



Heritage College Cooranbong



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From the Principal:

Welcome Back to Term 4

It's good to see everyone back at school for term 4. The students all look refreshed and ready to face another term.

I'm sure everyone is keen to hear news of Vicki Spark, who suffered a burst aneurism in her head on the last day of term. Vicki has been in intensive care at Royal North Shore Hospital since the incident. Her condition was very serious. The good news is that in the last few days Vicki has improved dramatically. She can now talk and interact with those who visit. She may even be moved out of intensive care and into a ward in the next day or two. This is much better progress than we expected and we thank our Heavenly Father for answering our prayers. We pray that God will continue to bless Vicki's recovery. It is possible that once Vicki is in a ward, more visitors will be permitted.

Vicki is being greatly missed around the school. Her dedication to the school and her voluntary service was huge. She drove the bus every day and worked in the office every day, and has done since the school started in 1997. Thank you to those who have been willing to volunteer to step into the roles that Vicki has left behind. We have had many offers, too many to accommodate. In particular we thank Morris Pogson who is going out of his way to drive the bus all the way Charlestown. Also we thank Susan Tappouras who will be in the office three days a week. There are others too, who have extended themselves further due to our new circumstances. Thank you all for your service and patience.

This week has been busy. The Primary class went to a CSIRO Science Show on Wednesday at Avondale Primary School. It was a fantastic experience. There was all kinds of "hands on" Science experiments for the children to take part in. Thank you to Mr Richard Bibby for allowing us to participate.

Today the Primary students are traveling to Sydney to experience what life would have been like in early colonial times. The excursion

Theme for the Term:

Fruit of the Spirit

"We must bring forth fruit for God"

sion is based in the Rocks area and should be very enlightening.

The High school did canoeing for sport yesterday on Dora creek which was a great experience. The High school boys are going swimming this afternoon in Morisset pool.

The HSC exams begin on Monday with the first English paper. It is being held at Cooranbong Community Centre and begins at 9:20am. Students should be there by 9:00am. The exam goes for two hours. The second English paper is next Thursday.

All HSC students should have entered their Uni preferences to UAC. If this hasn't been done, please do it as soon as possible.

The School Certificate exams take place in week 5 so students sitting those tests will be preparing for them over the next few weeks.

Summer uniform is now required. Please contact Jo Wiltshire for all your uniform needs.

The Transition class will be starting next Thursday for those attending. Naomi Richards is keen to commence so we look forward to seeing all the students next week.

Welcome back!
Simon Dodson,
Principal

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Heritage College Newsletter

A Christadelphian School



Welcome back everybody. Haven't caught up with you all since our Sydney excursion last term. Thank you so much to Anna, Susan, Jack, Naomi and Rebekah who came to Sydney with us. Thanks too, to Morrie who did a marvelous job weaving in and around the CBD.

The concert presentation isolated all the various groupings within an orchestra. The conductor encouraged musicians to play a few phrases on their instrument so we could hear the range of sounds. Then they all played together again. It was much easier to isolate all the different sounds when we knew what to listen for! We were also introduced to a few different music styles and had a go at making some percussion (clapping) patterns that sounded really good when we put them all together.

The Opera House was BIG. Did you know we all touched the ROOF of the Opera House? The roof is such a clever shape it comes right down low at the sides, so we could just brush the outside tiles if we reached up on tippy toes. The roof is supposed to remind us of billowing sails from ships in the olden days. We had read a story about 'The Opera House Mouse' the day before but we didn't find him that day.

Come and see our AMBULANCE DISPLAY in the Middle Room. There are lots of photos, gloves, a bandage and sling, an oxygen mask, some electrodes from a heart monitor and heart print-out.

Also the photos from Jump Rope for Heart are up – finally. There are photos of Happy Hearts visit, a Jump Rope t-shirt and an appreciation certificate to acknowledge our support of the Heart Foundation. Thank you to parents who got money and forms back. Children have come home with their prizes today. They were thrilled.

At this stage, it looks like our theme this term is BIRDS. What roles did doves, vultures, hawks, ravens, pigeons, turtle-doves and sparrows play in the Bible? Are any of them special symbols for things Gods wants us to remember? What **Science** experiments can we do to help us understand how birds fly? What famous stories or poems have birds in them? – **English**.

The Primaries were on excursion today to "The Rocks" in Sydney to look at various historical sites. It was an enjoyable day. Thanks to Uncle Morrie for driving the bus, and to the mums who came along. The cost was \$10.00. If anyone hasn't paid, please send in the money asap.

Sport for the next few weeks is Gymnastics at the Glendale centre. This is a world class facility and the children always enjoy this activity. We will be joining with the Infants class for this activity.

Please note the change of sport day for the next 3 weeks— sport will be on Wednesdays.

More next week!!
Felisa

Library

Please see attached flyer regarding this Term's Library projects.

Which countries round the world have birds featured in their national emblems? – **HSIE**. What statistics are there that show us which Australian birds are the most common and which are endangered? – **Math's** (graphics and data). **Art** and **Music** also lend themselves nicely to the theme, so I think it will work well. Besides, it will be a great excuse for a big chicken dinner. Anyone know how to cook duck or quail?

Sport:

This week in sport we went to the WEC centre in Morisset where we did canoeing on Dora Creek. We had an instructor take us through the basics before we launched off on our expedition up the creek. Uncle Scott led fearlessly from the front into the wilds of Morisset, forging through the rapids and fighting off the Indians to prepare the way for the students.

Fortunately we mostly stayed dry (by staying clear of Matt) and only at the end did some of the boys get wet around the ears!

Again the instructor was very happy with our students which reflects well on the school and the whole Christadelphian community.

For the next four weeks we will be doing Gymnastics at Glendale.

Team Scores:

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Exams

**HSC EXAMS
COMMENCE ON
MONDAY!**

**Check your program
carefully for the dates of
your exams. Be early!
Bring equipment—pens !!**

Yr. 9-10:

The School Certificate exams
are on
November 7-8th.
Start summarizing and getting
ready now!

CAKE-FOR-JAKE DAY



MANY THANKS TO THE
SENIOR GIRLS FOR
THEIR EFFORT.
OVER \$400.00 WAS RAISED.
TREMENDOUS !!!!

UNIFORMS:

With the warmer weather in Term 4 we have changed to

summer uniform.

The new white shirts with embroidery will soon be available

If you require shorts please go to a Lowes store and buy shorts from there.

Primary wear "Blockers"
High School wear "Classic Baggies"
Please only buy these types of shorts.

If you require tunics, blouses or skirts for girls please see me at school on Thursdays.

We have some in stock.

Students are to wear WHITE SOCKS during summer.

Sports Uniform:

The new sports uniform will not be available until 2006. We have some green polo tops in stock that we are selling at below cost price to clear before the new shirts come in. If you require a new sports top they are \$6.00
Parents are reminded that

Infants/Primary girls can now wear "Skorts" instead of the netball skirt on sports days.

These are culottes type shorts that look like a skirt.

Girls can still wear the netball skirt, this is an optional item for parents who feel that the skirt is not suitable.

The shorts and skorts are available from most Lowes stores. Please only purchase these item from Lowes so everyone has the same thing.

If you have any difficulty obtaining these items please ring me and I will purchase them on your behalf. (49438184)

Jo Wiltshire

BACK TO SCHOOL ALLOWANCE, 2006

New enrolments to the school in 2005 should register with the Dept of Education so they will receive the Back-to-School allowance in 2006.

If your child received it this year while at this school you are automatically registered. You only need to re-register if you are attending a new school since last receiving this payment. Forms are available at the office.

TRANSITION CLASS:

**The new Kindies for 2006
commence**

**"Transition Class"
on Thursdays starting
20th October**

**Please see attached flyer with details
of requirements for parent helpers**

ORIENTATION DAY:

**Orientation Day is
3rd November**

FOR SALE:

**SUESSICAL
COSTUMES**

**We are offering for sale
the "cadet" shorts.**

**They are dark "army" green, cord
waist, longer leg—
very trendy for everyday, but
good enough for
"meeting" shorts.**

Sizes available:

10— 7 pairs

12— 2 pairs

14— 1 pair

\$8.00

**Send order in
(with money)
and they will be
sent home.**

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO:-
(Belated Birthday)
Aunty Ruth Lynch
11th October**

Ben Dodson

**13 on
16th Oct
(Teenager)**

**Jared Wiltshire
19 on 18th Oct**

**ETHAN
MITCHELL
12 on
20th October**

**Reminder:
Keep sending in
the caps from the
Pauls and Norco
milk bottles.**

**BUS PHONE
NUMBERS:
Cut out and keep
on the fridge!**

**Gosford Bus:
0418686387**

**Newcastle Bus:
0416223877**

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Aunty Vicki is making progress and will most likely be transferred from Intensive Care to a ward in the hospital next week. Visitors will be welcome when she is in the normal ward. There are some "Chinese Food" containers in the office. Please ask for some if you would like to make some food to give to Vicki when she returns home. This will be a big help.

Future Events:

Mon 17th Oct	HSC Exams begin
Wed 19th Oct	Infant/Primary Gymnastics for Sport
Thurs 20th Oct	High School Gymnastics for Sport
Friday 21st Oct	HRIS Tennis Gala Day—Broadmeadow
Sunday 23 Oct	Yr.9-10 History Excursion to Canberra
Wed 26th Oct	Infant/Primary Gymnastics for Sport
Monday 31st Oct	P & F Meeting (note change of date)
Wed 2nd Nov	Infant/Primary Gymnastics for Sport
7-8th Nov	School Certificate Exams

GOOD LUCK IN YOUR HSC, SENIOR GIRLS !!!