

Henry Fulton Public School Newsletter

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May

Fri 25th

3-6 Assembly

Mon 28th

National Reconciliation Week

Tue 29th

PSSA - NRL

ICAS - Science

June

Fri 1st

PSSA - Boy Soccer

Gymnastics K - 2

Thur 7th

PSSA - Rugby League

Fri 8th

Gymnastics K - 2

Mon 11th

Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Tue 12th

2pm P&C Meeting

Wed 13th

ICAS - Spelling

Regional Cross Country

Thur 14th

ICAS - Writing

Fri 15th

PSSA Girls Soccer

Stewart House collection

Gymnastics K - 2

Tue 19th

Choir Rehearsal

Fri 22nd

Gymnastics K - 2

Wed 27th

Debating

Thur 28th

Athletics Carnival

2018 Term Dates for Students

Term 1	Tues 20 Jan - Fri 13 April
Term 2	Tues 1 May - Fri 6 July
Term 3	Tues 24 July - Fri 28 Sept
Term 4	Mon 15 Oct - Wed 19 Dec



...from the Principal's desk

Last night I was delighted to attend a function at Penrith Panthers held by Penrith Council to honour our school leaders. At this reception, our school captains met the Lord Mayor of Penrith and received a certificate. Leadership is about taking responsibility and possessing and developing planning, communication and organisational skills. These students will be the next generation of leaders in the workplace, in our communities and in their families. It's wonderful to see our own school captains confident in their roles and supporting teachers, staff and other students. We have seen them grow in confidence and become fantastic role models for others this year and we are very proud of each and every one of them. Congratulations Gabrielle, Kaliyah, Macy, Deangelo, Jye and Scarlet.



CAMP AUSTRALIA

Camp Australia operates before after school care and holiday programs on our site. They are entity to themselves and manage all the bookings, communication to parents and carers etc. Please ensure you are absolutely certain of your booking dates and days as I believe bookings are not always available when parents require care. Their service is regularly full and can be booked out leaving parents with little time to make alternative arrangements. All inquiries should be made to CAMP Australia.

EARLY LEAVERS

We prefer if students need to be picked up early, that parents avoid the recess and lunch playtimes of 11.00 -11.30am and 1.00 -1.40pm. If this is not possible, we will ask that parents not venture into the playground at these times and office staff will assist if children need to go home early. In any case, parents and carers will need to present at the school office first.

FACEBOOK AND SKOOLBAG

We often like to put positive messages and images on our facebook page and we regularly use the Skoolbag app to advertise events, upload notes etc. In some cases they are used in emergencies. As best we can, we also send messages, alerts and information that needs to be communicated urgently. We advise that you use one or both of these applications, as they are really effective methods for us to communicate with you. A perfect example was yesterday's Stage Two excursion to Bush Trackers. We were alerted that the buses were likely to be arriving late back to school. The school used both Skoolbag and Facebook to alert parents of the situation and our office staff immediately redirected their time to accept phone calls if necessary. Due to most parents being alerted, we had very few phone calls. On the whole, parents were aware and informed and showed patience and understanding for the inconvenience.

Thank you to everyone involved.

MESSAGES TO AND FROM THE OFFICE

In the same way we try to be clear when communicating to parents and carers, when calling the office please ensure you give as many details as you can about the reason for your call, your child's name, class etc. The school day can be quite hectic at times and classes are often out of their rooms for various activities. Our office staff does an amazing job at ensuring messages get through to the right people and to your children if for example, afternoon arrangements need to change. Please remember to call early if possible.

NAPLAN

I'd like to congratulate our Year 3 and 5 students for doing a great job on NAPLAN last week. Taking all the test situations in their stride, I know they all tried hard and regardless of results, should be very proud of themselves. NAPLAN results will not be distributed until sometime from mid August onwards.

DISCO

Thanks to the P&C for organising a great disco last Thursday evening. It was so much fun, being enjoyed by all. The students were a credit to themselves for behaving so well and joining in with the games, singing, cheerleading and dancing.

Road safety information

This week I am including a comprehensive note to parents about safety in our school car park in the newsletter. I am also sending this note home with students. Please read this carefully. Many parents regularly share with me their concerns for the safety of our students around our school. It is very important to read the information and take note. Unfortunately I may need to issue warnings to families if they continue to drive into, park or walk through the car park, placing their children at risk.

Assemblies

From this week onwards all assemblies that occur on a Friday afternoon in our hall will commence at **2.00pm**. Due to the format of all of our assemblies changing in 2018, we are confident that assemblies will be completed with this later start.

See you @ 2.

Lastly.....This weekend marks the anniversary of Sorry Day and next week is National Reconciliation Week. At our next K-6 Assembly we will mark these occasions with a short presentation by some of our indigenous students and a reminder the assembly will commence at 2.00pm.



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Thursday, 24 May 2018

PARKING & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ALERT TO PARENTS



Dear Parents and carers

As you know, the school and surrounding streets can become very congested and extremely busy around bell times. Parents are regularly alerted to the safety issues and concerns that exist for the children, students and families. Please be reminded of the school's parking and pedestrian safety messages which include:

PLEASE FOLLOW ROAD RULES

PARK SAFELY

THERE IS NO VEHICLE or PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE SCHOOL CAR PARK

PARK AND WALK

PLEASE USE OUR PEDESTRIAN GATES TO ENTER AND EXIT THE SCHOOL

The school ***does not have*** a public parking area. Essentially we are a "park and walk" school and we have a number of other things that help keep our kids safe.

The school ***does have***:

- a bus bay to assist with the safe arrival and departure of students who travel by bus
- a safe crossing with crossing flags
- a kiss and drop zone
- clearly marked signage
- two pedestrian gates on Vincent Road
- one pedestrian gate on Grays Lane

To keep our student safe, the school does not allow VEHICLE access to the school car park at any time. The only authorised vehicles to enter and exit the school car park, other than staff are approved visitors, parents using the Camp Australia service which is usually well before school and then well after school finishes and vehicles with prior approval to use the disabled car parking spot.

The disabled spot is ONLY available once approval is given by the school Principal.

To keep our student safe, the school does not allow PEDESTRIAN access through the school car park at any time.

Please take note of this important information and use the **pedestrian gates** to access the school and when picking up your children from classrooms areas. I ask that families **DO NOT use the school car park for pedestrian access** to and from the school.

This is a timely reminder that we must **all** do what we can to eliminate the risks that exist around schools for our children, students and families.

Thank you for your cooperation, support and understanding in this matter.

G Palamara
 PRINCIPAL

This week in Peer Support

FRIENDSHIP

This week and next week in Peer Support students will be identifying places new friends can be made and discuss how friends and friendships can change over time. Students will brainstorm ways we can provide support for our friends and discuss the importance of friendships, especially in times of need. Our Peer Support leaders are doing such a great job. Everyone is benefitting from this program....it's wonderful to see.



“Being a good friend means enjoying spending time together and sharing common interests. Good friends are accepting, respectful and supportive of each other.”



**The Term 2,
P&C Disco
was a hit!**





Stage Two at Bush Trackers in Ropes Crossing...what a great excursion!



Drama in 4/5R

4/5R are loving learning about the elements of drama in creative arts. Our favourite drama game is called 'Knife and Fork' and helps us learn the skill of improvisation. In this game we are given an object to create with our bodies. Everybody has to be a part of the image and we have to work as a team to create the best outcome. The catch is that we have to communicate without words and only get 60 seconds to get into our formation. Here are some of our improvisations.



Fish tank



Person wearing gumboots



The Sydney
Harbour Bridge

Changes to the SkoolBag App

Instructions for parents

SkoolBag is in the process of upgrading your school's mobile app to give you greater control over the notifications you receive and the content which is shown to you.

This process is managed by the school and you do not need to upgrade your app. However, when your school instigates the upgrade, you will notice some changes.

User Registration

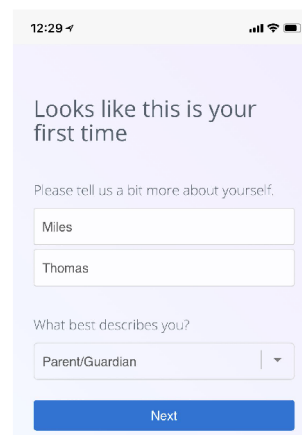
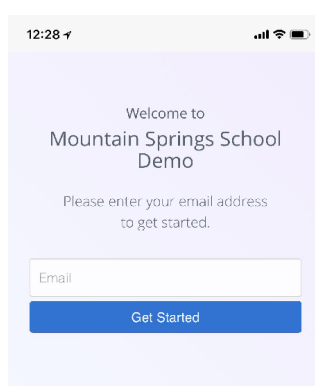
You will be prompted to register with a username and password. This will enable users to save their Group Subscription settings across devices.

You will be sent an email address to verify your account.. These details will be saved to allow for quick access in the future.

Your account details allow you to log into the SkoolBag app on different devices and see the same groups and subscription settings.

After logging in, you will be prompted to subscribe to groups.

You'll see these registration screens after your school upgrades. If you have any issues when registering, please refer to this [article](#).

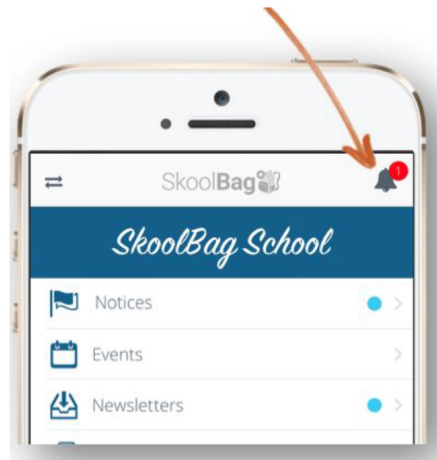


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Notifications

Once you login, you will be able to personalise your group and notification preferences. All recent, unseen notifications can be found by clicking the bell icon in the top right corner of the app.



Groups

Notices sent to the whole school will still appear in the 'Home' section. However, information published to Content Groups will appear in the Groups Tab. You can modify your Group Subscriptions at any time.



Skoolbag App

Our School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. Some of the features and benefits include:

- Instant notifications and reminders on school events
- Newsletter uploads
- Events Calendar
- Parents can use the app to email change of details, and report when children are away sick

We are asking parents/students to install our Skoolbag School App.

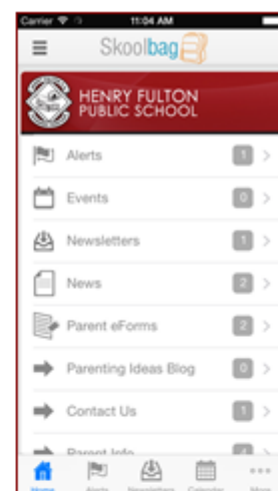
For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Sports News from the House Captains

On Tuesday the 22nd May the Girls PSSA Netball Team went to Jamison Oval Netball Courts to participate in the Netball Gala Day. It was fun and competitive netball.

We improved throughout the games by finding our best positions but sadly lost all three games. Our team had heaps of fun and all played well. Thank you to all who participated and thanks to Miss Jeffrey for taking us.

By Jolie and Kiera.



Assemblies Term 2, 2018

**** Commencing at a new time of 2.00pm ****

WEEK	ASSEMBLY	PRESENTERS	PERFORMERS
Week 1-4 th May	K-2	1U	
Week 2-11 th May	3-6	6D	4D
Week 3-18 th May	K-2	1F	1/2A
Week 4-25 th May	3-6	4/5R	5/6H
Week 5-1 st June	K-6	School Captains	
Week 6-8 th June	K-2	1/2A	1S
Week 7-15 th June	3-6	4D	5C
Week 8-22 nd June	K-2	2C	2F
Week 9-29 th June	3-6	3C	4/5R
Week 10-6 th July	K-6	School Captains	

NB: Assemblies for Term 3, will be published before the end of Term 2.

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Money Matters

Voluntary Contributions	\$45, \$25, \$15
Performance Dance Group	\$60
Kinder spelling books	\$10
Basketball Yrs 3 - 6	\$10
Yrs 3 - 6 Jazz Dance Group	\$60



We have a Facebook page....please share and tell your friends.... It's a great way to keep informed of school events, successes and achievements....



Please note:

The school accepts payments via cash, cheque and EFTPOS (at school) and POP.

A reminder that all money is to be deposited into the money chute located in the foyer.

Please ensure all deposits are clearly marked.

Please note that online payments must be made 48 hours in advance to allow receipts to be processed.

P&C Meetings are usually held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 12/6/2018 at 2pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

P&C News

Hi Everyone,

Our Crazy Disco was a wonderful success! The two sessions went off without a hitch and from the look of all the happy, sweaty faces exiting at the end, it is safe to say that the students absolutely had a ball. Thank you to all the wonderful parents who helped us out on the night and all the staff who also gave up their after-school hours for the benefit of our kids. We also appreciated everyone's patience and understanding with how we run our discos, from signing children in and out, to waiting outside the hall and the orderly way of picking them up. There will be another disco held in Term 4 but that one will be run by the Year 6s to add to their end of year fundraising efforts. We will be on hand to help them out and we encourage everyone to throw an ocean of support their way when their turn comes around.

Don't forget to come along to a meeting if you've got a free hour before the bell on Tuesday the 12th of June, we love to see new faces and we encourage everyone to pop in for a listen and a chat. Everybody is welcome.


Take care,
Narelle Heinrich
P & C Vice President

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Canteen News

Remember that if you order your lunch on Monday or Tuesday, you can go into the draw to win a book from Scholastic. Lucky Lunch winners for Week 2 are:


Ella S	1S	Yasmin	3C
Shaheen	1U	Ashleigh O	4D
Mason R	1U	Tyler	4/5R
Emaan	2F	Paulina M	5C
Telisha	2F	Elisa K	5/6H



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The new childcare subsidy, and what it means for you

On the 2nd of July, the Australian Government will transition to a new Child Care Subsidy (CCS). This will replace the existing Childcare Rebate (CCR) and Childcare Benefit (CCB).

There are a number of key changes that families who rely on childcare before and/or after school need to know, including:

- Any benefit will be paid directly to child care providers (like Camp Australia), who will then only bill the 'gap' amount to families.
- There will continue to be hardship relief.
- For families earning less than \$186,958, there will no longer be an annual cap on the amount of subsidy you can receive. For families earning between \$186,958 and \$351,248, an increased annual subsidy cap of \$10,000 per child will apply each year.

If you'd like to know what percentage of your Childcare costs you can claim back through the Childcare Subsidy, check out the simple Family Childcare Subsidy Estimator at <https://www.education.gov.au/sites/education/files/chcare/est/index.html>

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia

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