



Hamilton Island News

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Next P&C Meeting:

**Tuesday 5
June
at 6:00pm**

What's on:

- ★ 22 Show Holiday
- ★ 9 July Term 3 begins
- ★ Ellyn Parry (Prac student to commence)
- ★ 12 July Whitsunday Voices—(selected students)

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Principal's News

As you all know, last week we were absolutely floored by a virus. At one stage there were 5 staff members away sick as well as 28 out of 42 students!! I would like to say a huge thank you to the staff for covering for each other and to the parent helpers that were able to assist. Obviously no testing was able to be done at this time so we have been busy assessing in this last week. Due to this reports will be handed out in **Week 1 next term.**

As all parents are aware, in 2012 the Australian Curriculum has been introduced in the areas of Maths, English and Science in all Queensland schools. The Australian Curriculum is designed to ensure students in all areas of Australia are working towards the same curriculum outcomes and being assessed against the same criteria using a five scale assessment coding.

In Queensland using the Australian Curriculum criteria, a rating of 'C' means the student is achieving at year level expectation. 'B' is above year level expectation and 'A' is well above year level expectation. In the lower school 'Sound' is at year level expectation. Careful thought about this will indicate that very few students will receive an 'A', some will receive a 'B', and most will probably receive a 'C'. In the lower school very few students will receive 'Very High', some will receive 'High' and most will receive 'Sound'. Those students who are achieving below year level expectation will receive either a "D" or "E"; and in the lower school 'Developing' or Support required'.

The Australian Curriculum has also lifted the year level expectation across all year levels. This means that the work is at a higher intellectual level and hence in this transition year, students and teachers have been working extremely hard to 'fill the gaps' caused by the changed expectation. Parents, with the introduction of these higher expectations, the increased focus on consistency across the state and hence at Hamilton Island SS, you may find that the rating code awarded to your child this year appears to be lower than awarded in previous years. This does not mean that your child's achievement has dropped; it could just be the effect of the Australian Curriculum criteria. If you are at all concerned please don't hesitate to contact us.

Hamilton Island State School will have a new website. Our new school website which will go live at the end of this month. This will provide a resource for parents and community members to access documents, find out dates and see what has been going on at the school. Please let us know what you think.

Have a safe holiday and we will see everyone next term.

Adam Montgomery

a/principal

Our Vision: At Hamilton Island State School we are focused on providing a positive, supportive and academically rigorous environment. We efficiently use resources and establish positive relationships with the community to enable the best opportunities for our students. All skills are explicitly taught and we use data to inform our practice.

P/1

Hi everyone,

I would like to thank all the children and families for all their hard work this Term. I am so proud of all the children and their achievements. We have worked together as a great team and had loads of fun learning together. Thanks so much to all our parent helpers who have worked in our room. You have all made such a difference to the running of our room and learning outcomes for the children. I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday and enjoys spending time together with their families.

Thanks

Sarah



Our Caring Values

Be Respectful – We treat ourselves and each other with respect, show care and regard for property.

Be Responsible– We take responsibility for our performance and own up to mistakes, so that we can learn from them.

Be Safe– We always take care and act in a safe and appropriate manner.

2-7 News School Disco 20 June 2012





Key Strategic Directions:

1. Provide quality schooling through curriculum programs that cater for individuals, educational initiatives and societal expectations.
2. Develop and share high expectations for individual student learning.

P&C News

- P&C Meeting Tuesday 5 June 3.15-4.00pm
- Meat Tray Raffle - Friday 22 June and 6 July from 5.30 pm at R Bar. Parents needed to sell tickets then
- Kindy ball – next meeting Wednesday 25 June 5.30-6.30 at Kindy
- The P&C are desperate for **ALL** parents to help with fundraising activities for their children!! Thank you all so much for your assistance with the disco.



WELCOME

We would like to welcome Lilly and Ted Taylor to our school. Lilly and Ted have come from Cannonvale State School and have both gone into Ms Gardner's class. It is great to see them fitting in and enjoying learning.

*** FRENCH beginners classes project ***

Who for? Hamilton Island students able to read **ONLY**.

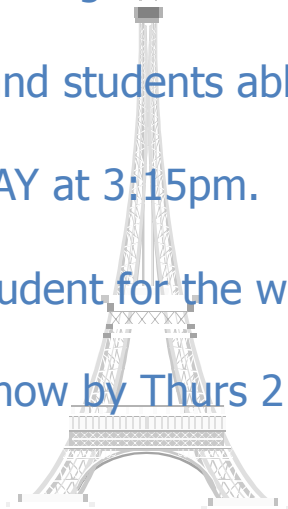
Where? H.I.S.S.

When? Every **THURSDAY** at 3:15pm.

Duration? 60 minutes.

How much? \$20 per student for the whole term to be paid at lesson 1.

Please let the school know by **Thurs 21 June**



Key Strategic Directions:

3. Build the capacity of our teachers and staff across a range of professional competencies.
4. Provide appropriate resourcing and quality learning environments to support and extend student learning and commit to sustainable practice.

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS – TERM 2

Monday	3.05pm	Kids Dance	\$50 for term pass	School
Tuesday	3.15pm	Kids Soccer	Free	Sports Club
Wednesday	3.15pm	Kids Basketball	Free	Sports Club
Thursday	3.15pm	Wet and Wild (Pool and Beach Sports)	Free	Meet at Kegal Bowling
	4.00pm	Kids Bowling	\$10	Kegal Bowling
Friday	3.15pm	Racquet Sports	Free	Sports Club
Saturday	3.15pm	Mini-golf	\$5pp	Sports Club
Sunday	3.00-5.00pm	Fun Zone	Free	Bougie Marquee

2012 Athletics Calendar

Contact Steve on 0408236483 for more details.

May 6	Hilly Half Kids Run	\$25 entry includes singlet and race pack. Three distances to choose from (750, 1500, 3km). Register at www.hamiltonisland.com.au
May 12	Club Day 1	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
May 13	Mothers Day Classic	Bougie Marquee. Adults \$15, Kids \$8, Family \$22-\$35 depending on breakdown. 4km or
May 26	Club Day 2	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
June 9	Club Day 3	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
June 16	Club Day 4	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
June 23	Club Day 5	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
June 25-July 9	School Holidays	
July 14	Club Day 6	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
July 21	Club Day 7	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
July 28	Whitsunday Pemntathlon	Proserpine State High School. Details to be provided closer to the date.
August 11	Club Day 8	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
August 18	Club Day 9	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
August 26	Airlie Junior Tri	www.whitsundaytriclub.com
September 1	Club Day 10	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
September 8	Final Club Day	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
October 14	Bowen Junior Tri	Details provided closer to the date.
November 10	Hamilton Island Junior Tri	www.hamiltonisland.com.au
November 11	Whitehaven Beach Junior Ocean Swim	www.hamiltonisland.com.au

Target Areas for Improvement (As stated in 2012 Annual Implementation Plan)-

- English- focus on Reading in all year levels.
- Mathematics – focus on increasing rigour in all year levels.
- Improve school and community relationships.
- Shift focus from achieving National Minimum Standard to Students achieving in the Upper 2 bands.

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We also would like to recognise the fabulous parent and community helpers that give up so much of their time.