



# Heritage College Cooranbong



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# Heritage College Newsletter

A Christadelphian School

## From the Principal:

### Interim Reports

The interim reports are being handed out to students tomorrow. These reports are to give parents an indication of how students are progressing in the early part of the year. They are not as comprehensive as the mid-year or end-of-year report.

Parent interviews are being held on Monday. A timetable of interview times has been distributed. Please contact the office if you are unable to attend. Please let us know if you have lost the interview timetable so we can supply a replacement.

Next Tuesday is a special day for High School students (in years 6-10). We are travelling to Sydney to take part in a special combined sports day with Heritage Sydney students. All the students will be put into combined teams and will compete in a range of sports. It should be a great day and an opportunity to develop friendships with other Heritage College students. The bus timetables will be unaffected for the day. The two schools are meeting at a sports centre near the end of the F3, so travelling time is about equal for both schools.

The Passover feast has been moved to Wednesday of next week. It will take place during lunchtime. Auntie Pam will arrange all the special activities.

Last year a number of families left early for the Easter break. If your children are not going to be at school for the last day of term, please notify the office in advance.

Web page:

[www.heritage.edu.au](http://www.heritage.edu.au)

*Theme for the Term:*

**"The Spiritual Athlete" -**

*The Athlete needs to win the battle over his own nature—1 Cor 9:26-27*

School will conclude next Thursday at 2pm.

The first Monday next term is a student free day. The first Thursday of next term is our Board of Studies inspection. The first Friday of next term is the Cross Country run at Maitland. All students in years 3-11 are involved in this activity.

Could parents of High School students please inspect their children's pencil cases to ensure that they have all their equipment. Some students are coming to school without the necessary pens, pencils, etc.

Congratulations to Miss Presswell who has just become engaged to marry David Dangerfield. It's very exciting news and we wish them all the best for their engagement and forthcoming nuptials.

Simon Dodson,  
Principal

**PARENT/TEACHER  
INTERVIEWS**

**MONDAY  
10TH APRIL**

Thank you everyone for the fabulous Family Trees. I hope you received the letter of thanks for these which went home earlier this week.

Our grasshead's have sprouted so much that we are having trouble seeing out the window through all the greenery!

Today in Hebrew, Johanna Lynch had children decorating pillow-cases. It was SO FUN! These are intended to be used as 'reclining' pillows for the upcoming PASS-OVER activities at school. Also, children are collectively making a "Let my people go" mural (or "muriel" as some insist! Very cute)

A display of PORTRAITS have gone up in class. Children selected someone from their family to do an oil-pastel portrait of ... there are portraits of cousins, uncles, sisters, brothers, mums, dads and aunties.

Today I am away in Sydney attending a "Jolly Phonics" course on teaching K children to read and spelling and grammar to Year 1 - 2 children. I will be gleaning from the experience of others and the results of the latest studies to bring back all the best ideas to use in our classroom. Thanks to Pip Presswell for teaching Infant Class today.

**BIG NEWS:** Miss Presswell will soon be Mrs Dangerfield! Miss Presswell wore a very big smile this week, along with something VERY sparkly on her finger. What a great weekend YOU had! Congratulations Miss P. We are so excited for you.

Carrie

The Primary class had their practice cross country race last Tuesday with the High School. I was very impressed with everyone's efforts and participation. (There were only a few groans at the end!) It was lovely to see the class cheer on the older students as they crossed the finish line. Some great team spirit was demonstrated.

Almost everyone has submitted their projects on their 'chosen country'. We have learnt a lot from our classmates' presentations. These will be on display in our room once all speeches are complete.

For Mathematics this week, we have been looking at 'Mass'. Students estimated, measured and compared weights of various objects, including ourselves!

This week we have listened to Greek Music, located Greece on the map and discussed the ancient story of 'Atlantis'. Does this city still exist at the bottom of the ocean? Why not ask your child for his or her opinion. (There have been some interesting comments of what might have happened!) Students have decorated their own Island of Atlantis for art.

Teacher/Parent interviews will be held this Monday night and it will be great to see you there to discuss your child's progress and any areas of concern.

Felisa Relton

All classes have studied Passover for the last couple of weeks. High School (Year 6-8) have worked hard at combined posters. They had to pool ideas, work out who would do what and then how they would set it out.

They have done well and their posters are displayed in the entrance foyer if you would like to see them. We will be holding an enactment of pesach on Wednesday which is erev pesach (the day before the actual Passover day). If possible could the children from K-8 bring sandals, a staff and a gown (if nothing else a dressing gown).

Years 6-7 will do "frozen statue scenes". There are three of these and they "come to life" as a group gathers and puts a coin in the box. They will enact 3 of the time divisions of pesach through the ages. Note the change of date to Wednesday.

**HEBREW STAR OF THE WEEK:**



## Secondary Stuff

## General

### SPORT:

This week in sport we conducted a trial run in preparation for the HRIS Cross Country in May. At stake were house points, ice-creams and stickers for the diary.

Everybody participated and had a go and gained a sticker!

The following students were first back and gained valuable points for their teams:

- 1st: Jacob Carroll, Patrick Tappouras (20)
- 2nd: David Lynch (15 points)
- 3rd: James Higgs (15 points)
- 4th: Tom Mansfield (10 points)
- 5th: Jake Kirkwood (10 points)

Gamla scored 50 points and Masada 40 points.

Extra stickers were also awarded to the following:

- 6th: Ben Dodson
- 7th: Jacob Madden
- 8th: Josh Mongan

Looks like the girls had better put in a bit more effort if they are to be in the winning places!

We also played 2 games of volleyball this week for house points and again Masada came out victorious winning 15-7; 15-5. Masada display a very strong team spirit and refuse to be beaten! Next week we head to Sydney for a Combined Heritage College Sport Day which should be a lot of fun.

The following have been recent results in our .

Overall points:	<b>GAMLA</b>	<b>1565.5</b>
	<b>MASADA</b>	<b>1571</b>

### Final Cooking Day:

Parents and grandparents are invited to join us on our final cooking day. Come along and have some fun cooking—or just watch and have a “cuppa”. This will be on 7th April from 11.45am to 1.10pm.

Hope to see you there.

**Reminder: Design Projects are due  
TOMORROW**

**Photos will be in next week’s newsletter.**

Michelle Willis

### WINTER UNIFORMS:

**IF YOU REQUIRE WINTER TUNICS OR  
JUMPERS FOR NEXT TERM  
TOMORROW  
IS YOUR VERY LAST CHANCE TO  
PLACE AN ORDER.**

#### **HIGH SCHOOL BLOUSES:**

**The High School girls will have an option to purchase a long sleeve blouse in the same design as the summer blouse.**

**Girls wearing the new blouse will not have to wear the tie and can leave it untucked at the waist.**

**If the traditional style blouse is worn girls are required to wear the school tie and tuck the blouse into the waistband of their skirts.**

**If you wish to order the new style blouse  
PLEASE SEND IN A NOTE OR RING THE  
OFFICE TOMORROW.**

**The new sports uniform has proved to be very popular with most students now wearing it. It would be great to see all the students in it for the Combined Sports Day with Heritage next Tuesday and for the HRIS Cross Country Running Event. Money can be sent as small amounts to pay the uniforms off if making full payment in one lump sum is a problem.**

**Infants and Primary students also wear the new sports uniform with the tracksuit top doubling as their everyday jacket**

### **MONEY BOXES:**

**SEND INTO SCHOOL ASAP  
THANK YOU.**

### **Entertainment Books:**

**The new Entertainment Book for 2006/7  
is available**

**There is a sample in the office.**

**The book has lots of new restaurants and  
activities in it and is great value.**

## PHOTO GALLERY

Elizabeth from the MS Society addressing the students concerning the MS Read-a-thon



Infants students with their "Grass Heads"



**Happy  
Birthday**

**to:-**

**Uncle Morrie**

**Pogson  
TODAY !!**

**And to**

**REUBEN**

**RYAN**

**9 on 11th April  
And to**

**Isaac Ryan**

**6 next Thursday**

**Congratulations  
to**

*Uncle Ari Ryan  
and Auntie Rachel*

*Madden*

**on obtaining  
their  
BUS LICENSE**

**!!**

**Great work.**

**Congratulations to  
Pip Presswell  
and David  
Dangerfield  
on their  
engagement.  
DD L PP**

### Future Events:

Fri 7th April	Choc Chip Cookie Cook –off
Fri 7th April	Interim Reports
Mon 10th April	Parent Interviews
Tues 11th April	Combined High School Sports Day with Heritage Sydney
Wed 10th April	Passover Enactment
Thurs 13th April	Last day of Term 1—finish 2pm
Monday 1st May	Staff and Year 12 Ancient History students return
Tuesday 2nd May	Students Return

### Administration:

Those families who have not finalised payment for school fees, sports levy, or if you have received an overdue account, could you please send in payment by Tuesday 11th April.

If you have any of the following attachments with your newsletter could you please finalise these matters: Parent/Teacher Interviews, Immunisation History, Combined High School Sports Day, Asthma Medication information.