Welcome Back to Heritage College for 2010

It’s great to see everyone back at school. All the students have big smiles on their faces and are enjoying catching up with friends again. All the students are settling in well to the new year level and the new year gives all the students a clean slate to begin afresh. We hope and pray this year will be blessed for all our students, teachers and families.

Welcome to our new students. Our new kindy students started this week and they are settling in really well to the Infants class. We also welcome Jamin and Alana Sawell who are in the Primary and High School classes. They have moved into the local area from Cobah, and they are most welcome.

Welcome to Mr Garry Hindmarsh who will be teaching Science to Year 6-10 this year. Mr Hindmarsh taught at our school back in 1997 and we appreciate having him back with us.

Congratulations to our Year 12 cohort who left the school, having completed their HSC, and are now pursuing post-secondary options. We wish you all the best for your future.

Heritage College Melbourne has started. The first classes were held on Tuesday. It’s a very exciting new venture for the Melbourne families involved. Mr Bill Lunn is the new Principal and he is very experienced as a teacher and the Principal of Heritage College Adelaide for 10 years. We pray for God’s blessing to be on the new school. Their website is www.heritagemelbourne.com.au.

Students have new stationery and uniform items. Please ensure that all items are named for easy identification. This enables lost property to be returned to the correct owner.

Students need to cover their books to provide additional protection and durability. Every student should have a school hat. We held a random uniform inspection today and discovered that a number of students did not have hats, or had left them at home. Students who do not own a hat were issued one and this will be added to the uniform bill. Students without school hats are not permitted, for health reasons, to leave the covered verandah, which does limit their enjoyment of the recess and lunch break. Please encourage your children to always have their hat at school.

Parents’ attention is drawn to the MYSCHOOL website (www.myschool.edu.au) which has been created by the Federal Government and which displays the NAPLAN results of all Australian schools and compares them to the National Average and also to schools of a similar context. The results for our school were very pleasing indeed. There was also a league table drawn up by the Sydney Morning Herald which placed our school as number 58 out of over 600 High Schools and 71 out of over 1000 Primary Schools. The complete league tables can be downloaded from a link on our school website, or email the office and we can email the lists to you. Congratulations to all the teachers and students who gained such excellent results.

There will be a Parent Information Session held for each class group next Thursday. The Infants session will be held at 2:15pm, the Primary session at 3:15pm and the High School session at 4:00pm. All parents are welcome. Teachers will outline the routines and expectations of our school.

SRC Elections will be taking place during the next week or so. Students are invited to nominate and then vote for class candidates who can take on leadership roles. We encourage students to take part in this worthwhile activity. Mrs Simkus is the organiser of the SRC.

If you want to receive this newsletter by email, send a request to newsletter@heritage.edu.au. Let your family and friends know that they can receive one too.

May God bless us in the year ahead. Simon Dodson,
Welcome to Infants 2010!
Hope everyone had a wonderful and refreshing break. It is very exciting to have 7 new faces in our classroom this year. The Kindis are quite chuffed about being in real school and the year 1’s and 2’s are definitely happy to have them! We have 23 in our class this year (16 of which are boys…I’m going to need a lot of energy!). We have been busily working away on many things already. If you happen to pass by our classroom you will see a ‘helping hands’ tree that we are creating. The students made handprints with paint and cardboard, cut them out and then wrote/drew how they would help in the classroom. These hands are the leaves of the tree in our room, making a bright display. Here are some ‘helping hands’ comments:

‘I can help people draw’ Harry
‘By doing my job when I’m asked’ Adam Wiltshire
‘I can help clean up’ Wills
‘When someone falls over then I can help’ Carson
We have also been doing some journal writing, creating a big book, learning new songs and talking about some rules that would be good (please!! 😊) to follow through the year.

Thank you for sending in 3 scrapbooks for Maths, English and homework. If you haven’t already please send them in (covered makes them last longer) as soon as possible. Homework will not be starting until we have some good routines happening. I will set a small project as homework for the next couple of weeks. It would be great if you could help your child with this and enjoy completing it together. If you are willing to be a ‘reading mum’ again this year could you please either ring the school and tell Vicki or myself, or send a note in with your child. Thanks so much. Individual reading time make such a big difference.

Looking forward to a great year ahead with some wonderful children! Mrs H

WELCOME BACK PRIMARIES FOR 2010!!
What a start to the year! 21 students filled the Primary class on Tuesday with beaming faces!
Here are a few comments from the students about their thoughts of school so far....

“School’s been really fun”- Celina Shead
“We got to paint the windows and it was fun, but really messy!”- Tammy Wilson
“It’s good to see my friends again”- Annie Elton
“Mrs S is the best”- Tabby Collins
“It’s good to see my friends again after the seven weeks.”- Anais Pogson
“We’ve been playing heaps of cool games and we now have mailboxes!”- Abi Dodson

I would like to mention the new Year 3 students-

Not to mention another new addition-

Alannah Sawell – Yr 5

Welcome to our class!!!

Our THEME for this term is Rainforests!
If you have anything at home linked to this topic, we would love to see or use it! We have already painted our windows using this theme!
The class discussed what rules we should aim to follow and this is what the kids came up with...

- Be Sensible
- Don’t Distract Others
- Listen & Put Your Hand Up to Talk
- Have Fun.

So far....

- We have written mail to one another.
- Had a Scavenger Hunt to try and find out what people like or have done.
- Written a Recount of our Summer Holidays using colourful pencils.
- Played lots of Maths games including Mathletics
- Read books
- Decorated lots of Title Pages for our new books.

Reminder- Sport is on Thursdays! And Next week is SWIMMING at Avondale!

NEW STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL:
Welcome to High School:
Jarrod Collins, Hayley Rose Dangerfield, Sam Dodson, Grace Madden, Caleb Mongan, Imogen Pogson, Sophie Richards Tekoah Ryan, Jamin Sawell, Laura Shead, Lori Streton, Belle Tappouras, Phoebe Tappouras

They are all very smart in their new uniforms, especially the girls in their new skirts!

And the New Senior Students are:
Jena Bradley, Asher Carroll, Nathan Dodson, Jake Ginn, Ethan Mitchell, Jordan Ryan, Adam Wiltshire

SPORT:
A note with all the SPORT activities is attached to the newsletter. Please send in the permission notes by TOMORROW.

SPORT TOMORROW IS SWIMMING AT THE TOUKLEY SWIMMING CENTRE.
This is in preparation for the Swimming Carnival later this month.
If you wish to pick up your child from the Centre please be there on time.

HRIS TENNIS TEAM: Jake Madden, Patrick Tappouras, Nathan Dodson, and David Lynch

Student of the Week
Abigail Dangerfield
“She’s good at running.”
“She’s a great sport”
“She’s kind”
“She always makes people happy.”
“She’s good at handball”
“She’s a really, really, really, really, good friend!”
Mrs S

Secondary Scene

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**General**

**PARENT INFO SESSIONS**

Thurs 11th Feb  
Infants: 2pm  
Primary: 3.15  
High School: 4pm  

A note will be sent home next week.

**Music Lessons:**

Violin: Eliza Morisson will be teaching on Thursdays starting 11th Feb  
Trumpet: Michael Tierney will be teaching on Mondays starting 7th Feb.  
Piano: see your teachers

**Please return all outstanding Library books and TEXT books to the “Returns” Crate in the Library asap**

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**Administration**

Welcome back to 2010: We have a number of notes going home today:

**IMPORTANT:** Family Database check forms need to be returned. Could ALL families please return their forms.  
**Yr 7 & 10 Vaccination Parent Information Kits**  
Could parents please return by Monday, 1 March.

**PERMISSION NOTES:**

**High School Sport:** Please return by TOMORROW, 5 February, as the student will be traveling to Toukley. Invoices will be sent home next week.

**HRIS High School Tennis:** Nathan Dodson, Jacob Madden, David Lynch and Patrick Tappouras. Please return by Tuesday, 16 February with payment.

**FEES:** Invoices will be sent home during week 3 

Thank you for everyone’s cooperation.

Vicki  
Administration

**PHONE NUMBERS:**  
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VICKI: 0431264792  
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(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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Happy Birthday to:
Laura Richards
Turned 10 on Tues
BERT RYAN
6 on 9th Feb

Hope everyone enjoyed their holiday break and all the people who had a birthday during that time had a lovely day!

If by some chance I miss your birthday (or you want me to publish your mum or dad’s birthday) please let me know.

newsletter@heritage.edu.au

If you wish to submit an article to the Newsletter please send by e-mail to:

newsletter@heritage.edu.au

Canteen:
The Canteen will be run this year by MIGNON POGSON
Canteen starts Friday 12th (No Canteen tomorrow)

Welcome to our New Kindies for 2010: Candace Ryan, Zac Alchin, Eden Dangerfield, Gideon Ryan, Harry Spry and William Madden

We also welcome (back) Mr. Gary Hindmarsh! Mr. Hindmarsh will be teaching High School Science classes.

Future Events:

Tuesday 9th Feb HRIS Secondary Junior Tennis Gala Day
Thursday 11th Feb Parent Information Session
Tuesday 16th Feb BOOK BLITZ
Thursday 18th Feb School Council Meeting 7.30pm
Mon 22nd Feb P & F Meeting—1.30pm in Library
Tuesday 23rd Feb HRIS Secondary Senior Tennis Gala Day
Friday 26th Feb Swimming Carnival at Morisset Pool

Check this space for “Assignments Due”

We welcome the Sawell Family!
John and Leah Sawell and their children Jamin and Alanah have moved from Cobar and are now part of the school scene at HC! Jamin is in Year 6 and Alanah is in Year 5

Photo Gallery
To increase our efficiency in communicating to parents and friends we are offering the option of receiving the weekly newsletter and school notes via email. We will still be sending out a paper copy to each family.

If you would like to receive your newsletters and notes by email please fill in the information below and return to school asap. If you know anyone in your family or ecclesia who would like to receive a copy by email please forward this information on to them.

Please write clearly!

Alternately: you can email me at newsletter@heritage.edu.au

Note- you can view the Newsletter on our webpage: cooranbong.heritage.edu.au

Attention: Jo Wiltshire
Yes, please send the weekly newsletter and school notes via email.
Name: .................................................................

Email address/addresses:

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