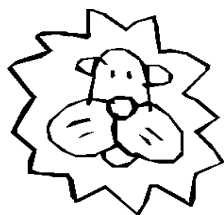


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Newsletter

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Calendar for Week 9

Term 1

Monday 20 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN – Year 5 Reading & Conventions of Language
Tuesday 21 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harmony Day NAPLAN – Year 3 Numeracy
Wednesday 22 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN – Year 5 Numeracy Ramadan starts
Thursday 23 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am-10:30am Playgroup
Friday 24 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Ride 2 School Day Summer PSSA K-2/Support Assembly 9:30am 3-6 Assembly 10:15am

We are almost at the end of a very busy term. Year 3 and Year 5 students are currently completing their NAPLAN assessments. Year 6 have their final session for Interrelate this week.

Today is **National Close the Gap Day**, which campaigns for health equity of Australia's indigenous peoples and aims to educate people about the health issues and barriers they face.

We are celebrating **St Patrick's Day** on Friday 17th March, with a mufti day. Please allow your children to wear something green on this day and bring in a gold coin donation. This will go towards fundraising for our Year 6 events at the end of the year.

Don't forget our assembly in Week 9, where we will be presenting SRC and Environmental Officer badges for the elected students. I look forward to seeing some of our parents and carers there!

Have a great fortnight!

Deborah Pitt

Relieving Principal



Calendar for Week 10

Term 1

Monday 27 March	
Tuesday 28 March	
Wednesday 29 March	
Thursday 30 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am-10:30am Playgroup WSU First Foot Forward Incursion
Friday 31 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer PSSA

The Pride Guide

Our hands and feet belong to us, please remember and cause no fuss.



SCHOOL Attendance

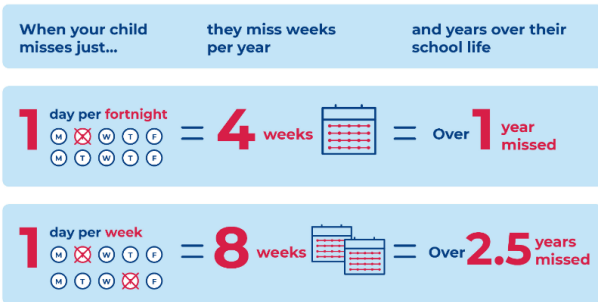
Every day of a student's school life is unique. Missing precious time for part or whole days affects learning progress. Unless a child is sick, students should be at school every school day from **9:00am** until **3:00pm**. If your child needs to miss school for some reason other than illness please discuss the matter with the school so that we can make some provision to avoid your child missing out on precious learning time.

Families will be contacted by the school to follow up on absences and notes. A note giving a reason for an absence must be sent to school within three (3) days of the absence. A phone message to the office explaining an absence is also acceptable.

The most effective way we can ensure success in the future for our students is by providing the best possible opportunities for learning – **BE AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY!**

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



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Easter Hat Parade

Start getting organised, we will be holding our Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 5 April! Stay tuned for more information!



Parental Concerns

If you have any concerns about your child or other students you believe have been involved in an incident please **do not** approach other parents or the child. It is important that you speak to the teacher or the front office to discuss your concerns.



Before and After School Care

We have had an increase in the number of children arriving well before 8:30am. Please note that we have limited staff at school at this time and duties do not start until 8:30am. **If you take your children to the Rooty Hill OoSH can drop your child at any time between 6:30am and 8:25am. The service will drop your child to school and pick up if necessary.** They are able to look after your children until 6:30pm. If you require Before and After school care, please contact the centre below:

Rooty Hill Outside of School Hours Care Centre (OoSH)
9625 3397
 113 Rooty Hill Road North, Rooty Hill.

The uniform shop is open **every Thursday** between 8:30am and 9:30am.



Harmony Day: Tuesday 21st March 2023

On **Tuesday 21st March** our school will be celebrating **Harmony Day**. Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. The continuing message for Harmony Day is that **Everyone Belongs**, which means all Australians are a welcome part of our country, regardless of their background. It's a time to reflect on where Australia has come from, recognising the traditional owners of this land. It's also about community participation, inclusiveness and respect – celebrating the different cultures that make Australia a great place to live.


In 2023 we celebrate 23 years of Harmony Day. This year we will be promoting Harmony across the school through reflecting on what HARMONY means to us.



To celebrate Harmony Day at Hebersham Public School:

- **Harmony “Mufti” Day:** staff and students are encouraged to wear their traditional dress, or something from their country of choice, or to wear orange which is the official colour for Harmony Day. No coin donations required.
- The school canteen will be selling a ‘Harmony Day Meal Deal’ for, to be ordered by Wednesday 15th March.
- Students will be participating in a variety of activities in their classrooms in the lead up to Harmony Day.

We look forward to a fun day!

Harmony Day 	
Tuesday 21st March	
Choose your Hot Treats Package	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 x Party Pie 1 x Party Sausage Roll 2 x Chicken Nuggets
OR	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 x Mini Spring Rolls
OR	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 x Party Pies
OR	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6 x Nuggets
OR	<input type="checkbox"/>
	6 x GF Nuggets
You Get This TOO	
1x Wicked Fizz	
1 x Orange Juice	
Name - _____	
Class - _____	
PLEASE RETURN NOTE AND PAYMENT TO THE CANTEEN BEFORE WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH	

Term 4 School Development Days

During Term 4, we would generally have two School Development Days on the 18th and 19th of December.

This year our staff have elected to meet for two Twilight Meetings throughout the year to replace the day on Tuesday 19th December. This will mean that there will be limited staff at school on that day. This should not impact our families as **all students will finish school on Friday 15th December.**

School Sports Update

Zone Swimming Carnival

The following students represented Hebersham Public School at the Mt. Druitt Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival:

Chayce W S2L
Zara M S3K
Beau O S3K
Ciara L S3L
Ellie M S3M



Summer PSSA

Girls and Boys from Hebersham Public School have been enjoying weekly PSSA competing in League Tag. Results have been:

Junior Girls
vs 12 – 1 win
vs Forfeit win
vs Bye

Junior Boys
vs Whalan 4 – 2 loss
vs Crawford 6 – 4 win
vs Bidwill 5 – 2 win

Senior Girls
vs 3 – 0 loss
vs Forfeit win
vs Bye

Senior Boys
vs Whalan 8 – 6 win
vs Crawford 6 – 6 draw
vs Bidwill 8 – 3 win



Mt. Druitt Zone PSSA Sports Team Representation

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected into a Mt. Druitt Zone PSSA sports team to compete at Sydney west School Sports Championships:

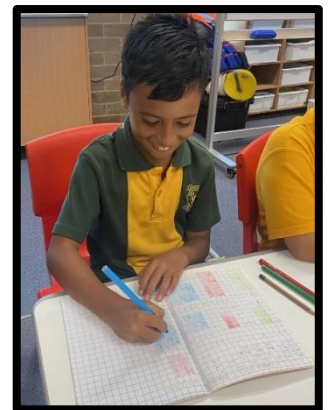
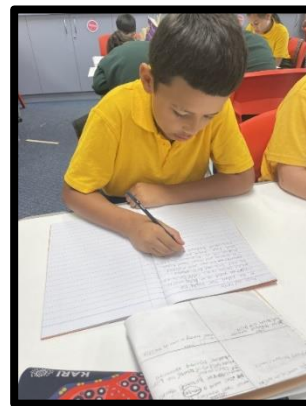
Zachariah W S3S	Touch Football 11yrs. Rugby League
Sienna T S3K	Touch Football
Jassim A S3M	Football (soccer)
Mustafa K S3K	Football (soccer)
Issa L S3D	Football (soccer)
Omar A S3L	Football (soccer)
Fua T S3M	Netball Opens Rugby League
Jarralee B S3L	Football (soccer)
Justin T S3D	Opens Rugby League

A huge congratulations to all the students who are representing our school with pride at different levels.

Stage 2 News

It has been a big 8 weeks in Stage 2! Stage 2 students are settling in well into their new classes and new routines. Our Year 3 students are enjoying some of the extra activities they get to be involved in whilst in Primary such as the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and Garden Program and PSSA.

In the classroom, students have been working hard to write character and setting descriptions. We are building our writing skills to write engaging stories! Students have also been learning about multiplication in Mathematics.



In Creative Arts, students have enjoyed learning about the artist Wassily Kandinsky and recreating one of his famous artworks.

