



Harrison School Newsletter 2 July 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last week of Term 2. It has been an action-packed term and with the recent change in weather I know all students and staff have earned themselves a well-deserved break.

Last week we saw the Year 10 Formal Committee hold a highly successful movie night. Christopher Robin was screened and with over 400 students in attendance a fun time was had by all. The Year 10 students and the staff that supported their efforts ran a well organised event and what a great community feel it had.

This week sees the culmination of a semester of planning and organisation for some of the student groups within the Learn RITE class. Learn RITE is a class supported by a staff member and the Youth Support Worker where students plan a fundraising event to assist them to complete a project that has direct links to the community. On Wednesday this week junior students will be treated to a haunted house experience whilst senior students will have the opportunity to compete in a laser tag competition. The students have demonstrated strong growth in their organisational, financial and promotional management skills to get to this point. It is also a strong example of what collaboration and relying on each other's strengths can achieve. I congratulate these 9/10 students on their efforts and hope all students who have chosen to participate have a great experience.

Semester Reports will be coming home across the school this week. Please take the time to sit with your student and reflect on their achievements and growth over the semester. As this report represents their progress towards the Achievement Standard in the Australian Curriculum it is also a great chance to discuss the areas for improvements outlined and the suggested strategies to aid in achieving them.

Along with Dan Breen I wish all students a safe and happy holiday break with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming students back

Term 2 Week 10

Monday 1 July

- Rostrum 7:00pm Harrison School

Tuesday 2

- Deadly Mob Excursion - Birrigai

Wednesday 3

- Whole School Assembly 9:15am Gym

Thursday 4

- RMC Rock Band Visit

Friday 5

- Last Day Term 2

Term 3 Week 1

Monday 22 July

- First day of Term 3

Wednesday 24

- Yr. 7-10 Assembly 9:15am Gym

Friday 26

- Kindergarten 100 Days Celebration

Term 3 Week 2

Tuesday 30

- Science Show Offs Excursion PMT CD, ER & BD

Wednesday 31

- Preschool – Yr. 6 Assembly 9:15am Gym
- Yr. 5/6 Girls Basketball Competition

2019 Calendar

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



refreshed, full of energy and raring to go for another semester of academic and social growth and achievements.

Jacqui Ford

ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to our Principals Award Recipients:

Toby Y	Veer G	Ethan S
Daisy Mcl	Lin D	Yasamiyan A
Dahlia N	Addison S	Adhira M
Shamika L	Ruby R	Norakvitou K
Zoe S	Vidhi P	Ruby A
Natalie P	Abdul K	Arlo M
Declan W	Neena D	Isabella P

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. If you need to add a parent/guardian to your child's contact details, please come to the front office to fill in the appropriate form.

Preschool – Yr. 6 students **MUST** be signed out from the main administration office before they are collected from class.

Years 7 – 10 students **MUST** be signed in and out by a parent or carer from the senior office

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.

HARRISON SCHOOL QUICKWEB PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

QuickWeb is the preferred method of payment for Harrison School. Below is a link to follow with instructions on how to access and utilise the online payment system.

[QuickWeb Online Instructions](#)

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.

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).

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.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

LEARN RITE YEAR 3-6 HAUNTED HOUSE NOTE CORRECTION

The Learn Rite Year 3- 6 Haunted House note which was sent home Friday 21 June 2019 shows a \$4.50 entry and smoothie option.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control this option is no longer available. Therefore, the only option is a \$2.00 entry fee.

We apologise for any inconvenience that this has caused and appreciate your understanding.

Harrison School Landscaping Reinstatement Community Update

We are delighted to inform you that Able Landscaping has been chosen as the successful tender for the reinstatement of garden beds at Harrison School. Works could commence as soon as Monday 24 June 2019.

The garden beds will be reinstated and completed in sections throughout the school. Each of these sections will be fenced off while the work is being done to ensure the safety of our school community. In addition to this measure, the contractors will have designated personnel to assist staff and students to move safely around the school grounds, while this project is completed. Subject to weather, the estimated time of completion is the end of Term 3.

HARRISON SCHOOL LIBRARY FUND

Harrison School has established a special Library Fund to build the school's library and information resources. If you donate to the fund within the 2018/19 Financial year, it is tax deductible.

To find out more information and download the donation form please follow the link below.

[Harrison School Library Fund Donation Form](#)

LIBRARY NEWS

Entertainment Book

Thank you to everyone who have purchased a book this year. We have many more to sell and every purchase helps our school.

Holidays are coming up soon and there are big savings on fun family activities and dining around Canberra and the surrounds.

Come in to the library or front office to view our sample books and see the great savings you can enjoy. Thanks for your support!

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2d6190>



Lost Property

A reminder to parents that we have many labelled jumpers and hats in lost property.

Could you please come to the library to look through the baskets if your child has lost any items.

Family Reading Time.



I would like to remind all parents, grandparents and other family members that the library is open from 8.30am each morning for family reading and borrowing time. Please come in and take the time to read with your child and help them select books they would like to borrow.

OSHClub VACATION CARE PROGRAM

The holidays are fast approaching, and Harrison OSHClub will be a very exciting and fun place from July 8th - July 22nd. On Tuesday July 9th, we are off to the Dinosaur Museum and on Tuesday 16 July, we are off to iPlay in Belconnen. We also have some great incursions planned with Build A Bear coming to see us as well as a fun disco.

If you would like to make a booking please do so via your iParent Portal, the kidsoft app or by contacting us directly on 0418223198.

If your child/ren isn't currently enrolled with OSHClub, you can do so via our website www.oshclub.com.au Please also see the attached flyer. We look forward to seeing you all for our Holiday Program!!!



DEFENCE NEWS

Thank you to those families that were able to attend our morning tea this morning it was lovely to chat with you all and introduce you to the new family liaison officer from DCO. Also by now you should have received via email our half yearly newsletter if you haven't please drop us a line to let us know so that we can confirm your email address.

We wish you a wonderful holiday period and look forward to seeing you all again in term 3.

Postings: At this time of the year, we are aware that many families have or soon will be receiving posting orders. Please ensure that you let us know if you are moving on so that we can support and farewell your children.

Coming Up: RMC Band Visit to Whole School
Thursday 4 July 10:00am

DCO Support for ADF Families:
defencefamilyhelpline@defence.gov.au or
1800 624 608.

Sarah and Zoe
sarah.mcgavin@ed.act.edu.au
zoe.rossiter@ed.act.edu.au



DEFENCE KIDS

Please remind your children that the K - Yr.2 Activity Group is Monday lunchtimes and Yr.3-4 Activity Group is Tuesday lunchtimes. For students in Yr. 5/6, the Defence Hang out is Wednesday lunchtimes and 7 – 10 Thursday lunchtimes.



HARRISON HEARTS

If you would like to join us, come to the Defence Room in the school library on Monday mornings between 9:00 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.

CANTEEN NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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 in to the canteen and say hello.

Please see the attached document or the link below for the 2019 Canteen Menu.

[2019 CANTEEN MENU](#)

[FLEXI -SCHOOLS ONLINE ORDERING](#)

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

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

SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking is underway and is processed every **Tuesday**, so don't forget to bring your yellow School Banking wallets and give them to your teacher.

This year, the Dollarmites (Pru, Addy, Spen, Lucas and Pat) are rugged up and ready to take kids on a Polar Savers adventure to the Ice Cave of Savings that's full of exciting rewards to keep children motivated and demonstrate the value of regular saving.

2019 Rewards

Term 1

- Scented Stackable Highlighters
- Snowy Origami Set

Term 2

- Yeti Fluffy Notebook
- Icicle Slapband Ruler

Term 3

- Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring
- Scratch Art Cards

Term 4

- Water Skimming Bounce Ball
- Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers



Many of you already have enough tokens to redeem and are eligible to claim the Scented Stackable Highlighters or the Snowy Origami Set. If you would like to claim your reward, simply click on the link <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html> where you will be able to print a rewards form, don't forget to send in your 10 silver tokens along with your form, so that your rewards can be ordered. Please remember that all rewards take up to two weeks to be delivered from Brisbane and they will be sent to you via the black bag back to your classrooms.

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

Our School Banking program has been very successful at Harrison School with both the students and school benefiting from the rewards. The program has been run by two volunteer mums and we are now urgently looking for another two parents to join our team. All training is provided, and no experience is needed, it will only take an hour each Tuesday. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Kalpana Pothuraju on 0459250097.

We also have in stock a number of reward items from previous years that are still available for students to redeem including a Handball, Sparkle Glitter Pens, Zoom Flying Disc, Heat Reactor Pencils and Glow Light. An updated slip is now available at [commbank.com.au/sbc](https://www.commbank.com.au/sbc) under the section Dollarmites wallet inserts, for you to print, cut and

place inside students' Dollarmites deposit wallets to help spread the word. Students can then fill out the slip to redeem one of these rewards if they prefer.

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

Kalpana Pothauraju
School Banking Coordinator