



# Heritage College Newsletter



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# Heritage College Cooranbong

## A Christadelphian School

## From the Principal: NSW Board of Studies Inspection

Inspectors from the NSW Board of Studies were visiting Heritage College to inspect our school to ensure it complies with all the legislative requirements of NSW Independent schools. The inspection begins in March with a submission of a pile of school documents and culminates with a two day visit by three inspectors who have a close look at all the details of the running of the school. The inspectors were very impressed with what they saw. They were glowing in their praise of the work of the students and teachers. They had no hesitation in recommending registration and accreditation of our school for a further period of five years, *(the maximum allowable under the legislation!)*

Thank you to all the staff who have put a lot of work into ensuring that all the programs and documents were up-to-date and available to the BOS inspectors. Thank you also to Liz Wilson and her team who put together some delicious morning teas and lunches for our visitors. Thanks to Carrie who helped with displays. Thank you to Ken, Phil, Morrie, John, Wayne, Liz, Gail and other helpers who assisted with the grounds' and facilities cleanup. **Once again the auditors of education in NSW have been completely satisfied that we not only comply, but exceed compliance in many areas.** Well done to everyone at Heritage College. The next BOS inspection is planned for 2016.

The Infant's class went on an exciting excursion on Wednesday morning to the **Toronto Fire Station**. It was a really great experience. The fire station staff showed the children all the parts of the fire station and the children had a great time.

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*Theme for the Term:*

**Character Matters**

**-Generosity -**

**“It is more blessed to give than to receive”**

**Acts 20:35**

Today the students in Years 9-12 went on an excursion to the **Careers Expo**. They were able to view a large range of possible careers and investigate post-secondary options. It is a very helpful experience and gets them all thinking about what they might do upon leaving school.

The **Primary HRIS Cross Country Run** will be taking place at the Walka Water Works in Maitland on Monday. Students could be doing some practice in the lead-up to the big event.

**The P&F meeting** will take place on Monday at 1:30pm in the school library. All are welcome.

There is a round of **immunisations** taking place on Tuesday for those students who have returned the paperwork.

**The Sydney HC Fair** is being held on Saturday 28 May for all those who are able to attend. Tickets for the rides are on sale in the Office.

**Congratulations again to everyone who was involved in preparing for the BOS inspection.**

**A fantastic outcome for the school!**

Simon Dodson,

Principal

**P & F Meeting  
Mon 23rd May  
1.30pm in Library**



Some things the class said about Ruby:

- ☺ She's awesome at sport
- ☺ She's the best friend.
- ☺ She's funny
- ☺ She's fun to play with
- ☺ She's good at art

Mrs. S

SECONDARY SCENE

SPORT TOMORROW  
Athletics Training

Yr. 6-8 Geography  
Excursion to Caves  
Beach  
1st June

General

Cadbury Chocolate  
Drive.

Hope everyone is successful in selling their chocs ! There are more boxes available to those who are able to sell more. If you would like another box, please ring Priscilla on 0439773301

HC SYDNEY FAIR:

The Fair is on May 28th May. We have special "unlimited" ride vouchers available. Cost \$20 (\$25 if purchased on the day). Send in money to the office.

SUN SAFE POLICY:

Students need to wear hats while in the playground.  
NO HAT—NO PLAY!

Award winners this week were:  
**Zac Alchin** – improvement in PM comprehension tasks and trying hard to be an independent worker  
**Jess Brown** – excellent procedure text type writing

Excursion to the Fire Station!

Infants had lots of fun at the Toronto Fire Station and also learnt a few things too ☺. The fire fighters gave us over an hour of their time and let the children spray from the fire hose, go in the truck, speak on the loud speaker, and tackle a kitted out fireman!! They also did a safety talk and demonstration and took the students out the back to see the station's pet chickens! Here are some comments from the class:

I learnt that some types of smoke can be very poisonous – Eden L  
We got to spray the bus and it was fun! – Gids

I liked seeing the chickens – Candace (yes—there was a chicken house at the Fire Station!)  
I liked how we squirted the water from the hose – Wills

I loved hopping in the fire truck – Jess

I learnt that some fires are bad and some fires are good – Carter  
We got to see all the things in the fireman's truck – Tilly

I learnt that the big hose puts out big fires and little hoses put out little fires – Bert

Thanks to Uncle John, Aunty Casz and Aunty Leah for helping out.

Maths

This week we have been learning about shape and number patterns. We have been creating patterns using concrete materials, computer graphics, body percussion and drawing. We have discovered that Shem Carroll has an amazing ability to create all sorts of interesting and difficult body percussion patterns- a percussionist in the making!

Art

We have some lovely, bright, new artworks up in the room which are scenes from our Fire Station visit. Lots of red fire trucks and blue spraying water!  
Mrs H

Board of Studies Inspection!

What can I say?

Mrs S can relax a little!

With such a fantastic class that completes hard work, (NAPLAN EX-AMS back to back with a week of Inspection) I think we should have a recess party tomorrow to celebrate! Bring in whatever goodies you would like to share with the class!

English

Writing - Linked with our topic 'British Colonisation', students chose different groups to work with and began creating 'scripts' to perform for Drama. These are a list of the different categories:

- Aboriginals - the first residents.
- Early Explorers and Ptolemy
- Captain James Cook and Joseph Banks.
- Crowded Gaols and King George
- The Arrival of the First Fleet and Convicts.

Reading - Thank you to all reading helpers! We have just completed some testing and a lot of students are moving up in PM Reading! Keep up the great effort!

Grammar: NOUN PLURALS

Spelling: Focus sound 'ai ay a\_e a' think snail.

MATHS

Students have drawn and classified a variety of 2D shapes for Maths this week. Do you know what a polygon is? How many sides does a pentagon have? Year 5 students should be able to explain what an Isosceles triangle is!

Art

We have finished our Aboriginal dot paintings and they are currently hanging in our room. They look amazing!

HRIS Cross Country

The HRIS Primary Cross Country is this Monday. ☺ The Primary class will be walking the course at 11:45am, so it is important to get to the venue by 11:30am sharp. Thank you to helpers who are coming on the day! Our school will require 2 Officials to sit out on the track for a couple of events.

**FULL 5-YEAR ACCREDITATION  
FROM BOARD OF STUDIES**

At the Board of Studies Inspection that took place on Tuesday and Wednesday this week the Auditors of Education in NSW were completely satisfied that HCC complies with all Board of Studies requirements, exceeding compliance in many areas, and issued HCC with full Accreditation for the maximum term of 5 years.

Thanks to our Principal, Simon Dodson, and the School Council for their diligent work in maintaining and implementing all the necessary legal documentation and procedures. The Board of Studies officers were happy to grant our school the maximum accreditation of 5 years as they were fully assured that our school was being properly administered. Well done to all the staff, teachers and parents involved in preparing for the visit. Special thanks to Liz Wilson and helpers who provided delicious morning teas and lunches over the 2 days.

**CONGRATULATIONS, and WELL DONE!**

**CANTEENTOMORROW**

**Meat & Vege Pasties**  
1 for \$2 / 2 for \$3.50  
**Sausage Roll \$2.50**

**NEW UNIFORM CO-ORDINATOR— MIA LUKE**

We would like to thank Chris Ryan for the last many years for her faithful service in the Uniform Shop, AND thank Mia Luke for taking over the role. Mia will be at school on alternate TUESDAYS to handle all your uniform requirements. Emails can be sent to Mia at: [uniforms@heritage.edu.au](mailto:uniforms@heritage.edu.au)

**Uniform Orders:** The Lowes order has been delayed. Sorry to people who are waiting—we are seeking to obtain the order asap, and will let you know as soon as it arrives.

**Amount Owning for Uniforms: \$2432.80**

Thanks to all the parents who have been paying off their accounts, the amount outstanding has been reduced a lot in the last few weeks.

Please try to pay outstanding amounts asap.

**SECOND HAND UNIFORMS:** If anyone has any 2nd hand uniforms they no longer require, it would be great to have them in the Uniform shop. We are in need of girls tunics in the smaller sizes.

**SCHOOL BANKING:**

School Banking will take place each Tuesday. Thanks to Anna Stretton who helped out this week.

**IMMUNISATION:**

Year 7 Hep B Immunisations on Tuesday, 24 May. Please return forms.

**NOTIFICATION:**

***HRIS Primary (Yrs 3-6) Cross***

***Country. Notice attached. John Russell is the driver for this activity his contact details are: 0437 370 480. Please contact John on an estimated time of arrival.***

***Vicki***

***Administration***

**Bike Safety:**

**ALL STUDENTS WHO RIDE TO SCHOOL MUST WEAR A HELMET. It is the LAW and can save your LIFE!**

**PHONE NUMBERS:**

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

**VICKI : 0431 264792**

**GOSFORD BUS: John Russell 0437370480**

**NEWCASTLE BUS: Morrie Pogson 0416223877**

**\*\*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 - INFANTS CLASS

Happy Birthday  
to

**Jordan Ryan**

17 on Sunday

**Uncle Garry  
Hindmarsh**

"60" on Monday

**Jacob Ginn**

18 next Thursday

**Hamish Ross**

13 next Thursday

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TOMORROW**

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**All welcome.**

**SYNDEY HC  
FAIR:**

**SAT 28th May**

**12 noon start**—have lunch,  
afternoon tea and/or dinner.

**Fireworks at approx 6pm**

**Rides, stalls, Auction and  
lots more. Help support our  
sister school and have a  
great day out with friends**

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INFANTS EXCURSION TO TORONTO FIRE STATION



## Guitar Lessons

available during school hours.

See Adam (Ph: 0466831378)

or Patrick (Ph: 0450489464)

Bring your own guitar,  
or we can arrange one for use.



### Future Events:

**Mon 23rd May**

**HRIS Primary Cross Country Running Event  
P & F Meeting - 1.30pm in Library**

**Tues 24th May**

**Computer Skills Test  
Immunisations**

**Sat 28th May**

**HC Sydney Fair**

**Wed 1st June**

**Yr. 6-8 Geography Excursion to Caves Beach**

**Tues 7th June**

**HC Combined Athletics Carnival**

**Wed 8th June**

**Science Competition**