



Harrison School Newsletter 21 November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to all the students who nominated to be a school leader for 2018. We have amazing students at Harrison and our student leader nominations are a perfect example! We continue to have a high number of students nominate and this is evidence of the value students give to these important roles. It's inspiring to hear about the influence they hope to have at our school. Speeches and student voting happened on Friday. We will be announcing the successful applicants this week.

Congratulations to our students who performed at *Bandstravanganza* last week. The 7-10 band was a show stopper and I was very impressed with Ms Wicken's conducting skills. The Year 6 students had their Primary School Graduation and we hope that they will continue in band next year as they move into Year 7. Students in Year 4 will have an opportunity over the next couple of weeks to complete a music test to see if they are eligible to join band in Year 5. Keep an eye out for further information. Thank you to Mrs DeSimone and Ms Wicken for supporting our students to access experiences where they are building skills in teamwork, persistence, confidence and musicality.

This week our performers continue to shine at Harrison. Our drama production, *Alice in Wonderland* promises to be a great show. This year we have extended opportunities for more people to watch the show. We have over 1200 people coming to experience the show and our dedicated actors will do 9 performances! I was lucky enough to see the rehearsal on Friday. It was fabulous to see Ms Juliet Moody's exceptional directing skills and the students were AMAZING! We still have some tickets left, you haven't missed out yet! <https://www.trybooking.com/SRRO>

.....and the opportunities for performers just keep coming! Our concert is next week! I've been very excited to see classes working hard to learn all their words, polish their stage transitions, fine-tune their choreography

Diary

Term 4 Week 7

Yr. 9/10 Drama Production

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

Term 4 Week 8

End of Year Concert Week

Tuesday 28

- Preschool End of Year Exhibitions of Learning M/T Groups 4:30 – 5:15pm

Wednesday 29

- Uke Project 8:15am
- Concert A Matinee 11:00am – 1:00pm
- Advanced Uke Project 1:15pm
- Preschool End of Year Exhibitions of Learning T/F Groups 4:30 – 5:15pm
- Yr. 5 – 10 Exhibitions of Learning 4:00 – 5:00pm
- Concert A Evening Performance 6:30 – 8:30pm

Thursday 30

- Concert B Matinee 11:00am – 1:00pm
- Yr. 5 – 10 Exhibitions of Learning 4:00 – 5:00pm
- Concert B Evening Performance 6:30 – 8:30pm

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

[2017 Calendar](#)



and make sure their costumes are just right. The Harrison School end of year concert is always a mammoth, high quality production, and this year is certainly no different. Tickets went on sale on last week and have been selling fast - I hope you've got yours! I know I'd hate to miss out.....

Allison Edmonds

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



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.

CHROMEBOOK DEVICE REMINDER

Reminder to parents of all students from Year 6 – 9. The Minister for Education and Early Childhood Development is providing students who will be in Year. 7 – 10 in 2018 with a Chromebook Device. .

Please complete the attached Allocation to Secondary Students from Yr. 7 – 11 in 2018 and the Chromebook Acceptance form indicating your decision to participate and return it to the school by Friday 1 December 2017. Please see the link below

[Chromebook Device Allocation to Secondary Students](#)

LIBRARY NEWS

E-book Information Session

Monday 27 November at 8:30am. You are invited to come to an information session on how your child can borrow books from our library over the holidays - our e-books and audiobooks. This will be suitable for parents of students in years 3-10 as they will need to remember their Backpack logins and passwords.

Returning Library Books

Please remember to return all library books before next Friday 1 December.

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](#)

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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**.

HARRISON SCHOOL LIP SYNC BATTLE RESULTS

This year digital technology, play and creativity were the main focus of the Lip Sync Battle. The students should be commended on their efforts, as they were inspiring with their ideas and the way they presented themselves in front of the camera. Thank you to our sponsors Snedden, Hall & Gallop, Better Music and the Canberra Centre.

Congratulations to the winners:

1st Prize Mia F received a Ukulele from Better Music

2nd Prize Katelyn R, Jade H, Amelia B received a \$100 Canberra Centre Voucher

3rd Prize Maya N received a Ukulele from Better Music

4th Prize Sophia D, Amelie S, Phoenix H, Kiyann W and Chloe H all received \$10 Scholastic Book Fair Vouchers



DEFENCE NEWS

Thank you to all that bought poppies off us for Remembrance Day this year we raised approximately \$220 this year which will be donated to the Gungahlin RSL Sub Branch.

Last week we had our final Harrison Hearts for the year which was an afternoon tea to thank our wonderful volunteers and farewell our defence families that are leaving. It was lovely to see you all and once again thank you for your

contributions at Harrison and we wish you all the best for your new adventures.

This week we are in the process of farewelling our defence students that are leaving and wish them all the best for their final days at Harrison School and hope that they make lots of new friends and memories at their new schools next year.

Coming Up:

- HMAS Harman Christmas Party Friday 1 December
- Australian Military Wives Choir Christmas Open Rehearsal Thursday 7 December

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 was our last week of activity groups for the year so that we can start organising some great activities for next year! We ended the year in style with some music and dance for our K – 4's. 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 last Senior Chill out session for Yrs 5 - 10 was last Thursday lunchtime in Room H4/G26 (Mulligans Building).

SCHOOL BANKING

Congratulations to all students who have ordered their rewards, what a fabulous effort for your regular savings. I am hoping the rewards get delivered this week and they will be sent to you via the black bag as soon as they arrive.

Many of you already have 10 tokens and are also able to order a reward. I encourage you to order your rewards soon as there are **only two weeks** left for ordering rewards, the last week to order 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.

If you would like to participate in the School Banking Program, you just need to open a Youthsaver Account at any Commonwealth Bank branch or go to www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Happy savings

Maria Sanchez-Worsnop and Linda Barrack
School Banking Coordinators

CANTEEN NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE END OF THE YEAR

The canteen will be slowly decreasing their stock and are requesting from **Monday 4 December** that if you are placing a lunch order for your child, you add a second choice to the order please.

REMINDER: The Junior and Senior canteens will be **CLOSED** on **Friday 15 December**.

Please find attached an updated Canteen Menu. Please see the link below for the 2017 Canteen Menu.

[2017 CANTEEN MENU](#)

[FLEXI -SCHOOLS ONLINE ORDERING](#)