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Newsletter

P & C meets
every third Wednesday of the month
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Staff Development Day

On Saturday 17 May, our dedicated staff participated in a day of professional development. We deepened our knowledge of literacy and consolidated our expectations and consistency of the teaching and learning here at Hoxton Park. It is a privilege to work alongside staff who aspire to give our students the best quality education. We are working towards greatness. Many thanks to teachers for their engagement and effectiveness in making the day a success.

Stage 2 Skyworks Planetarium Incursion

This week, Stage 2 students had the opportunity to attend an amazing incursion at school. The Skyworks Planetarium reinforced all of the outcomes and concepts the students are currently learning in their science topic, Night and Day.

Mr Geoff took us all on an amazing journey in the huge inflatable dome to view all the stars and constellations in space. The students listened to information while looking at the night sky.

The students were able to identify the ‘Southern Cross’ and many more constellations. We learnt about planets and could name them all.

Did you know that at this time of year you can see the planet Mercury at about 7.30pm at night? You will have to look very carefully! Planets do not twinkle like the stars do.

It was a wonderful incursion with a lot of excited and engaged students. All of the Stage 2 students are eager to learn more about Night and Day.

Mrs Yvette Fabian Carter

Reports and Meet the Teacher night

Your child’s teachers have been writing reports to inform you of your child’s progress so far this year. The reports will be sent home on Monday 23rd June. You can book in a time to meet with your child’s class teacher on Tuesday 24th June from 3.10 to 7.30pm. You will be able to access the online booking system from Wednesday, 4th June.

Hoxton Park High School- Year 4 Visit

Next Tuesday 27th May, Year 4 will be attending a day at Hoxton Park High School. They will be engaging in lessons ranging from food technology, agriculture, drama, science, creative arts and physical development and health.

We Won!

Our school has won a $300 vegetable garden from Bunnings Hoxton Park. Ms Eagles will be working with the environment committee, year 6 parliament and Bunnings to find the perfect location and most sustainable garden for our school community. We will keep you informed of its progress.
Walk Safely to School Day

Friday 23rd May is walk safely to school day. Students are encouraged to walk to school on this day, to reinforce the road rules learnt. It is important that we model safe road practices to our children everyday.

Senior Dance Group Perform at the School Admin Managers Conference

We are proud that our senior dance group have been invited to perform at the SAM’s conference on Thursday 29th May. Ms Watts and the senior dance group have worked hard to produce a well polished and inspiring piece. Our Admin Managers are in for a treat! Thank you to Ms Watts and the dance group for your continued commitment to this art.

Too sick for school?

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick children need to miss school.

Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Mental maths strategies

We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: www.bit.ly/JkiUsY also remind your child to access their mathletics account each night for homework.

Does speaking another language at home confuse children?

Are your children fortunate enough to be growing up in a home where two or more languages are spoken? Many parents worry that bilingualism can cause confusion and even delays in learning for their children, but according the Raising Children Network, that’s not the case at all. A good knowledge of your native language can actually help your child with learning English. Bilingual children who read books and are spoken to in their native language find it easier to learn to read and write in English when they get to school. More information is at www.bit.ly/1m0agnk

Donna Casey
Deputy Principal.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Mondays: - 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Tuesdays: - 8am - 9.30am

Thursdays: - 2.30pm - 3.30pm
Up coming events – Term 2

Week 5  Event

May 27  Gymnastics
May 29  Scripture @ 10am
May 29  3-6 assembly (5 Sage) @ 2.10pm

Week 6  Event

June 2  Year 1 excursion (Wannabees)
June 3  Gymnastics
June 4  Year 2 excursion (Wannabees)
June 5  Scripture @ 10am
June 5  Koori Carnival Event (10 students)
June 5  K-2 assembly (K Picasso)

Week 7  Event

June 9  Queen’s Birthday Holiday
June 10 Gymnastics
June 12 Scripture @ 10am
June 12 3-6 assembly (4 Raphael) @ 2.10pm
June 12 District Cross Country
June 13 PSSA Season 1 round 1

National consistent collection of data on school students with disability 2014

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We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with a disability.

Better data will help the Government plan for students with a disability.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

An accompanying note is attached to the newsletter explaining the National Data Collection in more detail. Please ensure that you have read and understood the letter and return it to the front office. If you have any concerns or questions, please don’t hesitate to contact Mrs Donovan.

REFORMS TO P&C FEDERATION

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php.

Voluntary Contribution Draw

We had two Voluntary Contribution Draws on Monday morning and the winners were Caitlyn Fraser of 4 Raphael and Tahlia Matenga of 1 Heron.

Congratulations.
## Hoxton Park Public School Merit Winners
### Term 2

### K Dali
- Kaizen Morgan Pritchard
- Aden Wiggins
- Wesley Dimanche
- Sahil Hassan

### K Esplin
- Lincoln Tuala
- Jaxon Priest
- Joel Blunden
- Rochelle Younan

### K Klee
- Kevin Bintulan
- Gabriel Kaberlal
- Zak Ali
- Sierra Vosahlo

### 1 Hart
- Christina Sayes
- Hiba Osman
- Jordan Tran
- Jacob Elhage

### 1 Heron
- Tahlia Matenga
- Dakota Rodriguez Carrillo
- Stuart Busiko
- Nusayr Shah

### 1 Hofmann
- Gabriel Dos Santos
- Stacey Grebeneshikoff
- Cristiano Nouna
- Skye Morey

### 2 Klimpt
- Selena Vardar
- Braxton Sayaloune
- Francis Rynott

### 2 Namatjira
- Alesha Kilgannon
- Kanitha Pech
- Zaine Merhi
- Ali Muslimani

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### 2 Olley
- Daniel Pye
- Brandon Hornjik
- Dominic Clarke
- Malik Azmal

### 3 Cezanne
- Mark Williams
- Cody Nguyen
- Joshua Klimartin
- Sahil Singh
- William Priest
- Makayla Stewart

### 3 Monet
- Frank Leilua
- Ryan Carmona
- Zachary Phoumin
- Liam Mellish
- Locky Lamb
- Mazin Elfaki

### 4 Raphael
- Emily Merry
- Shantel Layton
- Blake Sutton
- Marco Riccio

### 4 Goodyear
- Dylan Chand
- Dylay Rasheed
- Tesi Moala
- Katelyn Davies
- Iopu Falefata
- Celestine Nwuka
- Tahlyta O’Neill
- Leilani Campbell
- Yara Hameed

### 5 O’Keefe
- Nancy Al-Salihi
- MJ Litenjua
- Siddhika Prasad
- Edina Begic

### 5 Sage
- Andy Yong
- Ayana Najjar
- Kartik Karan
- Marcelo Rosales

### 5 Thomson
- Sidcana Kim
- Aaron Lai
- Hayden Safar
- Dion Sayaloune
- Angela Lim
- Anelise Patison
- Rolando Daly
- Joshua Azar

### 6 Calder
- Abbie Priest
- Jonny Kirovski
- Shania Ram
- Kayla Brown

### 6 Lawson
- Leilani Campbell
- Huan Tran
- Selina Tong
- Ali Ibrahim
- Vincenzo Care
- Makaela Daly
- Brianna Ingrey-Ferris

### 6 Streeton
- Jeremiah Seve-Wichman
- Myah El Kotob
- Daniel Thepsovirthone
- Jordan Lim
- Ethan Bertie
- Angely Savaphoune

### SPORT
- Gyndaaylee Croft
- Leilani Melovina
- Jake Ellis
- Isaac Ogunc
- Marcus Vong
- Stephen Marinos
- Leilani Campbell
- Silla Kim
- Emilie Maldoum
- Damanjot Kaur
- Nour Elfaki
- Amaani Azmal
- Madison Jones
- Damanjot Kaur
- Jessica Phillips
- Kenji Tuazon
- Natalla Cal
- Jennifer Kivarkis
- Olivia Irving
- Amelia Hancock
- Deniz Yaziolcar
- Connor Martin
- Ashra Lai
- Amelia Hancock
- Feliciti Lim
- Partha Vijendra
- Alexandre Jones
- Indiana Naidoo
- Ashna Lai
- Nevaeh Morgan-Prichard
- Makaela Daly
- Courageous Afca
- Rushil Patel
- Hilary Tan
- Jeremiah Seve-Wichman
- Sahil Singh
- Abdullah Rifai
- Rahman Garmiary
- Issac Ogunc
- Lachlan Merry
- Max Griffith
- Briaanna Ingrey-Ferris
- Alesha Hutchinson
- Zacharey Price
- Mickayla Safar
- Alicia Wu
- Jonathan Veljanovski
- Jacob Vathanavong

### QUALITY WORK
- Feliciti Lim
- Danya Rifai
- Jayden Ly
- Pants Poutros
- Gabrielle Fortaleza
- Malik Harb
- Roma Chand
- Emaa Ghafoor
- Emily Mellish
- Madeleine Borg
- Damien Subotic
- Madi O’Brien
- Benji Catania
- Bella Prora
- Cassey Largayyan
- Zainub Husain
- Shirley Lee
- Jayden Ly
- Linda Jasim
- Emaa Ghafoor
- Ricardo Herriz
- Aaron Wu
- Ethan Hawkes-Sabo
- Elijah Rousell-Kefelanos
- Benji Catania
Celebrating

NAIDOC Day

Wednesday 18th June 2014

You’re Invited!

Come and help us celebrate NAIDOC Week at Hoxton Park Public School.
Join us for the day! Bring the whole family!

KOOMURRI Aboriginal Incursion: Ultimate Dreamtime Experience

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KOOMURRI MANAGEMENT

Aboriginal themed items:
- Wrist bands, pencils, erasers, rulers and pins
- Bracelet: $1.00
- Souvenir stick: $4.00

*Please note: K-6 Assembly will be held on Thursday, 19th June.

Dress in red, yellow or black clothes
Dear Parent/ Carers,

Nationally consistent collection of data on school students with disability – 2014

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The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government’s Privacy Policy can be found here: http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy. Information about the NSW Government’s privacy policies can be found here: http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/

If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection you must complete the attached form and return it to the school before the end of Term 2, 2014. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive.

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:


If you have any questions about your child being included in the data collection please contact the school.

If you need help with English to make an enquiry contact the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. The operator will call the number you provide and get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

Kind regards

Kylie Donovan
Principal
If you **do not** want your child to be counted in the data collection, please complete the attached form and return it to the school **before the end of Term 2, 2014.**

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability – 2014

I/we ____________________________________________
Name of parent/carer

**do not** wish my child ____________________________________________ to be counted
Name of child

for the purposes of the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability.

Parent/Carer signature: __________________________ date: __________
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