Principal’s Message

The robotics Training day was fantastic. All the children collaborated to construct some quite technical robots and then investigated the ways to program them. I am very excited to see what we can come up with in Term Two when we start preparing for the Robotics Competition.

Many thanks to Sam for driving us to the CSU and Peter who was exceptionally behaved and really very helpful.

Congratulations to Lisa, William and Eve. These three students have gained a place in the 2013 i.extend program. This online program is designed to develop skills in divergent and critical thinking. This is an exciting development for HPS to get a small group into this program. The students will be able to collaborate and support each other in their challenges.

We are heading into some busy weeks ahead. I have included an updated calendar to amend your calendars at home. The school website has an up to date calendar as well for the year as we so far know it. Upcoming big excursions and sporting events are on this calendar. Just search for Hampton and you will find us!!

Kind regards
Moira
Principal
of the loveliest children!!
At Hampton Public School.
Rydal Show Winners

Congratulations to all our students who entered work into the Rydal Show. Some students received Prizes for their entries.

Prize winners in a variety of categories were

**First** William Lisa Alex James

**Second** Sage

**Third** Alex Elizabeth Nicole Jesse Evelyn Shalyn

All artworks with prizes were presented at last week's assembly.

Congratulations Everyone

Solar Coming to Hampton

Last year Hampton won a grant to install solar panels on the roof of our new classroom. I have just approved a tender and hopefully we will be solar soon!!

WORLD THINKING DAY

Three of our Stage Three girls are Girl Guides and celebrated World Thinking Day with the whole school on Friday. Annie, Katie and Shalyn wore their Girl Guide uniform and spoke to our assembly about Thinking Day and why they like Girl Guides.

Parent Readers

We are looking for any wonderful parents who may be interested in sitting with our K-2 students whilst they read to you. If you are able to spare an hour on either a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday Miss Manton and the students would love to see you. So if you are interested in helping our younger students read, kindly speak with Miss Manton to arrange a suitable day and time.
Hampton High Flyers

Students of the Week
Jesse W    Lucy

Merit Awards
Seth—an impressive information report
Lisa—Leadership
William—collaborative teamwork

Special Award
Jack—excellence in phonics
Annie—an exceptional attitude to learning

Important news!

The first Schoolkids Bonus instalment of $205 for each primary student and $410 for each secondary student has been paid to eligible families to help to help lighten the load of back-to-school expenses. If you haven't received the payment by 31 January, but think you're eligible, contact Centrelink to discuss your personal circumstances.

Please note that families who receive their Family Tax Benefit as a lump sum will receive their Schoolkids Bonus payment after their Family Tax Benefit claim is assessed. If preferred, families can change from a lump sum to fortnightly payment and receive the Schoolkids Bonus before the school year starts. This can be done through Centrelink.

If you have any questions or require any further information please feel free to contact us on schoolkidsbonus@fahcsia.gov.au.

Robotics Training Day—Bathurst CSU
STAGE 2 DUBBO EXCURSION

Attached to this week’s newsletter is the information regarding the upcoming Dubbo excursion for all years 3 and 4 students. Kindly read the attached information and return your deposit and permission note by 15th March as requested. Should you have any queries regarding this excursion, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs McNair.

P&C REMINDER

BICENTENNIAL CATERING MEETING—THIS WEDNESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY, 2013 AT 3.15PM.
Look forward to seeing you all there.

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