



# HOLMWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Term 2 Week 7 – Week Ending 13<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

## **Students of the Week – Week 6**

*Congratulations to our Week 6 Students of the Week!*



Layla Hood (2/3/4), Brent Kiss (5/6) and Alana Kiss (K/1)

**MERIT AWARDS** were awarded to;

K/1 – Lilly Hood

2/3/4 – Matt Russell and Kaleb Moorfoot

5/6 – Isobella Stevenson and Dylan Whitty

**Congratulations to all of these students**

## **Parent/Teacher Interviews**



Semester 1 Reports have been finalised and are ready to be distributed to children and parents at our Three-way Interviews which will be held next week. Thank you to those families who have returned interview timetables. Please find a letter attached to this week's Newsletter confirming your interview time. Interviews will be restricted to 20 minutes each so it would be appreciated if all parents are on time. If you are delayed or cannot attend your time, please contact the school asap. For those families yet to complete interview timetables, these need to be returned to school. Thank you.

### **INTERVIEW LOCATIONS**

**Ms Edgerton – Technology Room or K/1 Classroom**

**Mrs Patten – Library or 2/3/4 Classroom**

**Mrs Lewis – Principal's Office**

## **Book Fair**

Holmwood Public School's Scholastic Book Fair was held last Friday and what an event it was! There were costumes of all shapes and sizes and the Staff were very impressed by the amount of effort the students and their families went to! The official total amount of books sold is **\$1,181.75!!** What an amazing effort from our small school! Congratulations to Mrs Kiely for her great organisation of this event and to the teachers who all joined in with dressing up as well!

*Below is a small selection of photos taken during Book Fair.*



*It was great to see so many parents attend Book Fair!*



*"Princess" Makayla and Miah "Pippi Longstocking" looked great in their costumes!*





*Akiko made a great "Old Lady who swallowed a Mozzie!" and Jaydan "Thing 1"*



*Sophie and Isobella aka "Nefertiti"*



*Taylor looked like a real Pilot and Sascha with her "Room on the Broom" friends!*



*Lexi looked fantastic and Eloise made a very pretty Tinkerbell.*



*Micah aka "Leaf Man" and Addie "Supergirl"*



*Macey was another "Pretty Princess" and Lilly dressed up as "Mary from Little House on the Prairie"*

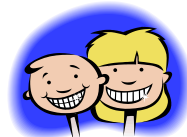


*Katelyn and Nigella "Coraline" went to a great effort with their costumes!*

## **Report Folders**

At this time each year we put out a call for the red HPS School Report Folders to be sent in to school. This is so your child's Report can be placed inside and kept safe and secure until the Three-way Interviews. All Folders can be handed in to Mrs Hubbard in the Office. For those students who are new to our school this year (including all Kindergarten students), you will receive a Report Folder with your very first HPS Report.

## **Dental Visit**



Screenings will be conducted this coming Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Robyn Browne will be the visiting Dental Nurse and will be

conducting a "Brush-in" following the screenings. Children will be shown the correct brushing techniques and receive a toothbrush and toothpaste. If you have not returned your permission note yet, please do so by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

## **Marimbas**

Don't forget our Musical Marimba Spectacular will be held at our end of term Assembly on the last day of school – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June. All classes have been practising their songs and look forward to performing for their parents and friends. Mrs Hodges will be back at Holmwood next Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June and the following Friday for the performance!



*Mrs Hodges working with the K/1 class during Marimba practise last week!*

## **Calendar**

<b>Term 2 Week 8</b>	
<b>Mon 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Ms Edgerton – Parent/Teacher Interviews (Mrs Kiely K/1) P&amp;C Meeting – 6pm in the 5/6 Classroom Blake Duncombe starts teaching prac with Mrs Patten and 2/3/4.</i>
<b>Tues 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Mrs Patten – Parent/Teacher Interviews (Mrs Kiely 2/3/4)</i>
<b>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Mrs Bayl, Mrs Hubbard and Mrs Lewis – Financial Literacy Course (Mrs Skene 5/6) Dental Screening Visit</i>
<b>Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Mrs Lewis – Parent/Teacher Interviews (Mrs Skene 5/6)</i>
<b>Fri 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Mrs Hodges – Musical Marimbas</i>
<b>Sat 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<i>All Staff First Aid Course</i>
<b>Term 2 Week 9 NAIDOC WEEK</b>	
<b>Tues 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Visit to the 5/6 class from Sammi Townsend "Young Farming Champion" regarding Archibull Prize competition.</i>
<b>Wed 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>NAIDOC Debating Challenge(Cowra PS)</i>

<b>Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>NAIDOC Activity Afternoon</i>
<b>Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<i>Scripture End of Term Assembly showcasing our Marimbas</i>

*Kind Regards,  
Jenny Lewis  
Principal*

## **K/1 Class News**

Well this has been quite a short week! I must congratulate all parents, carers and students on the effort that was put into the costumes for book fair. Everyone looked fabulous, a wonderful effort.

On Friday in our Grammar lesson we were learning all about proper nouns. A proper noun is the name of a person, or place and always has a capital letter. So it was a great opportunity to explore our characters for Book Fair as we were all dressed for learning about proper nouns.

In Maths this week we have been learning about place value. Our number system is organised according to the value of the digit, depending on where the number is. This week we have been learning about tens and ones for Example: In 52, the place value of the 5 is "tens" and the 2 is "ones".

Literacy rotational groups are back this week and the students were excited to have their learning centres back in the classroom. We are focusing on sight words for lesson breaks and working with parents to build up our sight word knowledge which improves reading skills. It is important to read with your child every night with their home readers. Children are sent home 4 to 5 books a week to keep practicing. By the end of the week they should be reading all four books with minimal assistance.

In art we are completing a painted strawberry basket that complements the big book story we have been reading in class.

Science is always a fun topic and this week we have been learning about the television. We were exploring the development in technology from the very first televisions to the modern flat, smart televisions we have today. We watched a variety of advertisements from the 1930's and 1950's, such as the vegemite and aeroplane jelly ads. We had a great laugh.

*Ms Heidi Edgerton  
K/1 Class Teacher*



## 2/3/4 Class News

This week has really zipped past!! I had a fabulous time at my first Holmwood Book Fair, thank you for the thought and efforts that went into creating a class of super heroes, princesses, spies, frontier men, modern young girls and famous book characters!! We have come to the final activities based on the Roald Dahl book ~" Fabulous Mr Fox". I would like to show the film version of the book to the class, during the last week of term. The only concern is that the film is rated as PG. Please consider whether you would be happy to allow your child to watch this film. To be honest I don't know the reason for the rating ~ a permission note will follow next week.

Our next "Time for Talk" topic will be around holidays! **"Where would you like to go for your dream holiday?"** Hint. . . Don't let reality get in the way!!

Kind Regards  
Mrs Kerry Patten  
2/3/4 Teacher

## 5/6 Class News

This has been a short week with Monday being a public holiday! I hope all families enjoyed the long weekend. Thank you to Mrs Skene for taking the class on Tuesday while I attended a Teaching Principal's Day in Orange.

We have continued our focus on fractions and decimals again this week in Maths and are improving every day. We were excited on Wednesday to finally print out our photographs of our Jeannie Baker collages. We experimented with some of the effects using digital photography software and our results are fantastic. These will be displayed in our classroom.

During English studies we continued with our book "The Wishing Cupboard" and this week focused on the Vietnamese Fables that are linked to the books website. We divided into 4 groups and set about creating an action plan for each group to turn the fable into a short video clip. We have been writing scripts, organising props, thinking about setting and camera angles and hunting for costumes. We hope to film these next week and present them to the rest of the school in the last week of Term.

News topic for this week and next – "My favourite apps or websites". Please come prepared to talk for 2 ½ minutes.

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind Regards,  
Mrs Jenny Lewis  
5/6 Class Teacher

## News from Mrs Kiely

THREE CHEERS to all the Holmwood School students, their parents and grandparents who brought Book Characters to life at our recent 2014 Annual Book Fair! The response was outstanding with sensational costumes, interesting speeches, enthusiastic audience and generous purchases of new books. With the sale of over \$1000 worth of books at the Fair it enabled the school to acquire \$380 of new books for the Holmwood School Library.

It was a fabulous day in the warm winter sunshine with parents and grandparents enjoying this happy learning experience with the children and staff at HPS.

The school has an excellent Library facility which is established in the School Residence, which together with the original School Building (now the Technology and Music Room) are an important part of Holmwood History and Heritage.

Thank you to the Cowra Guardian for assisting by taking photos of the characters and to Scholastic for the wonderful selection of books and once again supporting HPS.

Community members are always welcome to attend our school events, so if you missed this year please book in Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2015 for what will be our 30<sup>th</sup> Book Fair. So a Super Celebration will be planned for then!

With Kind Regards  
Mrs Kiely – RFF and Library Teacher

## P&C News

PIE DRIVE - **Orders are due back at school on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July with delivery date on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August.**

Our next P&C Meeting will be held next Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm in the 5/6 classroom - all welcome!

Michelle Whitty  
P&C Secretary

## Community News



