

Admin Anecdotes

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Good Afternoon,

With under 20 days before the end of the school year I have given the students a reminder about their behaviour. School is not over yet and the rules remain the same; we need to stay focussed on our learning.

There are many projects underway about which I would like to update you.

Our wireless survey was undertaken recently and we are expecting a quote which will allow us to make some decisions about what we can afford to install. The scope of the project aims to have wireless accessibility in all learning places. We are yet to have a schedule for installation as again that will depend on the budget we can allocate to this 50/50 subsidised program. The Department of Education and Training is committed to provide wireless- type access to school in preparation for on-line NAPLAN testing in coming years. This project should coincide with the bandwidth upgrade which will occur in early 2016.

We are currently working to finalise classes and teachers for next year. I would like to thank all current staff for their work in getting this job done in between report cards and many other end of year activities. As the final details become available we will communicate this information to you. There have been a number of changes already during this process, both in classrooms and the potential teachers for each class. This is quite common and the final classes even when released, are still subject to change.

While mentioning report cards, please take the time to read these when they arrive home in the last week of school. A great deal of time goes into these and they aim to help you and your child know where to improve his/her learning.

If you have any Prep students or know of students in your street who have yet to enrol in Prep or other year levels please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.

There are still issues in the car park, drop off zone and in general in Hercules Road and on Anzac Avenue. This week the Transport department will visit the school and look at our various issues that we currently have and the impact of the opening of the Kippa Ring railway station. We will certainly do anything we can to improve the current situation and prepare for the opening of the station. As parents can I please ask that you follow the rules of the various parking/drop off point you use - it is for our children's safety!

Thank- you to the many people who responded to our recent survey via survey monkey. We have collected a variety of information from staff, students and yourselves as parents. Please see later in the newsletter for copies of each of these.

Speak out against violence against women on White Ribbon Day

Wednesday 25 November 2015 is White Ribbon Day. White Ribbon Day provides a key opportunity for all of us, and men in particular, to speak out against violence against women and to affirm that it is never acceptable.

YEAR 6 REPORT CARDS

This year we will trial sending report cards by email to parents of our Year 6 students. In 2016, we will email all year level report cards.

The report card email will be sent to the parent email address that is listed by parents upon enrolment. If you are not sure that this email address is correct, please complete the slip on the following page and return it to the office as soon as possible.

E NEWSLETTERS

For the final newsletter of the year we will trial sending out the new e newsletter by email as well as sending home the paper version (as usual). In 2016, this will be our only method of sending home the newsletter – a paper copy will be available at the office only if you don't have an email address. If you don't get the email version on 1st December, you may need to update your email address with the school. Please complete the form and return it to the office if you need to update your email address.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

17th November
P & C Meeting

25th November
School Disco

9th December
Graduation

27th January 2016
Start of Term 1

ABSENCE LINE
38974360

Please phone and leave a message if your child is going to be absent from school

RESOURCE FEES:

All student resource fees are overdue and payable as soon as possible. Prep fee \$45.00 – Yr 1 – 6 \$40.00 for all classroom requisites purchased by the teacher. Non- payment or provision of these items by parents may exclude your child from extra- curricular activities eg. swimming carnival, graduation etc. Please pay at the office between 8am – 9am.

SENIOR GRADUATION – WEDNESDAY 9TH DECEMBER:

Senior Graduation will be held on Wednesday 9th December in our school hall. Students will receive more information shortly.

UPCOMING BIKE RIDING & SAFETY PROGRAM 2016:

Early message – Beginning in Week 3 of first term next year, Cycling Australia is offering a “Let’s Ride Program”. Designed for Year 4 students, it’s free and it will be running for 6 weeks. We’ll give more details early in the new year.

BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION:

For safety reasons, please remind your child/children that they should be seated in the undercover area until the 8.00am bell rings. No games are permitted before school. Parents, if you are waiting with your child, please keep them with you under your supervision.

NEW START DATE FOR THE 2016 QUEENSLAND SCHOOL YEAR:

A new start date for Term 1 of the 2016 school year will see Queensland students return to the classroom on Wednesday 27th January 2016 – the day after the Australia Day public holiday.

The previous start date of Monday 25th January 2016 will become a flexible professional development day for school staff only.

2016 CLASSES AND ENROLMENTS:

If you either know that your child won’t be returning to Herc Road in 2016 **OR** if you think that this **might** be the case, could you please let the front office know. We are starting to form 2016 classes and it is very helpful to have a good idea of how many students we are expecting to be on our books.

Also, if you know of a family who is intending to enrol their child/children could you please encourage them to do this soon. Your help is appreciated.

SCHOOL DISCO – WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER:

Hot food items for the disco can be pre-ordered. Order forms will be sent home with this newsletter and need to be returned to the tuckshop with payment no later than Monday 23rd November.



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CONCERT

The students in the Junior Concert Band, Senior Concert Band, Senior Strings and Recorder Band will be performing in the second Instrumental Music Concert on Wednesday 18 November, commencing at 6.30pm. Family and friends are welcome to attend. Students are reminded to return all permission slips. **The canteen will not be open.**



The Uniform Shop is now open again on Mondays. Booklists for 2016 have gone home. If your child has not received one please see the Uniform Shop or office. Booklists need to be returned by 27th November, either online to Edsco or to the school. All orders must be paid for when ordered.

SHOP HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:

The Uniform Shop will be open at the following times in the week prior to the start of the 2016 school year: Help is needed during these hours. Please put your name down at the office or Uniform Shop if you can assist.

Monday 18th January 8:30am – 12:30pm
Wednesday 20th January 8:30am – 2:30pm
Friday 22nd January 8:30am – 12:30pm

SPECIALS: (while stocks last)

Micro Fibre Emblem Shorts	only sizes 2 & 4	\$10.00
Micro Fibre Emblem Shorts	only size XS (16) & S (18)	\$ 7.00
Old Style Fabric Dress	only size 4	\$38.00

STUDENT’S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____


HERCULES ROAD STATE SCHOOL

HOURS

OFFICE CASH COLLECTION: 8:00 TO 9:00AM
 TUCKSHOP: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
 8:00AM TO 2:15PM
 UNIFORM SHOP: Monday (Term 1 and 4 only) 8.00AM TO 9.00AM
 Wednesday 8:00AM TO 9:00AM
 and Friday 2:00PM TO 2:45PM

P & C EXECUTIVES

President: Laraine Law
 Vice President: Kellie Judd
 Secretary:
 Treasurer: Sandra Sparrow
 Assist Treasurer:

<p>P & C News</p>	<p><i>The next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th November at 2.45pm in the Library.</i></p>
<p>Tuckshop News</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SPECIALS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grain Waves Chips \$1.00 Paddle Pop Choc Cup \$2.50 OLAF Ice-cream \$2.00 Twista Bolognese \$4.00 Banana Bread \$3.00</p>
<p>Commonwealth Banking</p> 	<p>Student banking will continue until the end of the year. If you are wishing to turn in your 10 Dollarmite tokens for a current prize please do so by Week 8 banking day (25/11/15) otherwise your prize may not turn up until next year.</p> <p>Amy Swalwell School Banking Co-ordinator</p>

HERC AWARD WINNERS 13th NOVEMBER

Honesty **Natasha (2A)**
Effort **Brayden (2A)**
Respect **Zahara (2A)**
Co-operation **Tahlia (4K)**
Safety **Jade (2B)**




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- 1- Monday 7th– Wednesday 9th December
- 2- Monday 14th– Wednesday 16th December
- 3- Monday 4th– Wednesday 6th January
- 4- Monday 11th– Wednesday 13th January

School Holiday Tennis Clinics
3 HALF-DAYS OF FUN AND ACTIVITIES
8:00am – 12:00pm
 There is a Centrelink Rebate available to eligible families.
COST: \$125 FOR A 3-HALF-DAY CLINIC
DISCOUNT: 5% (2) CHILDREN | 10% (3) CHILDREN
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