STOP PRESS STOP PRESS AS OF 3.15 YR6 ARE ON TRACK AND DUE BACK AT 6.30

From the Deputy Principal

Band Benefit Concert
The concert for Tiffany English was a great success. Thank you to our bands for the excellent entertainment. Well done to the organisers for their hard work. The English Family were clearly overwhelmed by the community support.

Education Week
We look forward to seeing our parents and friends attending Education Week activities at Harbord PS on Thursday 7th August. Open classrooms will be held for K-2 classes from 10.20-11.05am and year 3-6 classes from 9.30 – 10.15am. The students love to see their mums and dads visiting their classrooms and having the opportunity to share their coursework and pieces of special work.

Year 6 Canberra Excursion
Year 6 students are enjoying their stay in Canberra despite the cool weather. The buses are expected back at Harbord on Wednesday evening between 6.30 and 7.00pm. Year 6 parents please remember to thank the year 6 teachers when you pick up your children.
Harbord PS would like to acknowledge the support of the Federal Government in providing financial assistance of $20 per student to participate in the Canberra excursion and allow students the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program (PACER) supports and recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education.

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Stewart House Clothing Bags
Stewart House clothing bags have been distributed to K-6 classes. Please fill bags with unwanted clothing and return to school office. All returned bags will be collected on Wednesday 13th August. Spare bags are available from the office. Thank you for your anticipated support of this program which raises valuable funds for Stewart House.

State Rugby League Carnival
Congratulations to our 9yrs and 10 years rugby league teams on their success at Monday’s State Rugby League Carnival in the St Mary’s District. Both teams qualified for the quarter finals following their 3 pool matches. Unfortunately both teams lost narrowly in the quarter finals despite spirited performances. Thank you to parents who assisted with transport. It was a long way and your support was invaluable. Thank you to Mr Addicott for looking after the 9 year’s team so capably. Well done boys on your successes with rugby league in 2014.

State Cross Country Carnival
Jack Coates placed 9th in the 12 years division at the recent State Cross Country Carnival held at Eastern Creek Raceway. Jack has excelled at cross country this year and he should be very proud of his top 10 finish at the state titles from a field of 72 starters.

Brian O’Rourke

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EDUCATION WEEK 2014
“Lighting the way to a better world”
Parents and visitors are invited to visit our school during Week 4 of this term.
Open classrooms will be on THURSDAY 7th August
3-6: 9:30 -10:15
K-2: 10:20-11:05
Visitors are invited to stay for morning tea which will be served outside the canteen area. Coffee and tea will be provided and a selection of items will be on sale.

The Harbord Public School Almost Spring Fair
Things are already on the move with the organising committee in full swing. As this is our major fund-raising activity for the year we look forward to everyone getting behind it. The funds raised will enable the school to make much needed improvements to the Garden of Tranquillity. The concept design is now on display in the office.

Craig Davis

Primary Ethics Classes Update
Primary Ethics now available for Kindergarten
It is exciting to announce that Primary Ethics Classes are now available for Kindergarten across NSW and as of next year will be offered at Harbord Primary School providing we can get enough volunteer teachers and classrooms. We are also starting up a new Stage One Ethics class this term.

Teaching Primary Ethics
Here at Harbord Primary we are very fortunate to have eleven wonderful volunteer teachers across six grades, some teaching more than one class each Tuesday and all are filling in for each other when sickness, holidays and the unexpected occurs.
However, we will need more volunteer teachers to accommodate the demand for new students and natural teacher attrition, with some teachers going overseas, moving or having babies etc., so please take a moment to read the webpage and see if teaching might be something you would be interested in. Any of our Primary Ethics teachers would be happy to discuss their experience and they are all at the school on Tuesday from 11.30 through 1pm. Following an interview all Primary Ethics teachers complete a police check, the Shining the Light on Child Protection training and a comprehensive two day Primary Ethics training program. There is a very impressive class by class curriculum supported with notes, materials and on line blogs to guide every class and our teachers get together now and then to support each other and discuss how the children are going.

Signing up your children for Primary Ethics Classes
Please register your child on the wait list and ask any questions by contacting the Primary Ethics coordinator at harbordethics@gmail.com providing your child’s name, sex, class, and at least one parent’s full name due to many children’s last name being different.
If you’re new to Primary Ethics please visit the very informative and updated Primary Ethics web page at http://www.primaryethics.com.au
Composting and Recycling Revolution

You no doubt heard about the “No Bin” day last Thursday. We took away all the school playground bins and the kids collected their rubbish for the day in a “personal bin”. This was the first step in getting our children to think about the amount and type of waste they personally generate each day at school.

The kids thought it was very funny to carry around their plastic food wrap, scraps and empty chip packets all day. After lunch they talked about just how much rubbish they added to landfill each week, the majority of which could have been composted or recycled.

Our school has been kindly donated an amazing Closed Loop composting machine that converts food waste into a soil additive in just 24 hours. This machine will enable us to divert all our food scraps from ending up in landfill and leaching poisonous chemicals into the soil and releasing gasses that harm the ozone layer.

We also have compost bins on site that the Canteen, Yr 1 and Yr 2 classes have been using for the past year. The rest of the school will now be moving to a system to collect and compost their fruit & veg waste. This is hopefully something the children can learn about at school and implement at home if you don’t already compost or worm farm.

Did you realise that Sydney’s tips are estimated to be completely full by 2020? Unfortunately unless we teach our children to more carefully consider their purchasing and how they dispose of their waste they will face a crisis in dealing with their waste in the very near future.

Other land-limited countries faced these issues years ago and have developed extensive recycling and composting systems as well as “point of sale” recovery processes whereby the manufacturer is responsible for waste. We too need to look to other ways of dealing with the rubbish we generate.

Rubbish is one of those things that you toss and then forget about, so perhaps you might like to do a similar activity at home on the weekend and just look at the amount and types of rubbish your family generate. Ask your kids if they know what can be recycled.

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This year the highest fundraising school in each state will receive a visit from the MS Readathon make-over team who will transform their reading space.
Choir
36 children from the Senior Choir will be performing at The Sydney Opera House next Thursday 7th August at 7pm as part of the State Choral Of Music. We wish them the best of luck.

Spring Fair 2014
Sunday 31st August

Over the next two weeks, we are asking for donations of SOFT TOYS AND BOOKS so clear out your kids rooms and de-clutter! Please only donate toys and books that are saleable. Most of the soft toys will be used as prizes so pop them through your washing machine so they are lovely and clean.

Children’s books and adult fiction sell well at our Fair. Old reference books from your Uni days and out-of-date Yellow Pages never sell and are a headache for us to get rid of so please be kind!
Drop your toys and books in the Office in boxes or bags suitable for storage as we will be sorting and storing for the next month until the Fair.


Thanks, Suellen, Heather and Jo
2014 Spring Fair: Armbands and Loot Cards

Our Spring Fair on Sun 31st August and we are going cashless!!!
You will need a Loot Card for all stalls and food. It is like a coffee card with $1 increments and these will be will be stamped or signed by stallholders upon redemption.

❖ LOOT CARDS:

Each card is worth $10 and can be purchased on the day, however if you prepay now, a card will cost you only $9 for $10 value!! Get in early and suggest you buy a few now, you will need them!

❖ ARM BANDS FOR RIDES:

These armbands will allow you access to rides ALL DAY! You can purchase before the Spring Fair for $25.00 or on the day for $30.00. Armbands are for everyone, not just Harbord Public School children, so invite your friends from other schools!

To enable our school to get as many rides as possible, we need to pre-sell 650 armbands, so please get your form in ASAP to ensure we get the biggest and best rides for our Spring Fair.

To order your armbands, just complete and return this form to the office in an envelope clearly marked, with your payment of **$25.00 for each armband**. Armbands purchased on the day of the fair will cost $30.00, SO GET IN EARLY!!!!!

Both armbands and Loot Cards will be sent out to children in the week before the Spring Fair (please include your address if your child is not at Harbord Public School)

Thanks, Jo 0419 267 656 aijiac@hotmail.com or Suellen suellend@bigpond.com

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ARMBAND AND LOOT CARD

Child’s Name: __________________________ Child’s Class: __________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

Mobile Number: _________________________________________________

No. of Armbands ______ x $25 = ________

No. of Loot Cards ($10 value) _____ x $9 = ________

Total Payment Enclosed: $____________________

Payment Type: Cash Credit Card Cheque (made out to Harbord Public School)

Credit Card: 

Name of cardholder ________________________________________________ (please print)

Visa Mastercard Card Number: __ __ __ __/ __ __ __ __/ __ __ __ __/ __ __ __ __

Expiry: __ __/ __ __ Amount ($) __________

Signature of cardholder ____________________________________________
Canteen News

Volunteer Roster

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Volunteers Needed: As you can see from the roster above we are still short of volunteers over the next week (lots of illness around.). If you can help out even for a short time can you please give me a call or drop in and let me know.

Thanks Jan Baldwin, Canteen Manager 0400 816 650 or 9939 1651

NOTICEBOARD

Manly Seasiders Junior Baseball Club.
Seasiders invites all children between 7-17 to play baseball this summer. Registration day August 2nd. 11am-2pm at John Fisher Reserve (next to canteen) Contact Paul Gunning 0390 062 132

Play cricket with the Harbord Devils this season. All ages welcome from under 9 to under 18. 5-7 years old can play in the Milo Into Cricket Program which runs later in the year. Girls are welcome and can play up to 2 age divisions lower than their age. Registrations and further info go to http://harborddevils.nsw.cricket.com.au or email harborddevilsjcc@gmail.com

Play Small Sided Football (soccer) at Brookvale Oval after school this Spring. Registrations are being accepted now, so hurry on to the web site to get involved ... www.footballssq.com

Bailey is still missing from Freshwater please call

Bailey’s family on 0406 164 184 with any information new or old.
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