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Education

Great opportunities—personal attention

TERM 4 WEEK 3 2nd November 2018

FROM THE OFFICE

ABSENT NOTES: Please ring the school when your child is sick or provide a note or Doctor's certificate if your child has been away for an extensive length of time. Sick notes can also be emailed to the school.

HATS: All students need to wear a school hat. Many children are coming to school without their hats and this can't be happening. Hats are \$13 each and are available from the office. We follow a NO HAT NO PLAY policy.

SUNSCREEN: The school has sunscreen available for students to use if your child has skin sensitivities can you please provide your child with their own sun-screen cream to be left in their bag.



STATE Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the School Relay team for competing at the State Athletics Carnival yesterday.

We are so proud of the team and their achievement.

Relay Team -Saphron, Phoebe, Brock and Greg

Great work Relay team on making it to State Carnival!



Swimming School

Notes were sent home this week for the upcoming Swim School at Richmond Pool. We consider this a very important part of our students' safety and education due to the amount of creeks, rivers, dams, pools that the kids have access to.

Being able to swim, or at least keep afloat, is the crucial reason why we put so much importance on this program. Because of this, we as a school, pay for the entire two weeks (that is pool entry and buses) to ensure every child can participate. Please complete the forms and return them to school as soon as possible.

Swimming School starts on Monday 26th November and continues for two weeks to Friday 7th December.



Small Schools' Camp – Canberra

In week one our senior students joined with six other Hawkesbury Small Schools in a three day (two night) camp to Canberra. The group visited a lot of wonderful places in our National Capital and they all came back with wonderful stories and memories of the excursion.

A big thanks to Mrs Bailey and Mrs Memorey who attended with the group, they weren't too tired on the next day.

I would also like to thank all the families who managed to get the kids to Vineyard Public School, so early on the first day, to get on the coach.

The students visited places such as Parliament House, the War Memorial, Questacon (Science Museum), National Gallery of Australia, National Museum of Australia as well as a night tour to Mount Ainslie to see the night lights.

The excursion was subsidised by the Australian Government. The government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civic and Citizenship education. To assist families the Australian Government contributed \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civic Education Rebate program. The rebate was paid directly to the school upon return from Canberra. The rebate was deducted from the total cost charged to parents.

The students had a fantastic experience, one they will remember for a long time.



MUSIC FESTIVAL

It was an exciting time last week with our choir and ukulele group performing at the Hawkesbury Music Festival. Performing at the Windsor Function Centre last Wednesday our Ukulele group performed 'Octopus' Garden', while our choir performed with a combined group of seven schools throughout the night.



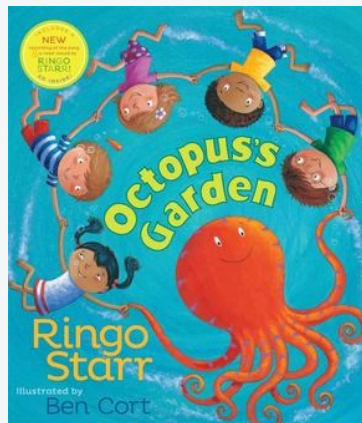
Just before the big performance.

It was an absolutely great night, one in which the students will remember for a long time. I would like to thank all the parents who provided transport and attending the night, Mrs Bailey for her work with the choir, Mrs Webb for helping out on the night and most importantly Mrs Summer Townsend for instilling the passion and creating the skills for our Ukulele Group to perform so well on the night.

'I'd like to be.....under the sea.....in an octopus' gardenin the shade!'

Mr Ellis has a video of the Ukulele performance if parents would like a copy.

Great job Colo Heights!



Remembrance Day

This year's Remembrance Day is the 100 year anniversary of the end of World War One. Our school has been invited to attend a Remembrance Day Service at McQuade Park in Windsor by the Windsor RSL on Sunday 11th November.

Two students, Brock and Phoebe-Lee will be representing the school on the day and they will be laying a wreath in commemoration of the men and women who so bravely made the ultimate sacrifice for us.



We will also be holding a small Remembrance Service school on Monday 12th November at 11:00am.

Writers' Festival

Last Monday we had four students represent Colo Heights at the Hawkesbury Learning Community Writers' Festival. The Presentation night was held at Hawkesbury High School and our four students were presented with a medal and certificate for their great writing on the topic, 'Will it Ever Rain?' As well as their awards, the writers' work has been published into a book. Congratulations to our four writers for their outstanding work!! Our students are;

Early Stage One – Kylah

Stage One – Kaylah

Stage Two – Ruby

Stage Three – Rosie





*Congratulations
to our*
"Stars of the Week"
Zara and Riley

*Every week we will announce new winners.
This award represents the best qualities of*
RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and PERSONAL BEST.

*We hope all students can strive to achieve this award throughout the year
and continue demonstrate these fine skills.*

*"At Colo Heights Public School, we are Responsible and Respectful
students, who strive to do our Personal Best".*

.Year 5 Leadership Day

On Monday the 5th November our Year 5 students will be attending a Leadership Day at Glosso-dia Public School with students from the local Primary schools in the Hawkesbury Learning community.

This day is to prepare our students for Year Six and all the leadership roles this entails. The students will be accompanied by Mr Ellis and Mrs Memorey.

The students will be taking part in small group activities lead by Year 10 students from Hawkesbury High School.

Thank you to all the parents and friends who are helping with the transport of our students.



Colo Community Meet and Greet

On November 4th at 'The Lodge' (Ms McLaren's Lodge) there will be a Colo Community Meet and Greet for all who are local. The event will be attended by the Local Police Area Command and it is an opportunity to ask questions and listen to the community.



Last week we held our Orientation Day for the 2019 Kindergarten. It was so great to see nine smiley faces, enthusiastic about starting big school. Over the next few weeks the 2019 Kindergarten will have morning visits to the K12 class with Mrs Webb and Ms Joseph.

It is such an amazing thought that these nine students are beginning a journey at our school that will be full of wonder and education.

Welcome to big school!



Mini Fair

Put the following date in your calendar. The S.R.C Mini Fair will be held on Monday 3rd December. This is the second Monday of the swimming school fortnight, but due to a private school's swimming carnival being booked by mistake, there will be no swimming school activities on that day. So Colo Heights will be holding the Mini Fair to make the day worthwhile.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Week 4: 5/11: Yr 5 Leadership Day
- Week 6: 23/11: Basket Ball Gala Day yr 3-6
- Week 7 & 8 : 26/11 to 7/12 Swimming Program (9 days)
 - Week 8 : 3/12: MINI FAIR
- Week 10 : 17/12: Presentation Day
- Week 10 : 18/12: YEAR 6 dinner
- Week 10: 19/12: LAST DAY OF TERM



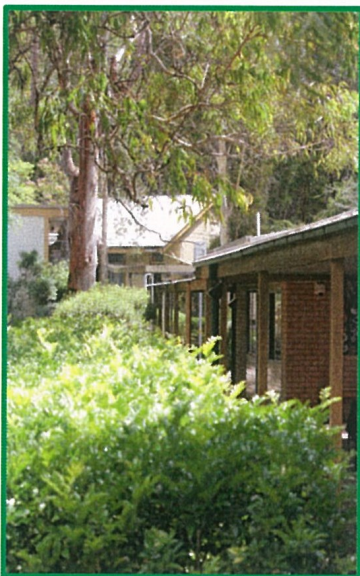
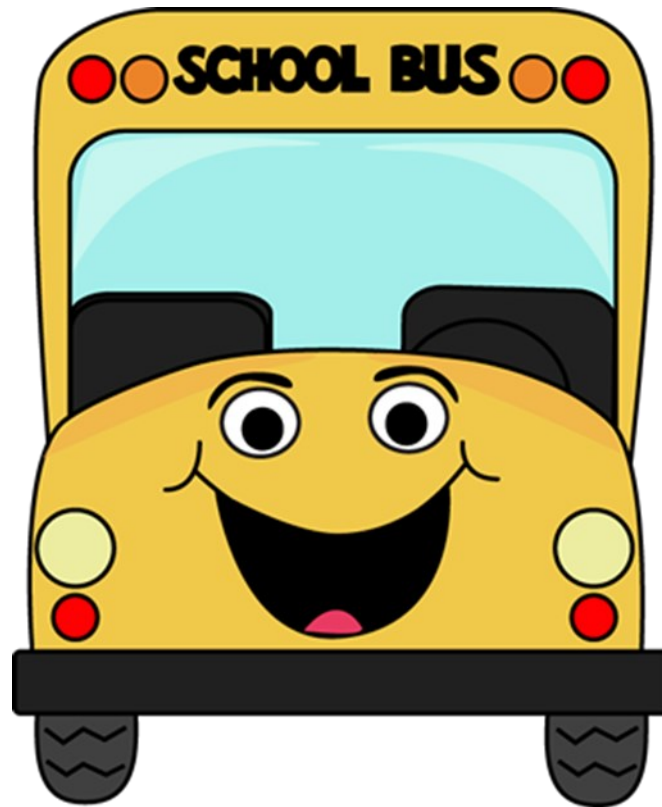
Thank you,

Glenn Ellis, Principal

Linda and David Pulsford are looking for a bus driver.

Phone: 45 650 227

Ring for enquires



INVITATION

P & C GENERAL MEETING FOR 2018

Please come to the Colo Heights Public School P&C Association General Meeting scheduled for Thursday 8th November 2018, 3.30pm – 4.30pm.

This will be an opportunity to discuss events for 2018 and we would love to hear your ideas and suggestions for our school.