



Hobartville Happenings

The fortnightly Newsletter @ Hobartville Public School
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Week 8 Term 4

Remembrance Day 2015

This year to commemorate Remembrance Day, Josh and Amelia represented Hobartville PS at the service at The Richmond War Memorial. It was a lovely service for our local community. The wreath was provided by Richmond RSL Sub Branch.



Richmond Rotary 34th Junior Citizenship Awards

Mr Coulter, Mr Morabito and myself had the pleasure of attending the Rotary Junior Citizenship Awards at Hawkesbury Race Club. Amelia and Josh have performed their duties as school leaders for 2015 to an extremely high standard and it was wonderful to have this recognised. Our leaders for 2016 have very big shoes to fill. Thank you so much to both of you, and also Paige, Bailey, Haley, Abby and Sophia for also being wonderful leaders of our school. Congratulations to all of you on a great year.



2016 Organisation

Just another reminder to let the office staff know if you will not be returning to Hobartville in 2016. We are losing a number of families, some overseas. The sooner we know numbers, the quicker we can form classes.

It has been wonderful reading all the students reports and to read about their various achievements. Not long to go!

There will be a brief newsletter in week 10

Lisa Crawford-Principal

» Dates To Remember «	
3 December	Year 6 HS Orientation
3 December	Talk Soon, Talk Often Parent Info Seminar
7 December	Celebration of Learning Years 1-6 9.:15am
7 December	Celebration of Learning Kindy 2:00pm
8 December	Year 6 Farewell
8 December	Stage 2 End of Year Activity
10 December	Scripture Christmas Assembly
11 December	K - 2 Party Day
16 December	Last day of Term 4 2015
28 January	Year 1-6 Students return to school 2016
1 Feb	Kindy first day of school

Busways

Monday the 30th November and Tuesday the 1st December, West Market Street, Richmond between Windsor Street and March Street will be closed to all traffic whilst filming is carried out. As a result of the closure, buses will be diverted and this diversion will impact on students attending the Before & After school care facility on West Market Street.

Busways have arranged for the buses enroute to the Richmond and Hobartville Primary Schools to pick up students in the morning on March Street, and to drop the students off in the afternoon on March Street on the western side of West Market Street. A staff member from the care centre will be escorting the students to the March Street pick up area as well as being on site to escort the children to the centre in the afternoon. A traffic controller will be at the intersection of March Street and West Market Street to assist the bus and to stop traffic if required to allow the bus to stop safely on March Street.

School Banking

Tuesday is banking day at Hobartville Public School

School security please contact 1300 880 021

providing quality public transport



23/11/2015

Dear Parents / Students,

The new Public Timetable for Busways Region 1 will come into effect on the 29th November 2015.

There will be changes to your current School or Public Route services.

To view the changes please visit our website at www.busways.com.au or contact our Customer Service team on 9497 1870 or 9497 1887.

Busways Group

Busways Blacktown P/L	Busways Blacktown P/L	Busways Blacktown P/L	Busways Gosford P/L	Busways Wyong P/L	Busways North Coast P/L
ABN 86 000 173 437	Penrith Depot	Windsor Depot	ABN 79 817 812 619	ABN 17 000 044 726	ABN 75 106 202 340
T (02) 9625 8900	T (02) 4721 9900	T (02) 4574 9200	T (02) 4368 2277	T (02) 4392 6666	T (02) 6583 2499
F (02) 9625 4703	F (02) 4732 6160	F (02) 4577 9054	F (02) 4368 2077	F (02) 4392 5831	F (02) 6583 2388
150 Glendenning Rd Glendenning NSW 2761	47-53 Mullins Rd Penrith NSW 2750	91 Mulgrave Rd Mulgrave NSW 2756	42 Empire Bay Dr Kincumber NSW 2251	9 Arizona Rd Woongarah NSW 2259	6-8 Denham St Port Macquarie NSW 2444

P&C News

Christmas Raffle

The raffle ticket book went home last week, one book of 20 per family. If you did not receive a book or would like more please see the office.

Tickets are \$1 each, or 3 for \$2 or the whole book of 20 tickets for only \$10.

The donation box for the raffle is located in the office and items need to be left in the box by no later than **Friday 4th December**. All food items donated must have at least 6 months from its expiry date.

Tickets will be on sale just prior to the final School Assembly on Monday 7th December. You have to be in it to win it!

There will not be a P&C Meeting held in December.

Thank you.

Your P&C @ Hobartville Public School

Hobartville P.S. Awards

Blue Flying Horse

Holly T, Jake B.

Yellow Flying Horse

Tammin B, Nicholas C, Tahlia V.

Blue Ribbon:

Liam R, Damien R, Mikayla D, Braiden N, Declan W, Millie H, Logan F, Indiana F, Georgia C, Senna B, Zarlina A, Andrea R, Thomas M, Evie H, Peter C, Tahlia V, Hayley S, Timothy S, Byron R, Noah F, Tyler C, Ayton B, Izack G, Violet H, Jake A, Rylee M, Elise H.

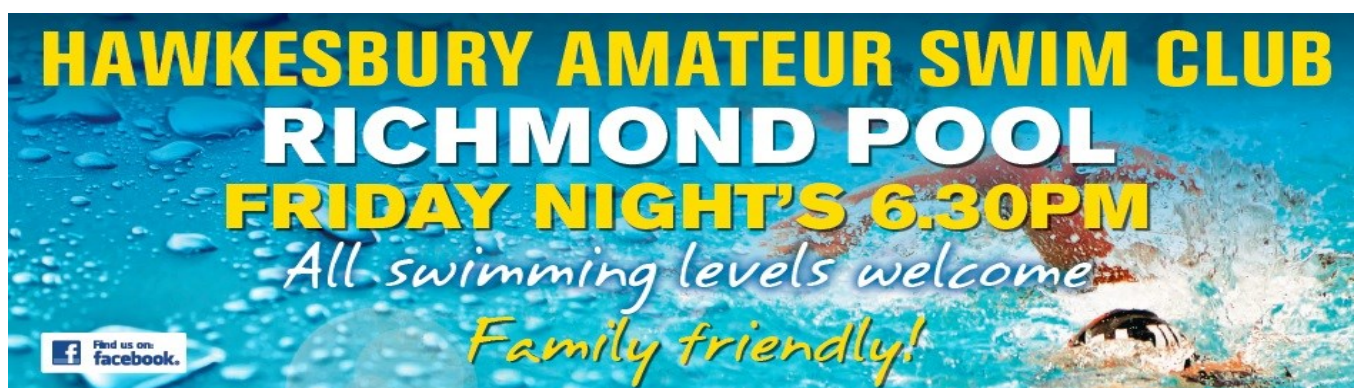
Canteen News

Please note the Canteen will be CLOSED all of Week 11.

Canteen Roster – Term 4		
Week 9		
30-11-15	Mon	Yvette Blunden
1-12-15	Tues	Canteen Closed
2-12-15	Wed	Tammy Meere
3-12-15	Thurs	Canteen Closed
4-12-15	Fri	Donna Mathie , Janelle Keys
Week 10		
7-12-15	Mon	Help Needed
8-12-15	Tues	Canteen Closed
9-12-15	Wed	Kelly Gardiner
10-12-15	Thurs	Canteen Closed
11-12-15	Fri	Kathy Irving, Angela Doran
Week 11		
14-12-15	Mon	Canteen Closed
15-12-15	Tues	Canteen Closed
16-12-15	Wed	Canteen Closed

Thank you, Cathy

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Christmas Raffle

It's getting close to that time of year again...Christmas is almost upon us!!!

Only 4 Fridays until the big day!

Hobartville Public School P & C Association will be holding its annual Christmas raffle again this year
and we're asking for donations from our generous school community.

We're asking for each family to make a donation to be dropped off at the office

no later Friday 4th December.

A few suggestions for items to be donated are:

chocolates, biscuits, toys, candles, kitchen items etc

We already have some wonderful prizes which have been donated by the wider

Hawkesbury community and we look forward to the enthusiastic
participation of our wonderful families in making the raffle a success.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to put a note into the P & C Box in the office.

Thank you.

Your P & C Association @ Hobartville Public School

NOTE: Food items - please be aware that all food donated must be at least 6 months from

Talk Soon. Talk Often.



Parent Information Seminar

Talk Soon Talk Often is a supportive resource for families for the development of happy, healthy and confident young people. It is a free publication being distributed to families of primary school age children.

Designed specifically for parents and carers and developed originally by the Western Australia Department of Health based on research by La Trobe University, the publication treats issues that parents feel they need and want, with regard to the sexuality education of their children.

The publication aims to establish open and honest communication from early childhood, with a focus on personal development and self-esteem. Talking soon, and talking often helps parents and carers avoid the need for that 'one big talk'. Instead, the book provides tips on creating easy conversations about the body, relationships, health and sexuality, as part of routine communication.

Talk Soon. Talk Often is a great companion to the Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) curriculum followed in NSW government schools.

For your family's free copy of this resource Hobartville Public School invites you to attend a parent information seminar that will discuss the resource to familiarise you with the type of content that has been included in the publication. The afternoon seminar will run for approximately an hour, finishing at 3:00pm. Therefore, any parents wishing to attend will be able to pick up the children at the end of the school day.

If you are interested in attending the seminar to be held on Thursday 3rd December, please indicate below as we require numbers so to ensure enough publications of Talk Soon. Talk Often. will be available for our families.

Please complete and return the slip below to Mrs Hegarty via the office by Monday 30 November, 2015.

Thank you

Leanne Hegarty

Co-ordinator

Talk Soon Talk Often Parent Information Seminar

Thursday 3rd December at 2pm.

I am interested in attending the Talk Soon.Talk Often parent seminar being held on Thursday 3rd December at 2:00pm.

Name: _____ Student's name: _____ Date: _____

How are you going to celebrate this years beginning to the holiday season?



For the month of December the Sebel Resort and Spa Hawkesbury Valley would like to extend an invitation to you.

Please come and enjoy a specially designed 2 course menu for \$30.

Only available to you for the month of December.

Every booking will enter in an opportunity to draw a special \$100 donation for your school.

**Not available in conjunction with any additional discounts.

Bookings Essential**

61 Hawkesbury Valley Way, Windsor 2756, NSW
Phone: 02-4577-4222 Email: H8799@accor.com



Tools for Parents®

Richmond Community Services Inc. is pleased to be able to offer a **FREE group with FREE childcare** For parents/primary carers of children 0-12years



Richmond Community Services Inc. in partnership with Western Sydney Family Referral Services & Windsor Professional Centre is pleased to be able to offer a **FREE 4 week ongoing group** for primary school kids

Kids Sleeping Well Tactics for Parents

This workshop gives parents specific strategies to manage common sleep problems in children.

Topics for discussion will include:

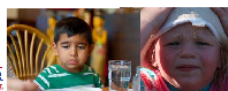
- Developing bedtime routines
- Managing bedtime refusal
- Settling strategies
- Fears and Nightmares
- When and how to seek professional help

Wednesday 9th March 2016
10am-12.30pm

BOOKING ESSENTIAL! 02 4588 3555
Email: admin@rcsi.ngo.org.au

At: Richmond Neighbourhood Centre
20 West Market Street, Richmond, NSW 2753

The project is funded by the Australian Government's continuation funding of the "Tools for Parents" project until June 2017 - to provide free workshops and ongoing courses designed to help parents/primary carers of children 0-12 years develop better relationships between themselves and with their children - and to enhance parenting skills. Richmond Community Services Inc. purchases group and workshop facilitation from Relationships Australia and childcare services from Hawkesbury Community Outreach Mobile Minders Service for the project and is delighted to offer them free to participants.



Calm Kids

For primary school children
7-12 years old dealing with

Anxiety

Strategies for keeping cool and dealing with stress at home, in school and life. Fun, helpful skills to practise and use in everyday life.

- * Support
- * Social and Communication Skills
- * Managing Emotions.

4 x Mondays—3.30-5pm:
22nd, 29th, February, 7th & 14th March 2016
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Calendar July 2015—June 2016

Workshop/Group:	Date(s):	Time(s):
Encouraging Kids Development & Self-Esteem	Wednesday 15th July	6:30 – 9pm
Loss & Grief—Supporting your Kids	Wednesday 5th August	6:30 – 9pm
Couples Communication	3 x Saturdays -29th August, 5th & 12th September	10am—12.30pm
Helping Kids Deal with Anger	Wednesday 2nd September	6:30 – 9pm
Managing Challenging Behaviours	3 x Saturdays -10th, 17th & 24th October	10am—12.30pm
Tackling Sibling Rivalry	Wednesday 14th October	6:30 – 9pm
Helping the Anxious Child	Wednesday 4th November	6:30 – 9pm
Toddler Tantrums & Training	Wednesday 24th February	10am—12.30pm
Conflict Resolution for Couples	3 x Saturdays - 5th, 12th, 19th March	10am—12.30pm
Kids Sleeping Well – Tactics for Parents	Wednesday 9th March	10am—12.30pm
Developing Kids Social Skills	Wednesday 23rd March	6:30 – 9pm
Aggression in Kids – Help for Parents	Wednesday 4th May	6:30 – 9pm
Solo Parenting	3 x Saturdays - 21st, 28th May, 4th June	10am—12.30pm
Making Step-families Work	Wednesday 1st June	6:30 – 9pm

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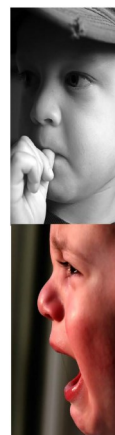


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Toddler Tantrums & Training

What behaviour can we expect as parents from our toddlers? What's 'normal'? How can we manage the extraordinarily creative range of behaviours that come our way? We look at strategies that help us feel that we are back in control of our parenting and that our children are back in control themselves.



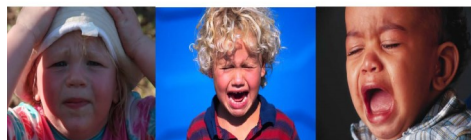
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Saturday 12th Dec

Family Festival 6pm

★ Carols with Santa and Fireworks 8pm

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Rides
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Popcorn
Kids Entertainment
... And Heaps More!

357 Windsor Rd Vineyard // vineyardchurch.com.au

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Hobartville Public School



Code of Conduct for Parents, Carers & Visitors

Rationale

The staff of Hobartville Public School is committed to providing a safe learning environment that enhances the physical, educational and social development of our students. The contribution of visiting members of the school community is an integral part of our school and is highly valued.

The Parents, Carers and Visitors Code of Conduct has been developed in accordance with the N.S.W. Department of Education and Training's guidelines and ensures that everyone who visits the school site is able to do so in a safe and harmonious manner and ensures that students, staff, parents, carers and other visitors are not subjected to aggressive, hostile or violent behaviours.

General Principles

It is expected that parents/carers and visitors may need to approach the school in order to:

- discuss the progress, engagement or well-being of their child;
- express concern about actions of other students;
- enquire about school policy and practice;
- engage with in-school/excursion activities e.g. class/year groups assistance with reading/numeracy; P.E. etc, following an invitation/enquiry for assistance from staff;
- convey information about change of address, custody details, health issues etc;
- express concern about actions of staff.

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to set out the standards of behaviour expected of those who visit the school and to detail the necessary procedures that will help solve issues as soon as possible so that a safe and harmonious school environment is maintained.

Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers and Visitors

All parents/carers and visitors are expected to:

- treat all persons associated with the school with respect and courtesy;
- ensure their child/children are punctual to class everyday;
- enter the school grounds wearing neat-casual clothing and footwear that conforms to generally acceptable minimum dress code standards required at most public venues. Clothing options that do not comply with this Code of Conduct include but are not limited to: any clothing displaying racist or similarly offensive messages, beachwear and/or bikini tops;
- vacate the school grounds once classes commence;
- sign in for a visitor's pass from the office if assisting in class, canteen, the library, computer room etc;
- direct their child to the play area monitored by duty teacher as students are under the supervision of staff if waiting in the school grounds until classes commence;
- monitor all pre-school children who must stay with the accompanying adult at all times (this includes any school special event such as Open Days and P&C Discos);
- make mutually convenient appointments to obtain an interview with school staff. Teachers and visiting staff are not available during teaching time;
- allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference;
- discuss issues or concerns about the school, staff, other parents or students through the correct school procedures;
- follow school procedures governing entry and behaviour on school grounds, including any restrictions that may be imposed.

Procedures for Volunteer Helpers

Throughout the school year, teachers need volunteers to assist in classrooms, school programs, performing arts, P&C initiatives (e.g. Mother's Day Stall) and sports programs and/or other school initiatives.

Parents/carers and other volunteers assisting with school activities do so on the understanding that:

- teachers are responsible for the programs operating within the classroom and/or school;
- teachers have the ultimate responsibility for students under their care for the duration of their time at school;
- they support the sensitivity and confidentiality of all students;
- they accept responsibility and supervision for pre-school age children under their care for the duration of their time at school;
- their conduct and manners should at all times be acceptable and an appropriate model for all students;
- smoking is not permitted on school grounds and they should refrain from smoking in the presence or sight of students;
- they should not have consumed alcohol prior to working with students;
- they should sign themselves in and out in the attendance folder at Hobartville Public School's front office when participating in school activities;
- they wear a **SCHOOL VOLUNTEER** or **VISITOR** badge as identification whilst assisting students;
- they have completed an online "Working With Children" check through the Roads and Maritime Services (free for volunteers) or signed the "Working with Children Check" (with appropriate identification documentation) available at the office, before undertaking any volunteer/student assistance at the school in the first instance;
- they report safety concerns, injuries or emergencies to a member of staff;
- they minimise noise or disruption to classes whilst on school grounds.

Confidentiality is of primary importance.

All parents/carer volunteers are not to discuss any information they obtain at school with anybody, other than classroom teachers or the Principal.

Any parent/carer or volunteer not fulfilling these requirements may be excluded from the volunteer program.

Non-scheduled Visits to the School

If you find it necessary to enter the school building without an appointment, all parents, carers and visitors must follow these procedures:

- immediately report to the office;
- if it is necessary for you to visit your child's classroom, please sign-in at the front office and collect a visitor's badge;
- if you are not wearing a visitor's badge, the teacher will direct you to the office;
- upon completion of your business, you must return to the office where you are to record your exit time and return your visitor's badge;
- if it is necessary for you to pick up/drop off your child/children **during** normal school hours see the office staff who will enter the details onto the computer. You then need to collect a yellow partial absence card and take this with you to the class teacher when collecting/delivering your child/children.

The above "non-appointment" procedures exist to ensure the safety of all children as well as the security of the staff and school property. Of course common sense must prevail. We would not expect you to follow these procedures when dropping off/picking up students at the usual morning and afternoon designated bell times, for the duration of special school events such as "Open Day" in Education Week, attending special assemblies, or during parent/teacher interviews. During these times, staff will be expecting to encounter parents/carers in certain parts of the school grounds.

Please Note:

At no time should any parent, carer of visitor directly approach another person's child.

This includes speaking to another person's child within the boundaries of the school grounds, in sight of the school grounds as they are approaching or leaving school and/or on school buses transporting students to or from the school grounds.

The Principal, school executive and staff will deal with any school-related issues in sight of the school grounds, as they are approaching or leaving school and/or on school buses transporting students to or from the school grounds, as part of the school's Discipline and Welfare Policy.

Any person contravening this Code of Conduct is advised that the provisions of the *Inclosed Lands Protection Act (1901)* and its Amendments will be followed if any of the following occur:

- actual physical assaults or threatened physical assaults on students, staff, parents or community members at the school or during the course of school activities;
- behaviour in the presence of students, staff, parents or other visitors to the school that causes alarm or concern to the students, staff, parents or other visitors;
- use of offensive language (i.e. swearing) in the presence of students, staff, parents or other visitors to the school;
- any interruption to the learning environment of the school such as entering classrooms without permission.

Under the terms of the act, the Principal and/or their nominee have the legal authority to:

- direct the person to immediately leave the grounds;
- call the police to remove the person should they refuse;
- withdraw future permission (by letter) for the person to enter the grounds without permission of the Principal;
- seek further legal avenues.

The Crimes Amendment (School Protection) Act can be applied if any of the following offences under the act occur:

- assault, stalking, harassment or intimidation of staff or students on school property without causing bodily harm;
- assault, stalking, harassment or intimidation of staff or students entering or leaving school property for the purposes of school work or duty;
- assault staff or students on school property causing actual bodily harm;
- wounding or inflicting grievous bodily harm on staff or students on school property or when entering or leaving school property.

Under the terms of the act, police have the legal authority to charge a person with a crime carrying penalties of imprisonment.

Your cooperation is sought and greatly appreciated, so that we all maintain a safe, harmonious and happy learning environment for every student and staff member at Hobartville Public School.