



HOLMWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Principal: Jenny Lewis

✉ Cowra-Carcoar Road, Cowra NSW 2794

☎ 63422172

📠 63411247

@ holmwood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

💻 www.holmwood-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Term 4 Week 9 –Week Ending 6th December 2013

“JUNGLE JAM”!

WOW! What a remarkable performance our students put on last Wednesday night! Our whole school concert “Jungle Jam” was AMAZING!! I am so immensely proud of every single student for their efforts – they sang and danced their hearts out! Thank you to all the parents and friends who came along to watch - you were an outstanding audience! If anyone has a video recording of the concert and is happy to make a copy for the school, we would greatly appreciate it – the students would love to watch their performance as well I’m sure!

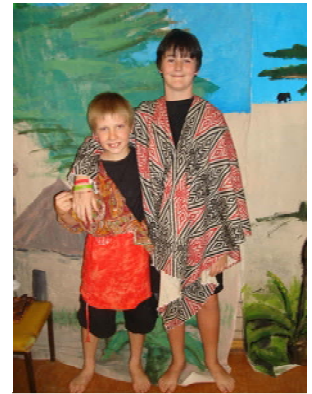
Thank you to the following people who helped to make the concert such a success;

- *Kristie Hodges - our musical director extraordinaire!*
- *The HPS Staff – Heidi, Deirdre, Cheri, Anthea, Julie, Lynne and Joy – your enthusiasm and commitment astounds me!*
- *Olivia, Georgia, Tia, Jasmine and Cheryce – who did an amazing job face painting*
- *Holmwood PS P&C for providing refreshments to all the concert-goers!*
- *Mulyan PS for allowing us to use their Hall facilities*
- *Gooloogong PS for the loan of their marimbas and Greenethorpe PS for allowing us to use their drums*

And last but not least; THANK YOU to the Students – you are all superstars!



Hayley, Mitchel, Brittany and Kaylah – our Narrators!



Abbie, Sophie, Lisa and Ashleigh looked gorgeous while Jarrod and Tailor were very handsome Uncles!



Victoria as the Medicine Woman



“You’re gonna hear me ROAR!!!!”



The Zeb-zeb-zebras!



The Funky Monkeys were very groovy!



Ellie Elephant performed by Year 1!



Tarzan and a very glamorous Jane!



Jane, Tarzan, Ape, Matata, George of the Jungle and Mitchel our narrator!



The Lions were ferocious (but also very cute!!)



Marimba Magic!



Hayley, Kaylah, Annelise and Lisa waiting in the wings

2013 School Magazine

Don't forget to pre-order your 2013 School Magazine! School magazines cost just \$6. Please send in order forms and payment to school by the 6th of December. If you have lost your order form, contact the Office and Anthea will add your name to the list....don't miss out!

"Students of the Week" – Term 4 Week 8

*Congratulations to our Week 8 **Students of the Week***



2/3 – Harry Beaumont; 4/5/6 – Brent Kiss; K/1 – Jayden Wright

Merit Awards went to;

K/1 – Liam and Layla; 2/3 – Zsala and Katelyn; 4/5/6 – Victoria and Kynan

Year 6 Farewell

This afternoon we will be having the Year 6 Farewell party at the Cowra Pool. A scrumptious afternoon tea and dinner will be provided (courtesy of the YEAR 6 "Wish List"!). HPS Staff will be supervising this activity and parents are asked to collect their child from the pool at 7pm. It should be a great night!

Report Folders

Could all parents please return the red HPS Student Report Folders which were sent home with Semester 1 Reports in June. This is so we can add your child's latest report to the folder to ensure it stays safe, ready to be handed out on Presentation Night. Thank you!

Presentation Night!!

*Holmwood Public School's annual Presentation Night will be held next **THURSDAY 12th DECEMBER** at Holmwood School. Proceedings will start at **7pm**. All families are encouraged to attend to celebrate the achievements of our students in 2013. Following the presentation, a light supper will be provided. All families are asked to please bring along a plate to share. We hope to see you there!*

Presentation Night Visitor

*For those families who celebrate Christmas, we will be having a special visitor at Presentation Night, who likes to wear a red suit. Any items that need to be dropped off to school for our students or younger siblings, must be done by Wednesday 11th December. These items need to be valued at **no more than \$10.00** please. Please ensure your items are wrapped and names are clearly marked. Cheri will be collecting these.*

Calendar

Term 4 Week 10

Wed 11th Dec	Ms Edgerton – programming day (Miss
--------------	-------------------------------------

	Hyde K/1)
Thurs 12th Dec	Presentation Night – 7pm at Holmwood PS School Reports and Magazines handed out
Fri 13th Dec	Last Scripture for the year Cowra Christmas Markets – HPS P&C Stall
Term 4 Week 11	
Mon 16th Dec	All Student workbooks handed out
Tues 17th Dec	Class Parties and Disco!
Wed 18th Dec	Last Day of School for Students
Thurs 19th Dec	Staff Development Day
Fri 20th Nov	Staff Development Day

Kind Regards,

Jenny Lewis

Principal

P&C News

The P&C will be having a variety stall at the upcoming Cowra Christmas Markets on **Friday 13th December** with a range of things to sell including cakes, slices, lolly bags, jazzy jars and red and green ice cups. The P&C requires donations of Jazzy Jars for the stall. All Jazzy Jars need to be brought in and left in the school office. We are aiming to collect heaps of jazzy jars...so please help us to help raise funds for our school. So far we have 55 jars.....so keep them coming in kids!

Michelle Whitty - P&C Secretary

K/1 Class News

We have had another very busy week, preparing for the big concert, and what a fabulous night it was. All the students looked amazing on stage and remembered their lines and actions for all the songs and dances. Well done everyone on such an amazing performance. It was a spectacular night! In English we have been writing about the concert and choosing our favourite stories that we have written over the last term to publish in our school magazine.

In between going to the Mulyan School for concert practice, we have been busy finishing off our unit for HSIE - "Families, Past and Present". We are watching 'My Place' and discussing the differences in family structures, looking at artefacts from the past and comparing the differences in family homes and appliances to today's modern technologies. As part of the unit we have been reading lots of stories about grandparents and families.

In maths we have been learning about multiplication, times tables and arrays. We had a fun day last week with Mrs Webster learning about volume and capacity using the book "Who sank the boat?" We had to make a boat from plasticine and make it

float in water with a plastic animal in it. We also measured how many paper clips it took to weigh the same as the plastic animals that were in the story 'Who sank the Boat?'

Kind Regards,
Ms Heidi Edgerton
K/1 Class Teacher

2/3 Class News

It has been an exciting week with our fantastic "Jungle Jam" Concert Preview on Tuesday and the Grand Concert on Wednesday night. The performance was outstanding! Our Year 2 Zebras were amazing and our Year 3 Monkeys moves were incredible, so three cheers for the crew! What budding musicians we have in our room as the Marimba piece was marvellous too!



An exciting achievement this week has been the announcement that Zsalea Mansley was a State Finalist in the NRMA Bike Safety Helmet Design Competition. There were over 10,500 entries in this year's competition which indicates the high standard of Zsalea's entry. An outstanding effort Zsalea!

A heartfelt THANK YOU to all the families who supported the Student Council's "Anything Goes" Canteen with food donations, gold coin donation and money to spend. This resulted in our school raising \$82.20 for the Red Cross Typhoon Appeal.



Our final Student Council Activity for the year is our Holmwood Helping Hand Hamper which goes to a family in need. So any donations of non-perishable foods would be extremely appreciated please.... "Every act of kindness counts" It has been an absolute pleasure to teach the Gregory Children, including Jo, and have their gorgeous family at Holmwood School. So it is with mixed emotions that we say "Bon Voyage." We will all miss you so much but we will keep in

touch with you. Mr K and I might have to take a trip to Vanuatu....Whacky Doo!

Kind Regards
Mrs Deirdre Kiely
2/3 Class Teacher

4/5/6 News

This week has been flat out with concert, concert and concert!! What a brilliant performance by our 4/5/6 students! It is always so great to see it all come together in the end and the 4/5/6 class have worked so hard to learn their lines and dance steps. Well done everyone!

We finalised most of our work on "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" this week with further investigations into our character analysis. Our cartoon canvas paintings are looking amazing – we will be taking some photos of these to put on our class blog! Everyone has been working hard to finish off this Term's learning activities.

With our Year 6 farewell on today and Presentation night next week, the end of the year is fast approaching. Sadly, this week we farewell one of our classmates. Ebon is heading off on an early holiday before he and his family move to Vanuatu in 2014. We will miss Ebon's smiling face and great sense of humour and hope that he will continue to stay in touch with all of us at HPS. Good bye and good luck Ebon! We will miss you!!



Farewell Toby, Ebon and Asher!
Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Jenny Lewis
4/5/6 Class Teacher

CANTEEN NEWS

Next week will be the final week for the School Canteen. We thank Gail and Bill Webster and Rhonda Lewis for their continued support of our school and their efforts in keeping our canteen running all year.

PHOTO NEWS

Whole School photo orders will be taken up until Monday 9th December. Please call Anthea if you wish to order one - \$20.