

Heritage College Cooranbong



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Heritage College Newsletter

A Christadelphian School

From the Principal: Chess Competition Today

Some of the Primary students were involved in the HRIS Primary Chess competition today. This was hosted this year by Newcastle Grammar and Mrs Dangerfield supervised our teams as they competed against all the HRIS Schools (Hunter Region Independent Schools). Congratulations to all who took part.

The Infants Orientation Day took place last Friday and it was great to see new families coming along who have not had children at our school before. We certainly welcome these families and look forward to them becoming a part of our school community. Mrs Digney and Mrs Dangerfield were both in attendance talking about the infants class and how the infants class is organised.

This week the year 9-10 students have been sitting some practice exams. The year 10 students will be sitting their School Certificate Tests next Monday-Wednesday. The tests on Monday and Tuesday will be held at Avondale High School Hall. The Computer Skills Test next Wednesday will take place at Heritage in the computer room. Year 10 students are not expected to attend school after their School Certificate Tests until Wed 21 November when their new subjects begin.

Next Tuesday the Primary Class are being taken on a Recycling Excursion Aunty Ruth Lynch. This should be a really interesting day and the children will learn all about the benefits of recycling.

Next Wednesday the Infants class are going on a Hebrew excursion to the Newcastle Synagogue. This should be an interesting experience to visit a synagogue in our local area.

The chickens have all hatched in the Infants room. We now have about 19 little chickens and it has been a really informative experience for the infants class to observe the process of these little chickens coming into the world. Thanks to Mrs Digney for organising the fascinating exhibit. I believe the chicks are available for pets if parents

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Theme for the Term:

“GODLY VALUES”

— Honesty and

Trustworthiness —

would like to take one home.

The Senior Formal is scheduled for November 19. Senior Classes will recommence on Wed 21 November. Ancient History will be the first subject to recommence on that morning.

It is great to see Lori and Ellie Stretton back at school for the first time this term. They have been very sick with the chicken pox and have been unable to attend school since last term. So its great to see them back looking healthy again.

School fees notices have been sent home this week. We would appreciate it if parents could finalise these as soon as possible. Also, the sport levy is necessary to pay for the sporting activities the children have completed. Thank you for your support.

It was great to see one of our students get baptised last weekend. Emma Higgs was baptised at Dooralong on Saturday and we pray for God's blessing to be with her.

Last Thursday night someone stole our outdoor furniture setting that was handmade for us. If anyone knows anything about this please let me know.

Simon Dodson
Principal

**SCHOOL
CERTIFICATE
EXAMS
12-14TH NOV**



We had a lovely day today—despite the rain. Our topic today was shapes and we spent the morning learning all sorts of tricky shapes from squares and triangles to ovals and stars. Aunty Fiona Carroll was our helper... thank you! Next week we are focusing on numbers and our helper is Julia Duperouzel.

Orientation was today as well which was exciting and some of the children tried on their new uniforms!

We have had some interesting news brought in each week, such as dolls, cars, handbags and live crickets!

Today we went into the infants room and saw the baby chickens which were so cute before going to library and reading a book called the Golden Locket, then borrowed our books.

At free time the children did some lovely paintings and really enjoyed the play dough with egg cartons. Dress ups were also very popular and there were some very fancy ladies trotting round.

Have a great weekend and I'll look forward to seeing you next Friday for another fun day together.

Aunty Naomi

Last weeks winning team – THE ROO'S

Today is our last visit to the **Gymnasium at Glendale**. Children have enjoyed fabulous facilities and tried lots of new things at the training centre. Our coach was telling us that the Chinese Olympic team (who won a few gold medals!) practiced there in the lead-up to the Sydney Olympics.

Welcome back Elli Stretton! After a long absence we were delighted to welcome Elli back into the throng.

Thanks to Pip Dangerfield who taught for me yesterday when I couldn't venture far from the couch! The children have been showing me all their work today including their Fact Webs about why chickens make such good pets!

Next Wednesday, we will miss sport because we'll be on a **Hebrew Excursion** (yiphee!), featuring a Newcastle synagogue and Israeli games on the beach. By the following Wednesday, we will be doing swimming coaching every day at the Morisset Pool. What a great term of Sport!

This is also your friendly reminder that **\$4 per child is due in by tomorrow** for the chicken hatching program. It would be great if that could be at the office and zipped up tomorrow. The program has been worth every cent – we've learned heaps!

Take care until next week

Mrs D ☺

Primaries have continued to work well this week. We have been continuing to explore our theme of "Only One Earth" and have been talking about resources which are renewable and non-renewable. Yesterday we looked at some videos about recycling in readiness for our trip to the Somersby "Earthcare" Factory and Worm Farm at Teralba next Tuesday. Please get your notes back for this excursion. Some terrific Littering posters have been produced in the last week which show that the children are increasing their awareness of the part they can play in preserving our environment. Quite a few children are now busy typing up stories and poems for our newspaper, "Primary Post" which is gradually taking shape.

Our Tables Drive in Maths is going well. The year 5 students have all progressed to a 100 grid every day. Megan Pearson who is only in Year Four is also doing a hundreds grid.. We had our final Gymnastics session on Wednesday afternoon. Special mentions this week to Joseph Richards, Joseph Ginn, Joshua Dangerfield and Zach Riddle for splendid effort in Gymnastics. Some students are getting a little behind with their Homework. Please catch up with this and have it in on Friday.

FREE CHOICE PROJECTS

Please finish at
home.
Due next Thursday
15th Nov

Secondary Stuff

SPORT:

Masada 2364 Gamla 2066

Tomorrow last day for Gymnastic (don't forget your water bottles)

Next Friday, 16th November—Softball at school

YR. 6-8 HISTORY:

The scheduled 6-8 History excursion for Tuesday 13th has been postponed until the 27th. More details to follow.

YR 9-10 HISTORY

School Certificate History is just around the corner! Yr 9-10 History students have three History booklets to completed by Monday. This is especially important given that the SC History test is on Tuesday. Best of luck for all your tests.

SENIOR SCENE

TUE 13th Nov HSC BUSINESS

SENIOR FORMAL

19TH NOV

BLACKSMITHS SURF CLUB

MONEY CAN BE SENT IN CLOSER TO THE DATE, BUT WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR REPLY ASAP

**Senior Jerseys: Money outstanding
Please send in payment ASAP:**

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Bronze: Bethany French, Elizabeth Schubert, Phoebe Tappouras, Joseph Ginn, Zach Riddle, Sam Kirkwood, Annie-Rose Madden, Reuben Ryan, Sam Dodson, Sophie Richards, Joseph Richards, Teakoah Ryan and Lori Stretton

Silver: Bethany French, Joseph Ginn, Zach Riddle and Lori Stretton.

WELL DONE PRIMARY'S

GENERAL

35 hour FAMINE: This week the High School students are participating in a 35hr famine to raise money for the Christadelphian Children's Orphanage in India.

Gather your sponsors—see Acts 20:35 “It is better to give than receive.”

All donations can be put in the blue box in the office. Your generosity is much appreciated—money is going to a good cause.

Thanks

Jo Lynch and Yr 9 students

CANTEEN:

THE CANTEEN IS OPEN ON FRIDAYS

This weeks special:

Beef or Vegie burger \$3

UNIFORMS:

Can everyone please settle their accounts before the end of the year. Only 5 weeks till the end of the term. Small weekly payments are welcome. Please remember to send in your direct debit printouts to verify your payments.

Payments Made: \$358.85 Thank You

Outstanding: \$1441.00

WANTED:

**ANY BRAND PLASTIC JARS WITH
SCREW TOP LIDS**

**4 LITRE ICE CREAM
CONTAINERS FOR THE SCIENCE
ROOM.**

**A BIG THANKYOU TO
JOHN RUSSELL**

**for his time in driving the Gosford bus
for the past two weeks.**

PHOTO GALLERY



THE PRIMARY STUDENTS HARD AT WORK AT THE HRIS CHESS COMPETITION



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY TO:**

Ashleigh Patch

(Distance Ed)
for Sunday 11th

**Maddison
Smith**

(Distance Ed)
for Sunday 11th

CALEB MONGAN
9 on Monday (12th)

Navi Tawake

(Distance Ed)
for Wednesday 14th

A Big Welcome Back
Lori and Elli Stretton who
have been off with Chicken
Pox for the past 3 weeks

Tappouras Family
(Darren, Susie, Jonny,
Patrick and Phoebe) re-
cently visited in the
beautify South Island of
NZ met up with Roberts
Family and they have
passed on their love to
all at HCC

**Canteen Special this
Week**
Beef or Vege Burger

\$3.00

Future Events:

MON 12th-WED	SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMS
TUES 13th Nov	<u>HSC BUSINESS SERVICES</u> PRIMARY EXCURSION –RECYCLING YR6-8 HISTORY EXCURSION
WED 14th Nov	INFANTS HEBREW EXCURSION
THURS 15th Nov	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
MON 19th Nov	INFANTS & PRIM SWIMMING BEGINS <u>SENIOR FORMAL</u>
TUES 20th Nov	NEW HSC SUBJECTS BEGIN
TUES 27th Nov	YR.6-8 HISTORY EXCURSION
WED 28th Nov	YR. 6-8 HEBREW EXCURSION
MON 3rd DEC	YEAR 6-10 EXAM WEEK
THURS 6th Dec	SCHOOL COUNCIL DINNER 6pm
MON 10th Dec	<u>PRESENTATION NIGHT 7pm</u>
WED 12th Dec	WHOLE SCHOOL PICNIC DAY
THURS 13th Dec	<u>LAST DAY OF TERM 4—FINISH 2PM</u>
FRI 14th Dec	STAFF LUNCHEON

Administration

FEES:

TERM 4 School Fees were sent out on Wednesday, 7th November—Due date for payment is Monday, 26th November, 2007.

Please pay promptly with any other overdue school fees.

OUTSTANDING:

Gymnastics for Infants and Primary students has now finished, could the following families please finalize all payments. Invoices attached.

Duperouzel, French, Madden, Pearson, Shorter and Tappouras (Infants).

REMINDER

A reminder to parents of correct procedure in handing in notes and money to the office – Please put all notes **WITH MONEY** in a **sealed envelope** with **child/ren's name**, the amount enclosed and what it is for written clearly on the front.

Parents when you pay via internet banking could you please print off and send in the receipt, also please put you name and what it is for on the documentation and send in with the signed permission note.

We have had a number of students not going to their normal home bus stops. **PARENTS** you are reminded to contact **the school** should your child/children change their afternoon stop. This is so that bus drivers are aware of what is happening and this also comes under Duty of Care for the school and bus drivers.

School finishes at **3:05pm** and students will need to be picked up by **3:15pm**, as the staff on duty have other commitments. If you are unable to pick up your child/children by this time please contact the school to advise them that you are unable to do so.

Morning duty for staff starts at **8:40am** so please do not drop your child/children off before this time.

OH&S:

Parents could you please ensure your pre-schoolers wear adequate footwear when on the school site as this is an OH&S requirement.

Could parents of **Primary and Infants** classes please make sure that you **do not send** any foods into school that need heating up in the microwave, as this requires the students to use staff room facilities and the younger students **are not to walk around** with hot foods. This is an exception when Canteen is on and only if the students are ordering lunches from the canteen. Also please enforce in your child/children about swapping their recess and lunch. There are some children who can have allergic reactions to some foods.

Thanking you for your co-operation.

Vicki
Administration

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.

PHONE NUMBERS:

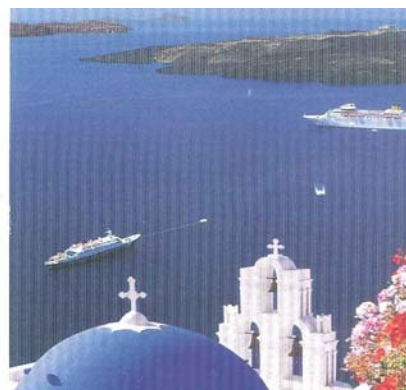
SCHOOL: 4977 3456
VICKI: 0439 068992
NEWCASTLE BUS: 0416 223877
(Jo On Thursdays): 0409 153115
GOSFORD BUS: 0418 686387



THE NEWLY WEDDS

Mr & Mrs Simkus

The Primary class received a post card from **THE GREEK ISLANDS** and then they are heading off to **ITALY.**



POST CARD FROM THE GREEK ISLANDS