SPRING FAIR
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Congratulations to everyone involved in our Spring Fair last Saturday. It was an amazing success with happy crowds enjoying themselves throughout the day. Despite the heat and the wind we had an excellent turn out and we were particularly pleased to see some unfamiliar faces, as members from our local community turned out to support the school. The fair itself was tremendous; there was a great variety of stalls with quality goods and lots to do for everyone. The kids were kept busy with plenty of fun activities and the older children got a real buzz from the sense of ownership they had managing their class stalls. The innovative ticketing system was a real boon and worked especially well for kids, I know many parents, myself included, found it very convenient to be able to give their kids a string of tickets and let them explore. Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive and many have commented on the lovely community atmosphere the Spring Fair evoked. This was certainly a highlight for me, we are so lucky to have such a positive, enthusiastic and collaborative school community and it was just wonderful to celebrate that on Saturday.

Of course, the main aim of our Spring Fair was to raise funds for the school and we have had great success raising around $8,000 which will be used to fund projects to improve the school playgrounds. On behalf of our school I would like to thank all of our staff members who worked to organise and manage stalls with the children, the students themselves, many of whom gave up a lot of their day to run their stalls, our office ladies who were kept very busy with the Fair administration and our fabulous General Assistant, Mr Phil Simpson, who came in after work on Friday to mow the grounds in readiness for the weekend. As always I thank our wonderful P&C and school community who donated goods, organised and ran stalls, manned the BBQ and the canteen and were there to pitch in and lend a hand, a special thankyou to all those who were here so early to help set up and stayed to pack up before the rain hit. And my final thanks go to Mrs Amber Hutton and Mrs Amii Jones whose amazing joint effort in planning, gathering donations and sponsorship, organising, delegating, overseeing, buying, wrapping, designing, etc., etc., made this Spring Fair the success that it was.

Our Kindergarten Transition began last Wednesday with our Orientation session. Transition continues for the next four weeks with our 2015 Kindies enjoying time in the classroom with their new friends and teachers, while parent information sessions are available next door with Mrs Noble. These sessions will address various aspects of schooling and how parents can support their child’s learning.

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**Dates for the Diary**

- **Every Wednesday from 8th Oct—12th Nov**
  Yr 5 CHS Enrichment Program
- **Every Wednesday from 29th Oct—26th Nov**
  Kinder 2015 Orientation
- **Wednesday 5th November**
  Interrelate
- **10th November—21st November**
  K—2 Swim School
- **Wednesday 10th December**
  Year 6 Farewell
- **Thursday 11th December**
  Presentation Day
- **Wednesday 17th December**
  Last day of Term 4

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Principal’s Report continued ...

A reminder that Interrelate is on tonight in our school library. There are two hour long sessions, the first session at 6:00pm and the second, aimed more at senior primary students, begins at 7:15. Thanks to the generosity of our P&C, HPS families can attend at the reduced rate of $10 per family for one session or $15 per family for two.

Finally a reminder that next week we will collate the School Planning surveys from our school community and I am looking for community members who would like to be involved in this task. If you are interested, send an email and I will get back to you to organise a meeting time.

Lucinda Farrell
Relieving Principal

P&C News...

**SPRING FAIR**

A great big thank you to all our organisers for last Saturdays Spring Fair, especially Amber and Amii! It was so well organised and had a wonderful community feel about the entire day. Most importantly thank you to all who donated (time, talents, prizes and gifts), participated and enjoyed the hot day. Together we have been able to raise over $8000 for our school to improve the playgrounds the children use everyday. What a fun way to do it!

We’d love to hear your feedback about the day, things you loved, improvements we could make and any other suggestions. Feel free to email HPSspringfair@optusnet.com.au or follow the link for an online survey [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZCNHFJJ](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZCNHFJJ)

Danielle Whiting
P&C President

**P&C Annual General Meeting**

Our AGM is scheduled for **Monday 24th November at 6:30pm** in the staff room. This will be followed by the usual P&C meeting at 7pm.

At the AGM all positions on the P&C and sub-committees will be declared vacant and voting will take place for the 2015 school year. This includes the following positions:

**Executive Sub committees**

President Canteen
Vice President Uniform
Secretary Fundraising
Treasurer
Asst. Treasurer

If you are interested in being nominated for any of the listed positions please just notify the office.

Membership is open to all parents, carers and community members for a fee of $2.00 and membership forms are available from the office. Please note, you must be a member of the P&C to participate in any voting at the meetings. As a member of the P&C you will be making a valuable contribution to the school, share your knowledge, talents, ideas, and most importantly help support your child throughout their education.

Hope to see you there!

Some of our Kindies enjoying the school vege garden for their crunch and sip. Vege’s from our garden will be for sale this Thursday 6/11/14 from 3.00pm.
Place value can be a concept that stumps students of all ages, as they look at ‘tens’, ‘ones’ and ‘hundreds’ columns in numbers. The concept of place value supports other skills such as addition and subtraction in Maths so it is important that students grasp place value concepts. The simple to use app Place Value Charts which can be purchased from iTunes for $1.30 is a great app for students to reinforce their understanding of place value. Students simply tap in a column (ones, tens, hundreds) to represent a number, for example the number 27 would be two taps in the tens column and seven in the ones column. Each tap is represented with a red counter and the number of counters is displayed. As with counting and using counters in class, when a column is tapped 10 times the number 10 turns red. The ten counters can be then dragged into the next column to show the student that ten ones is the same as one ten and ten tens is the same as one hundred. This app can be used for many different purposes to develop Mathematical skills and is often used in classrooms.

We have had a great week of sport this week. Congratulations to the netball winners for putting on a great performance. All congratulations to all the other teams that participated in the event. We are starting our handball comp in a week or two away. The winner of each stage gets a handball. It will be lots of fun, you have to give it a go.
# Canteen Roster

**TERM 4**

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY**

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**Notes sent home this week:**

Interrelate

Years 3—6

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**Notes to be returned:**

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**WARNERS BAY PHYSIE AND DANCE**

PHYSIE IS GREAT FUN - WHY NOT TRY SOMETHING NEW!

‘Physie’ is a combination of ballet, aerobics, gymnastics and jazz dance all rolled into one!

Classes range from 3-4 Years through to Ladies.

Team and individual events available at a low cost.

Enquiries are welcome to Mandy on 0408 206 249 or mandy.smith139@gmail.com.
Mr Burke enjoying the wet sponge toss at Saturday’s Spring Fair. This stall was run by Newcastle Junior School and raised almost $400 for their P&C.

Face Painting was a real hit!

From decorating cupcakes to creating jewellery at the Loom Band studio, there was plenty to keep you busy!

6/5E’s relish stall was very popular
Learn to Surf Newcastle
Operated/owned by Miles Niddrie, Level 2 Surf Coach, since 2004.

**Vegemite Surf Groms** is back again.
All equipment supplied including winter wetsuits, softboards and rash shirts.
Surf safety education and local beach info taught each lesson.
Age groups are 5-12yrs (max 12 kids/3coaches)
School holiday 4 x 2hr $165pp (all prices inc GST) plus registration fee for the SurfGroms gift pack value $150.
13yrs-18yrs $165pp welcome too, over 18’s $175pp. Group size 13yrs to Adults are max 10 with 2 coaches.
Single 2hr lessons daily $45pp under 18yrs, $50pp over 18yrs
New 6 week programs at weekends and after school start 3rd November. 1st lesson 2hrs, then 5 x 1.5hr lessons.
$195pp under 18, $215 over 18. Rego fee for surfgroms applies.
Advanced lessons also available, SUP lessons too.
For bookings and enquiries please call 4944 9585 or 0404 83 9585.
Email at miles@learntosurfnnewcastle.com or www.learntosurfnnewcastle.com
Thank you to all the people that attended the fair as a guest or volunteer, we couldn't have held this event without all of you attending! Special thanks to the parents who took on a stall co-ordinator role, and all the teachers who gave up their own time to assist both before and during the day.

As well as raising some money for the school, we were so delighted with the number of people who volunteered to take on jobs big and small to help us out, or donated their time, items or expertise. Many of these people had no previous involvement with the P&C, and we felt it shows what a great school community we have at HPS. We hope all these volunteers found it as rewarding as we did. The team effort helped us raise close to $8000 towards improving the school grounds, gardens and sporting fields to benefit all the HPS kids.

Lastly, for the people that take on the co-ordinators role for future similar events, we would like to collate some feedback and comments on what went well and what could be improved on. Please take a few minutes to either:
- Click on the link on the facebook page
- Click on the email link to be sent this week
- Complete a paper response in the office

Thanks for braving the heat and joining in the fun,

Amber & Amii

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Wendy's Lemonade

1 cup water
2/3 cup sugar
1 cup lemon juice
Bottle of soda water

Heat water and sugar in saucepan until sugar dissolves.
Take off heat and allow to cool.
Mix in lemon juice.

This makes "cordial". Add soda water or just tap water at a ratio of approx 1 part cordial to 4 parts water, or to your taste. You can store cordial in fridge and make up as required.

For lemonade with a hint of ginger, grate ginger into a cup of boiling water and allow to steep overnight, strain to remove ginger and add ginger flavoured water to your lemonade to your taste.
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