Friday, 5th June, 2015.
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Wood Raffle tickets to be returned to school
Subway Lunch Day

Monday, 8th June
Public Holiday – NO SCHOOL
Subway Lunch Orders due back to school

Tuesday, 9th June
Parents’ Club meeting in Art Room at 9.30 am

Wednesday, 10th June
WOOD RAFFLE drawn at meeting

Thursday, 11th June
Art entries to be handed into school
Subway Lunch Day

Friday, 12th June
Viewing of art work in the school hall after school

Monday, 15th June to

Tuesday, 23rd June
Pie Order forms and money due back to school

Monday, 15th June
Parents’ Club Special Lunch Orders due

Tuesday, 16th June
Parents’ Club Special Lunch Day

Friday, 19th June
Pie Orders delivered to school

Wednesday, 24th June
Last day of Term 2 for students
Curriculum Day for teachers

Friday, 26th June
PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS ……..Adam Downes (Acting Principal)

It was great to see the tired smiles on the faces of our campers on Friday last week. From all accounts, it was a tremendous camp which was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Duncan had said how she had received some terrific feedback from the places visited on the excellent behaviour of our students. Well done to everyone.

At Monday’s assembly we spoke about the importance of students letting staff members know when there have been issues in the yard. We spoke about what to do when you feel uncomfortable or threatened and where to go if you can’t find an adult in the yard. The most important part of the message was that we cannot deal with concerns or incidents if we don’t know about them. We do aim to deal with each incident separately and investigate them thoroughly, as we know there are normally two sides to each story. We aim to provide a well-rounded approach here at school, where we build resilience and address negative behaviours in all students. This can only be done in partnership with home, so we encourage you to work with us to bring out the best in every child.
In the same thread, Monday afternoon there was an unfortunate and preventable altercation that happened between a group of students. This has been dealt with through a restorative justice process where all students have been listened to. It was disappointing for us, that several students sat by and watched the incident take place over several minutes and did nothing to go and get help or alert staff members. What is equally disappointing is that the students had said that parents also saw what was happening. We understand this may have looked like rough play, but we encourage parents to alert our staff to this type of behaviour. We do not expect you to intervene at all, but please make staff aware. We want our school grounds to be a safe and happy place.

Attached to the newsletter today is some important information about two different opportunities. The first is the government’s new camps and excursions initiative. Please read the eligibility criteria to see if you qualify and make sure you keep to the strict deadline. The other one is from Kurnai College asking for expression of interests for providing home-stays for Chinese students they have coming later in the year. This is not organised by us so if you are interested or have any questions, please contact Kurnai College.

At recess time today (Friday), past and present staff were able to celebrate a very special milestone. 20 years ago today Brenda McGowan, first walked through the doors of the Hazelwood North office to begin her new job as office manager. Our staff room was filled with past and present staff and it was wonderful to see so many make the effort to help our wonderful Brenda celebrate this achievement. There were smiles, laughs and a few tears as we reminisced time gone by. Now only if the Blues can do their part for one of the most generous and caring people I’ve ever met.

Enjoy your long weekend in whatever you are doing.

NEWS FROM PARENTS’ & FRIENDS’ CLUB - Bronwyn Woodward (President)

Lunch Order

- Subway lunch orders for next week.
- Special lunch order for the 19th June, information out soon.

Hot Dog Day

Thank you to those families who supported our hot dog day last week. With the big kids away, we still managed to raise $200 for our new playground.

Wood Raffle

Raffle tickets are now due and will be drawn at our next meeting on Wednesday, 10th June.

If you don’t wish to purchase tickets but would like to assist with fundraising, just return the raffle book to school with your donation.

With the great response to Mother’s Day, we have leftover items so we have made these up into hampers for minor prizes for this raffle.

Many thanks for your support.

Pie Drive

Orders and payments are due back to school by Monday, 15th June. Delivery is Wednesday, 24th June, the last week of term.

Next Meeting

Everyone is most welcome to attend the next meeting of the Parents’ and Friends’ Club in the Art Room on Wednesday, 10th June, 2015 at 9.30 am. See you there.
Don’t forget to support:

Bakers Delight – Traralgon are now supporting us through their Doughraiser fundraising. Just mention Hazelwood North Primary School with any purchase and you are helping our school. A percentage of any purchase comes back to the school; too easy.

- Student Banking through Dollarmites
- Bakers Delight Doughraiser – Midvalley
- Bakers Delight - Traralgon
- Ritchies – IGA of Churchill

If you have any new ideas for fundraising, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0412 855 933 or bronwyn@wideband.net.au or just want to ask a question, no question is a funny question.

Prep Preview

- We will be looking at the letter Bb.
- We will be looking at subtraction, writing numbers, counting and multiplication in Maths.
- We will be looking at rhyming words and making new words from words we know.

Please ensure your child has finished the required page of their family stories as written on the note and bring this before or on Thursday.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS – CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS

CSEF has been introduced by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

The annual amount of $125 for primary students will be paid to the school to be used for camps, excursions or sporting activities for your child.


CONGRATULATIONS LARA NORMAN

Hazelwood North Primary School student, Lara Norman, has qualified to perform in the ATOD Victorian Dance scholarships, which will take place this weekend. Lara recently participated in local Eisteddfods at Moe and Yarram and has done extremely well, placing in all her dances. Lara enjoys all styles of dance Classical, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary, National; she is also part of a Troupe Performance Team. Lara is in her final year at Hazelwood North and we wish her well this weekend with her dance competition.