**SCHOOL SPECTACULAR WRAP UP**

Schools Spectacular was truly that. Our students were simply spectacular: from their performances, their commitment and their behaviour. Parents should be particularly proud of their children, as we all were.

Thank you is simply not enough to show our appreciation for everything that Miss Watts does. This amazing teacher was constantly complimented by other teachers and Spectacular organisers for her calm and gentle way she interacts with students.

Thank you to Miss Watts and Mrs Beath who put in some very long hours from Wednesday through to Saturday. Thank you to Mrs Monti for her extra-long days as an SLSO through Spec week. Thank you to Mrs Parker for being support for our team on Friday and Friday night. Thank you to Miss Tang for being support for our team on Saturday and Saturday night.

Thank you to Mr Orefice and Mrs Harm for taking the excursion to see the Schools Spectacular preview on Friday. You also had an extended day.

We appreciate all of you and mostly to our parents, we thank you for showing your support for your child and our school.

You can watch the performance on channel 9 this Saturday night starting at 7pm.

**SCHOOL CONCERT**

Tonight is our concert. Our students have been practising and are really looking forward to performing for their parents and friends. Some tickets may still be available for purchase at the door, but these will be a limited number.

Students are to arrive at Club Marconi (Prairievale Rd, Bossley Park) at 6.00pm, unless teachers have requested them to arrive at a different time.

The show will begin at 7pm and will last approximately 2 hours - including the P&C raffle draw.

We will be dismissing students from the venue by year groups, starting with year 6 and progressing to Kindergarten.

**MUFTI DAY**

This Thursday is mufti day for our Environment committee. A note went home yesterday about this.

**SOME OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR**

Our school has been involved in so many different activities throughout 2015. Here is a recap of some of them:

- Bandanna Buddies
- Debating
- Dance – many performances
- Peer mediators
- Leadership visiting Innovative schools
- Innovation Tour
- Ambassador program
- Schools Spectacular
- Hoxton Park HS science initiative and debating programs

We introduced:

- Glee Club
- Makerspace
- Techxpert groups
- Headstart
- Playgroup
- Maker’s Empire
- Cultural Dance
- Innovative Learning Spaces

**PRESENTATION DAY ASSEMBLIES**

These will be held in the hall on Tuesday 8th December at the following times:

9.15am: Years 3-6
11.30am: Kindergarten-Year 2

Students are expected to wear full school uniform, including correct footwear, hair accessories and jewellery.

We look forward to celebrating this special day with our students and community.

**STUDENT REPORTS**

Student reports are due home with students on Tuesday 8th December. This is a time to highlight the progress and individual achievement and development of your child.

**INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Teachers will be presenting student achievement awards on Friday 11th December. Each student will be receiving a special award from their teacher to highlight an individual skill or achievement for this year.

**BOWLING DAY – YEAR 6**

Year 6 will enjoy their annual celebration together on Monday 14th December, when they go bowling and try to beat their teachers!

**MOVIE DAY – KINDER – YEAR 5**

Our end of school celebrations continue on Tuesday 15th December when students from Kindergarten to Year 5 attend Dumaresq Street Cinemas at Campbelltown for their annual movie day. If you haven’t paid, don’t let your child miss out.

**YEAR 6 FAREWELL**

The year 6 farewell is on Tuesday 15th December at Hunts Conference Centre. It has been a fabulous year of year 6 students. We have thoroughly enjoyed their very individual personalities and look forward to hearing their achievements in the future.

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

The last day of term for our students is Wednesday 16th December. At 2.45pm we will meet under the COLA area where we will form a guard of honour to farew ell our year 6 students. Parents and friends are welcome to attend this.

**STAFFING NEWS**

Mr Scales will be taking long service leave for 2016 to enjoy a well-earned break.

**TERM 1 2016**

Start dates:  
Kindergarten: Thursday 28th January  
Years 1-6: Friday 29th January  

Staff professional learning day is Wednesday 27th January.

Please note that we are swapping days from our traditional days. Kindergarten are starting on the first day back so that they can have a day to get used to the school environment before the whole school population arrives. This will also allow for the stage 1, 2 and 3 teams to have their planning day so they are not taken away from their class in the first week of school.

**ACCESS TO MATHLETICS AND READING EGGS**

Students can still access these programs on the holidays.

**THANK YOU**

From Mrs Beath and I, a sincere thank you to all our students and their families for another fabulous year. To our amazing staff of teachers and School Learning Support Officers: you have not only worked hard as you do each and every year, but you have extended your own learning and taken up the challenge of changing your teaching pedagogy. You improve upon your teaching practice each term and as a community, we thank you for your dedication to our students and their future.
To the SAS staff (Mrs Rich, Mrs Delagarde and Mrs Howell) and the general assistant (Mr Wallace): your commitment to our school, the service you provide and the care with which you provide it, is noticed by our whole learning community. We appreciate everything you do and couldn’t run the school without you!

To our canteen staff: Julio and Sussana Cuadro: thank you for your service to our school, your kindness and smiles that you always share with our students.

To our cleaning staff: Sandra, Helen, Stada and Victor: thank you keeping our school looking clean.

There is no better place to work!

Have a safe holiday. Take this time to remind your children about all safety: around water, stranger danger, etc.

Enjoy the holiday time with your families. We wish all our school community a lovely Christmas and New Year break.

Kylie Donovan
PRINCIPAL

We have received such positive feedback from parents who have supported us to develop a quality program that prepares children for a successful transition to school.

This year, we began with 7 children, and currently have 23 children. Unfortunately, many are still on the waiting list. As a result, in 2016, we are proud to announce that there will be 2 sessions on Thursday for Headstart.

Thursdays 9:20AM -11:20AM AND 11:30AM to 1:30PM

The commencement date for 2016 will be advised early in Term 1.

In 2016, Headstart will cost $10 per session, with fees required in advance, to ensure we can continue to deliver quality sessions and resources for children.

Playgroup

Playgroup has been another welcomed addition to Hoxton Park Public School programs. It has seen over 30 children come and go during the year. We received feedback from the community that the time was not suitable due to children needing day sleeps. So, we are excited to announce that playgroup in 2016 will be from 2-3PM on Thursdays.

Playgroup will continue to be $2 per session.

How to apply

If you would like to apply for a position for your child in Headstart or Playgroup, please get your application form from the office and return it as soon as possible.

Please note: Once you have returned your application, this does not guarantee a place in Headstart. Priority will be given to students who have not attended any form of preschool or daycare. We then gradually introduce students throughout the year to ensure a successful transition. You will be notified as soon as a place becomes available for your child.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on 9607 0005.

Mrs Karen Pierson
Assistant Principal

Headstart at Hoxton Park

Headstart, is our school readiness program designed for 4-5yr olds who will be starting at Hoxton Park PS in 2017.
Office News

Leaving Students

If your child is leaving Hoxton Park Public School at the end of year and not returning in 2016 (not Year 6), please contact the office so we can update our records.

School Uniforms

If any Year 6 students’ wish to donate their school uniforms to the school at the end of the year, it would be greatly appreciated.

Any size 6, 8 or 10 black shorts will also be welcome.

Up coming events – Term 4

Term 4 Week 9  Events
Dec 2  School Concert @ Club Marconi – doors open @ 6.00pm
Dec 3  Mufti Day - $2 donation
Dec 3  No Assembly

Term 4 Week 10  Events
Dec 8  Skipping – Kindergarten (Last Day)
Dec 8  Presentation Day
  Years 3 – 6 @ 9.15am
  Kindergarten – Year 2 @ 11.30am
Dec 10  No Assembly

Term 4 Week 11  Events
Dec 14  Year 6 Bowling Day
Dec 15  Kindergarten – Year 5 Movie Day
Dec 15  Year 6 Farewell @ 6.00pm
Dec 16  Last Day of School

2016

Term 1 Week 1  Events
Jan 27  Staff Development Day (No Students)
Jan 28  Kindergarten students start
Jan 29  Year 1 – Year 6 students return

Hi Everyone,

Our Vacation care programs are on their way, families will receive one with your newsletter shorty. The children are looking forward to our exciting activities at the centre like water games day, go karts and our excursions to Olympic park and swimming. We also have a number of exciting in house activities planned like plaster painting and Hoxton Parks Amazing race. Some of our in-house activities can cost as little as $1.96 per child per day.

Just a reminder we will be closed from the 18th of December and will re-open in the new year on Monday the 4th of December.

Need a break or some extra time to get things done at home coming up to Christmas? We offer casual before and after school care for as little as $5.19 per morning and $6.15 in the afternoon.

Please come and see us for an exact quote based on your family’s eligibility for Child care Benefit and Child care Rebate. There are no upfront costs for enrolments in any of our programs.

We hope you enjoy the rest of your term.

Thankyou

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- Vicky Psathas, Makayla Birtles, Bella Santos, Vincent Zhong, Shyla Singh, Tanisha Reddy
- Yaruf Oksuz, David Stojanoski, Malachi Matauaina
- Jaxon Priest, Yusuf Oksuz, David Stojanoski
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