



Harrison School Newsletter 18 September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the weather warms up and we approach the end of Term 3 some of our staff and students have been busily preparing for what are event filled last weeks of term.

This week sees the 5/6 cohort attending camp at the Sport and Rec centre in Jindabyne. Half of the campers left Monday morning to return on Wednesday while the second half of intrepid students and staff depart Wednesday and return Friday. I hope all students (and staff) remembered to pack some warm clothes for the chilly Jindabyne nights, however it looks like there is spectacular weather in the day for activities such as archery, rock wall climbing, ropes courses and team building. I know students and parents alike will acknowledge and appreciate how much time and effort has gone in to planning the 5/6 camp and ensuring that it is a valuable experience for students. The staff also highly appreciate the massive effort that Heather Hill (Deputy Principal 3-6) and Jason Holmes are making to drive down separately and spend some time with staff and students on camp.

Next week sees the following for students:

- 7/8 camp leave to explore Sydney. This has been a popular destination in the past and students always return buzzing with news of their adventures and experiences. We wish students and staff good weather, a seamless itinerary, amazing experiences, great collegial time and space and safe travels.
- Trip to Japan. A small group of students have been working hard to prepare and fundraise for the experience of a lifetime – a trip to Japan inclusive of a visit to our sister school to see an educational facility from a different culture. This trip will be learning in true context for these students. They will have the opportunity to practise their language skills in authentic conversations, taste food they have only read about, immerse

Diary

Term 3 Week 9

Wednesday 19

- Yr. 5/6 Camp Jindabyne Group 2 Yr. 5/6 AH/DM/JC/KC/MO &TK Departs 8:30am
- Yr.5 - 10 Assembly 9:15am- Gym
- Yr. 5/6 Camp Jindabyne Group 1 returns approx. 3:00pm
- Dance Fest Rehearsal and Evening Performance
- Yr. 10 Immunisations
- Yr. 9/10 AIME Program
- DCO Kidsmart Program
- P & C Meeting 7:00pm – Library

Thursday 20

- Yr. 3/4 Botanical Gardens Excursion Yr. 3/4 MP/DW/JD/JH& LM
- Fresh Food Kids Discovery Tour – KLS & KLG
- 2019 European Trip Parent Information Session 5:00pm – Library

Friday 21

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

Term 3 Week 10

Monday 24

- Yr. 10 Road Ready Course

Tuesday 25

10 Year Celebrations

- 10 Year Celebration Assembly 9:15am- Gym
- ACT13&O Athletics

[2018 Calendar](#)

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



themselves in a culture they have studied from afar and see and experience the streets of the lively and vibrant country. We look forward to following their progress and seeing their photos and wish them safe and happy travels.

- Year 10 Road Ready Course. The Year 10 students participating in the Road Ready course will have an alternate program for much of Week 10. This is an important course for students as they strive to get their learner's permit. We encourage all students to fully engage with the important course content and the journey, not just the destination of successfully achieving their learner's permit. We wish all students the best of luck.
- Ten Year Birthday Celebrations for Harrison School. Next Tuesday the entire school community will come together to celebrate and reflect on the last 10 years of Harrison School. Celebrations will include an assembly, school community photo, a visit from past staff and learning community organised celebrations.

Enjoy the warmer weather and the planning for the upcoming holidays ☺

ASSEMBLY CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to our Principal's Award Recipients:

Elijah B	Sonia K	Chrystal B
Cody M	Serena B	Noah H
Charlee S	Vicky K	Madeline McP
Adrian K	Yoany T	Norakvitou K
Simona O	Sienna H	Kane D
Abdul K	Jack McC	Anabela S
Aaliyah S	Ethan S	Harry E
James O'D	Jasdeep P	Noah K
Chloe C	Claire C	Brianna J x 2

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.

FAMILY STATEMENTS

Family Statements for Semester 2 have been sent home from the school outlining Years 7-10 elective course costs and asking you to make a voluntary contribution to the school. Your contributions are greatly appreciated as they assist the school in providing high quality learning opportunities and projects for your children. Voluntary contributions are used to purchase a range of resources across the school to support the provision of challenging, interesting and personalised learning. Subject contributions received from families are used to purchase resources and consumables such as decorative timbers, 3D printing materials, specific art supplies and recipe ingredients that allow students to go beyond basic project work to produce materials that are high quality, allow personalisation and often provide additional challenge.

If you have any questions about the family statements please contact me on the school's general number.

Jason Holmes

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/thedadakostory.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

HARRISON JAPAN TRIP

The students, teachers and parents of the Harrison Japan Trip would like to thank the school community for supporting our various fund raising activities over the last 10 months. We would also like to thank the Woolworths store in Franklin who were always efficient and helped us greatly when organising supplies for BBQs. This time next week we will be at our sister school, Tomio Daisan, in Nara!

EUROPEAN TRIP 2019 - PARENT INFORMATION EVENING



- **Thursday 20 September at 5:00pm**
- **In the school library**
- **Travel company rep attending**
- **All Yr. 7-10 parents welcome**

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 parents and families) who is interested in learning more about the proposed trip to France and Italy are 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 a 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.



DEFENCE NEWS

Harrison Defence Morning Tea: Come along and enjoy great company and some lovely morning tea, younger siblings welcome.

Date- Monday 24 September

Time- 9:00 -10:30am

Where – Defence Room – Harrison School Library

RSVP – By Wednesday 19 September for catering purposes.

Cadets: 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.

DCO Support for ADF Families:

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

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

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

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

P & C Meeting

The Harrison School P&C Meeting will be held at 7:00pm on **Wednesday 19 September**, in the library. All parents and community members welcome.

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



Congratulations to the many students who received their School Banking certificates and rewards last week – what a great savings effort.

If you were hoping to order a reward this term can you please do it tomorrow – I am hoping it will arrive before the holidays. Don't forget there will be two new and exciting rewards next term (a slushie cup and a fan) so you may also hang on to your tokens until next term.

Remember if you would like to be part of the Commonwealth Bank's School Banking program you just need to open a Youthsaver Account at any Commonwealth Bank or visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Maria Sanchez-Worsnop
School Banking Coordinator

