



# Heritage College Cooranbong



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## Heritage College Newsletter

A Christadelphian School

### From the Principal: Kindy Orientation Day

Today the Orientation Day was held for Mums whose children start Kindy in 2009. We are blessed to have 7 children who will be commencing Kindy at this stage, God willing. We were keen to share with the Mums information related to 2009. Many of these children are gaining a valuable experience of Heritage College each Thursday through Transition class. Last Thursday night the Solos Concert was held and the students who participated performed beautifully, many on two instruments. We certainly have some talented students and it was a pleasure to hear them play so well. Thank you to all the teachers who work so hard in teaching the students during the year. And thank you to the parents who encourage the children to practice regularly at home. Music certainly does help children develop in many ways.

The Trial School Certificate Tests were held this week. The Year 9-10 students participated, although the tests are most relevant for the Year 10 students. The Year 9 students sat the tests for the purpose of gaining experience of the format of the tests. The real School Certificate Tests will take place on Nov 11-13. Year 10 students would benefit from completing as many past papers as possible. All past papers can be accessed on the NSW Board of Studies website.

Students in Year 10 are having some early classes in Senior English and Chemistry. These will commence next Wednesday and Thursday.

The Year 12 students will sit their Ancient History exam tomorrow morning. This will be the final exam for many students. Congratulations on all the hard work you have done. You deserve to feel very satisfied with the results of all your hard work.

Next Thursday the HRIS Chess Competition will be held at Newcastle Grammar Park Campus. The bus will be leaving school at 7:30am in order to ensure students arrive at the venue

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Theme for the Term:

### GODLY VALUES

—INTEGRITY—

**“Be guided by your conscience  
(not like Ananias and Sapphira)”**

in plenty of time to begin the Chess Tournament on time. Good luck to all those who take part. Those students not involved can come to school as normal. Tomorrow the High School students have swimming for sport. Don't forget your goggles.

The Year 11-12 students have arranged a dinner just for them and some teachers on Nov 11 to celebrate the conclusion of their exams.

On Tuesday 18 Nov the students in Years 6-9 will be going on an excursion to the NSW Art Gallery to view the Monet Exhibition. It should be a great day.

The Year 10 students are planning to have a special activity, including dinner, in Sydney on 21 November to celebrate their Year 10 Graduation. Thanks to the parents of children on the Gosford bus for your patience in the recent rearrangement of the bus run. We are almost there, and will only need a minor adjustment to pick up times to make it final.

Thank you to those Mums who assisted with organising the Orientation Day today. And thank you for the thoughtful gift of roses on my desk which have filled my day with a pleasant aroma. Isn't Spring a beautiful time of year!

Simon Dodson,  
Principal

**HRIS PRIMARY CHESS  
COMPETITION  
THURSDAY 6TH NOV  
BUS DEPARTS SCHOOL AT  
7.30am**



We had a crazy but fun day today! Thanks for your help Aunty Chris... It was orientation today so we were a bit mixed up. We had a lovely special morning tea so if your child didn't eat all their own food—sorry!

Today we learnt about shapes and read two great books: "Don't stop, fill every pot" (the widows oil) and "Fish out of water" - The children were spell-bound!

News is always SO interesting! We had card games, alphabet songs, mermaid outfits, motor-bike gloves and Garfield toys!

We didn't go to Aunty Pips room (due to Orientation) but did go to Library and some children tried on their new uniform! Wow, so grown up!!!!

Thank you for all the rolls and water bottles—we are making shakers for our presentation item today!

The most popular activity by far today was board and card games! Most of the children spent free-time playing addition and subtraction games. Aunty Chris's BRIGHT pink play dough was also popular! (almost good enough to eat!)

Next week (6th) we are doing Numbers and our helper is to be advised! Hope they know who they are!

The week following has been changed from Thursday (13th) to Friday (14th)! Please NOTE the change—as there will be no teacher here on the Thursday but we'll be back and bouncing on Friday!

See you next week! Only 7 more sleeps!

(Don't forget your hat each day!)

Aunty Naomi

Note: No homework this week.

Our excursion to the Wetlands Centre on Monday was fantastic. The children had an amazing time trying things they'd never experienced before, like dip-netting for pond-life, investigating living creatures under the microscope and bird-watching through binoculars! The dip-netting was particularly fun, and we caught all sorts of creatures, including blood worms, boatmen, mosquito fish, dragonflies and lice fish. We saw a few eels but weren't allowed to catch those! We were thankful for perfect weather and after a lot of walking around and being busy investigators, I'm sure everyone slept soundly that night! Thanks to all the Mums who accompanied us – hope you weren't too tired!

On Tuesday we had our first Gymnastics session which was fun. Some activities we did were walking forwards and backwards along the high and low beams, bouncing on the mini-tramp, landing in the 'motorbike' position, swinging on the bars, jumping in the foam pit (highlight!) and playing Octopus. NOTE ABOUT EARINGS: only studs are permitted at the Sports Centre.

This week for Maths we've had lots of 'hands-on' fun with sand and water, investigating volume and capacity. We predicted which containers would hold more, then tested using a couple of different methods and lots of equipment. Using mathematical language as we 'played' was very important.

We hope Carmel gets better quickly and that she's back with us soon!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Pip



This week the Primary class has continued their work on poetry. We are now creating our own stanzas and using rhyming words. This is a quick example of what we came up with in class on the white board:

When I was in the Primary class,  
I had to run a lap.  
I wish I didn't have to run,  
I'd rather take a nap!

My friends were Sam and Isaac,  
They were really cool.  
They always played on computers  
And their favourite game was pool.

Our teacher's name was Mrs S  
And she really loved her sport.  
One time she took us out of school  
To play tennis on the court.

The Principal was Uncle Simon,  
He always wore a beard.  
The students who got in trouble  
Had something to be feared.....

Students are currently writing their own poems in English and will publish them next week.

Pip and I went to the AIS Math Conference in Sydney last Friday, where we learnt different strategies and games to teach the students for all Number operations. This was a great day where we gained valuable resources.

**GYMNASTICS last Tuesday!!** All the Infants/Primary students had lost of fun- especially on the mini trampolines and the famous foam pit!! **BUT... Don't forget to bring your water bottle for next Tuesday.**

**HRIS CHESS COMPETITION** is next **THURSDAY**. Congratulations to those students who made it. The permission notes were sent out yesterday. Look for the Orange!!!

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK Tekoah Ryan!



- ☺ She is really funny.
- ☺ She is nice and good at sport and chess.
- ☺ She puts a lot of hard thought into her work.
- ☺ I love her laugh and she cracks me up.
- ☺ She's very creative and good at explaining things."

Mrs S

## Secondary Stuff:

### Yr. 9-10 SCIENCE:

School Certificate 2006 due Monday 3rd Nov.  
Hand in questions still overdue for many

### Yr. 10 SCIENCE:

Practise paper 1 (including answers) due Mon 3rd Nov

**Yr. 6-8 LIBRARY:** Free Choice Projects need to be finished at home. Due 20th Nov.—please note this project is worth 20% of yearly English mark)

## SENIOR SCENE

**LAST EXAM TOMORROW:** Anc. History -Fri 31st Oct  
Hooray—all finished!!

Get well wishes go to Jake Carroll. Jake had an unfortunate car accident last Friday night and he suffered concussion and had to go to hospital to be checked out for his spinal condition. He is OK but has missed out some crucial study time and may miss the last exam tomorrow.

Cars, necks and exams are not the Carroll family's forte! Thinking of you all.

### Senior Students Farewell Dinner:

11th Nov 6.30pm at Scratchley's on the Wharf  
Invitations with details have been sent out.

### FAREWELL TO YR. 12—

Jake, James, Luke, Naomi, Eliza and Chanan

The New HSC COURSES will commence next Wednesday.

Topics and teachers are:

English: Ms. Lisa Sheridan

Chemistry: Mrs. Kerry Boddey

Biology: Mr. David Morgan

These courses will run for 12 months.

Students have the option to choose VET courses run by TAFE.

The Senior Students for 2009 are:

Yr. 12: Jessica Ginn, Elle Mitchell

Yr. 11: Hannah Davis, Ben Dodson, David Lynch, Tom Mansfield, Kyria Mansfield, and Jonnie Tappouras

**WANTED FOR THE SENIOR COMMON ROOM:** Lounges 2 or small 3 seater. Please see Hannah Davis or Kyria Mansfield if you have a lounge to donate.

## general

## Free Choice Projects

Now need to be finished at home!

Yrs 1-5—due 13th Nov

Yrs 6-8—due 20th Nov

(worth 20% of Yearly English mark)

## Administration

**SCHOOL FEES:** TERM 4 Invoices have been sent out. Please pay by due date.

### PERMISSION NOTES:

Yr 3-6 HRIS Chess Competition: due Monday, 3rd November. Only those students who have been selected have a permission note.

Thanking you for your co-operation.

### DON'T FORGET GYMNASTICS:

Change of date for Gymnastics for Infants and Primary. Gymnastics will be held on **Tuesday, 4th November** NOT Thursday, 6th.

**INFANTS and PRIMARY SWIMMING:** Due in Thursday, 13th November with payment.

**PARENTS IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ALL PERMISSION NOTES BE RETURNED BY THE DUE DATE (with payment).**

If this is done then it will save a lot of time for the administration staff. If this is not done then the admin staff will need to contact parents by phone.

Vicki

Administration

### PHONE NUMBERS:

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**\*\*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, Bus donations etc.

**We have an EFTPOS FACILITY FOR THIS ACCOUNT.**

Payments can be made at the Office by using your 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:

*Jerusha  
Chand*

14 on Sunday 2nd Nov

JAMES  
LYNCH

18 on Sunday

*Ella*

*Bradley*

6 on Wed 5th Nov

Get well Wishes to

*Caleb Mongan.*

Caleb had an accident today and fell and hit his mouth taking a bit chunk out of his front tooth! YOUGH! But he was very brave—no tears! Off to the Dentist for Caleb.

Speedy Recovery Wishes go to

**JAKE  
CARROLL**

Jake had a car accident last Friday night! Jake suffered concussion and had to go to hospital to be monitored due to his previous spinal injuries.

**CANTEEN  
SPECIALS  
TOMORROW**

**Pie: \$1.50**

**Sausage Roll: \$1.50**

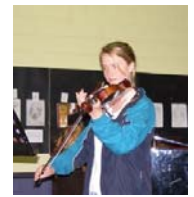
**Hamburger: \$3.00**

**Fresh Fruit Salad  
Cup: \$1**

**Helper: Rach Madden**



**Infants  
Excursion  
to the  
Wetlands  
Centre.**



Kyria Mansfield

**Natasha Wilson found it  
very interesting!  
(but Uncle Morrie  
did not)**



David Lynch

**TAMZOC W-O-FOW**



Hayley Rose Dangerfield



Tom Mansfield



Reuben Ryan



Jena Bradley



Tammy Wilson



Jordan Ryan

## Future Events:

*Tues 4th Nov*

*Infants/Primary Gymnastics*

*Thurs 6th Nov*

*HRIS Primary Chess Competition*

*Mon 10th Nov*

*Yr. 10 School Certificate Exams commence*

*Mon 17th Nov*

*New HSC Courses begin*

*Tues 18th Nov*

*Sydney Art Gallery Excursion*

*Wed 19th Nov*

*Infants/Primary Life Education Van visit*

*Thurs 20th Nov*

*Infants/Primary Gymnastics*

*Fri 21st Nov*

*Yr. 10 Day out in Sydney*

*Mon 24th Nov*

*Infants/Primary Swimming Program begins*

## Assignments Due:

**Yr. 9-10 SCIENCE:** School Certificate 2006 due Monday 3rd Nov. Hand in questions still overdue for many students.

**Yr. 10 SCIENCE:** Practise paper 1 (including answers) due Mon 3rd Nov  
**REMEMBER—YOU WILL LOOSE MARKS IF YOU DO NOT HAND COMPLETED WORK IN ON TIME.**

Attachments:

- ☺ Uniform Committee Minutes
- ☺ P & F Committee Minutes