



# Heritage College Newsletter



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# Heritage College Cooranbong

## A Christadelphian School

### From the Principal:

#### Swimming Carnival Success

It is certainly the season for swimming carnivals – there have been two in the last four school days. And the students have excelled at each!

Last Friday the Heritage College Swimming Carnival was held and it was a huge success. The two teams – Gamla and Masada – battled it out all day for the team trophy, and in the end Masada pipped Gamla by a slender margin. All the students deserve to be congratulated for the way in which they swam and did their best in every event. There were some new emerging champions as well as some good swimmers we have seen before. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends who assisted with officiating on the day.

Yesterday the Primary swimming team competed in the **Hunter Region Independent Schools Carnival** and all the students did really well. The team won the **Champion Trophy** based on school size. Thank you to all the parents and teachers who were involved in organising the carnival and assisting on the day. Congratulations to all the students who took part. It was a fantastic achievement.

The trophies for the swimming carnivals will be handed out at Monday's assembly.

The **Sharemarket Game** commences today for the HSC Business Studies Class. Each student gets \$50,000 fictional money to invest in the Stock Exchange and they compete with students from all around Australia to see how they can make their seed capital grow over a period of eight weeks. Good luck, students.

**Swimming Lessons** continue to take place for sport for Primary and High School. The HRIS Secondary Swimming Carnival is to be held on 16 March.

**The Seniors and Friends Day** is only two weeks away – 18 March. Please ensure that everyone you know receives an invitation to

**Theme for the Term:**

#### “BIBLE SYMBOLS”

**The Sun** – symbol of God's son "the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its beams" (Mal 4:2)

attend – we'd hate people to miss out. It commences with morning tea at 10:30am, Concert at 11:30am and Lunch at 12:30pm. All welcome. This afternoon the staff are getting some training on **Interactive Whiteboards** to prepare for the investment in the first purchase which the P&F have agreed to support. We are hoping to purchase a portable model initially, which will enable us to move it between classrooms.

The Primary Class are getting excited about their **Taronga Zoo** excursion, which is scheduled for 30 March. It should be a great day.

It's great to see the infants making good **progress with reading**. Please remember, parents, to read with your child every day. This is one big way to ensure your child gets the best start to their schooling.

Thank you to all the Mums who have helped with the Swimming Carnivals and the Infants/Primary reading program. It is much appreciated.

*Simon Dodson,  
Principal*

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**WINTER UNIFORM  
ORDERS NEED TO BE  
PLACED**

**Immunisations  
Tues 9th**



**Laura Richards**

"She's a great friend."  
"She finishes her Maths quick!"  
"She's kind and really fun to play with."  
"She's really neat"  
"She is really good at writing"

**Mrs S**

**Swimming**

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL:**

Our swimming Carnival last Friday was a huge success with some excellent swimming by all students and great team spirit being shown by both teams. Again our carnival was a close contest with the lead changing several times throughout the day.

The following students won "best swimmer of meet" trophies:

Jnr male - Job Tappouras/  
Sam Dodson (tied)  
Jnr female - Lori Stretton  
Snr male - Patrick Tappouras  
Snr female - Kyla Bradley  
The winning team this year was Masada. The score were as follows:

Masada	1285
Gamla	1210

Thank you to all the parents who attended and particularly those who assisted on the day  
Timekeeper Deidre Tappouras  
Marshall Susan Tappouras  
Starter Jonny Tappouras  
Place Officials Anna Stretton  
Chris Ryan Rachel Madden  
On Monday we will be having a special assembly to award champion swimmers their trophies and ribbons to placegetters.  
Scott Madden

**Secondary Sport** - this Friday we will be going to Elmore Vale for final swimming instruction leading up to the HRIS carnival in two weeks. Students please bring swimmers, towel, goggles and water bottle.

**Award winners this week were:**  
**Reuben Tappouras** – excellent behaviour and sportsmanship at the swimming carnival  
**Candace Ryan** – wonderful attentive listening  
**Ruby Madden** – fantastic work in maths

Another busy week as we work on all sorts of things in our classroom. Already up to week five! Term one will be over before we know it! We had a great day at the swimming carnival on Friday and I was very happy with the excellent behaviour shown by all the Infants students. Well done. Everyone got into the team spirit too (well done Masada ☺).

**ART**

We are currently working on some artwork of our swimming carnival and are finishing off our 'irresistible food' artworks. Some new cardboard has been ordered so we can start to display our artworks around the class and middle room. The wants and needs posters all look fabulous in the middle room. Well done infants and thanks for your support, parents.

**MATHS**

We have been measuring ourselves and partners this week as we learn about measurement. We have also been measuring big pictures of cartoon characters and comparing measurements using paperclips, paddlepop sticks etc

**ENGLISH**

We are drafting, editing and publishing some recounts of the swimming carnival. We have also been playing some spelling games. In one such game, the students had 12 letters and had to make as many different words as they could in a given amount of time. Bert Ryan wowed us all with 29 words! We are still reading 'The Wishing Chair' and the kids are getting more and more into it as we go along.

**SCIENCE**

The veggies and flowers are growing and looking great. The students are enjoying checking up on their gardens.

Mrs H

**HRIS SWIMMING CARNIVAL  
at Lambton Pool  
"Go Heritage!"**

A total of 16 students attended the HRIS Carnival yesterday along with a few butterflies in tummies. All students performed at a high level and were excellent in behaviour!

A special mention goes to **Abi Dodson** and **Elli Stretton** for taking on the 10 yrs & under **200m Medley!!** This was the first time Heritage competed in this event and there's a reason why....you should have seen these girls when they came out of the water! It was a look of exhaustion!

**Some wonderful results:**

**Tasha Wilson** came 2<sup>nd</sup> in 50m backstroke, **Harry Luke** came 3<sup>rd</sup> in 50m Freestyle, **Abigail Dangerfield** came 3<sup>rd</sup> in Breaststroke and **Lori Stretton** came 2<sup>nd</sup> in Backstroke.

Everyone went so well!!

So well, in fact, we won the **SMALL SCHOOL TROPHY!!**  
**CONGRATULATIONS to ALL PARTICIPANTS!**

Thank you to parents who helped out with the time-keeping: **Chris Ryan & Susan Tappouras**. Also, thank you to the other parent helpers/drivers- **Anna Stretton, Priscilla Dodson, Vicki Schubert, Liz Wilson & Leah Dangerfield**. I heard there were some McDonald's celebrations on the way home. :o)

**Maths**

Students have been doing lots of Subtraction this week!! I am impressed with the use of different strategies to help solve their problems.

**ART**

We have painted our frames white and ready to stick it all together next week!! Fingers crossed!

**Rainforests**

We looked at a map that showed all the rainforests around the world 200 years ago and compared this to now. We were shocked at how much has been destroyed! Thanks **Zac** for bringing the maps in!

**UNIFORMS:** Chris Ryan will be at school on **Mondays and Thursdays from 9-11am only.**

If you require uniform items please see or ring Chris during these times, or email: cryan@heritage.edu.au

**Amount Outstanding: \$4826.68**

**Please try to make some regular payments from your uniform accounts.**

**Orders ready for payment and pick-up:** J & L Ryan, Sperling, Stretton, Mitchell and Blackett

**Winter Jumper Orders** need to be placed as a matter of urgency. If your children require jumpers please see Chris asap as she is placing the order tomorrow.

### SENIOR JERSEYS :

Yr. 11 students need to order their Senior Jerseys. See Chris Ryan with your required size so she can order them. The sooner you do this, the quicker the order can be placed, and the quicker you get your jerseys!

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS** are being offered for sale— \$60. If you would like to order a book (or want more details) please see or ring Jo Wiltshire in the office on Thursdays, or email: newsletter@heritage.edu.au.

**(\$12 from the sale of each book goes to the school)**

## Fundraiser Morning Teas:

**Next Tuesday:** Liz Wilson will be cooking up some delightful treats for morning tea so bring your money with you.

The following week there will be no morning tea fundraiser as the High School are away on the Tuesday and we have Seniors' Day on Thursday. The last week of term there will be a "Shake and Dog Day" on the Thursday (last day of school) instead of Morning Tea on the Tuesday.

- March 9 - Liz Wilson (Tuesday)
- March 18 - Seniors' Day - no fundraiser
- March 24 - Jo Wiltshire (Thursday)
- April 1 - Shake and Hot Dog Day

## SENIORS AND FRIENDS DAY Thursday 18th March

10.30am start with morning tea followed by a Concert and lunch on the verandah.

Attached are some invitations for the students to send to their grandparents and senior friends.

**STUDENT TRANSPORT FORMS:** The following families please find Student Transport Forms attached: Alchin, Carroll, Dangerfield, Madden, A & I Ryan, J & C Ryan, Sawell and Spry.

**Yr 7 & 10 Vaccination Parent Information Kits**  
*Could parents please return by Monday, 1 March.*

**SCHOOL and SPORTS LEVY FEES:** *Have been posted. Please pay by due date.*

*Thank you, everyone, for your cooperation.*

*Vicki  
Administration*

### PHONE NUMBERS:

**SCHOOL: 4977 3456 FAX: 4977 3337**

**VICKI : UNAVAILABLE**

**NEWCASTLE BUS: Morrie Pogson 0416 223877  
(Jo Wiltshire On Thursdays): 0409 153115**

**\*\*PLEASE SEND IN RECEIPTS TO SCHOOL TO NOTIFY OF THE DIRECT PAYMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS: THIS IS IMPORTANT**

**Main account** -Westpac Bank

BSB: 032-524 Acc. No: 12-2339

Fees and High School Sport Levy only

**Expense account** - Westpac Bank

BSB: 032524 Acc. No: 12-2515 -

Excursions, Sport, School Assessments, Camps, Bus donations etc.

**We have an EFTPOS FACILITY FOR THIS ACCOUNT.**  
Payments can be made at the Office by using Credit or Debit cards.

**P&F account** - Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 062 628 Acc. No: 1009 7780

Uniforms, Fundraisers etc. Trivia Nights, Fair, Canteen.

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# PHOTO GALLERY

Happy Birthday to:

**Nathan  
Dodson**

**16 tomorrow  
5th March**

And to

**Lachlan Ryan**

**Levi Ryan**

**8 on Sat 6th March**

**ASHER  
CARROLL**

**17 on Mon 8th March**

**Lori  
Stretton**

**11 on Mon 8th March**

## CANTEEN:

**Tomorrow:**

**Sausage Roll \$1.50**

**Pizza \$2**

**2 Beef Taco's \$4**

## LOST PROPERTY:

**1 Tiger (Lynx?)  
Brand Watch**

Description:

Red around outside of  
face: Red and Black  
Band (has waves)

Back of watch: Back-  
ing is black and band  
is Red.

Lost 12/02/2010

Please hand into the  
office if you find  
this watch. Belonging  
to Jamin Sawell.

If you wish to submit an article to the  
Newsletter please send by e-mail to:  
[newsletter@heritage.edu.au](mailto:newsletter@heritage.edu.au)



The winners of the  
Champion House Trophy for  
2010 was the Masada team !  
Congratulations to Masada!

The Primary HRIS swimming  
team won the Champion School  
Trophy  
(based on size of school)  
Congratulations !



## Future Events:

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|-------------------------|--|
| <i>Tues 9th March</i>   | <i>Immunisations</i>   |
| <i>Tues 16th March</i>  | <i>High School HRIS Swimming Carnival<br/>Book Blitz</i>                     |
| <i>Thurs 18th March</i> | <i>Seniors and Friends Day</i>   |
| <i>Tues 23rd March</i>  | <i>High School Combined Sports Day with Sydney HC</i>                        |
| <i>Fri 26th March</i>   | <i>Interim Reports Issued</i>  |
| <i>Mon 29th March</i>   | <i>Yr. 6-10 Excursion—Maitland Art Gallery<br/>Parent/Teacher Interviews</i> |
| <i>Tues 30th March</i>  | <i>Primary Excursion to Taronga Park Zoo<br/>Book Blitz</i>                  |

Check this space for “Assignments Due”

# EXCITING NEW DEVELOPMENT

## **TRIAL OF BRITANNICA ONLINE**

Thanks to the generosity of P&F it was agreed last meeting to trial a new resource for Heritage College. It is the Britannica Online School Edition K-12 developed by teachers. If the trial is successful it will be purchased for \$590 pa which includes **remote access via the internet for all the families of the school 24-7!!**

This is being very successfully used by Head of Primary Felicity Shields, other teachers and parents at Heritage College Sydney. I know that it is also used at tens of thousands of other schools in Australia and worldwide. Last Thursday we arranged an online remote access trial for the staff and many expressed a keen desire to use this resource. Last Friday we began a four week trial. We would like you to participate by logging onto

URL <http://school.eb.com.au>

Username: of februaryschool

Password: unitedstates

The site is set out in three levels. Senior High School, Middle School and Primary School. The advantage to our multi-graded classes is that all the levels may be displayed at once to cater for different learning abilities.

The site also offers an engaging online resource for early childhood learning covering letters, words, numbers, time etc. This is activity based and younger children will enjoy playing the games on this site. The site includes 160,000 articles; thousands of journal articles; video and audio clips; 40,000 images and **60,000 student friendly websites.**

So please take this advantage to participate in the trial and email your feedback to myself ([rlynch@heritage.edu.au](mailto:rlynch@heritage.edu.au)) or Simon ([sdodson@heritage.edu.au](mailto:sdodson@heritage.edu.au)) in the next few weeks.

Thankyou Ruth Lynch

## **Child Restraint Laws Notice from the RTA**

As part of their media and public education campaign regarding new child restraint laws the RTA has asked that the attached card be sent out with school newsletters.

Please read the brochure and make yourselves familiar with the new requirements which came into effect on March 1

