

# Hallidays Point Public School

## Newsletter



Learning, Caring & Sharing

Term 2 Week 9 Issue 2

Wednesday 16 June

### Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome to Week 9 of Term 2. I had the great pleasure of accompanying Stage 2 students at camp last week at the 'Great Aussie Bush Camp' and despite the cold weather it was an experience enjoyed by all. A big thankyou to Mrs Powell for organising the camp. Mrs Powell, along with Mrs Hochkins, Mr Lissman, Shellie and Mr Crozier, all report that the students were generally well behaved and had a great time at camp. These experiences are the ones that we all take away from our time at school and treasure for a lifetime.

### Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss days per year

5 mins per day = 3 days

30 mins per day = 18 days



Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

### Attendance

Every minute of  
Every Day counts!!

It is of vital importance that your child not only attends school each day but that they arrive on time and ready to learn. As the above picture illustrates, each minute lost can add up over the course of the year. Further outlined below, the time of arrival can have an impact on how a child is setup for their day.

Between 8.30am and 8.55am is the ideal time for your child to arrive at school. This gives them an opportunity to play and settle for a day of successful learning as well as teaching them the importance of punctuality and routine. Arriving after this time may mean that your child is not settled and may impact on their ability to focus on their learning in the classroom as well as disrupting the class as a whole.

Time		
8:30 to 8:55 am	Supervision begins at school and students have an opportunity to play.	This is the ideal time for your child to arrive at school
8:55 am	First bell sounds for students to line up ready for class.	Arriving at this time may be unsettling and does not provide an opportunity for students to play or get ready for the day ahead .
9:00 am	Second bell sounds and classes move to their room to begin the day.	
9:10 am	Up until this time students can go straight to class and are not considered late for the purposes of marking the roll (however, students arriving consistently at this time is of concern and will be followed up)	
After 9:10 am	Students who arrive after 9.10am must attend the office to get a late slip. Parents must provide a valid reason for lateness. Verbal explanations from students are not sufficient.	
9:30 am	Rolls are submitted.	
10:00 am	Evacuation rolls are generated.	

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On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Having a morning routine that rarely changes is an excellent way to ensure consistent attendance and punctuality for school which a child will more than likely carry with them into adulthood. Better attendance at school can be attributed to better outcomes for people as they move into adulthood. We are also closely monitoring students who are leaving their classrooms at the first bus bell to be picked up early by their parents. All students who are picked up by parents or walk home are to remain in their classrooms until 3pm bell. This is for safety reasons, ensuring the bus has left prior to students exiting the school. Any child who needs to leave school early must be signed out by a parent or carer through the front office. The end of the school day is 3pm except for students catching the first bus who leave their classroom at 2.55pm. These students are escorted up to the front gate by a member of the school executive. All other students come out of class at 3pm. We encourage parents to not make after school appointments too close to the 3pm end of day.

### Girls' soccer

A big congratulations and good luck to our girls' soccer team who will soon be playing the next round of the knock out competition against Lambton Public School. The girls have been playing really well as a team and have comprehensively defeated all other teams they have come across so far.

### Semester 1 Written Reports

These are being finalised and will be given to children on Thursday 24 June (Week 10). The report includes a written comment for all key learning areas – English, Mathematics, Science and Technology, Human Society and it's environment (History and Geography) HSIE, Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PD, H, PE) and Creative Arts, as well as an additional general comment and Com-

mon Grade Scale to describe performance over five levels (often referred to as A-E reporting).

*'Education is the key to success in life, and teachers make a lasting impact in the lives of their students.'* - Solomon Ortiz

### Principals Report

#### Take Care

Peter Johnson

## Uniform Shop

Trading Hours:

Mondays - 2:45 pm – 3:15 pm

Wednesdays - 8:45 am – 9:15 am

Located near the Administration Office

Uniform enquiries can be emailed to:

[hppsuniformshop2430@gmail.com](mailto:hppsuniformshop2430@gmail.com)

Or contact the school on: 02 6559 3009

The Uniform Shop is operated by volunteers and our P&C Association.

Hallidays Point Public School Uniform:

#### Girls Uniform

- Navy Blue Bucket Hat
- Navy Blue Polo Shirt
- Blue Check Shorts or
- Navy Blue Long Pants or
- Blue Check Dress
- Navy Blue Socks
- Black Shoes

#### Boys Uniform

- Navy Blue Bucket Hat
- Navy Blue Polo Shirt
- Navy Blue Shorts or
- Navy Blue Long Pants
- Navy Blue Socks
- Black Shoes
- Navy Blue Jumper

## Netball



Zahara (5/6 Kangaroo) and Mali (5/6 Kangaroo) were absolutely outstanding, and an absolute credit to themselves, their school, their parents/carers and their communities. Their coach wanted to ensure they are recognised not only for their sporting talents but for their sportsmanship, their positive attitudes and their commitment to netball. They were both brilliant representatives for Hallidays Point Public School and for the Manning Zone.





## School Calendar

### Term 2 2021

#### Week 10

Wednesday 23 June  
Thursday 24 June  
Friday 25 June  
Friday 25 June

NAIDOC Assembly  
World of Maths Visiting Performance  
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Last Day of Term 2

### Term 3 2021

#### Week 1

Tuesday 13 July

First Day of Term 3

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## Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who competed in our school Cross Country Carnival last term. Cross Country is a challenging event and students can be proud of their excellent efforts on the day. Our Age Champions received their trophies at the Combined Assembly in Week 5. Trophies were presented to:

Tahlia (12/13 Years Girl Champion),  
Wade (12/13 Years Boy Champion),  
Ashleigh (11 Years Girl Champion),  
Mitchell (11 Years Boy Champion),  
Rosabel (10 Years Girl Champion),  
Zac (10 Years Boy Champion),  
Ella (8/9 Years Girl Champion),  
Isaac (8/9 Years Boy Champion).

The Zone Cross Country team were excellent representatives for our school and put in a great performance in some very fast races at the carnival at Wingham Sporting Complex. Well done to Tahlia, Ashleigh, Ella, Zac and Carter for moving on to compete at the Hunter Cross Country Carnival on 28 May.

They all ran excellent races, Ashleigh, Ella and Zac will go on to represent our region at State level. Good luck!

Mrs Powell



## Athletics Carnival

After a non-event last year, we were all pleased to be back at Tuncurry Oval for our annual K-6 Athletics Carnival. The weather was kind to us and we were extremely proud of everyone who participated on the day and supported their Sporting House. Our House Captains and tabloid leaders did an amazing job and led by example, showing sportsmanship and maturity.

We'd like to thank Linda and the volunteers in the canteen for providing the children with snacks, lunch and drinks on the day. Thank you to the parent helpers for time keeping and packing up (we will miss the devoted Year 6 parent helpers next year!). Thank you to all the parent supporters and the team of teachers who worked together in running a smooth and enjoyable carnival. Finally, thank you to all participants and good luck to all the students who qualified for Zone selection early next term.

Mrs Pursch, Mr Voorby & Mrs Simon





## PBL

Over the past few weeks in PBL lessons, students have been learning about the expected behaviours in some of the shared areas around our school.

They have discussed the expectations for using the COLA and walkways, lining up for and catching the bus, using the toilets, and what is expected during the eating part of lunch. The underlying message of PBL lessons is that our school is a place for all students, staff and volunteers, and that we should show respect for the needs of others as well as our own needs by "Learning, Caring and Sharing". We will celebrate our PBL message by decorating a courtyard tree with a "Yarn Bomb". The PBL Committee would appreciate any help you can give us with this fun project.

### Yarn Bomb - PBL Committee

Do you love to knit or crochet?

Do you enjoy seeing trees wearing colourful and cosy jumpers?

Then we might have a project for you!

The PBL Committee is planning to Yarn Bomb one of our HPPS courtyard trees in PBL colours. We would love for some crafty school community members to help us by knitting or crocheting small squares (between 5 and 10cm on each side) in various shades of yellow, blue and green. If you feel like making 1 square or 5, it all helps!

We will sew them together to make a stylish outfit for the lucky tree!

Please contact Mrs Powell with any questions.



Please send any finished squares into the school office with your child by the end of term. We appreciate your help!



## World Oceans Day

In Week 8, students and teachers had the opportunity to learn about the oceans and understand why they are so important. The theme this year is "The ocean Life and Livelihoods", shedding light on the wonder of the ocean and how it is our life source, supporting humanity and every other organism on earth. Some snippets of writing from students:

'We are using way too much plastic, which was designed to be used JUST once'

'Ocean temperatures are rising causing coral bleaching, this needs to stop!'

'We should all be trying to find solutions to protect our wonderful oceans and sea life'

'Imagine that you are a sea turtle, a fishing net comes towards you and tangles you in horrid rubbish!'

Ms McConnachie



**WORLD  
OCEANS  
DAY 2021**



### Good for Kids Good for Life

#### Easy Healthy Lunch Ideas

You could try:

- Chicken and vegetable rice paper rolls
- Pasta salad
- Zucchini Slice
- Corn fritters
- Vegetable fried rice



Get the kids involved to help cook, or make these as part of dinner one night and portion out lunches for the week.

They are all easy to pack in the lunchbox too.

All recipes available at:

<http://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/primary-schools/swap-it/recipes/>

### MidCoast Libraries Holiday Program

Bring the kids along to MidCoast libraries this July holidays to enjoy a range of fun and entertaining activities. From movie screenings, drama workshops, kids bingo, art & craft workshops, storytelling and more

There's something for everyone!

Bookings essential.

See our full program and book at [www.midcoastlibraries.com.au](http://www.midcoastlibraries.com.au)



## Headspace

Headspace National are hosting free mental health education sessions across identified regions in NSW, on ways to support young person's when they are concerned about their mental health.

The session aims to:

- Strengthen your understanding and skills in how to cope and where to find help.
- Build awareness of local services and the various support services available.
- Strengthen relationships between local area mental health services, local schools, headspace centres and other community organisations.

Date and Time: Monday 21 June, 12 pm - 1 pm

Location: The session will be delivered by a webinar online.

To register please follow the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/taree-nsw-parent-and-carer-mental-health-education-session-registration-150134826307?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Please note once you have registered, you will receive an automated email confirmation from Eventbrite that contains the Zoom Meeting link and passcode to join on the day. Please check your junk email box if you do not receive the email shortly after registering.

Email [headspaceSchools@headspace.org.au](mailto:headspaceSchools@headspace.org.au) for more information.

## Ice Skating in North Haven

It's back this Winter!

Winter Wonderland Club North Haven on ice

Wednesday 23 June to Sunday 11 July 2021

Group bookings per hour 9:30 am - 12:30 pm  
\$20/ child includes 1 hr skating, skat hire and Kids meal.

Regular entry from \$20pp for club members and visitors, regular entry does not include a meal.

Cheap Skate Session 5 pm daily \$15.

For more information and to book please visit [www.clubnorthhave.com.au](http://www.clubnorthhave.com.au)

or phone 02 6559 9150

Please ensure to book before turning up.



## Active OOSH Holiday Program

Active OOSH Hallidays Point Winter 2021 School Holiday Program

### **Monday 28 - Pimp My Ride**

Customise your wheels of choice before competing in challenges & an OOSH obstacle course.

### **Tuesday 29 - Mind Freak**

The Masked Magician visits us for a magic show full of illusions & hands on workshop.

### **Wednesday 30 - Billabong Excursion**

Explore & discover some super cool animals! Get up close & personal with a private reptile show.

### **Thursday 1 - Jurassic World**

RAAAWWR! Dig for dinosaur fossils & if you're brave pat a life size baby T-Rex or Triceratops!

### **Friday 2 - Junior Masterchef**

Chop, flip, stir, mash & bake a dish that is worthy of winning the OOSH Chef title.

### **Monday 5 - Flip Out PCYC Workshop**

PCYC tumbles out to us to teach us some cool Parkour tricks.

### **Tuesday 6 - Rainbow Day**

Get messy with all the colours of the rainbow. Bring a change of white clothes to get colourful!

### **Wednesday 7 - Bago Maze Excursion**

Explore & get lost (but find your way out before it's time to get the bus home!)

### **Thursday 8 - Cinema Excursion**

Come with us to see the movie 'Spirit Untamed'. Popcorn & drink included!

### **Friday 9 - Adventure Camp**

Form teams to challenge each other in all things orienteering & camping! You'll be screaming for S'MORE!

### **Monday 12 - Lego Masters**

Challenge your engineering skills! See who can build the biggest tower & take part in building races.

### **What to bring:**

- Drink bottle & hat
- Lunch & snacks

Open 7 am - 6 pm

If your child is already enrolled with us you can book by text on: 0407 903 979 or

Email: [admin@activeoosh.com.au](mailto:admin@activeoosh.com.au)

For new enrolments visit:

[www.activeoosh.com.au/enrol-now](http://www.activeoosh.com.au/enrol-now)

