

# The Dunkley Herald

Term 1 Week 7  
March 15, 2019



**Safe  
Respectful  
Learners**

*everyone, everywhere, every time*



## High School Enrolment

- Students in Year 6 will be bringing home their Expression of Interest form for High School in 2020
- Forms are due back to our school office by March 19
- Further information can be found later in this newsletter

## Entertainment Books

- Do you have your Entertainment Book for this year?
- These can now be ordered through the school, more information coming home with the youngest child in each family today!

## Easter Raffle

- The P&C are organising their annual Easter Raffle
- We would greatly appreciate donations of Easter Eggs to be handed in to the office
- Raffle books will be coming home with students in due course

**Mount Hutton Public School P&C**

# Easter Raffle

**Tickets just \$1 each - \$10 a book**  
**Donations of Easter eggs needed**  
**Please send donations to the office**



**All raffle tickets and money due back to school by Thursday April 11**  
**Easter Raffle will be drawn after the Easter Hat Parade on Friday April 12**

Kirstie Yeo  
Principal

Our PBL Focus is on being 'RESPECTFUL'. We always follow adult instructions.  
We are respectful because we follow adult instructions in all setting of the school.

Dunkley says, 'I am safe. I am respectful. I am a learner.'

*Everyone, Everywhere, Every time*



## High School Expression of Interest, 2020

Students in Year 6 have been provided with a 'Moving Into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2020' booklet. This booklet contains the 'Expression of Interest Form (EOI)'. The school will identify the designated local high school for each individual student based on the residential address on school record. If you have moved in recent times or have not updated any personal information since enrolling to Mount Hutton Public School please contact the school office as soon as possible.

### Non-Local High School

If your high school preference is a non-local school, parents and carers must list the preferred high school in 'Choice 1' on Page 6 of the Expression of Interest form and outline the reason for seeking placement at that school. There is also a Choice 2 and Choice 3 option for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> preferences other than your local high school.

### Local High School

If you wish for your child to attend your local high school (as indicated on the EOI form), you will only be required to sign and fill in the student information section on Page 5.

### Non NSW Government School

Students not seeking enrolment in a NSW government school next year will still be required to fill out the student information section and 'Section E' of the form.

***More information about High School enrolment can be found by visiting:***

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/enrolment/high-school-enrolment>

***An electronic copy of the EOI form can be found on the following website:***

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/documents/Moving-into-Year-7-in-a-NSW-Government-School.pdf>

**Parents and Carers MUST return the completed 'Expression of Interest' form to the school office on or before Tuesday 19 March 2019.**



## School Calendar

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8	Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21	Mar 22
		Dance Fitness High School EOIs due to office	Years 4, 5 & 6 Virtual Excursion	Assembly – Year 4 Harmony Day – wear <b>ORANGE!</b>	NSW State Election – Hall March 22 – 23
9	Mar 25	Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28	Mar 29
	ATSI Camp Year 5 & 6	ATSI Camp Year 5 & 6 Dance Fitness	Hunter PSSA Opens & 11yrs Rugby League	Disco – <i>K-2: 5:00 – 6:15pm</i> <i>3-6: 6:30 – 8:00pm</i>	
10	Apr 1	Apr 2	Apr 3	Apr 4	Apr 5
			Athletics Carnival	Assembly – Artist of the Term	Schools Cup Netball Gala Day at Charlestown
11	Apr 8	Apr 9	Apr 10	Apr 11	Apr 12
		P&C Meeting @ 6pm in the Library			Easter Hat Parade Easter Raffle Draw
Term 2 Week 1	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 1	May 2	May 3
		Students return for Term 2			
2	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9	May 10
				Assembly – Athletics Ribbons Mother's Day Stall	Mother's Day morning tea & open classrooms 9am – 11:30am
3	May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17
		NAPLAN online	NAPLAN online	NAPLAN online	NAPLAN online
4	May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24
	NAPLAN online	NAPLAN online	NAPLAN online National Simultaneous Story time – Alpacas with Maracas	NAPLAN online GRIP Leadership Assembly – Year 5	NAPLAN online
5	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31
	Year 3-6 Start Smart Workshop				Hunter PSSA Cross Country
6	June 3	June 4	June 5	June 6	June 7
				Assembly – Year 6	



# INSIDE THE DOOR OF YEAR 4



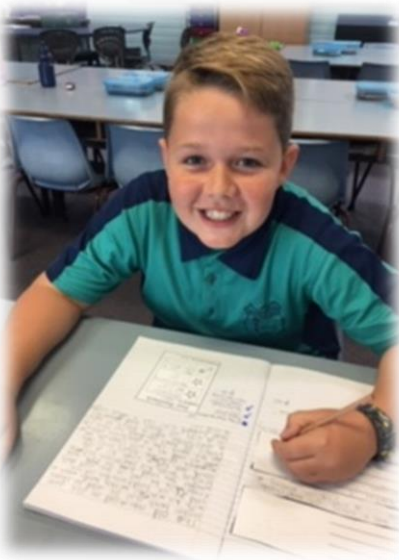
Year 4 students have been extremely creative with their writing so far this term. We have been learning to write imaginative texts with detailed descriptions. We want our readers to picture the scenes and characters the way we, the authors, see them when we are creating the story.

The old man was sad, on the near broken bench that he used to share with his wife. His wrinkly hands were as cold as ice, as he held the red rose firmly. While he sat in the cold, dark weather he could feel the feisty wind brushing across his heartbroken body. He could not find a single bit of joy anywhere inside. The lonely man's face was as frozen as icy rock. He sat on the bench like a worthless statue. Droplets of tears ran down his face like a waterfall. He was a block of sadness in a city of doom and gloom. His coat hugged him like a mother hugging a child.

By Noah D

The wind smacked the face of misery that covered the old, heartbroken man. Tears of gloom trickled down his frozen, red cheeks and down onto his wrinkled neck. As still as a statue he sat feeling the hole in his cold heart, and feeling glum and lonely on the bench he once shared joy with. Howling, bitter winter rolled through as quick as a whip, filling him with emptiness. A single flower in his hand made him think of the happiness that was once in his life. The love that had passed quicker than he could have imagined. His thick beige coat hugged him softly so that the wind, as cold as ice, wouldn't seep into his withered bones.

By Lilly G



In Personal Development and Health we have been learning about friendships, positive affirmations and strategies for facing challenges



Students determined the qualities of a great friend and identified a valued friend they have at school. They also discussed positive feelings that they have about their strengths and what makes them unique.



**Levi says Coady is a good friend because he is kind**



**Rebecca is a great dancer because she practises dancing and is always improving**



**Jacob says Sebastian is a good friend because he is always looking out for him**



**Ava is a strong netball player because she trains a lot and always tries hard**

We've also had lots of fun at dance fitness on Tuesdays...



...and we are really improving our catching and throwing skills playing Newcomb Ball for PE



Any parents/carers that would like to support learning in the Year 4 classroom please contact Mrs. Pearce to discuss ways that you can be involved. Our door is always open to our school community.



# Our Current Positive Behaviour for Learning Focus



## Follow Adult Instructions

We are:	This is what it looks like:
<b>Safe</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We do as asked the first time</li><li>• We let the teacher do their job</li><li>• We focus on ourselves</li></ul>
<b>Respectful</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• STOP – we remain calm</li><li>• LOOK – we look at the speaker</li><li>• LISTEN – we listen carefully to all instructions</li><li>• ACT – appropriately and follow instructions the first time</li></ul>
<b>Learners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We enjoy school and learning</li><li>• We focus on doing your best</li><li>• We are ready for work</li></ul>



Australian Government

21 MARCH

**HARMONY DAY**



**Dress Up Day!**

Harmony Day is a celebration of  
our cultural diversity

Wear **ORANGE** or something that  
represents your family's culture

## Harmony Day Canteen Special!

❖ Cupcakes with orange  
sprinkles - 50 cents

❖ Orange wedges - fresh or  
frozen - 20 cents

# **ELECTION DAY**

## **BBQ + Cake Stall**

**Saturday March 23 7am - 3pm**

**Egg + Bacon Rolls**

**Sausages**

**Drinks**

**Cakes + Slices**

**Volunteer!**

**Join the fun and help fundraise for  
Mount Hutton Public School P&C on  
Election Day.**

**We need volunteers to help cook and  
sell on the day.**

**Please let the P&C or school office  
know of your availability for a one, two  
or more hour shift on Election day!**



# Autumn Vacation Care Program



Holy Family, Merewether Heights,  
Glendale East and Mt Hutton  
OOSH & Vacation Centre

*To Book in  
please email  
your service  
directly on their  
email.  
We only accept  
bookings in  
writing.  
To enrol ask for  
an online  
enrolment link  
to be sent to  
you.*

## Centre Contacts and Locations operating in School Holidays

Merewether Heights OOSH–  
Merewether Heights Public School on  
Scenic Drive Merewether Heights in  
dedicated OOSH Room  
[mhts@ooshnewcastle.com.au](mailto:mhts@ooshnewcastle.com.au)  
Phone: 0412 787 605

Mount Hutton OOSH–  
Mount Hutton Public School in School  
Hall, 12 Dunkley Parade, Mount Hutton  
[mthutton@ooshnewcastle.com.au](mailto:mthutton@ooshnewcastle.com.au)  
Phone: 0431 411 758

Glendale East OOSH–  
Glendale East Public School – School Hall  
[geast@ooshnewcastle.com.au](mailto:geast@ooshnewcastle.com.au)  
Phone: 0431 860 342

Services are  
Closed from  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
April to  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
April for  
Easter Break.  
Also Closed  
on Thursday  
25<sup>th</sup> April  
2019.  
No phone or  
email will be  
answered  
while staff on  
annual leave.



# Autumn Vacation Care Program 2019



Holy Family, Merewether Heights,  
Glendale East and Mt Hutton  
OOSH & Vacation Centre

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>  
April  
Excursion Day  
  
All services  
  
Spring Loaded



Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>  
April

Merewether  
Heights &  
Glendale East  
Excursion Day  
– Reptile Park

Mount Hutton  
Centre Day –  
Art Attack

Wednesday  
17<sup>th</sup> April

Mt Hutton  
Excursion Day  
– Laser Tag

Merewether  
Heights &  
Glendale East  
Centre Day –  
Art Attack

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>  
April  
Centre Day

Easter Day  
Come and cook  
some Easter  
treats, Easter egg  
hunt and some  
Easter craft.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
April  
GOOD FRIDAY  
Centre Closed



# Autumn Vacation Care Program 2019



Easter Monday  
Centre Closed

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
April 2019  
Centre Day  
Yoga Day  
come and  
learn some  
new Yoga  
Moves!

Wednesday  
24<sup>th</sup> April  
Centre Day  
  
Come along  
to play silly  
sports!

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>  
April  
Anzac Day  
  
Centre Closed

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>  
April  
Incursion Day  
  
Silent Disco

Monday 29<sup>th</sup>  
April  
Excursion Day  
Pupil Free Day  
Kindy to Year 4  
- LEGO MOVIE  
BIG KIDS  
MOVIE -  
SHAZAM!

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>  
April  
Return To  
School

All our  
services have  
staff with 1<sup>st</sup>  
Aid, Asthma  
and  
Anaphylaxis  
training and  
we have Risk  
Assessments  
completed on  
all days.

Fees  
\*Centre Day  
\$55 p child  
\*Incursion Day  
\$70 p child  
\*Excursion Day  
\$75 p child  
With Subsidy you  
can pay as little  
as \$15 a day per  
child.



## Volunteers Needed

The canteen is still in desperate need of volunteers. We absolutely want to avoid the need to consider closing the canteen on other days of the week so we are doing a 'shout out' for extra volunteers. You don't need to commit to working in the canteen every week – it can be once a month, or once or twice a term. Any help would be greatly appreciated and all training and support will be provided. If you can help our school and our students out, please fill out the slip below and return to the office as soon as possible – forms will also be available at the office. Thank you!



## Volunteer Application Form

If you are able to support the canteen as a volunteer, please complete the form below and return it to the office as soon as possible.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name / Class \_\_\_\_\_

Phone / Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the boxes that are applicable to you:

☐ Wednesday

☐ Thursday

☐ Friday

☐ Fortnightly

☐ Monthly

☐ Once a Term

☐ Twice a Term

☐ I am only able to do the following days and times:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_