Friday, 8th August, 2014.
Term 3 – Newsletter 24

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, 8th August
- Whole School Photo orders and money due back
- JSC Free Dress Day – Gold Coin Donation
- EMA Applications close
- Book Club orders due back to school
- School Council Meeting – 7.00 pm in staffroom
- V Teams visit to Precinct – Grades 4, 5 & 6

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Wednesday, 20th August

Friday, 22nd August
- School Closure Day for Students – Staff P.D.
- V Teams visit to Precinct – Grades 4, 5 & 6
- Book Week Activity Day
- Father’s Day Stall – Art Room
- School Production – Aladdin at Lowanna College
- End of Term 3 – 1.30 pm finish
- Beginning of Term 4
- Grades 3 – 6 Camp to Rumbug
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Other known dates for the year are on the School Website Calendar.

Friday, 22nd August
School Closure Day for Students

Junior School Council Free Dress Day - Friday, 8th August
Please bring a gold coin donation to raise money for India who has been diagnosed with cancer.
She plays netball with some of the girls from our school.
Her favourite colours are PINK, BLUE and PURPLE, so maybe you can include one or all of these colours in your outfit.

2015 Prep Enrolment forms are available at the office and on our website.

Friday, 29th August
...Book Week Activity Day ...
Come dressed as your favourite book character or wear RED for Read Every Day.
Recently a random selection of parents received the Parent Opinion Survey. Thank you to those parents who have returned them to us. The completed surveys will be sent to DEECD and we look forward to receiving the results from these. The due date for return was Friday, 8th August but we will not send them off until Monday, 11th, so if you haven’t returned them yet, please do so by Monday so that your opinions can be included in the survey.

In addition to the Departments survey, we will also be conducting a school survey soon. This will be outlined in a future Newsletter and will allow all parents the opportunity to participate. It will be an online survey that will be easily accessed through a link on our emailed newsletter.

Our staff work on continually looking at improving our knowledge and skills which has seen considerable work around Maths, Spelling and Writing this year. We are also working with other cluster schools on developing our understanding of challenging student learning through working with James Nottingham which I have mentioned before. The upcoming Professional Development day for Staff on Friday, 22nd August will focus on three key areas of Mathematics, Thinking Skills and Mindset.

We continue our focus on teaching mathematics and will look closely at the teaching of fractions. We will also continue to look at challenging learning of students and more specifically look at developing Thinking Skills and ways to support children to build strategies to help them think. We will also investigate how we can develop growth mindsets with children. Unless children believe they can learn and have a mindset that they can all learn new things and that it requires effort to learn, they will struggle. A closed mindset means children believe they are unable to learn and when things get hard, they give up. We want all children to understand that we are all lifelong learners and that with effort and persistence; we can all continue to learn new things. The thinking skills and mindset work supports the work we have been doing for the past year and half on the James Nottingham work.

I would also like to welcome Kayla McLure who will be working with us as an aide for the rest of this term. Kayla is currently studying teaching at university but has also been able to find time to support us and our students. Kayla was also a past student at Hazelwood North PS. We certainly hope she enjoys her time with us.

A few weeks ago, new forms were sent out to students in Prep and One for parents to sign if they wanted their child to continue to receive Special Religious Instruction (SRI). New Department guidelines are now in place for this and new forms are needed to be sent out to students. As of today, we have received very few responses. If you still have not returned the form, please do so as soon as possible so that we can make a decision on what we need to do regarding whether or not we continue to provide this service next term. If you have lost your form you are able to download and print one off our school website. http://www.haznthps.vic.edu.au/

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

Calendar of Events

- Monday, 11th August - Liddiard Road Lunch Order due back to school
- Thursday, 14th August - Liddiard Road Lunch Day
- Monday, 18th August - Sausage Sizzle Lunch Order due – forms out soon
- Thursday, 21st August - Sausage Sizzle Lunch Day
- Monday, 25th August - Liddiard Road Lunch Orders due back to school
- Monday, 25th August - Bushies Bakery Pie Order out this week
- Wednesday, 27th August - Parent Club Meeting at 9.30 am in the Art Room
- Thursday, 28th August - Liddiard Road Lunch Day
**Cook Book**
Parents’ and Friends’ Club are proposing to put together a Hazelwood North Primary Cookbook as a fundraiser to be out in time for the State Election at the end of November. If you have a great family recipe that you would like to share, first of all let me, any of the Parents’ and Friends’ or Brenda know ASAP as at this stage, we are just looking for interest to determine whether this is will go ahead or not.

**Sewn-2-Bits**
Thanks to the families that sent in orders for this fundraiser. Delivery will be in a few weeks. Profit from this was $182.

**Father’s Day Stall**
Already you say! We are trying to get ourselves organized a bit earlier so if we need to do any shopping, it can be done at a leisurely pace.

Items in groups of 7 would be greatly appreciated.

**Advertiser**
Thanks to everyone that submitted business cards to the Advertiser; we are in the final proof run with new edition out soon.

**Next Meeting**
Our next meeting of the Parents’ and Friends’ Club will he held on Wednesday, 27th August at 9.30 am in the Art room. Toddlers are very welcome.

If you have any questions on the above or any ideas for fundraising, you can contact me on either 0412 855 933 or bronwyn@wideband.net.au.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**
All Book Club orders are due back at school by Monday, 11th August.

**WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO**
We have received the latest “Whole School Photo” for this year and it is located for viewing in the entrance area outside the Principal’s office and also pictured below. Feel free to browse anytime and if families wish to order a copy of this great photo, please fill in the return slip attached to this email and send back to school together with $15.00 by Friday, 8th August, 2014. This is a wonderful keepsake for years to come. Photos will cost $15.00 each, payable with the return slip.
Dear Parents,

On the last day of Term 3, the Houses will be competing in a Spelling Bee Quiz. All students are expected to compete and represent their team. Whilst students will only get between 1 and 3 opportunities to represent their house, it is important that all students practise the words appropriate for their level as it will not only impact on their spelling skills in general, but help to provide enjoyable House comradeship as students support one another to learn the words fortnightly, when House teams meet. A little bit of extra practise at home would be great for your children’s confidence.

All students helped to choose the words. During our first House Team meeting in Term 3, the children were provided with lists of words appropriate for their level. Within each team, the Preps, Grades 1 & 2’s, Grades 3 & 4 and Grades 5 & 6 got together and selected their words from the list. The lists were then collated into sets of 20 so that each team had a fair and equitable amount of words they had chosen. Please find below the lists that will be used for the competition.

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..Mobile Hairdresser to come to home..

Please ring 0488 722 408