



Harrison School Newsletter 14 November 2017

Hi All,

Welcome to Week 6. The school is buzzing with activity at the moment as we head towards the final weeks of the school year. Concert practices, band performances, musical rehearsals are all underway. We do hope that community will be able to join us in celebrating student achievement at these and other occasions. Please refer to the school calendar for clarification of specific event times and dates.

Remembrance Day Ceremony – Friday Week 5

Last Friday the whole school gathered to participate in a moving tribute to pay respect to all past and current serving members of our combined defence forces at our Remembrance Day Ceremony. Our guest speaker, Leut. Louisa Young gave an inspirational and moving speech on how she followed her dream to work as an accomplished and recognised submariner; a field that was once predominantly male dominated. Additional thanks to our Defence Transition Support Assistants and our junior cadets who worked alongside Jo Cook and Jim Reilly to facilitate this occasion.

Assessment and Moderation for end of year reporting P-10

Teachers are currently working on report compilation for the end of year report cycle. Assessment and moderation are important components of this process to ensure that formative and summative data inform final grades. Student attendance is always an important factor in learning however, absence can impact on summative data which is being collated across the school. Please ensure that children arrive at school promptly for the start of the day so that important in-class assessments are not missed or compromised due to lateness. All absences require explanation so that attendance data is recorded and communicated accurately on end of year reports.

Bandstravaganza – Year 6 and 7-10 Bands

Combined band rehearsals took place early this week in the lead up to

Diary

Term 4 Week 6

Wednesday 15

- Uke Project 8:15am
- Yr. 5 - 10 Assembly 9:15am Gym
- Advanced Uke Project 1:15pm
- Yr. 6 Bandstravaganza Performance
- **P & C Meeting 7:00pm – Library**

Thursday 16

- Alan Tongue Aspire Program

Friday 17

- Kindergarten Athletics Carnival 9:00 – 11:00am
- Yr. 6 Drumming

Term 4 Week 6

Yr. 9/10 Drama Production

Monday 20

- Harrison Hoppers ACT Tour

Tuesday 21

- Preschool – Kindergarten Transition
12:15 – 1:00pm

Wednesday 22

- Uke Project 8:15am
- Preschool – Yr. 4 Assembly 9:15am Gym
- Advanced Uke Project 1:15pm
- Christian Ed K- Yr. 6

Thursday 23

- Preschool – Kindergarten Transition
12:15 – 1:00pm

- Alan Tongue Aspire Program

Friday 24

- Yr. 5 – 10 Colour Fun Run
- Yrs. 5 – 10 Games Club 3:00 – 5:30pm

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

[2017 Calendar](#)



the Bandstravaganza Performance that will be held this week for students in our Year 6 and our Year 7-10 band. Last night's performance was fantastic and we wish all participating students and teachers a happy and fun night as these evenings are an amazing showcase of young and uprising musical talent across all ACT schools.

Athletics Carnival – Kindergarten

Kindergarten children will participate in a mini athletics carnival this Friday on the junior oval. Parents are welcome to come along and join in the morning with our children during the rotation; weather permitting. Please ensure that students are correctly attired in sports uniforms with appropriate footwear, sunscreen and hats so that they can fully participate in this outdoor program.

Nada

ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to our Principals Award Recipients:

Annabella C	Annalise R	Charlie K
Kane D	Jade B	Eshaan A R
Aiza T	Ava F	Akshad R
Romeo G	Tarquin S	Charlotte D
Aimee F	Ethan O'S	Bailey B
Eli S	Jacob V	Sooah C
Sara B	Daniyal H	Pratichha G

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO HARRISON SCHOOL IN 2018

If your child is not returning to Harrison School in 2018 could you please complete the form on this link [Students Leaving Harrison School Permanently](#) and return it to the front office to assist us in organising classes for 2018.

STUDENTS ON HOLIDAY LEAVE

If your family is on an extended holiday and will not be back at school before the beginning of Term 1, 2018 Tuesday 6 February could you please complete the form on this link [Holiday Leave Form](#) and return it to the front office ASAP.

FRONT OFFICE HOURS

Harrison School Front Office hours are:

Monday – Friday

8:30am – 3:30pm

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 the students 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 and receive a green slip before collecting students from their class.

Years 5 – 10 students **MUST** be signed in and out by a parent or carer from the senior office. Parents must receive an electronic slip before collecting students from class.

HARRISON SCHOOL DAILY NEWS

Just a reminder, that if you wish to subscribe to the Harrison School Daily News you will receive notifications and updates regarding school events. You can also access the school calendar from this site. Please see the link below:

<https://harrisonschoolnews.com/>

EXCURSION/CAMP PAYMENTS

Please ensure when depositing into the Harrison School bank account for direct deposit that you include: **Student Name and Excursion details.**

2018 STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS LISTS

The 2018 Stationery Requirements lists will be sent home this week. The lists are also available on the school website on the link below:

[2018 Harrison School Stationery Packs](#)

Please follow the ordering instructions

1. Go to the OfficeMax website OfficeMaxSchools.com.au

2. Search for Harrison School, Harrison ACT and enter your school access key **2XQ5Q**
3. Complete the student details and select the year level that your child will be in for 2018. Eg. If your child is in Yr.1 this year then you need to select the 2018 Yr. 2 list.
4. Review your requirements list and make any changes (if required). Please note that some items have been denoted as a requisite for the subject or year.

If you have more than one student at the school you will need to repeat the above steps, ordering the correct 2018 year level list.

Once completed, an order confirmation will be sent to your email address.

Order Deadlines and Delivery

Your order will be delivered to your home address.

Please note: Orders will **NOT** be sent to the school.

Orders are delivered via Australia post's eParcel service and you will receive an email with the Australia Post tracking ID Number. Post Offices Box addresses are **NOT** accepted.

- Orders placed on or before 17 December will be delivered free of charge.
- Orders placed after 17 December and on or before 31 December will incur a \$12.95 delivery fee.
- Orders placed after 31 December will incur a \$12.95 delivery fee and all efforts will be made to deliver prior to the beginning of Term 1, 2018.

IMPORTANT

- **ALL** Stationery packs need to be brought to school on the first day of **Term 1, 2018** and given to the class teacher.

Please note that OfficeMax now has zipPay

OfficeMax now has zipPay. You can buy your requirements list now and pay later.

For full terms and conditions visit officemaxschools.com.au



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If you need any help placing your order, returns or refunds, delivery information or have a general enquiry please visit OfficeMaxSchool.com.au/help Please **DO NOT** send any Stationery Lists or money to the school ALL orders are through OfficeMax.

LIBRARY NEWS

Lost Property - help needed

We have lots of jumpers in our lost property area. We regularly go through everything, pull out things with names and return them to their owners. This is fairly time consuming and I know we are going to struggle in the next few weeks to get everything done. If there is someone who would like to volunteer a little bit of time to help us sort lost property, we would be very grateful!

Book Fair

We finished our book fair last week and we would like to thank all the parents and families who supported us by purchasing books for the children, as well as all our lovely staff who volunteered their time to help it run successfully. We couldn't do it without them! Our library will now receive over \$2000 of new resources for our collection!

Overdue Books

Overdue notes will be printed (P-4) or emailed (Years 5-10) this Wednesday. Please help your child look for and return any overdue books before then. **All books are due back by Friday December 1.** To give you an idea of why there have been so many reminders this term, here are some statistics:

Library collection = over 31,700 items

Current loans for staff and students = over 6,500

Current overdue items = over 2,500

We will be doing our annual stocktake of our entire library collection in weeks 9 & 10, which is why we are anxious to find any missing items before then. Thank you for your help!

Book Club

This week we have distributed our last issue of Book Club for the year. It is a very quick

turnaround to get orders in for this issue so we can ensure everything gets delivered before the end of term. **Orders due back by Tuesday November 21 (week 7).** You may have heard of a new book called *Nevermoor* which is taking Australia by storm. If you missed it in the Book Fair, it is available in Book Club. I would also like to remind you we are able to keep orders here in the library for parents to collect if you are ordering for Christmas. Please just email us and we can organise that for you.

Pamela.gaukroger@ed.act.edu.au

Save the Date

Monday November 27 - Parent information session to learn about our e-book collection. More details next week.

Pamela Gaukroger and Nola Zorzi
Teacher Librarians

HARRISON SCHOOL 2017 DRAMA PRODUCTION



Disney's Alice in Wonderland Junior - presented by Harrison School

The students of Harrison School present a musical adventure - Disney's Alice in Wonderland. Don't miss your chance to step through the Looking Glass in pursuit of the White Rabbit for a hilarious Unbirthday celebration that will have you Zippideedoodahing all the way! A 70 min magical adventure that you won't want to miss - a fun night for the whole family.

When: Wed 22 and Thurs 23 Nov @7:00pm

Where: Senior Performing Arts Building, Harrison School

All tickets \$5.00- and available for purchase online using the following link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/SRRO>



2017 HARRISON SCHOOL CONCERT

Wednesday 29 and Thursday 30 November.

Tickets for the End of Year concert will be available from the front office from 8:30am Wednesday 15 November and we are asking for a contribution of \$2.00 per ticket. You do not need to obtain tickets for your child/ren if they are performing. As always any financial contribution to the school is voluntary and please note if you require financial support to contribute to tickets, please contact the front office.

We will be running a BBQ before the Concert. We will be selling drinks, sausages and vegetarian patties. As well as cupcakes!

Drinks: \$1.50

Sausages: \$2.00

Veggie patties: \$2.50

Cupcakes: \$2.00 (some GF available)

Combo – sausage, drink and cupcake \$5.00 (or veg pattie instead of sausage)

Please see the attached document for the Concert Timetable or the link below: [2017 End of Year Concert Class Timetable](#)

Arianna Cansdell – Concert Coordinator

YR. 5 – 10 COLOUR FUN RUN



HARRISON COLOUR ME IN

The Learn RITE class is organising a colour run with all proceeds being donated to the Fearless Initiative, an organisation that supports families

that have suffered domestic violence. The focus for this event is on participation and enjoyment there is no obligation to run. It will be a fun day to end the year.

When: Friday 24 November from 1:50 – 2:55pm

Who: Yr. 5 – 10 students will be participating with parents /carers invited to join.

Where: Harrison Playing Fields

Entry Cost: \$5.00 entry fee with the opportunity to purchase extra packs of colour.

Permission notes and money need to be returned to the Front Office by **Tuesday 21 November**.

TERM 4 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education for Kindergarten – Yr.6 will be held on Wednesday 22 November. They will teach the children about the Light of Christmas using songs, stories and games. They may ask for student volunteers from the school to participate in these activities.



DEFENCE NEWS

Last week we had a wonderful Remembrance Day Ceremony; it was wonderful to see so many students involved in their cadet uniforms. It was also lovely to have two of our music students perform the national anthem and the bugle, they both did us proud. Congratulations to Oakelani Edmonds this years' recipient of the Long Tan Award.



Next week we will be having a Farewell morning tea for the Defence students that are leaving us at the end of the year. More information will come home this week to those families we are aware of. If you are moving on and haven't yet informed us

please do so ASAP we would hate for your child/ren to miss out.

Coming Up:

- Harrison Hearts/Parent Farewell Afternoon Tea – Wednesday 15 November @ 1:30pm (Multi-Purpose Room – Jnr Hall)

Sarah McGavin (DSTA) available school hours Mon – Wed and Fri.

Sarah.mcgavin@ed.act.edu.au

Emma Marrinan (DTM) available school hours Mon, Tues, Thurs and Wed mornings.

Emma.marrinan@ed.act.edu.au



DEFENCE KIDS

This week in activity groups we have been doing some Christmas Craft! Please remind your children of the days that their year level has activity groups and that they can bring with them as many of their friends as they like. Kinder – Year2 (Mon lunch); Years 3 and 4 (Tues lunch). The Senior Chill out session for Yrs 5 -10 is Thursday lunchtime in Room H4/G26 (Mulligans Building).

SCHOOL BANKING

Congratulations to all students who received their rewards or banking certificates last week and today, what a fabulous effort for your regular savings. Many of you already have 10 tokens and are also able to order a reward. I encourage you to order your rewards soon as the last week for ordering rewards this term will be **Week 8**, so that they can be back before the end of year holidays. Don't forget to send in your 10 tokens and your rewards order card please so they can be ordered.

Remember this term we have new rewards for 2017 from our Future Savers range.

- Pencil and Tech Case
- Epic Earphones



P & C NEWS

REMINDER

P & C MEETING

Wednesday 15 November

7:00pm Harrison School Library

ALL parents and community members

welcome

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. All you need to do is drop into the canteen and say hello. Please find attached an updated Canteen Menu. Please see the link below for the 2017 Canteen Menu.

[2017 CANTEEN MENU](#)

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