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Mother’s Day Stall
...Helpers required...

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS...........Paul Jorgensen (Principal)

Next week is NAPLAN. Our grade 3 and 5 children will be doing the very best they can over the three days of testing. If you don’t want your child to sit the NAPLAN tests for any reason, you have to let me know - otherwise we expect all children to participate. Over the last few years our school has not performed as well as we could in NAPLAN. We are working hard to try to improve on this in the coming years. We have put in place measures that we hope will provide for better learning outcomes for children and therefore flow through to better NAPLAN results.

However, it is far from being the be all and end all in terms of telling us where your child is at as a learner. For example, your child could perform very well in NAPLAN in terms of their knowledge, but still be not proficient in being an independent learner, taking risks and showing resourcefulness and resilience. The other issue with NAPLAN is that, by necessity of the number of children sitting it, it is a multiple choice test. This is the least accurate testing method and as a result almost one third of children will do better or worse on the day than they were capable of. So - in a few months from now, when you receive your NAPLAN data, I still advise you to have a quick chat to your child’s teacher as to their accuracy. It will be
interesting to see how they go and of course we all wish them the very best of luck—particularly our grade 3 children, who will never have sat such a formal test before.

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

**Calendar of Events**

- Friday, 9th May
  - Mother’s Day Stall – volunteers are required to assist children with purchases
- June
  - ‘Pie Drive’ information – out soon

**Tree Orders**

Thank you to all the families who placed orders for this fundraiser. Now it is time to start getting those holes ready for the trees which will arrive sometime in July.

**Mother’s Day Stall**

Children are to bring no more than $5.00 and a bag to put their gift in.

Many thanks to all the families for your generous and varied donations for the Mother’s Day Stall.

If you have any spare time between 9.15 and 11.00 am on Friday, 9th May, please come along and help the children choose a gift for MUM. It is such a lot of fun watching this event.

**Hazelwood North Advertiser**

The 2014 Advertiser is being compiled. If you know of anybody with a business that may be interested in some reasonably priced advertising with an annual fee of $20.00, please let us know and we will organise a tax invoice. The advertiser goes home to school community electronically at least twice a term and distributed twice a year to the wider Hazelwood North Community. If you have any questions, please contact Trish Distefano on 0400 956 684 or myself.

**Don’t forget to hand your rewards cards over when you shop at IGA and Bakers Delight. Thank you to these businesses for their continued support of our school.**

**FREE CHINESE LANGUAGE KITS**

Amongst the many new Chinese language and culture resources at the school, we have several copies of a Chinese language learning program for adults. The resource consists of a CD and book which teaches the phonetics of the Mandarin language. If you would like to learn a new language, gain an appreciation of the speech patterns of Mandarin, or help your children with their Chinese, then this kit may be a great starting point. The kits are available free until they are all gone.

Please contact Kaye Stockdale in the Library or see Brenda at the Office if you would like to have one. (N.B. I promise not to test you!)

**Kaye Stockdale……….Library Technician**
SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB
Just a reminder that Issue 3 orders and payments are due back on Monday, 12th May, 2014. If you are paying by cash, please place the cash in an envelope with your child’s name, grade and total amount. If you wish to pay by cheque, please make the cheque out to Hazelwood North Primary School for the total amount of the orders from all clubs. If you wish to pay by credit card, phone Scholastic to pay and they will give you a receipt number to write on the bottom of the order form(s).

Once all orders are back, they will be delivered to your child in the classroom. If you do not wish your child to receive the order (e.g. it may be a gift for them), simply write “PLEASE HOLD” in bold letters on the order form with your name and telephone number and I will phone you when the order is at the front office ready for collection. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on 5166 1950 or 0407 531 917.

Jacqui Grieve..........Book Club Co-ordinator

SCHOOL COUNCIL..........Felicity Di Toro (President)

School Uniform
Just a reminder to parents and students to familiarise themselves with the Uniform Policy to ensure that all students are complying with the requirements. The school uniform is required to be worn at all times, ensuring a positive image of the school, to promote a sense of pride in, and identification with our school and to promote safety awareness with respect to the type of clothing that is worn. Items of concern are:

- wearing of inappropriate footwear
- tights/leggings under summer dress
- wearing of polo shirts / tops without school logo or with old school logo
- long sleeved tops under short sleeved tops
- increased use of branded or non-school logo backpacks/bags

As advised just prior to the school holidays, School Council endorsed the revised Uniform Policy (copy attached to Newsletter 28/3/14). If you require another copy, please contact Brenda McGowan (Office). As previously advised, the uniform remains unchanged, however, clarity has been provided to ensure that interpretation and inconsistencies have been removed.

Garden Shed
As you may have noticed, the laying of the slab and associated paths for the garden shed were completed over the holidays. Thank you to Carl Di Toro, Dominic Di Toro and Brad Kimpton. Now that the concrete has cured, the shed will be erected in the coming weeks.

Again, School Council wishes to acknowledge and thank the following organisations for their support and donations:

- TM & H Timber & Hardware – garden shed
- Holcim – concrete
- AKZ – steel reinforcing

Please support these organisations and recommend them to your family, friends and colleagues.
NETBALL – HAZELWOOD NORTH DIAMONDS

Following a three week break due to the school holidays and the ANZAC Day long weekend, the Diamonds played another solid game on Saturday against Yinnar Mini Vixens winning 11 - 4. Due to injury, we only had seven players, hence no opportunity to rotate players on to the bench for a rest. We did however utilise the game to give all players an opportunity to play in different positions to further develop their understanding of the game.

A great result, and some great passages of play, given the team hasn’t trained for four weeks. Some good goaling and feeding into the circle, together with great defensive and centre court play, demonstrated the developing strength and flexibility of the team once again.

2014 new recruit, Hannah Bonnici has fitted in well with the team and is showing real promise; given this is her first year of netball, having played soccer for a number of years. The whole team is supporting Hannah as she transitions to netball and is ensuring that she is part of play whenever possible, as well as Hannah herself creating opportunity to be an integral part of play, as she grows in confidence. The teamwork and sportsmanship displayed by the girls each week is a credit to themselves and our school.

Boolarra and District Youth Theatre Company

Soon to resume, stay tuned!!

Our facilitator, Dan Clancy, has almost finished an original play for our Company and we will begin our first session on either Friday, 16th or 23rd May.

More information to come.

At this stage, we will begin at 4.00 pm at the Memorial Hall in Boolarra.

New members are most welcome, come along and give it a go!

There will be ‘behind the scenes’ roles in the form of film, costume, props and lighting.

Phone Kath Aveling on 5169 6571 with any enquiries.