



Heritage College Cooranbong



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Heritage College Newsletter

A Christadelphian School

From the Principal: Welcome Back to 2008

Heritage College has commenced its school year for 2008. It's fantastic to see everyone back with big smiles and happy memories of a restful and relaxing break over the summer. Many students have interesting stories to tell of exciting camping trips and family trips to the beach. All the children were very happy to see their friends again.

On Tuesday the staff held a successful staff planning day. Things are in place for a very successful year.

We welcome a few new members of staff. Janet Ryan is teaching Science to Years 6-10 and Maths to Year 6-7. We welcome Mrs Ryan to the staff and we look forward to an interesting and productive year in Science. We also welcome Mrs Dangerfield to the Infants room. Mrs Dangerfield has been working at our school for a few years now, but she has responsibility for the Infants class for this year. It looks like being a great year for the infants. We also welcome Ingrid Ryan who will be taking remedial work and Liz Ryan who will be cleaning the school.

We commenced the first day with a brief assembly and welcomed our new students to Heritage College. We welcome the Chand family into the area. Caleb and Jerusha Chand are integrating into our High School really well. We also welcome the new Kindy children who are all very cute and they had a great first day. One student even offered to sing a solo in the middle of the whole school assembly! They obviously feel right at home. It was great to see so many visitors at the assembly yesterday.

It was nice to have a visit from Carrie Digney yesterday and we wish her well as she waits for

School Calendar:

If you didn't receive your copy of the School Calendar ask at the Office.

Additional copies are available at the cost of \$5 each.

2007 Year Books: \$5

Web page:

cooranbong.heritage.edu.au

Theme for the Term:

**“RESPECTING
ONE ANOTHER”**

the birth of her baby in just three weeks.

Today the High School students sat some standardised tests to measure their progress and achievement. The results of these tests will be utilised by staff to plan appropriate learning experiences for the students. Next Tuesday there is an important Parents and Friends Meeting to communicate to the School Community the exciting plans for the School's Future. This will take place in the middle room at 7:30pm. All are welcome. James Mansfield and Brian Luke will be in attendance from Adelaide.

Next Thursday parents are invited to attend parent information sessions in their children's classes. These information sessions will explain the routines of classes and other expectations of teachers. The Infants information session will commence at 2:15pm. The Primary Information Sessions will commence at 3:15pm. The High School information session will commence at 4:00pm.

The Heritage College Swimming Carnival is to be held at Morisset Pool on Friday 22 Feb. The day will commence at 9:30am and conclude at 2:30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. We are still finalising some swimming arrangements for sport in order to prepare for the swimming carnival.

Simon Dodson,
Principal

**Extraordinary
Special Meeting
Tuesday 7.30pm
School Assembly Room
ALL URGED TO
ATTEND**

Wow! What a great couple of days we have had. Welcome back to the Year 1's and 2's, and a HUGE welcome to all our Kindergarten students. The children are all looking very smart in their uniforms (are they long shorts or short longs?) and are very excited about the new school year. During news time on Wednesday morning, we even enjoyed someone showing us their brand new pencil case and everything in it – it's all so EXCITING!

Over the past two days we have been busy writing holiday stories, creating some amazing artwork, doing Maths activities, and we've even been to the library with Aunty Ruth to borrow some books. This morning, Abi and Aunty Priscilla brought in their cat and 8 gorgeous kittens for us to see – thanks, Aunty Priscilla!

Our Library day is Thursday. All the children need a library bag, and these can be purchased for \$4. Students can not take books home if they do not have a library bag – today was an exception! Library books must be returned the following Thursday.

Most of us have remembered to bring a hat to school. We now have labelled hooks in the classroom, so the children should leave their hats in the classroom at the end of each day to avoid leaving them at home. Thank you for naming lunch boxes, drink bottles and hats.

Our reading programme will begin next week. We would love to hear from any mums that are able to assist with the home reading programme. Please see me if you can help on any day!

Over the next week, the children will bring their school books home. It would be appreciated if you could cover them with contact so that the books can be protected.

Looking forward to a fantastic year!
Thanks,
Pip Dangerfield

The Primary class students had a fantastic holiday over the summer break. Many stories were shared and were written in their Journals. It looked like everyone had an enjoyable time! As a class, we discussed what is expected for the year.

Counting Chart Points - Ten-Pin Bowling.
Individual Points - This is new to the class. Individual points are allocated to students who work hard in class, for good behaviour and for helping hands. The top 5 students will receive the 'Gold Medals' at the end of the year, with the winner receiving a voucher. Bronze awards will also contribute to the points!

Class rules-

Follow Wisdom & Instruction

Be Kind to Others

Focus on Your Own Work

Look out! There is a Time-Out Desk!

The theme for the term is

'Under the Sea'.

This interesting topic will *flow* into 'Water' and 'Oceans'. So if you have any interesting pictures, books, posters or magazines based on this topic, we would love to see them!

In Maths, we looked at whole numbers. Some students were able to read numbers in the billions! We also played some games that related to this topic, such as bingo.

For art, we started a 'Name' poster to put on display in our room. We looked at the different patterns we can make in art!

We have 4 new students in the Primary class! We would like to give a special mention to the Year 3 students- **Harrison Luke, Isaac Ryan, Kenith Schubert and Job Tappouras.**



Welcome to the Primary Class!
Mrs S

Sport: High School will be having sport on **Fridays.**

Students can wear their sports uniform to school.

Sport will be held in the school grounds tomorrow.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL:

22ND FEB

MORISSET POOL

PARENTS WELCOME!

Senior Scene

What has become of last year's Senior Students?

Matt Wiltshire: Apprentice Carpenter - Custom Transportable Buildings

Emma Higgs: "Occupational Therapy" course at Newcastle Uni

Jonny Carroll: Leaving for Adelaide tomorrow to start work with Telstra

Jacquie Spark: Accepted at Newcastle Uni in "Childcare" course.

Jacquie may work for a year in a child care centre and defer Uni until 2009

Kristi Wiltshire: "Youth Pathways" course at Ourimbah Uni

James Higgs: Apprentice Carpenter— D. Brown

Shane Pogson- looking for work. Has an interview for an apprenticeship Boiler Maker position tomorrow! Good Luck!

Senior Students this Year: James Lynch, Luke Carroll, Jake Carroll, Naomi Schofield, Eliza Davies, Chanan Crompton, Jessica Ginn, and Elle Mitchell.

**PLEASE BRING IN
ANY
2007 LIBRARY
BOOKS
AND TEXTBOOKS
ASAP**

GENERAL

EXTRAORDINARY SPECIAL MEETING:

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY ROOM
TUESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY

All parents, friends and interested persons are invited to attend this meeting to discuss the planning for the purchase of the new school site and new initiatives for the College.

ORGANISED BY THE SCHOOL COUNCIL.

GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDE

Bro. JAMES MANSFIELD and

Bro. BRIAN LUKE from
ADELAIDE HC.

SUPPER & DRINKS PROVIDED

Uniforms: For any uniform requirements please see Chris Ryan. We have a lot of stock so uniforms are immediately available.

Stationery Starter Packs: \$14

Music Lessons: The school offers a variety of private teachers to teach instruments during school hours. More on this next week.

PIANO: Beginner Lessons available. If interested please phone Jess Ginn Ph: 49593930

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Bronze Awards: Issued for good work, manners, helping etc.

Silver Awards: Gained when 10 Bronze Awards handed in

Gold Awards: Gained when 3 Silver Awards handed in.

STAFF FOR 2008:

Principal: Simon Dodson

HSC Ancient History: Lynette Lounsbury

HSC Business Services: Simon Dodson

Science: Janet Ryan

Maths: Karen Wallace

English: Ari Ryan

History: Ari Ryan

Geography: Scott Madden

Hebrew: Jo Lynch and Hannah Mansfield

Sport: Scott Madden

Computers: Ari Ryan

Music: Simon Dodson

Art: Rachel Madden/Janet Ryan

Design Tech: Michelle Villis

PdHPE: Scott Madden

Yr. 6-7 Maths: Janet Ryan

Primary: Felisa Simkus

Infants: Pip Dangerfield

Library: Ruth Lynch

Remedial Support Teacher: Ingrid Ryan

Office Admin: Vicki Spark

Cleaner: Liz Ryan

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF:

We are please to welcome the following staff members:

Mrs. Janet Ryan:

Janet will be teaching High School Science and Yr. 6-7 Maths. Janet is a very experienced teacher and has expertise in Senior Sciences.

Mrs. Phillipa (Pip) Dangerfield:

Pip isn't new to HC as she has been teaching at Sydney HC and also at Cooranbong HC, but she has now taken the role as Infants Teacher.

Mrs. Ingrid Ryan:

Ingrid is returning to work as Remedial Support teacher.

Mrs. Liz Ryan:

Liz has taken over the role of cleaner. Thanks!

THANKS TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS—THE SCHOOL COULD NOT FUNCTION WITHOUT

You. !!!

PHOTO GALLERY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Belated (during the Holidays):

NATASHA WILSON

6 on 6th Jan

ROBERT KIRKWOOD

5 on 20th Jan

Scott Madden

2nd Jan

Mike Champion

9th Jan

Michelle Willis

11th Jan

Naomi Richards

18th Jan

Susie Tappouras

18th Jan

Hannah Mansfield

23rd Jan

And to

LAURA RICHARDS

8 on Saturday

2nd Feb

Aunty Fiona Carroll
also on Saturday!

Canteen Special this Week:

Regular menu this week.
See attached menu.

Special Tomorrow:

Watermelon Wedges:

30 cents

“Curly Wurly”

Real Apples:

80 cents

Choc Milkshakes:

\$1.50

New Students: We have 3 new families at the school. Welcome to Rabin and Cheryl Chand and their children Caleb (Yr. 10) and Jerusha (Yr. 8) and Ari (left school); Jamin and Janett Ryan and Benji (K) and twins; and Nathan and Michelle Ryan and Lachi and Levi (K), Bert and Alfie.



Caleb and Jerusha Chand

Welcome to Heritage College.

We also welcome as new starters in Kindergarten: Ella Bradley, Asher Ginn, Robert Kirkwood and Ruby Madden. Hope you like school!

Number of students enrolled for 2008: 80



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Ella Bradley shows her new backpack!

Note the water bottle—please make sure your child has a water bottle (especially if travelling on the bus). Unfortunately some the Kindies could not reach the bubbler to get a drink today so we will be looking at getting a step for them to stand on. They can come and ask for a drink at the Staff Room.



Future Events:

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|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Tues 5th Feb | Extraordinary Special Meeting -7.30pm |
| Thurs 7th Feb | Parent Information Sessions |
| Mon 18th Feb | P & F Meeting -1.30pm, Library |
| Fri 22nd Feb | Swimming Carnival—Morisset Pool |
| Thurs 6th March | School Council Meeting |
| Sat 15th March | P & F Trivia Night |
| Fri 21st March | Good Friday Public Holiday |
| Mon 24th March | Easter Monday Public Holiday |

Administration

REMINDER

Could the following families as a matter of **URGENCY** please send their Family Database forms in tomorrow:

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|---------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Blacket | Elton | Pogson |
| S & F Carroll | Kirkwood | J & C Ryan |
| P & S Carroll | Madden | J & J Ryan |
| Crompton | Mansfield | Schofield |
| Davis | Mongan | Shorter |
| | | L & A Tappouras |

PERMISSION NOTES DUE IN:

HRIS Tennis— Under 16s and Over 16s—Due 11/2/2008
High School Sport—Note & Money—**URGENT DUE TOMMORROW**
K-2 Infants Swimming—Note & Money—**OVERDUE**
Yrs 3-5—Note & Money—**OVERDUE**

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED OR MISPLACED A NOTE

Please Put Note & Money in a sealed envelope with Name, Activity and Amount enclosed clearly marked on the front.

If paying by Direct Debit, please print off a receipt, attach signed permission slip and return to the office.

Vicki
Administration

CUT OUT AND STICK ON THE FRIDGE:

Main account -Westpac
BSB: 032-524 Acc. No: 12-2339
Fees only
Expense account - Westpac
BSB: 032524 Acc. No: 12-2515
Excursions, Sport, School Assessments, Anniversary Dinner, Bus donations etc.
P&F account - Commonwealth
BSB: 062 628 Acc. No: 1009 7780
Uniforms, Fundraisers etc. Trivia Nights, Fair, Canteen.
Please send in receipts to school or e-mail so we can identify payments.
office@heritage.edu.au
School Address: 45 Kings Rd,
Cooranbong. NSW 2265
Phone: 49773456 Fax: 49773337

PHONE NUMBERS:

SCHOOL: 4977 3456
VICKI: 0439 068992
NEWCASTLE BUS: 0416 223877
(Jo On Thursdays): 0409 153115
GOSFORD BUS: 0418 686387

Don't forget that our school is in a School Zone!

Slow down to 40 when approaching and leaving the school during school zone hours.

It is also advisable to slow down when coming up the driveway and in the car park!

Parents are asked to please not drive in the bus parking areas or park there to drop off or pick up your children. Please use the car park at all times!

**The bus areas
are for
BUSES ONLY!**

