Holbrook Public School

Quality education for all in a secure and caring environment

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Our 2018 to 2020 School Plan Strategic Directions

Excellence in Learning

Excellence in Teaching

Excellence in Leading

Students

Staff

Parents

Community

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Welcome to Term 4, Week 5! – Can you believe we've had 34 weeks of school in 2018 and now have just five and a half weeks left? The past two weeks have been packed with great learning experiences and the next two weeks will be just as busy! Teachers are beginning to collect data for the end of year reports, and they are also planning excursions for all stages, doing professional learning and of course teaching. If an opportunity arises, now would be a great time to let them know they are making a difference. Thank you to all staff and the community for providing so many

outstanding opportunities for our students. At Holbrook Public School, we are all about the students and learning.

Combined Schools Resilience Day – The first Combined Schools Resilience Day for students in Years 5 and 6 last Friday was a huge success! Students from Culcairn, Henty and Holbrook primary schools met at the Culcairn Sports Ground for the event, which included approximately 100 students. The event was coordinated by the Local Health Advisory Committees and schools from the three towns. The guest speakers and presenters were outstanding, with Eliza Ault-Connell (Olympic, Paralympic and Commonwealth Games athlete) leading the way. Eliza shared her challenges after being diagnosed with meningococcal

Mon 19 Nov Abby Paton



disease, with an incredibly infectious, positive 'can do' attitude, which resonated with and inspired everyone in

	TERM 4, WEEK 5 DIARY		TERM 4, WEEK 6 DIARY	
Mon 12 Nov	• Public Speaking – Prepared speeches at 2:00 pm • School Council Meeting at 3:45 pm (school library)	Mon 19 Nov		
Tue 13 Nov	Public Speaking – Impromptu speeches at 12:15 pm	Tue 20 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation numeracy activities	
Wed 14 Nov	Years 4 and 4 Excursion to Canberra	Wed 21 Nov	Years 5 and 6 Excursion to Melbourne	
Thu 15 Nov	Years 4 and 4 Excursion to Canberra	Thu 22 Nov	Years 5 and 6 Excursion to Melbourne	
Fri 16 Nov	 Years 4 and 4 Excursion to Canberra Assembly run by Year 5/6 Pool for Sport 1:30 to 3:20 pm 	Fri 23 Nov	Years 5 and 6 Excursion to Melbourne • Pool for Sport 1:30 to 3:20 pm	
P&C NEWS				
Wed 5 Dec	P&C Meeting at 7:30 pm in the school library			
CANTEEN ROSTER				
Fri 16 Nov	Margot Pitzen	Fri 23 Nov	Rose Bennetts	

Mon 26 Nov Kelly Boers

the room. She even passed her prosthetic legs around the audience. The second speaker was Bec Meyers who also spoke extremely well about her journey through adversity after becoming a paraplegic. One of her key messages was that she wanted to "be the best me she can be." Matt and Sarah from the Bluearth Foundation then led an activity-based learning session with a key focus on wellbeing, mindfulness and relationships. The afternoon concluded with sessions run by the AFL and Robbie Mackinlay from Cricket NSW. Thank you to Margot and Abby who helped organise and cook the barbecue!

NAIDOC Cultural Day – On Thursday, 1 November, all students rotated through 6 Aboriginal cultural activities as part of a NAIDOC Cultural Day that was run in conjunction with the Petaurus Education Group. We were lucky enough to have five guest presenters, including Martin White (Indigenous Games), David Dunn (Tools and Totems), Owen Dunlop and Caitlin (The Stolen Generation), Paula Sheehan (Aboriginal Plant Use), Mrs Henderson (Dreamtime Stories and Activities) and Miss Freeman (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags). Students were involved in games of Marngrook during the breaks and we learnt lots about the Wiradjuri culture and language. A special assembly was held at the end of the day to recognise the students who received Proud and Deadly Awards. Special thanks to Owen Dunlop and Tessa Freeman for organising the day.





Aboriginal artist, David Dunn teaches students about Aboriginal tools and totems

Remembrance Day Service – On Thursday, we held a Remembrance Day service in the school hall. Our school leaders led the assembly and all students showed great respect. On Sunday, Amelia Pincott spoke with poise and understanding well beyond her years at the Holbrook Remembrance Day service in front of a large crowd. It is not normally part of the protocol, but the audience gave her a large round of applause, which demonstrated their appreciation of her efforts. Well done, Amelia. You are an outstanding young leader for your family, our school and community.

School Learning Support Officer – We have two wonderful SLSOs working at the school who are on contracts, however, at certain times we require short-term casuals for specific programs and leave. If you or someone you know would be interested in supporting the learning needs of a range of students, please contact Nathan at the school for further information.

Semester 2 Reports – In Semester 2, our report template will remain the same, however, for English and mathematics, the way we comment will be different. Previously, teachers have written paragraphs explaining what students can do and what they are still working towards in line with syllabus outcomes. In the end of year reports this year, we will still provide this information, however, it will be written in point form. We believe this will be easier to read and understand exactly what students are proficient in (4 - 5 points) and what areas they still need further improvement in (2 points). Reports will go home on Friday, 14 December, after which, teachers will be available for interviews at the parent and carers request.

Public Speaking Competition – Today at 2:00 pm, 14 students representing their classes delivered their prepared speeches with great enthusiasm and clarity. Tomorrow, they will entertain us all with their impromptu speeches. This is a challenging task where they are given a topic and 20 minutes to prepare their delivery. Every student in the school has presented a speech to their class, which is a wonderful achievement. Winners of each stage group will be announced at Presentation Night.

Kindergarten Orientation – This term, we have welcomed our Kinders for 2019. We have had lots of fun meeting new friends and getting to know each other. Our Year 5 students have very responsibly taken on the task of showing our pre-schoolers around and helping them with their reading and writing. We are all very excited for the year ahead.

NSW Athletics Championships – On Wednesday, 31 October, Alice Hearn and Laycii Freund competed at the NSW Athletics Championships. Both girls placed 33rd overall in their age groups for the 100m sprint. We are all so very proud of their achievements; they represented our school with grace and good sportsmanship. Well done to you both!

Nathan Fisher Relieving Principal

FUNDRAISER FOR A FARMER

Friday, 2 November saw our students and staff dress as farmers for our special Fundraiser for a Farmer day. It was a fun day with a distinctly rural flavour, including a bush barbecue, line dancing for sport and of course copious flies (albeit uninvited flies). At the conclusion of the day, we raised \$770, with which we purchased 26 hay bales and 11,500 litres of water – much needed resources for those farmers affected by drought.



Line dancing with Mrs Henderson

MELBOURNE CUP DAY ACTIVITIES

Due to a wet and heavy track, the great race was postponed until Wednesday. After much snorting, mane throwing and hoof stomping, 24 Year 5/6 horses, laden with backpack, took off for the Holbrook Public School annual Melbourne Cup. Enthusiasm was high and shouting was loud, as two laps of the oval saw number 12, Izak Schirmer, cross the line first. All horses received a handsome prize – a fruit tube. We raised \$150 for World Vision and purchased 3 Family Favourites; each pack including 2 packets of school pencils, 2 chickens, eggs and 2 packets of fast growing seeds.

YEARS 3 AND 4 CANBERRA EXCURSION

The bus will be leaving Holbrook Public School at **7:00 am** on Wednesday, 14 November, so we will require students to be at school at **6:45 am** (no earlier). Students need to bring a packed recess and lunch (including a refillable water bottle) on the first day. They will also need to bring money for lunch on the way home. You need to put this money in an envelope or clip seal bag, clearly labelled with your child's name, as we will collect it for safekeeping prior to departure on Wednesday.

The expected time of arrival back at school on Friday, 16 November is approximately 4:00 pm. If there is a significant variation to this time, we will phone the school and let them know and a message will be sent home.

We are looking forward to a fantastic excursion.

YEARS 5 AND 6 MELBOURNE EXCURSION

The bus will be leaving Holbrook Public School at **7:00 am** on Wednesday, 21 November, so we will require students to be at school at **6:45 am** (no earlier). Students need to bring a packed recess and lunch (including a refillable water bottle) on the first day. They will also need to bring money for 2 breakfasts and 1 dinner in a small wallet or purse.

The expected time of arrival back at school on Friday, 23 November is approximately 6:15 pm. If there is a significant variation to this time, we will let you know.





FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

PRE-L VED UNIFORMS IN STOCK NOW!

Summer **Sizes** Polo Shirt (short sleeve) 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16 **Shorts** 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 **Summer Dress** 4, 6, 12

Winter

Polo Shirt (long sleeve) 4, 6, 10, 12, 16 Fleece 6, 8, 10, 12 Boys' Pants 4, 14 Windcheater 4, 6, 8, 10, 12

Sport

Sport Shirt 4, 6, 10, 16 **Sport Shorts** 10, 16 Track pants 4, 6

Accessories

Hats

Assorted Tights Backpack



The Athlete's Foot Albury will support Holbrook School with \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased, donated back to our school.



STAR CARD WINNERS

Yellow Playground Star Cards Holly Hall and Justine Naughton Blue Classroom Star Cards Ned Dodds and Ada Ryan

VALUES AWARDS – EXCELLENCE

Infants: Ned Dodds **Primary:** Jack Pitzen

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS

Kaiesha Chattaway, Ned Dodds, Byron Flewin, Cooper Glass, Jim Henry, Jai Hughes, Jasmyn Hughes, Chayse Ross

BEST CLASS ASSEMBLY AWARD

This award is given to the most attentive and responsible class at assembly. The winner is:

Year 4/5

FIRST CLASS READY AWARD

Awarded to that class who has consistently been prompt when lining up at morning assemblies, and after lunch and recess. The

winner is: Year 3

TIDY TED AWARD

Awarded to the tidiest classroom.

The winner is: The Office



CLASS AWARDS

Miss Hemphill

Braxton McKillop – For great work with his sounds Lachlan Saunders – For a great story and illustrations about NAIDOC Day

Miss McLaughlin

Nathaniel Atkinson – Developing confidence in public speaking Jasper Hartwich – Developing confidence in public speaking Connor Tyndall – Developing confidence in public speaking

Miss Freeman

Lacey McKillop – Being an active participant in class discussions and improvement in reading Isaac Nisbet – Improvement in handwriting and great use of descriptive language in writing

Miss Parker

Jack Pitzen – Showing 'yindyamarra' (respect) throughout our NAIDOC Day activities

Mrs Henderson

Kaden Cheshire – Creating interesting similes and metaphors Jorja Pardey – Descriptive and creative similes ad metaphors

Miss Burton

Georgie Cardile – Commitment and dedication towards all learning tasks Reuben Wilton – Excellent recall of times tables

Miss Lavis

Lucy de Steiger – Taking pride in the presentation of her written work Molly Pitzen – Perseverance with problem solving

Mrs Wedgwood

Hayley Vankerkoerle – Her efforts to complete home learning to high standards Angus Wright – Willingness to participate enthusiastically in school activities

Mr Fisher

Justin Nisbet – Wonderfully descriptive writing!
Ella Ward – Attentive listening and excellent spelling strategies!

POOL FOR SPORT STARTS THIS FRIDAY. Don't forget your swimmers!

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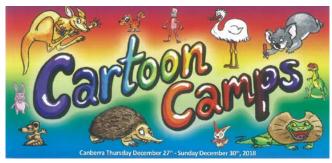






COMMUNITY NEWS





School Holiday Cartoon Camps flyers available from the office





Holbrook Library Complex

PROVIDE FIRST AID

When: Wednesday 21 November 2018

Time: from 5pm

Where: Library Complex Holbrook

Cost: Full course \$170.00 Refresher \$170.00

Refresher \$170.00 CPR \$ 70.00

Bookings and full payment essential.

The course is fully accredited, on successful completion you will receive a certificate from the service provider

> Please contact the Library Complex for bookings. FULL payment is required at this time.

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Holbrook Library Complex

Baby & Child CPR/First Aid for parents

non-accredited run by Wests Training

When: Wednesday 28 November 2018

Time: 6 pm (Approx 90 minutes)
Where: Library Complex Holbrook

Cost: \$70

Course will include CPR, drowning, choking and breathing difficulties: Allergies and anaphylaxis, Asthma, Snake bites, Fevers and rashes etc

Bookings and full payment essential.

The course is non-accredited, but run by an authorized training organisation.

Please contact the Library Complex for bookings.

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Ability to problem solve
Willing to adapt/be flexible

Optimism

focus on your strengths

> Attitude to life focus on action 'can do'

Self-belief confident & have high self-esteem Resilience

Awareness key to good communication

Emotional

Sense of humour can laugh at lifes frustrations Control (of self)

your response to circumstances/ organisational ability

Social support network of friends or family

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2018 Kindergarten Orientation Days

AVAILABLE TO ALL CHILDREN IN AND AROUND HOLBROOK WHO ARE STARTING KINDERGARTEN NEXT YEAR!

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



Date	Activity	Program
Wednesday 1 August (9:45 am to 10:45 am)	Year 5 visit the Holbrook Early Learning Centre (Holbrook Early Learning Centre)	A group of Year 5 students join the preschoolers in their environment.
Thursday 13 September (3:30 pm – 4:15 pm)	Parent Orientation Meeting (School library)	Find out about the quality teaching and learning at our school.
Monday 17 September (9:45 am to 10:45 am)	Teddy Bears' Picnic Don't forget your teddy bear! (Kindergarten classroom)	Join the current Kinder students on the oval for some playtime fun.
Tuesday 23 October (9:45 am to 10:45 am)	Treasure Hunt! (The hunt begins at the Kindergarten classroom)	Learn all about your new school, solving clues (with help from the Year 5 students), gaining some treasures along the way.
Wednesday 7 November (9:45 am to 10:30 am)	Literacy Activities (Kindergarten classroom)	Preschoolers participate in literacy activities with the Kindergarten teacher.
Tuesday 20 November (12:30 pm to 1:15 pm)	Numeracy Activities (Kindergarten classroom)	Preschoolers participate in numeracy activities with the Kindergarten teacher.
Tuesday 4 December (11:00 am to 11:30 am	Meet Your Buddy! (School hall)	Parents and preschoolers gather in the hall to find out their buddies for 2019.
Monday 10 December (2:00 pm to 2:45 pm)	Crafternoon with Your New Buddy (Kindergarten classroom)	A great way for preschoolers to have fun while engaging with their new buddies.

For more information, please call Holbrook Public School on 6036 2021.