Grandparents Day

A lovely morning was held last Thursday with over 35 visitors enjoying time with our children. Mr Meyers and Miss Manton enjoyed showcasing the children’s learning as well as explaining some of the current teaching practices used at school. It was a wonderful experience for the children and visitors. Thankyou to everyone who bought a plate to share and THANKYOU for coming in to our exceptional school.

More photos on the Website!!!!

National Solar Schools

Great News!!!
We were visited on Thursday by the National Solar Schools representative. Our Solar system will be installed on the first two days of term Two. This will minimise any disruption to our learning time. I am looking forward to the many benefits this system will bring.

Triangle Sports

Oberon Sports Ground
Friday April 5
Starts 9:30 sharp
Any assistance for set up would be most appreciated.
Please return permission notes, money and lunch orders as soon as possible.
School Photos

Packs are going home today for the school photos. Please note that payment for these photos is not to be made to the School but direct to the Photographer. Information regarding payment is on each envelope.

School photos are booked for the first day back in Term Two - **Wednesday 30th April**

Full winter uniform should be worn please.

- Girls—Skirt, white shirt, white socks and black shoes (no leggings or stockings please)
- Boys—grey trousers, white shirts grey socks and black shoes

**EASTER EGG RAFFLE**

As this is our last few days before the Easter break, we are hoping that all families could return their raffle tickets and money raised back to school by no later than this Wednesday so that Cathy can finalise the tickets and bank all funds raised which will go to Westmead Childrens Hospital. You’ve got to be in it to win it!!!!

**K-2 Easter Bilby Virtual Excursion**

On Wednesday 20th March the K-2 class had a virtual excursion with the Royal National Park Environmental Education Centre. During the excursion students learnt facts about the Bilby and how to make an Easter basket. The basket was decorated using twigs, acorns, bark and leaves found in the school grounds. ‘Billy Bilby’ read the book “The Smallest Bilby and the Easter Games” to the students. They then completed activities about the book such as sentence making and acting out the characters sounds and movements from the books. The virtual excursion was finished with an Easter hunt. A basket hidden by ‘Billy Bilby’ was found in the classroom filled with stickers. The excursion was educational, enjoyable and fun!

**NEW SYSTEM FOR THE SALE OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

As Cathy is now taking over the selling and ordering of all school uniforms, it would be most appreciated if all items of uniforms can be paid for on the day of collection. This will avoid sending out invoices. Every family should hold an up to date Uniform List with prices making it easier to know how much specific items will cost and that the correct money and/or cheques can be paid. If you do not have a Uniform List at home, kindly let Cathy know and one will be sent home to you. Thank you for your co-operation.
Hampton Heroes
Two weeks worth !!

Students of the week
Heidi, Lisa, William and Jack

Achievement Award
Jesse, Sasha, Lohgan and Eliza

Merit Certificate
Mika, Beau, Seth and Lucy

BOOK CLUB—ISSUE 3
Scholastic brochures are attached and if all orders and payment can be sent back in by next Tuesday due to the long weekend. Thank you

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS
Over the past couple of weeks we have received some good condition second hand school wear. If you are interested in having a look at these, kindly contact the office to find out what is available.

Anzac Day

Hampton Public School was very well represented at the Lowther and Lithgow Services last year. I will be in attendance at both services and would love to be surrounded by a sea of green. It is especially important that children wear their full school uniform for the Lithgow March as we are on display for the whole area and want to show them how exceptional we are. The wreaths are ready to be assembled by a willing amateur florist and will need to be at the services. Please contact Mrs McNair if you would like to have a go at one of these.
HAMPTON PARENT AND CITIZEN COMMITTEE MEETING  
Tuesday 19th March 2013

Meeting opened at 3.27

Members Present: Leah Tracy, Philippa Jones, Margie Lowe, Jackie Vogel, Moira McNair, Kirsty Jenkins, Salicia Davies, Barb Cook, Paula Fragar, Carolyn Kingston

Apologies  Jules Noble, Mandy Swift, Tracey Green Mishka Eggins

Minutes from last meeting: Accepted by Jackie Vogel and Leah Tracy

Business Arising from Previous Minutes
First aid course for P&C – Jackie has a flyer which will be in the newsletter and Moira will follow up to see if we can have the course at school in school hours.
140th Anniversary of Hampton – discuss later in the year.

Correspondence  Cancer council sunblock offer (brochure to Moira)
Make cents fundraising
Mr Showbags
Australian Council of state Schools Organisations Inc
Signature engraving for brick pavings
Ironfest 20th April
P&C Journals

New Business
Triangle sports day 5th April 2013. We are hosting the day. All parents need to and are expected to be helping in the canteen and/or help with the races please. There will be a roster in the newsletter for parents to fill in times they are available to help out.
List of foods. Every family to provide a plate of either cakes, muffins and slices. Paul Kingston will do the sausages. We need to make sure the sausages are gluten free. Carolyn Kingston will bring them on the day. Coke and buying water refills is off the price list $4.00 for packed lunches which we will be providing. Jackie is bringing the work bbq for the day. Need volunteers to cook bbq. Paula and Salicia volunteered thank you.
Barb will collect canteen key from council for the day on 4th April. First Aid person needs to be organised. We will need 2 tents. Moira will bring in hers and we may need another gazebo.
Talk to Jules re collecting bread. Gluten free rolls as well. All supplies needed are listed. Some supplies were left over from the woolshed dance. Jackie will follow up and eliminate what we won’t need to buy. If possible we will buy supplies from Oberon IGA as they have kindly donated a large amount of money to our school at the end of last year.
Paula will organise the float tin for canteen.
Food hygiene procedures need to be in the canteen for people to read. First aid people need their certificate on hand.
Bicentennial Trail rides. Catering is $20 per head now. Coleslaw is no longer on menu.
The school will no longer be doing the cake stall on Election Day. Jackie will use that day for her young mums group to have a cake stall at the school which P&C are happy with.
Grandparents day this Thursday. Please bring a plate. Organised structured activities will be going on with the children. 9.30-11am.
Gala day with the infants went well. Our infants had a great day with the organised activities. Next year it will be reassessed whether they attend.

Reporting parental concerns to the teachers is so important. The teachers need to know if something is going on with the children. It is completely confidential and non-judgemental when you speak with the teachers.

Behavioural policy consultation form handed out in meeting to look at. Parents not at the meeting can get a copy from the office.

Music Programme - P&C funded a lot of programmes and excursions last year. This year we have a qualified music teacher Samantha Schoeler-Jones. A ½ day a week for each 10 week term is $1600 and Tracy teaching guitar is $500 for each 10 week term. As well as the dance programme. Around $8000+ for the year from P&C. P&C are happy to carry on paying for these things.

Bus behaviour. When there is a problem please see Sam first who will deal with it. However school expectations still apply when children are on the bus.

**Treasurers report**

P & C ASSOCIATION ACCOUNT TO 19th March, 2013 $1,382.38  
NAB CASH MANAGER ACCOUNT TO 19th March, 2013 $8,052.70

Accepted by Jackie Vogel and Philippa Jones

**Principals Report**

Congratulations to all parents for a great Gala Day. We have five students representing our school in Bathurst district next Term (May 24). It was pleasing to see the car pooling that occurred to facilitate all children’s access to this event. The infants was a fun time thanks to Miss Manton for a great set of activities.

Lithgow Show exhibit was beautiful. Miss Manton, Mr Meyers and I all went into the show ground to ensure ours looked the best for a small school. A few students won the colouring in raffle as well.

Triangle Sports Day is on in two weeks time. As we need all parents to make this a success please consider volunteering for the whole or part of the day.

Easter egg raffle is being held in place of the Teddy Bears Picnic. All funds from this and the mufti day will go towards Westmead Children’s Hospital.

ICAS for schools will be through Parental nomination. The school will be subsidising part of the entry fees for these.

Three of our students have been chosen to do iExtend the online extension course developed by the Bathurst Schools. I will be attending a facilitators course in Kelso to ensure we get maximum benefit from this opportunity.

You may have noticed some of the exceptional writing from the children in the newsletter over the past term. Staff and students are very proud of their efforts.

Big excursions this year are Stage 2 Dubbo (20-21 June) and Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp (14-18 October)

Anzac Day ready for students to come need the wreaths made up by children attending.

*** Next P&C meeting Tues 9th April 2013 (Meetings now Tuesdays***
Thank you to everyone who attended P & C meeting last week.

**TRIANGLE SPORTS**

Organisation for this is in full swing. We need to arrange for a roster with regards to the canteen for the day so, if you can please do 1 hour in the canteen this will make it very easy and simple for everyone.

We will open the canteen at 10am and finish no later than 2pm. Paula and Salicia have kindly offered to cook the BBQ so that is wonderful. Thankyou ladies. We now need some volunteers to fill the following spots:

- 2 people for 10am
- 2 people for 11am
- 4 people for 12pm
- 2 people for 1pm

As we are selling cakes, biscuits and slices it would be great if every family could please provide one of these items (cake, biscuits or slice). Although it is Hampton’s turn to run this carnival, we also use this to make money for our school which in turn then goes to assist the children, so your support for this is greatly appreciated.

If you could please email to advise a couple of preferred times I can then finalise a roster for this event. Again it would make everyone’s day much more enjoyable if every family could volunteer just **1 HOUR** to help. Thankyou for your cooperation regarding this.

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**TRIANGLE SPORTS—CAFE ROSTER**

Name: ..............................................................

Yes I am available to volunteer at:

(Please circle your preferred time) 10.00am 11.00am 12.00pm 1.00pm

Signed: ....................................................