HARRISTOWN STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th August 2016  “Towards Excellence Together”  14/16

From The Principal’s Desk

With only 3 weeks to go the pace is picking up here at Harristown State School and I’m sure there will be a mad rush to the end of term.

Parent Teacher Interviews:

The Parent / Teacher interview will be held in conjunction with the Harristown Community Expo on the last Monday of this term September 12th in the hall. Students would have brought home the Parent / Teacher forms yesterday. Please select timeslots that suit you and return this form to school ASAP to ensure you get a suitable interview time. This is a great opportunity to catch up with the class teachers and discuss how your child is progressing at school and how they may need support or extra work.

Zone Athletics:

A huge congratulations and thanks to all the students that represented our school at the zone athletics and AWD sports days last week! These students represented our school with pride and did their very best.

Surf Life Savers

On Thursday we had the Surf Life Savers visit our school and deliver some very important messages about being safe at the beach. The statistics are alarming that children who live more than 50 kms from the beach are 50% more likely to be involved in an accident or drowning. Please talk to your children about the tips they learnt today and practise these next time you are lucky enough to visit the beach.

Registering your Email to receive the Newsletter every fortnight

Don’t forget that you can register with our school office to receive the School Newsletter by email – all you need is an email address. Drop by the school Admin Office counter and one of our admin staff will gladly provide you with a simple registration form.
This week our Harristown Hero value is Respect and the behaviour expectation is ‘EYES AND EARS ON SPEAKER.’ Students have been engaged in lessons and role plays to reinforce this behaviour. The students are very good at displaying WHOLE BODY LISTENING!

Classes have also been learning about the Zones of Regulation. The Zones of Regulation is a program developed to help teach students skills in consciously regulating their actions, which in turn leads to increased control and problem solving abilities. The learning activities are designed to help students recognise when they are in different states called “zones,” with each of four zones represented by a different color: blue, green, yellow and red.

### Attendance

Our attendance this term is 89.5%. Our attendance goal is 93%. Our best days for attendance each week are Wednesdays and Thursdays. Our lowest attendance days are Mondays and Fridays. Girls are attending school for 90.2% of the time and boys are attending less on 88.8%. Our Year 6 students are leading the attendance for this term with an attendance rate of 94.7%

We only have three weeks of term left. Please send your child/children everyday as it is really important to continue the consistent routines every morning.
SILVER COIN CHALLENGE
Which class will win the prize for collecting the most 5-cent coins?

Tuckshop Roster

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- **Parents:** We have Yoplait yoghurt tubs now available for $1 each in vanilla, banana and strawberry
- Help is needed on Thursdays. Please phone the school on 46875333 or Tuckshop on 46875309 or Beryl on 46354083
- Tuckshop opening hours: 8.15am - 1.45pm Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- All orders must be in by 8.50am

Opening hours
8.30am - 9.30am
Mon - Fri

**Uniform Shop - Jenny Whittaker**

Great news!
Eftpos now available in the Uniform Shop

**Price List 2016**

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Sports Update - Mrs Williams

We are so proud of our HSS Athletics team, not only on how they conducted themselves last Wednesday, but also on the mammoth effort every student put into their individual events. We had several nervous first time athletes and several seasoned ones which helped settle the group. Every student gave their all in each event. We took our biggest team yet to compete and had a record number of students make it through to the Central Zone Team.

Congratulations to Darnell B, Riccardo B, Jack B, Tia D and Kail E for their selection in the Central Zone team that will compete on the 6th of September at the Darling Downs athletics trials.

We also had many personal best throws and sprint times.

Riccardo B - 2nd Multi, 1st 100m, 3rd Shot Put, 1st Long Jump, 1st 200m

Kail E - 2nd 80m, 3rd 800m

Jack B - 3rd 200m, 3rd 100m

Darnell R - 3rd 800m

Darnell B - 3rd Long Jump, 4th 100m

Buffy K - 3rd Discus

Tia D - 4th 200m

Our relays teams were 3rd in 12ys and 11yr boys.
**Athletes With Disability Sports - Mr H**

We were fortunate to have fine weather for the AWD Sports held at Glennie School Oval last Friday. Six Harristown State School athletes attended and competed in both Championship events and Participation events throughout the day. Athletes performed to the best of their ability in selected events such as 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and Shot Put. The team brought home many place ribbons, as well as a medal presented to commemorate the day. Jesse M and Talarah B ‘starred’ on 7 News on Friday evening. Thanks to Mrs Sander for accompanying us for the day. It was a pleasure to watch students support each other in their competitions. They really proved they were HARRISTOWN HEROES.

![Athletes](image1.jpg)

**Music Notes - Ms Muller**

Firstly - what a great Book Week Parade we had to start off Book Week! The surprise treat for all assembled staff and parents was the “whole-school” singing of a song especially written for Book Week 2016 titled “Story Country”. It was great to see over half the students dressing up for the day and there were some amazing outfits relating to the “Australia: Your Story” theme for 2016.

In other news the School Choir is growing and growing and the Harristown community will be able to see the next performance when the students open the Community Health and Wellbeing Expo in Week 10.

Our Instrumental students now have an Ensemble which started rehearsals last week with Mr Ryan and myself. This is an essential part of having students enrolled in an Education Queensland Instrumental Program.

**Library News - Mrs Watters**

**BOOK FAIR SALES**

Thanks to all the parents and students who took the time to visit our Book Fair and made a purchase (or two).

We sold $3500 worth of merchandise and were able to choose $1500 worth of free books for the children to enjoy. Please make sure your child/children comes to the library to borrow some of the exciting new books....There is something for everybody.

Once again thank you for supporting our school library... WELL DONE!!!
**Harristown State School - Little Heroes Playgroup**

This week at Little Heroes Playgroup we dressed concertina bears, created animal playdough shapes, played with toys, cars and dolls, listened to music, and tried out a new bowling set.

Next week we are stamping with animal printers and playing with musical instruments.

Come and join us at Playgroup each **Wednesday from 9.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.** in the Student Support Centre – everyone is welcome.

**NAIDOC winners for each class colouring comp are:**

- Prep CG - Crystal
- Prep JE - Maia Sneesby
- 1CM - Sammie H
- 1KW - Kate Lavers
- 2HM - Bonnie
- 2PB - Dee Dee
- 3JG - Ella
- 3JM Taylia Wyatte
- 4NH - Ayla
- 5MN - Askea
- 5KC - Mitchell Rowbotham
- 6KB - Natasha Palmer
- 6SR - Kailee

A huge thanks to Mrs. Bretz for judging the competitions and a **REALLY** big thanks to all staff, it was a fantastic NAIDOC week made possible by all your efforts.
A big thank you to the special judge, Grandma Poss.
Mrs Clare Treloar is a Teacher Librarian from Harristown High School.

Thanks Mrs Muller for the big surprise. All of Harristown singing a special Book Week song!
Community Expo PRIZES

To be eligible for the prizes you need to:
1. Attend a parent teacher interview – teacher must sign passport
2. Have 3 stamps on your passport
3. Place passport in the orange tub or give to Class Teacher – for late interviews

When: 12th September, 2016
Where: School Hall
When: 2.45 – 5.00pm

Passport

Community Expo Passport 2016
1. Must collect 3 stamps and teacher signature to go in the prize draw
2. Fill in feedback question
3. Circle the star on the passport to rate the talk relevance to you

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Tea

Prizes

Swimmers are invited to join the Glennie Gators Swimming Club.

Benefits include becoming part of the Glennie Gators community, facing practice, opportunities to improve and personal best times, have fun!

We welcome you to come along to your first club night at no charge to give it a try.

Club nights
From 5:15 to 6:30pm at the Glennie Aquatic Centre
- Tuesday 30 August 2016
- Tuesday 13 September 2016
- Tuesday 4 October 2016
- Tuesday 18 October 2016
- Tuesday 1 November 2016
- Tuesday 15 November 2016
- Tuesday 29 November 2016
- Tuesday 7 February 2017
- Tuesday 22 February 2017
- Tuesday 7 March 2017
- Tuesday 21 March 2017

Membership
The membership year commences on July 1 and concludes on June 30 each year (fees must be paid by 1 October to compete in the season)

- 9 years or older, 1st child: $120
- 2nd family member: $100
- 3rd and subsequent family members: $80
- 8 years: 50% discount
- 7 years and under: $20
- Recreational members: $70

Registration fees covers payment to Swimming Qld, Darling Downs Regions Swimming Association, admission to club nights and insurance cover for each member. Fees to be paid online at Swimming Qld.

Swimmers participating in club night only and not external swim meets.

Target Meets
Swimmers must be a registered member of Glennie Gators Swimming Club to attend these meets.

Other meets are also available, please see club website for details.

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W: theglennie.swimming.org.au E: theglenniesc@yahoo.com.au

Glennie Gators Swimming Club
The Federal Department of Health and Aging have provided the following advice on influenza management.

Flu Hygiene

“The flu virus can travel through the air when a person coughs or sneezes. It can then survive on surfaces for several hours remaining a source of infection for others. There are, however, simple things everyone can do to stop the flu spreading.

Measures to prevent the spread of the flu virus include:
• covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough;
• washing your hands regularly and properly;
• cleaning household, school and workplace surface areas;
• not sharing personal items such as eating and drinking utensils and food
• avoiding close contact with other people and staying home when sick.

Annual vaccination, good personal hygiene and protecting others through staying at home when ill are important prevention measures for influenza.”

Wash your hands

Wash your hands with soap and water and dry:
- After coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose
- After going to the toilet
- Before eating

Cover your cough

- Use a tissue to cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
- Dispose of the tissue immediately after use