



Heritage College Cooranbong



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Heritage College Newsletter

A Christadelphian School

From the Principal: School Council Dinner Tonight

The School Council is giving a report on the 2008 year tonight. Dinner is provided and there is no cost. It commences in the middle room at 6:30pm. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there. Child minding is provided for children aged 3-12 in the school house. Please give your children tea before they arrive. Presentation Night is being held on Monday evening at 7pm. All are welcome. Students should wear summer uniform. Parents please bring a plate for supper. High School Exams are concluded now. Assessments are being finalised and reports will be handed out on the last day of term – next Thursday.

The Infants and Primary swimming program has been going really well over the last two weeks. All the children have shown some excellent improvement in their skills and technique over that time. Parents should consider enrolling their children in swimming lessons over the summer.

Tomorrow afternoon the Year 6-9 students are going on an excursion to the Newcastle Art gallery to view the Archibald prize exhibition. There is no cost for this excursion.

The Hebrew cultural feast “Hannukah” will be held for students in years K-8 tomorrow after recess. This is an opportunity to practice their Hebrew speaking skills in an interesting cultural activity.

The school now has two waste bins instead of one. The second bin is recycling for paper and cardboard. Please put the correct items in the correct bin.

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Theme for the Term:

GODLY VALUES

“DILIGENCE”

**Work out your own Salvation with Fear
and Trembling**

Next week, after Presentation Night, there are some special activities taking place for students in all year levels. The Infants and Primary students will be involved in a picnic and trip to the Newcastle beach and baths on Wednesday. The Primary students only will go bowling next Thursday morning. The High School students are going bowling and swimming at Mingara next Tuesday as well as picnicking and swimming at Newcastle on Wednesday.

Next Thursday there will be a huge Trivia Competition for the High School students. There will be prizes for the winning table. A 2009 school calendar will be handed out to each family after presentation night.

The last three days of school are mufti—out of school uniform. Please keep in mind that students should wear modest clothing, suitable footwear and bring a hat. Next Thursday is the last day of the year. School will conclude at 2pm. A staff luncheon is being held next Friday.

*Simon Dodson,
Principal*

**School Council Dinner
and Report Night
TONIGHT
6.30pm**



We had a FABULOUS last day today with very excited children! Our topic today was FOOD and very fittingly we had Auntie Joan Bowen who helped bring lovely party food –meringues and fruit balls... THANK YOU very much!

We had a very lengthy news time again! (40 minutes!) - and everyone told me what they want to be when they grow up: Shem and Lewis—Police men, Gideon and William—Robbers, Carter—Fire fighter, Candace—Fairy, Eden—Dentist, and Shiloh—Baby sitter!

We read stories on food (Mary and Martha) and 10 fat sausages—where the children competently counted backwards by 2's! We practised our item for next Monday night on the stage—please be here early (BY 7PM) as we are FIRST up!

We went into Auntie Pip's class and practised standing up in front of everyone—we showed our news! This was very brave. Well done.

Our party was so much fun! Thankyou for all the food—We had a great selection of sweet and savoury and healthy—and well not so healthy.

Have a great holiday and I look forward to seeing all of those school starters in their uniforms next year and those not going to school—Can't wait till next year God willing!

Portfolios will be handed out Monday night.

Love Auntie Naomi



The end of the year is always an exciting time, but it's also an incredibly busy one! We've spent quite some time collating many pieces of work we've done throughout the year and putting together our portfolios. These will come home with our reports next Thursday. Hope you enjoy them!

To our wonderful reading mums ... THANK YOU for all your time and hard work this year. You have played a huge role in the reading progress of all the Infants children and made each one feel special and very clever! **There will be NO home reading next week, as I'm keen to have all readers returned to their boxes by Tuesday, ready for the new year.** Enjoy your sleep-in...?!?

To ALL parents ... Please have a hunt through your bookshelves for any school readers or library books that may be floating around at home. These should be returned as soon as possible.

We have our last swimming lesson tomorrow. There has been a huge improvement all round in the swimming abilities of all the children, and even the Kindergarten students have now learnt how to do freestyle, aided by a kickboard!

We're bringing our little veggie plants home now – snow peas, capsicum, tomatoes and corn. Some plants have grown very well and are over 10 cm tall, whilst some haven't sprouted at all yet! Perhaps those ones were pushed down a little too far.....! Transfer these plants to a nice sunny spot in the garden and watch them grow!

Enjoy the last few days of school!

Mrs Pip



"Yay ! Next week its going to be year 5 day. This means that the year 5s rule the day." Koa!

"The next day after that is going to be the beach day! Our whole class is so excited. I CAN'T WAIT!" Sam D

"This week we have been practicing for end of year concert (presentation night)! It is really fun, but it is a secret!!" Bella!!

"Next week we are going 10pin bowling for the counting chart. The counting chart is when the whole class is a team and is good then we get a cross." Jose Richards

"This week we have been going to the Morriset pool for swimming lessons it's been really fun." Harry

"This week we have been getting all library and Hebrew stuff done. This Friday we are having Hunnakah which is a Jewish feast. Have a great holiday, Auntie Ruth & Hannah." Phoebe!

"This week we have been putting together our Portfolios. Everyone has been doing a great job!" Hayley-Rose!

Have a great Holiday everyone!!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Harry Luke!

Some things the class said about Harry:

- ☺ He makes me laugh.
- ☺ He's very sporty.
- ☺ He's got a good sense of humour.
- ☺ He is very brainy.
- ☺ He is very creative.
- ☺ He's very talented."

Mrs S



K-8 Hanukkah Celebrations: TOMORROW

Bring along any kippahs or Jewish/Israeli clothing to add to the atmosphere of the day.

Secondary Stuff:

Friday 5th Dec—No sport

Instead the students will be travelling to the Lake Macquarie Art Gallery to view the Archibald Exhibition.

SCIENCE: ROCKY ROAD EXPERIMENT

Year 6,7,8 and maybe 9 will be allowed to make "Rocky Road" confectionery on Monday 8th Dec, if and only if they bring in the required ingredients and utensils. Rocky Road is supposed to represent a Conglomerate Rock—part of their changing Earth Topic this semester.

Aunty Janet.

Ingredients: Cooking Chocolate, (enough to cover other ingredients) M & M's and/or nuts, jelly lollies (red snakes are good), honeycomb, small marshmallows etc

Utensils: Plastic container with lid, small saucepan (plastic container to fit inside saucepan to make a water-bath), tea-towel, wooden spoon or spatula, plastic bag to take it home.

General

Stationery Starter Packs for 2009:

Infants: \$10 Primary: \$12

These kits have everything your child needs to start off the new year (except a pencil case)

SCHOOL COUNCIL DINNER

TONIGHT at 6.30pm

PRESENTATION NIGHT

MONDAY 8TH—7PM

Students to wear full school uniform.

Band people please come early with your instruments.

Parents please bring along a plate for supper—either for adults or kid's table.

Drinks provided.

Library Corner:

Students have handed in fantastic free-choice projects this year!

Special Principal's Awards to:

Phoebe Tappouras—Seals, Isaac Ryan—Nebuchadnezzar's Dream,

Jospeh Richards: Chess, Molly Tappouras—Penguins,

Natasha Wilson—Cats, Annie Elton—RSPCA,

Tammy Wilson—Soccer, Laura Richards—Queen Esther,

Hayley- Rose Dangerfield—Telephone, Isabella Elton—Bethany Hamilton

Joshua Mangan—Saturn, Johanna Dodson—Pandas

Joshua Schofield—Hurricanes, Jerusha Chand, Fiji

VIOLIN— April Kelson is moving to Armidale to take up a position at the Music Conservatorium and will no longer be able to teach violin at HC. We have a new teacher, Jamie Pollock, to teach violin next year. Any parents and students planning to have violin lessons can meet Jamie next Monday at HC from 9-11.30am

Administration

GLANDULAR FEVER— One of our high school students has been diagnosed with Glandular Fever. Anyone who develops symptoms of high temperature (hot/cold sweats), sore throat and ears, swollen glands, and tiredness/lethargy should seek medical attention. It is especially prevalent in students 15-17 years of age.

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

END OF YEAR OUTINGS: ALL PERMISSION NOTES DUE IN ON MONDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

6 - 9 End of Year Outings: Tuesday and Wednesday

K—5 Beach outing: Wednesday

3—5 Tenpin Bowling: Thursday

Permission notes sent home Wednesday, 3rd Dec.

OVERDUE: Art excursion to Lake Macquarie Art Gallery. **Jena and Kyla Bradley, Jacob Blacket and Joshua Schofield.** Copy attached. **PLEASE HAND IN TOMORROW.** Thankyou **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:

SCHOOL: 4977 3456

VICKI administration: 0439 068992

NEWCASTLE BUS: 0416 223877

(Jo On Thursdays): 0409 153115

GOSFORD BUS: Contact Driver of the day

TIME: 1194

****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:

**Eleanor
Mitchell**

**17 next Wednesday
10th Dec**

**Get Well Wishes to
HAYLEY-ROSE
DANGERFIELD.**

**Hayley- Rose broke her
arm (green-stick
fracture) last week.**

**Our prayers and
thoughts are with
Aunty Nancy
McClure**

**and her family.
Aunty Nancy is very
sick in hospital.**

**Get Well Wishes
still go to**

Adam Wiltshire.

**Adam is feeling better.
His high temp and sore throat
have eased,
but he is still very tired.
He may come to some of the
activities next week.
Get well soon, Adam!**

**PLEASE RETURN
ALL LIBRARY AND
TEXT BOOKS**

**NO MORE LIBRARY
BORROWING THIS
YEAR.**



**Primary
Swimming
Program**



Future Events:

<i>Thurs 4th Dec</i>	<i>School Council Dinner and Report Evening</i>
<i>Fri 5th Dec</i>	<i>Hanukkah Celebrations High School Excursion to Art Gallery</i>
<i>Mon 8th Dec</i>	<i>Presentation Night—7pm</i>
<i>Tues 9th Dec</i>	<i>High School—Bowling and Mingara Centre</i>
<i>Wed 10th Dec</i>	<i>Whole School Outing—Newcastle Beach</i>
<i>Thurs 11th Dec</i>	<i>Primary—Bowling Last Day of School—Trivia Competition— Mufti—finish at 2pm</i>
<i>Fri 12th Dec</i>	<i>Staff Luncheon</i>
<i>Tues 27th Jan</i>	<i>Staff Return</i>
<i>Wed 28th Jan</i>	<i>Students Return</i>

Attachments:

- ☉ Hunter Sports Centre Holiday Program
- ☉ Library Helper Flyer

HELP! HELP! HELP!



I have already had some terrific offers of help to continue Auntie Meg's work.

I would love a few more volunteers to help with this valuable work.

The school resources need to be kept in a tidy condition for the benefit of Staff and students. I realize that busy mothers won't have the hours to spare that Auntie Meg has wonderfully given to the task, so would like to split her job into smaller jobs. Some jobs would only require half an hour each week. We would love volunteers to:

- Put Books onto Computer: **Deidre Tappouras**
- Cover ten Library books a week (plastic supplied – books collected or sent home with the children): **Leah Dangerfield, Anne Stuart**
.....
- Keep our **photo album** up to date (sticking in photos which previously were hanging on the walls).....
- **Repair books** (glue and tape supplied).....
- **Shelve books** on a **Thursday** (anytime) or Friday. Perhaps you could do this once fortnight or month for us. I may be able to set up a roster if we have a few volunteers.....
- Read to the **Kindies** on **Thursday** for half an hour (2.00-2.30pm) while I give an Information Skills lesson to the Year 1-2... **Liz Wilson**
- **Read or skim books** to see if they are suitable for the Library: **Rachel Madden**
- Looking after our **Video & CD** Collection... **Johanna Lynch**
- Looking after our **Picture File & Map** Collection.....
- Helping maintain our **Teacher Reference** section.....
- Helping maintain our **Text Book** section.....
- **Make Library Bags: Michelle Villis and DT Class**

So if you are able to offer to work for our Library please contact **Ruth Lynch**

on 49599383 (home)

0427599383 (mobile)

or 49773456 (school Wednesday or Thursday)

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED!
IT IS MUCH APPRECIATED.

Ruth Lynch, Librarian

