

Homebush West Public School Excellence in Public Education

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Special Points of Interest

- School Spectacular
- White Ribbon day
- PSSA Thank you
- Surf Awareness
- P&C Report

Right: Our Spectacular students

Thursday

Star Factor Auditions ES1 Assembly B KM Scripture & Volunteer Morning Tea

Chess 3pm

Friday

Star Factor Auditions Catch-up Summer PSSA Ends French Class 3pm School Spectacular

Next Week

Monday

Wrap With Love

Tuesday

Award Night @MBPS

Wednesday

Playgroup

School Picnic @ Cabarita Park

Thursday

NO Assembly

Chess 3pm

Year 6 Farewell

Friday

Star Factor Talent Show French Class 3pm

From The Principal



The Schools Spectacular at the Qudos Arena at Olympic Park was an amazing showcase of young talent including 5000 students from schools across the state. It was definitely a world class event and we are very proud of our choir students who sang their hearts out and represented our school so successfully. We are very grateful to Mrs Morrison and Miss Loos for their work supporting our students in their first ever Schools Spectacular, their dedication and commitment to this event was outstanding. Congratulations also to Mr Debnam who is an integral member of the Schools Spectacular production team. It was an unforgettable experience for our students that we will endeavor to continue in the future. If you missed out on tickets the show will be aired on Channel 7 this Saturday night at 7pm.

As the term comes to a close we are all enthusiastic about the fantastic events coming up to commemorate the successful year we have shared. We look forward to Award Night on Tuesday which promises to be an appropriate way to celebrate the great learning journey of 2016. This is followed by our wonderful School Picnic. A great day of games, picnic lunches and nature walks through Cabarita Park. Our Year 6 Farewell and Graduation is shaping up to be an exciting celebration where we'll commemorate the educational journey of our Year 6 students and wish them well as they embark on the next stage of their life and learning. We look forward to seeing our valued parents and community members at these events.

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Summer PSSA

As Summer PSSA concludes this week, we'd like to congratulate all students who participated in this competition. Their dedication to training and improving their skills in their sport is commendable and they have also gained skills in team work, respect and building new relationships. Our thanks also goes to the dedicated coaches and PSSA management team for their commitment to improving student participation and supporting an active lifestyle.

Summer PSSA Coaches

Softball Senior Girls - Steve Smith







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Cricket Junior - Sam Fung

Cricket Senior - Scott Leeson



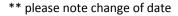
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Award Night @ Marie Bashir PS—Tuesday 6 December School Picnic @ Cabarita Park - Wednesday 7 December Year 6 Farewell—Thursday 8 December ** HWPS Star Factor Talent Show—Friday 9 December Year 6 Farewell Arch—Friday 16 December Final Day for students—Friday 16 December



Estelle Southall and Roxanne Picoaga Co-Principals











Schools Spectacular 2016

This past week Miss Loos and I had the wonderful pleasure of taking 20 students to Schools Spectacular. We had our first rehearsal of the week on Wednesday where students had their first opportunity to sing with other primary schools from NSW, including rural and remote schools. Thursday was the first time students sat inside Qudos Bank Arena and completed a dress rehearsal with the 2700 strong choir made up of primary and high school students as well as around 2500 dancers and 80 students in the orchestra. On Friday students performed in a matinee and a night performance in which it was confirmed that this year's performance had broken a Guinness World Record for the Largest Amateur Production. This was a very exciting moment. Students returned on Saturday and were highly professional singing their hearts out at both the matinee and night performance, even when it was well past their bed time.

The Schools Spectacular can be seen on Channel 7 this Saturday at 7.00pm. Mrs Morrison



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HWPS Star Factor

Did you make it into Star Factor? You don't know?

Check the wall outside the canteen for the list of entrants.

Guest Judges announced next week.

Star factor is on Friday, 9th December. It starts at 9.30am.

Ask your teacher to look at your item, for tips to improve your item.

JUDGES: Different teachers will judge your items using the same scoring formula and noting audience enjoyment.

Try your best to impress!!

All music needs to on a CD, MP3 or USB by FRIDAY this week. No music, no performance. No exceptions.

If you are singing, your music should be a karaoke version, so we can hear YOUR voice.

 $Ms \ Willmington$

Stage 1 Star factor co-ordinator







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White Ribbon Day







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Please return all library books

Library borrowing for 2016 has now finished. Please return all books to school on your child's normal borrowing day. Many thanks for your support in ensuring that our students enjoy reading a variety of quality texts. Thankyou also for your flexibility and understanding in helping us to manage our changed arrangements in the Hub.

The Library Team

Would you child like to learn to play a musical instrument?

Expressions of Interest (EOI) are now open for Musical Instrument Tuition in 2017. EOI's should be submitted via the School App. Please note that ALL students currently receiving tuition MUST submit a new EOI if they wish to continue tuition in 2017



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If you have any questions please see Mr Debnam.

Kindergarten 2017

Please enrol for Kindergarten 2017 now. Children born between 1st August 2011 and 31st July 2012 are eligible to enrol. Parents / carers who would like to enrol a child for Kindergarten next year, need to visit the school office. Please bring the following;

- **Proof of student's residential address** (E.g. original copies of council rates, electricity accounts etc.)
- Birth certificate or identity documents
- **Proof of Australian Citizenship** (E.g. Citizenship paper, Australian passport, overseas passport with visa)
- Immunisation History Statement (Only required if enrolling for first time in primary school)
- Copies of any family law or other relevant court orders (if applicable)
- Health care plan, Asthma plan, Allergy plan and Anaphylaxis plan (Can be obtained in consultation with family doctor)



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If you would like to complete an enrolment form prior to visiting the office, a copy of the enrolment form

can be found on the school website: http://www.homebushw-.schools.nsw.edu.au/downloads/School%20Information/authority to enrol 2010.pdf

Orientation Days were Wednesday 26 October and Wednesday 9 November







Last Monday, 54 students attended the Surf Awareness Course at Bondi Beach.

They were very lucky with the weather, the sun was shining and there was a cool breeze to keep everyone comfortable. The water was aqua blue and Bondi Beach looked fabulous.

During the course, the students learnt how to identify rips and other hazards of the beach. They also learnt how to enter and exit the surf safely; they rode boogie boards and foam surf boards. At the end of the day our students enjoyed making sandcastles.

The student's behaviour was outstanding and the surf life savers said that our students were so well mannered and respectful. Everyone had fantastic time learning at Bondi.





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Playgroup end of year fun; making mini gingerbread houses.



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Wrap With Love says thank you to our dedicated volunteers







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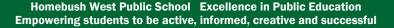


Playgroup says thank you to our volunteers





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P&C Report 2016

It's been a big year for HWPS P&C.

The campaign to purchase additional land and play space for our kids has been ongoing throughout the year with some pleasing results as the Department purchased 13 Hornsey Road and Strathfield Council agreeing to close part of Exeter Road. We continue to push for the purchase of 11 Hornsey Road.



While the school is in its building phase, it will not be possible to have a big fundraiser such as a fair/fete each year. We have, however, managed to hold a number of smaller fundraisers throughout the year. The Cupcake Days each term have been well received. Other fundraisers the school community has got behind have been the Entertainment Books (still available), Easter Raffle and Family Photos. Please look out for the Lunchbox Fundraiser note and consider buying a great product and supporting the school at the same time.

The Uniform Shop and Walking Bus is run by volunteers and organised and supported by the P&C. The money the P&C raises goes directly to the school to support learning programs and resources for all students.

To everyone who has helped throughout the year and to all who have supported the P&C by being part of fundraisers, writing emails and letters, attending meetings, volunteering on Walking Bus or in the Uniform Shop: THANK YOU! The P&C is there for all parents to have a say and is a great way to get involved in what happens at school.

We wish everyone a happy and safe holiday and look forward to another busy year in 2017. If you'd like to get involved, please email hwps.pandc@gmail.com

Karen Harper on behalf of the HWPS P&C.



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Join us on the Walking Bus

We have three keen new volunteers for Hampstead Road route so we are going strong with both Walking Bus routes.

This is excellent news but also means it is the perfect time for students to enrol to use the Walking Bus. We want all families to use the Walking Bus if their parents can't volunteer! It's lovely weather for walking and an easy way to stay active.

Hampstead Road route

If you live near Melville Reserve, Hampstead Road, Exeter Road or Henley Road enrol to use the Hampstead Road route.

Courallie Ave route



If you live near Austin Park, Courallie Ave, Mandemar Ave, Marlborough Road or in the Centenary Park Estate enrol to use the Courallie Ave route.

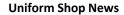
There is a map here to show where the Walking Bus goes http://wsbhwps.weebly.com/uploads/1/4/2/4/14242667/current_wb_map_2014.pdf

Please enrol your children online http://wsbhwps.weebly.com/enrol-my-childchildren.html

We look forward to welcoming new students to the Walking Bus. If you have questions please see the office, Suzanne Ellis or Chris Prouty

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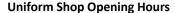




Caps are now in stock.

The Uniform shop is now fully stocked with caps. Please consider purchasing a school wet weather jacket as students are not permitted to use umbrellas for safety reasons.





Monday 8.45am – 9.15am

Thursday 2.15pm - 3.15pm

Orders can also be made through the school office.



Walking for the Heart Foundation

Come and join the HWPS walking group every Monday morning. Meet Mrs Prouty at the front gate after morning assembly. The group will walk down to the oval. This group is also Ideal for mums and bubs. Come along, meet new people and get fit!

Chatterbox Café – English Class FREE

Come and join the English Classes - now called 'Chatterbox Café - in our Media Room Tuesdays from 9:15-11:15am. Strathfield Council provides teachers and volunteers to practise your conversational English skills. Morning tea and printing resources will also be available.



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Year 6 Farewell Fundraising

Year 6 will be selling icy poles for \$1.50 to raise money for the Y6 Farewell.

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First half of lunch after eating time on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday's.

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After school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday's from 3pm until 3:10pm.



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Friday Hot Dog Orders – Last orders by 3pm Thursdays
Hot Dog Order Form
First Name:
Last Name:
Class:
Plain Hot Dogs at \$2.50 each Halal Chicken Hot Dogs at \$2.50 each I wish to order for the whole term, I have enclosed \$

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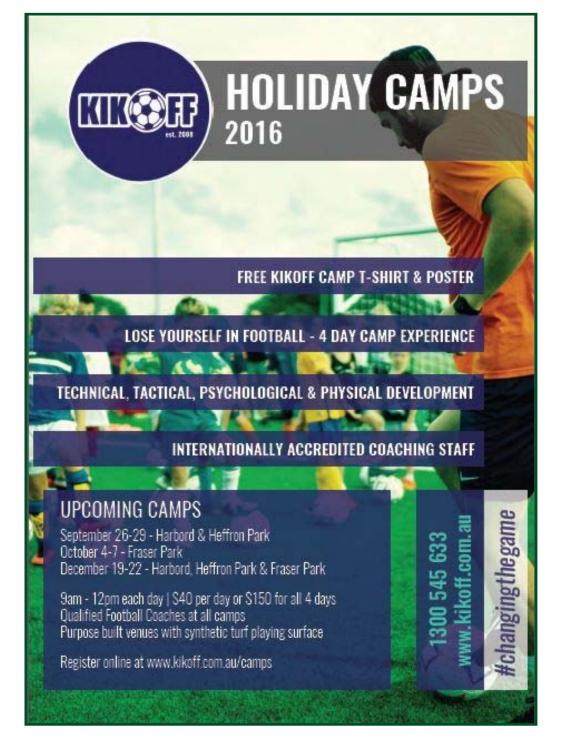
Mums in Touch Please join us to pray for the needs of the school on Friday 2 December at 9.15am in the Club Room of St Columba Church, Homebush West. Contact Chris Prouty for more information



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Happy Christmas and

A Joyful New Year

From

All of Us at Wrap with Love



Grace and Emmanuel

EasternEurope

And many more.....

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"I feel very happy and blessed that we received these blankets because ever since I started using them to cover Emmanuel, I have never heard him cough or sneeze because the blankets he received have been keeping him warm". Grace Nyirend, Kabruma village East Zambia.

Thanks to the thousands of volunteers and supporters of the Wrap with Love Project

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Wraps Delivered in 2016 so fart

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	Syria (still actuar)	2065
	Cambodia	706
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	Africa and Asia (Ulorid Vision)	10,17

The Wrap with Love warehouse will be closed from 5th December 2016 until 1st February 2017

* Our warehouse was able to respond quickly to an urgent appeal for 1000 Wraps after Cyclone Winston devastated large areas of the east coast of Fiji in February 2016 and we subsequently supplied a further 800 Wraps in a second shipment.

*Typhoon Haima was the second storm within a week to hit large parts of the Philippines in October 2016 and Wrap with Love was able to immediately provide almost 1000 Wraps for the relief of to:



A girl from Kahvuma village, Zambia

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