returned to band box by 19th May
Please help us to plan a great weekend for your children by returning your notes promptly.

Spellathon Update

One of our school’s targets for 2014 is to improve the Spelling outcomes of all students so this year, all children K-6, will be participating in a SPELLATHON! This is one of our major fundraising events for the year. We will be learning lists of words to raise money for our school to fund the purchase of additional iPads and for ground improvements.

- The lists of words for Years 1 – 6 have been given out this week
- We want the Spellathon to be achievable for all so some children may have a modified list / number of words to learn.
- Children have the next four weeks to learn their words
- Words will also be practised during class time through written activities, games and drills
- The date for the ‘Spell-Off’ is Friday 30th May 2014. Children in Years 1 – 6 will be tested on the words they were expected to learn. Kindergarten will complete their word blending activity. All children will receive an iceblock, paid for by the P&C.
- Sponsorship forms and money are due back to school on Friday 6th June 2014 and should be placed in the K-6 box at the office.

Please note:
- Additional sponsorship forms can be collected from the school office or from your class teacher
- For safety measures, we ask that amounts over $30 be paid by cheque made out to Harbord P&C or by credit card. A receipt will be issued if requested.
SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE
BOX OFFICE BOOKING INFORMATION

Adults $40, Concession/ Students $33

Ticket Sales for the Festival of Choral Music open over 4 days, from Monday 16 June to Thursday 19 June 2014 from 9am each day and are only available for purchase from Sydney Opera House Box Office. The Arts Unit will not handle bookings.

The Sydney Opera House Contact Centre is open 9.00am – 8.30pm Monday to Saturday and 10:00am to 6:00pm on Sundays.

The Sydney Opera House Onsite Venue Box Office is open from 9:00am – 8:30pm Monday to Saturday and 9:00am to 5:00pm on Sundays.

Online bookings are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

HOW TO BOOK
Online: www.sydneyoperahouse.com (24 hours a day, 7 days a week)
Telephone: 02 9250 7777 Open Mon - Sat 9.00am-8.30pm & Sun 10.00am-6.00pm
In Person: Main Box Office, Sydney Opera House - open Mon - Sat 9.00am-8.30pm and Sun 9.00am-5.00pm

PAYMENT
Payment is accepted by cash, cheque, money order and Credit Card (Visa, Mastercard, Diners Club & American Express) and by EFTPOS at the Box Office counter.

TRANSACTION FEE
A fee of $8.50 (GST inclusive) per transaction is charged to the customer (irrespective of the number of tickets purchased) for all telephone, mail, fax, email and online bookings. A $5.00 fee applies when paying in person at the counter.

EXCHANGE FEE
Exchanges are subject to availability and attract a fee of $5.00 (GST inclusive) per ticket. Once an order is complete, there are no refunds or cancellations.

Schools distribute to parents:

OUR CONCERT IS: The “Endeavour” Concert

CONCERT DATE: Thursday 7 August 2014

BOOKINGS OPEN: Thursday 19 June 2014

WHEN BOOKING TICKETS PLEASE NOTE -
• Last year these concerts sold out very quickly.
• To avoid disappointment, be prepared to book on the date that bookings open for your concert and be certain of the concert name, date and time.
• Please note that if your child is performing on the day, they will either be on stage or backstage during the performance. They will NOT require a ticket.
## Volunteer Roster:

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## Flexischools online ordering:


### SOUP is back for term 2 & 3

see flexischools for weekly special. Bring your lunch bag from class box to the canteen to collect.

**NEW!**

Spinach & ricotta rolls (great vegetarian alternative to a sausage roll)

### PSSA online orders:

Please remember hit the PSSA button if your child is year 3 or above and playing sport on Fridays in a PSSA team. Their lunch will then be ready at the canteen for pick up @12.10 ready for the buses. If you forget to press this option your child will be able to pick up their lunch on return to school from PSSA.

Jan Baldwin

Canteen Manager

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Fresh Herb Fridays
Need lovely fresh herbs for pizza or pasta?
Want delicious, organic herbs to jazz up dinner?
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Garden Gurus are selling some of our herbs and seasonal produce at the Canteen on a Friday afternoon from 3:05pm.

TERM DATES – 2014

TERM 2  Tuesday, April 29\textsuperscript{th}  to  Friday, June 27\textsuperscript{th}
TERM 3  Tuesday, July 15\textsuperscript{th}  to  Friday, September 19\textsuperscript{th}
TERM 4  Tuesday, October 7\textsuperscript{th}  to  Wednesday, December 17\textsuperscript{th}

Warringah Council and COFA UNSW invite you to
LA LUNE: ENERGY PRODUCING ART
10 – 18 May 5 – 9pm daily Night Sculpture Walk Long Reef Headland.
warringah.nsw.gov.au

North Sydney Girls High School Centenary
Festival Day Sat 17/5 11am — 3pm
Performances, Displays and Food Stalls
Cnr David St and Pacific Hwy Crows Nest

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