FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S OFFICE

School Assembly – Congratulations to the Year 2 class for running a great assembly last Friday. This week’s assembly will be run by the Kinder class and will start at 11.00 am. We do hope to see you there.

Debating & Public Speaking Final – All the very best to our Junior Debating Team, Kate Bulle, Amelia Hearn, Portia Martin, Jasmine Young, and Millie Walsh (Public Speaking) as they compete in the final this Thursday night, 26 November, at Billabong High School, starting at 6.30 pm.

Schools Spectacular – This Tuesday, our five talented singers will be making their way to Sydney to perform in the Schools Spectacular. This will be an experience of a lifetime for the girls as they perform live in front of thousands of people and millions, when we get to watch them on television. The girls have been rehearsing hard with Miss Mills, trying to learn a very large number of songs for the performance. Our school and more importantly, the five girls and their families, can be very proud of what the girls have achieved so far and what they are about to be part of. All the very best Emily Black, Eliza Capell, Liz Holt, Janita Nickel and Amelia Tepper!

School Presentation Night – A reminder that the School Presentation Night has moved from Thursday 10 December to **Friday 11 December, 7.00 pm**.

School Front Crossing – After a meeting with the Roads & Maritime Services on Friday, I have been informed that there will not be a crossing person on the front school crossing for the remainder of the year. During this time, a decision will be made for next year and the future. Those parents affected will need to ensure that their child travels to school safely and uses the unattended school crossing in a safe manner.

Visitors Sign in Folder at Office – A reminder that all visitors to the school must sign the Visitors Sign In Book, which is located in the office. This includes

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<td>House Captains’ and School Captains’ Speeches and Elections 10.00 am and Intensive Swimming from 1.30 pm to 3.20 pm</td>
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<td>Billabong High School Transition Day, Intensive Swimming from 1.30 pm to 3.20 pm and Year 6 Farewell Dinner from 6.30 pm (school hall)</td>
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<td>Sports Assembly run by Year 5 at 10.00 am and Intensive Swimming from 1.30 pm to 3.20 pm</td>
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### P&C IMPORTANT DATES

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<td>Wed 10 Feb</td>
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NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN 2016
everyone, even parents, who enter the school grounds between the school hours of 9.20 am and 3.20 pm. Parents coming to school to pick up their child before 3.20 pm, helping out in the classroom for reading or maths, coaching sporting teams at lunch time, attending assemblies and on canteen duty are just a few of the examples where parents must sign in.

Kinder Orientation – If you have any questions, or would like an interview, please don’t hesitate to contact me. Enrolments for 2016 are now being taken. It would be great if we could please finalise enrolments ASAP as we need to plan staff for 2016. Please see the school office for forms. The next and final Kinder Orientation visit will be held this Wednesday, 25 November from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm. This is where the 2016 kinder students find out their Year 5 buddies. It's an exciting time for all.

Jason Weaven
Principal

Canteen Roster

Friday 27 November:  Tracy Swan
Monday 30 November:  Sarah King
Friday 4 December:  Tracy Swan

Canteen Helpers Needed

If you have some free time in your calendar in Term 1 next year to help with the canteen on Monday and/or Friday mornings, please email Georgie Millard on georgy2@tpg.com.au. Not only is the process simple, it only takes around 45 minutes out of your day and your child loves to see you there.

2015 Presentation Evening

Our annual presentation evening will be held on Friday 11 December, 2015 at 7.00 pm in the school hall. We cordially invite all parents and friends of our students to attend. At the presentation evening, we award students who have achieved excellence, consistent improvement, citizenship and sporting achievements. Each year, the awards are sponsored by the local community. If you would like to make a donation towards the book prizes this year, it would be greatly appreciated and your name will be listed in our presentation night program as recognition of your valuable contribution to our school. Donations of cash or cheques, made out to Holbrook Public School, can be handed in to our office.

From the Uniform Shop

Pre-Loved Uniforms in Stock Now!

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Beat the Price Rise

As of 1 January 2016, there will be a price increase on some of our uniform items. We have been fortunate to keep our prices steady for a few years; however, our suppliers have had an increase in production costs which then has a flow on affect.

Now’s the time to purchase uniforms and beat the price rise.

The second hand clothing shop would be most grateful for any donations of pre-loved uniforms in all sizes. Recycled uniforms are always in high demand and looking for a good home.

If you’re a family with a Year 6 student and don’t have younger children or a family with students who are leaving our school at the end of the year to move to another school, please consider donating to our second hand shop.

Thank you

Wanted

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SPORTS ASSEMBLY

Please keep Friday, 4 December free for our annual Sports Assembly. It starts at 10.00 am and everyone is welcome to attend.

When: Monday 14 December 2015
Where: School Hall
Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm (There will be no supervision before 6.00 pm)
Dress: Smart, casual (Please wear sensible, covered dancing footwear)
Entry Fee: Gold Coin donation will be taken on entry and will be forwarded to Stewart House

Please bring:
your own water bottle (labelled) and either a piece of fresh fruit or vegetable as we will be cutting it up to share amongst the children.

AWARDS

Miss Mills
Tayleah Flewin – For her wonderful effort and behaviour in class
Lachlan Kingston – For always displaying beautiful manners

Miss Luff
Laycii Freund – Persevering with difficult tasks
Reuben Wilton – Always producing neat and accurate work

Miss Murphy
Zaydan Feltrin – For answering questions very well during our shared reading activities
Ella Lieschke – For writing an excellent information report about a red kangaroo
Mathew Mulloy-Ellison – For being an outstanding listener

Mrs Preston
Molly Barr-Smith – For being a conscientious, hardworking student at all times
Aaron Gamble – Enthusiasm and dedication during assembly rehearsal

Mrs Fairley
Angus Geddes – Excellent analysis and experimentation of Neoplasticism in art
Will Gunn – The use of excellent mathematical strategies
Indianna Paton – Wonderfully neat handwriting and always taking care in her work

Mr Preston
Harrison Shea – For working very well during dictionary meanings
Jasmine Young – For drawing excellent portraits during creative arts

Miss Lavis
Marcia Walsh – Her time, effort and help on the Ballarat excursion
Year 5/6 – Outstanding behaviour and enthusiasm and being excellent ambassadors for Holbrook Public School

Miss Peterson
Braydon Eddy – Displaying leadership skills
Julia Mathie – Perseverance in multiplication
Year 4 Girls – Helping with the fish and chickens while the Creative Catchment Kids were away on camp
Mrs Wedgwood
Josh Toll – Being quiet, calm and considerate, despite being ill
Marcia Walsh – Being great fun and a huge help on our Ballarat excursion
Year 5/6 – Exemplary behaviour, manners and a great sense of fun and camaraderie

Mrs Ross
Lachlan Parker – Working hard with reading and writing tasks

Mr Weaven
Braydon Eddy – For excellent leadership roles
Sophie Ellison – For great project work
Anna Pitzen – For great project work
Will Satchell – For great project work
Chloe Watson – For great project work
Maddy Wheeler – For working very well in multiplication

VALUES AWARDS - RESPECT
Junior: Eleanor Coats
Senior: Jasmyn Hughes

STAR CARD WINNERS
Yellow Playground Star Cards
Indianna Paton, Maddy Wheeler

Blue Classroom Star Cards
Jasmyn Hughes, Audrey Lieschke

125 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Matilda Preston

150 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Matilda Preston

175 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Miriam Coats, Matilda Preston, Aiden Walmsley, Will Wood

200 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Matilda Preston, Ben Williams

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD
Isaac Bennetts, Hamilton Black, Eliza Capell, Archie Gunn, Ned Harrison, Jorja Pardey, Will Satchell, Cruz Schirmer, Will Wood

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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Aqua Fitness
At Holbroook Swimming Pool

• Tue: 9.00 am • Wed: 6.00 pm
• Sat: 8.00 am

Classes: 45 minutes duration
Cost: $12 p.p. plus pool entry or season ticket
Minimum age: High School
Enquiries: Margot Pitzen on 0407 658 401
A Quick Bite ...

The 12 months of Christmas?

Do you want to give a gift this Christmas that is low cost and keeps giving all year round? Try the 12-month gift of gallivanting.

Need:
12 envelopes
12 different 'active' activities that you as a parent will do with your child/ren each month

Method:
Label the envelopes January to December and decorate. Use your imagination or pick some of these ideas to put in the envelope:

- visit the skate park
- visit the swimming pool or water slide
- visit the adventure park
- go for a picnic and walk
- take a photography trip
- bike ride to the local park
- fly a kite weekend
- visit the park to kick the footy/throw the frisbee
- Have a tennis tournament weekend

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mldh.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy

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A Quick Bite ...

Rustic Twig Christmas Tree

For a low cost gift or fun activity, try making these beautiful rustic twig Christmas tree ornaments. You will need:

- 15cm strip of paper
- Go to the local park or your garden and gather 15-20 twigs of various lengths and diameter
- Small piece of ribbon or pipe cleaner
- PVA craft glue
- Scissors (ask an adult to help with cutting)

Method:

- Layout the paper lengthwise and make a hole at top.
- Tie the small piece of ribbon or pipe cleaner through the hole.
- Lay twigs in order of shortest to longest in shape of tree.
- Cut twigs to length as needed.
- Glue twigs to the paper once they are in the shape of tree.

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Last Monday, Year 5 and 6 students were up bright and early to travel to Ballarat. Accompanied by Mrs Wedgwood, Mrs Walsh and Miss Lavis, they arrived in Ballarat for three days. A day and a half was spent travelling back in time to the gold rush of the 1850’s at Sovereign Hill. Some of the attractions were the Labyrinth mine tour, the gold panning in the creek, the gold pour demonstration, a candle making demonstration, playing “Gold Fever” and of course the lolly shop. The evenings were filled with mini golf and the Blood on the Southern Cross sound and light show. The last day saw students travel further back in time to medieval times when they visited Kryal Castle. They learnt about life in medieval times, armoury and weapons, herbs used in medicine, had a go at sword fighting (with foam swords and shields!!) and saw a live birds of prey show.

The excursion was thoroughly enjoyed by children and adults alike. A big thank you to Marcia Walsh, who gave her time to come along. A big thank you to the students for their excellent behaviour and being fine ambassadors for Holbrook Public School. Well done everyone!

Miss Lavis
Starting school is an important step for your child. To help your family become familiar with daily routines, Holbrook Public School is hosting a series of Kinder Orientation Days for local pre-school aged children.

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<td>Orientation Evening</td>
<td>An opportunity to gain an insight into the learning programs offered by</td>
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<td>the school, including a tour of the school’s facilities and a chance</td>
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<td>to meet the staff. Finger food and refreshments will be served.</td>
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<td>Monday 10 August</td>
<td>Fun and games with the current</td>
<td>A fun morning of singing, dancing and story-telling with the current</td>
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<td>Kinders</td>
<td>Kinder class. Finishing off with a fruit platter.</td>
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<td>Wednesday 19 August</td>
<td>Teddy Bears’ Picnic with</td>
<td>A chance for pre-schoolers to become familiar with the school in a fun,</td>
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<td>(10.45 am to 11.30 am)</td>
<td>Kindergarten</td>
<td>relaxed way. Don’t forget your teddy bear!</td>
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<td>Wednesday 26 August</td>
<td>Treasure Hunt!</td>
<td>Pre-schoolers find their way around school with the help of Year 5</td>
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<td>Wednesday 2 September</td>
<td>Year 5 visit the Holbrook Early</td>
<td>A group of Year 5 students attend the preschool and interact with</td>
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<td>Learning Centre</td>
<td>children in their own environment.</td>
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<td>Tuesday 20 October</td>
<td>Literacy session</td>
<td>An opportunity for the Kinder teacher and the pre-schoolers to become</td>
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<td>better acquainted through engagement in a variety of structured literacy</td>
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<td>activities. Children are to bring their own lunch.</td>
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<td>Thursday 5 November</td>
<td>Numeracy session</td>
<td>Children have the opportunity to further develop their understanding</td>
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<td>of school through a range of numeracy activities with the Kinder teacher.</td>
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<td>Wednesday 25 November</td>
<td>Meet your buddies!</td>
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<td>school community and the opportunity for the new Kinders to meet their</td>
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<td>buddies for the following year. Buddies will then go off to play games</td>
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<td>whilst important information is provided to ensure a smooth transition</td>
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