

Welcome Back Everyone

As you probably expect there is another big term ahead of us.

It even started today with many of our senior students travelling to Newcastle to participate in the NSW Netball Gala Day. Our kids always represent the school with pride.

Our known dates are included on the attached calendar and we will keep you posted on the details as events draw closer.

School Staffing

Ms Jamieson is on leave and Mr Price will continue to relieve as Principal at least until the end of week five this term.

Award Recipients

Congratulations go to the following students for recently receiving their Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum AND NOW SUPER DOOPER awards:

Bronze: Jacques Gray, Montana Latham, Seth Morrissey, Olivia Pickles, Jayden Lawrence and Courtney Swain.

Silver: Shayla Foteff, Maddaline Logan, Jade House and Courtney Swain.

Gold: Taylor Phillips-McKendry and Izzy Conna.

Platinum: Kobi House, Sophie Robinson and Jackson Wolinski.

Super Dooper: Chloe Anderson and Lily Peters.

Upcoming Dates

3/4 Parent Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 26th July

1/2 Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 27th July

Boat Safety Talk

Wednesday 27th July

K/1 Parent Teacher Interview

Thursday 28th July

5/6 Parent Teacher Interviews

Friday 29th July

Education Week/Mini Olympics

Wednesday 3rd August

Hunter River High School Year 6 Sports Day

Friday 5th August

Zone Athletics-Field

Tuesday 9th August

Hunter Central Coast Education Week Awards

Tuesday 9th August

Water and Recycling Presentation

Wednesday 10th August

Zone Athletics-Track

Friday 12th August

Year 4 GATS Day HRHS

Tuesday 16th August

Careers Through Science

Each Wednesday for 4 weeks commencing

Wednesday 23rd August

University of Newcastle Science Challenge

Wednesday 24th August

Book Week Parade

Friday 26th August

Hunter River High School Showcase

Tuesday 30th August

Terresa Plumridge Solo Performance

All our known dates are included on the attached Term planners for Terms 3 & 4.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parents are encouraged to meet with their children's class teacher to discuss their progress. For this year teachers have been allocated a day to hold their Parent Teacher interviews. The days are as follows;

3/4 Parent Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 26th July

1/2 Parent Teacher Interviews

Wednesday 27th July

K/1 Parent Teacher Interview

Thursday 28th July

5/6 Parent Teacher Interviews

Friday 29th July

Please contact the school office to book a time on these days. If these days do not suit please contact your child's teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet.

Central West & Bathurst Excursion Deposit Due

A reminder that we have our 3-6 Excursion to study colonisation, gold and agriculture expansion in Term 4 and payments can be made in instalments at the office.

Deposit for this excursion is **due this Friday 22nd July**. At this stage we only have eight students who have indicated they are attending. There is a minimum number required for this excursion to go ahead. If this number is not met the excursion will be cancelled.

School Security

From tomorrow our school entrance at Cecilia Crescent will be locked between 9:15am and 2:20pm daily with all visitors to report to the school office on arrival through the Salt Ash Avenue entrance.

Signs have been ordered to display this information on our school gates and will be erected on arrival.

Child Protection Education

All students will participate in child protection lessons this term. Child protection education aims to assist students to develop skills in:

- Recognising and responding to unsafe situations

- Seeking assistance effectively
- Establishing and maintaining non-coercive relationships and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.

As part of Child Protection students will participate in lessons that name the private parts of the body. If you have any concerns about Child Protection Lessons or would like to know more about the lesson content please contact your child's class teacher.

Water Contamination Update

Recently Department of Education contractors, Parsons Brinckerhoff, completed soil and water sampling and testing at the school.

It confirmed there was a nil detect for the chemicals PFOS and PFOA in the schools drinking water and soil levels were basically the same as previously advised by Department of Defence.

For us this means our current risk management plans continue to be appropriate for keeping people safe at our school.

If you would like a full copy of the most recent report (25pages) please let me know and I will provide it to you.

As part of our risk management all our vegies were removed when we were first informed of the contamination concerns. I am happy to report that the old garden soil has now been removed; the garden beds moved to a safer location and new certified contamination free soil has replaced the old stuff.

A rain water tank has been plumbed to the new location and we are all set to plant again.

If any parents would like to join the gardening club let us know.

School Times

Please be aware our school is open from 8:25am to 2:40pm each day. Student should not be on the school site outside these times unless under adult supervision.

Parent Online Payment (POP)

POP is now available for the payment of school related costs such as school excursions. There is a POP button on our website. One click on this gets you started.

P & C News

5 Cent Drive

The 5 cent drive is coming! Shortly you will find your kids nagging you and you friends and family for all their spare 5c pieces.

This is a P&C fundraiser and details will come shortly.

Next P&C Meeting Thursday Week 2

Check Out These Athletes

