



Harrison School Newsletter 4 September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Father's Day breakfast, Footy Colours Day and, Dads and literacy in classrooms

It was wonderful to see so many of you here on Friday morning for our Father's Day barbeque breakfast, Footy Colours and, Dads and literacy classroom activities.

Although the weather wasn't as welcoming as it has been in previous years, parents, children and even a few teachers managed to throw a ball around and test their skills in punting it through the target. Some even attempted this while juggling their bacon and egg sandwiches!

Donations made on the day raised over \$1100 for the Fight Cancer Foundation. The Foundation is a national charity dedicated to providing care, treatment and support for cancer patients and their families and funding vital research into cancer treatment and cures.

If you visited classrooms, thank you for taking another opportunity to engage in your child's learning. Explaining their thinking and learning helps students clarify and consolidate it. It's also exciting for children to invite significant people into their worlds where they are the expert and can take a lead role.

SunSmart Season

With the beginning of Spring, it's a timely reminder to be SunSmart. Australia has one of the highest rates of skin cancer in the world. Anyone can be at risk of developing skin cancer, though the risk increases as we age. Sunburn can happen in as little as 15 minutes on fine, sunny days. It can also happen when the weather is cooler or there are cloudy skies.

The Cancer Council suggests taking extra SunSmart precautions from the beginning of August until the end of May. Encourage children to wear a broad brimmed hat which shades their nose, face, neck and ears and to apply sunscreen and to seek shade on hot days. Of course as adults, this is something we can model to our young people too.

Diary

Term 3 Week 7

Tuesday 4

- 2018 Japan Trip Parent Information Session 5:00pm Library

Wednesday 5

- Yr. 5 – 10 Assembly 9:15am – Gym
- Harrison Hoppers ACT Tour
- The Battle for Australia Service Excursion
- ACT State Emergency Service (SES) Visit Yr. 5/6DJ SD JCO AP
- Christian Ed Kindergarten – Yr. 6
- ACT 13&O Netball Finals
- DCO Kidsmart Program

Thursday 6

- Fresh Food Kids Discovery Excursion KJB & KKV

Friday 7

- Yrs. 5 – 10 Games Club 3:00 – 5:00pm

Term 3 Week 8

Harrison School Art Show

Tuesday 11

- Kindergarten Kenny Koala Visit
- Uke Project Performance

Wednesday 12

- Preschool – Yr.4 Assembly 9:15am- Gym
- Say 'NO' to Family Violence Yr. 9 Girls Students
- DCO Kidsmart Program

2018 Calendar

REMINDER: For **ALL** events in the Gym please wear flat-soled shoes **ONLY**



ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to our Principals Award Recipients:

Ankushdeep M	Danny Y	Nicole K
Ruby R	Lachy C	Gabby H
Imogen B		

STUDENTS ARRIVING LATE TO SCHOOL

ALL students arriving late to school **MUST** sign in at either the main Front office or the Senior office.

FRONT OFFICE HOURS

Harrison School Front Office hours are:

Monday – Friday

8:30am – 3:30pm

For all enquiries and calls

IMPORTANT

STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child/ren are absent for any reason from school could you please call the school on

61422200, or email the school at

Harrison.Absences@ed.act.edu.au

Please include your child's **FIRST AND LAST NAME** and **CLASS**.

REMINDER

ALL students **MUST** be signed in and out of the school by a parent or carer.

Preschool – Yr. 4 students **MUST** be signed out from the main administration office before they are collected from class.

Years 5 – 10 students **MUST** be signed in and out by a parent or carer from the senior office.

NEW DROP BOX

We have installed a secure Letter Box in the left hand end of the counter in the main front office. The purpose of this letterbox is to enable parents, carers and students to drop off payments, notes, documents and any paperwork that you do **NOT** need to discuss with a staff member.

PAYMENTS TO THE SCHOOL

When sending in any payment to the school, please ensure that you complete the envelope provided

with the student's name and the completed and signed permission note is placed inside the envelope. This will ensure that you receive the correct receipt from the school.

DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYMENTS: Please ensure when depositing into the Harrison School bank account for direct deposit that you include your child's name and the excursion details.

Thank you for your assistance.

SCHOOL CAR PARKING

School car parking and explanation of the various coloured zones/areas.

BLUE coloured zones are for **DROP** and **GO** and **COLLECT** and **GO ONLY- NOT PARKING** (cars not to be left unattended by driver). Cars staying in these zones are causing some parents to double park to let children out of cars. This is a dangerous activity we want to prevent.

WHITE coloured zones are for parking

YELLOW coloured zones are for Disabled parking

RED coloured zones are **NO PARKING AREAS**

Thank you for your support in following the car park zones.

If parents are concerned about car parking issues please email:

parking.operations@act.gov.au with a photo to report a car illegally parked around the school.

Please include the date, time and any other relevant information such as parked in a no parking area.

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK CLUB due **Friday 7 September**

HARRISON SCHOOL STUDENT ART SHOW

The Harrison School Student Art show will be held from Wednesday 12 - Friday 14 September in the Senior Performing Arts Building with presentations, music and snacks being held on Thursday 13 September from 6:00 – 7:30pm.

Students can enter an artwork connected to the theme 'JOURNEYS'. To enter an artwork, attach a form to the back of your artwork. The application forms can be found on the school website:

[Application to enter an artwork](#) or on Google Classroom a419oq or ask your classroom teacher.

Completed artwork can be delivered to the front office or to Mr Harding. For further information please see the attached flier.

UKULELE PROJECT PERFORMANCE

HARRISON SCHOOL



Please come and join us for an hour of amazing music together

Who: Harrison Ukulele Project members plus friends and family

Where: PATS building Harrison School

When: Tue 11 September

Sausage sizzle 5:30pm

Concert 6:00 -7:00pm

Bring: own ukulele if you have one (otherwise borrow from the school)

Please RSVP how many attending and number of sausages by Mon 3 September:

laura.aksila@ed.act.edu.au

THE HARRISON COMMUNITY THOUSAND PAPER CRANES PROJECT



In September 2018, some Harrison School students and teachers will be making a trip to Japan. As part of our cultural connections with Japan and the expression of Peace that it represents, we would like to continue our community tradition (we did this in 2014 and 2016) of making 1000 paper cranes for those

students and teachers to take to Hiroshima. Many students from around the world send millions of cranes every year to Hiroshima to be placed at Sadako's memorial.

If you would like to know the story behind the paper cranes, the following website has a really good explanation of the significance of the project in schools and cities around the world.

<http://toppeli.tripod.com/thecraneproject/thesadakostory.html>

If you would like to make some paper cranes with your own children and families at home, we would love to have you contribute to this project. There are many instructional videos on You Tube to guide you in making a paper crane. The following video and websites may be helpful for you.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ux1ECrNDZl4>

You Tube Video - How to Make a Paper Crane

Origami Club Paper Crane instructions

<http://en.origami-club.com/traditional/crane/index.html>

Ganbatte Kudasai (Please try hard and do your best to make a paper crane for our project!)

Regards, White Sensei

EUROPEAN TRIP 2019 - PARENT INFORMATION EVENING



- Thursday 20th September at 5:00pm
- In the school library
- Travel company rep attending
- All 7-10 parents welcome
- Please RSVP by 14 September to andrea.kemp@ed.act.edu.au so that we can **provide the best cost information**

An information session about the trip to Europe will be held on Thursday 20 September at 5:00pm in the school library. Anyone (Year 7-10

parent and families) who is interested in learning more about the proposed trip to France and Italy is very welcome to come along. The educational travel provider will attend the session to give detailed information about the itinerary, locations, safety, modes of travel and more.

The aims of this parent information session are to:

- Introduce the teachers attending the trip
- Share the aims of the trip
- Share the proposed itinerary
- Explain the proposed costings/timeline/procedure
- Share accommodation, safety and travel details
- Answer any questions about the trip
- Provide classroom code for continued communication

We look forward to seeing you there.

For more information please contact Andrea Kemp (andrea.kemp@ed.act.edu.au) or Clare Warwick (clare.warwick@ed.act.edu.au) by email or by phone on (02) 6142 2200.

HARRISON STUDENTS EXCEL IN AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Students from the high school participated in the Australian Geography Competition this year. They tested their geographical skills and knowledge against students from around Australia. We had a number of student geographers at our school that performed to a very high level in the competition this year. Those students include:

Year 7

Thomas S - Distinction

Kris V – Distinction

Year 8

John E – High Distinction

Leo F – High Distinction

Rooney L – Distinction

Year 9

Jayda R – Distinction

Thomas R – Distinction

Kenneth T – Distinction

Year 10

Flynn K – High Distinction

Jacob H - Distinction

Over 72,000 students from 743 schools across Australia entered the competition this year and 3 of our students attained results in the top 4%. I hope you will all join me in congratulating these students.

Mrs Juliette Walto

Learning Area Leader for HASS



DEFENCE NEWS

Attention all Cadets!! If your child is a member of a Cadet Unit here in Canberra can you please email Emma and let her know. We are currently preparing for our Remembrance Day Service here at Harrison School mid next term and are hoping for Cadet participation.

Postings: As posting orders are starting to come out could you please advise us of new movement for the future so that we may be able to help with the transition. Please remember if your situation changes, (eg.MWDU/Deployments) could you please let us know, as it is important we have accurate information.

DCO Support for ADF Families:

defencefamilyhelpline@defence.gov.au or 1800 624 608.

Coming Up:

- Battle for Australia Commemoration (AWM) – Wed 5 September

DSTA: available Mon – Wed and Friday during school hours. 8:50 – 2:30

DTM: available Mon – Thurs, during school hours 8:50 – 2:30

Sarah and Emma

sarah.mcgavin@ed.act.edu.au or

emma.marrinan@ed.act.edu.au



DEFENCE KIDS

ALL DEFENCE GROUPS ARE NOW OPERATING OUT

OF THE DEFENCE ROOM IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY!
Please remind your children that the K-2 Activity Group is Monday lunch times and the 3-4 Activity Group is Tuesday lunch times. For students in 5/6, the Defence Hang out is NOW Wednesday lunch times. Students in Years 7 to 10 remain Thursday lunch times.



HARRISON HEARTS

If you would like to join us, come to the Defence Room in the school library on Monday mornings between 9:00am and 11:00am. We would love to see you for a cuppa, a chat and to create some resources for the classrooms. Younger siblings welcome. Please remember to sign in as a volunteer at the front office.

P & C NEWS

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Fridays from 8:30am – 9:30am

CANTEEN NEWS

The friendly canteen staff are always looking for volunteers. If you have a spare hour or two, your help would be greatly appreciated - just drop into the canteen and say hello.

Please see the attached document or the link below for the 2018 Canteen Menu.

[2018 CANTEEN MENU](#)

[FLEXI-SCHOOLS ONLINE ORDERING](#)

SCHOOL BANKING



Wow - week 7 already! Just a reminder that many, many of you already have 10 tokens and I encourage you to order your rewards – before the stock runs out, I don't want you to be disappointed if you can't get what you would like. Could you please order your rewards to ensure they arrive before the holidays. Remember the Secret Scratch pad is NO LONGER available.

If you would like to be part of the School Banking program you just need to open a Youthsaver Account at any Commonwealth Bank branch.

We look forward to some great savings this term and to more students receiving some fabulous rewards throughout the year.

Maria Sanchez-Worsnop

School Banking Coordinator