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# Hermit Park Herald

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15/11/2016

Hello everyone! It is hard to believe we have just over a month to go before the end of the year! How the weeks are flying past – each one full of celebrations and great memories for all.

## **Instrumental Music 2017**

Recently we held our Instrumental Recruitment night. It is great to see such keen interest in our award winning Instrumental Music program. Please pay close attention to the dates below regarding applications and suitability testing times to ensure your child has an opportunity to gain a spot in the program for 2017.

### Music Dates

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov  
All hire instruments for 2016 need to be handed back in to your instrumental teacher at next week's lessons.

### Suitability testing in class time:

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – Brass & Woodwind  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov – Strings  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov – Brass & Woodwind  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Percussion

## **Performers Concert**

A very big congratulations to all staff and students involved in our annual Performers Concert! The evening was extremely enjoyable with students performing in groups and also some amazing solo performances. We were all very proud to showcase the wonderful talent we have at the school through a very relaxed evening. Thank you to our wonderful parents for supporting such an enjoyable evening!

## **School Council**

Voting for the Parent member for our School Council will take place next Tuesday November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2:30pm to 3:15pm. Voting will take place in the school library.

## **Thank you Rob Messmer!**

A very big thank you to one of our fantastic parents Rob Messmer for all of his time and effort with the new scooter racks at the school. Rob sourced the materials and paint

and installed the scooter racks. They certainly look neat and classy!! Again we thank Rob for all of his time and effort!!

## **Are you leaving us?**

We are very aware that at this time of year families look at new opportunities - sometimes away from Townsville! As much as we hate to lose members of the HPSS family, to assist us with our preparations for 2017 we ask that you contact the office to notify us if you are leaving town.

## **Classes for 2017**

Towards the end of this term teachers will look at forming classes for next year. Our wonderful teachers spend a great deal of time with the makeup of these classes. Due to our size it is impossible to fulfil requests for teachers. However we do understand that you know your child best and would encourage you to discuss with your child's current teacher any further considerations.

## **Drop off times**

Just a friendly reminder that students are not to be dropped off at school before 8:15am. I have been very alarmed at the number of students arriving before this time. We do not provide supervision for the students until 8:30am.

## **Pick-up/drop-off**

Just a reminder to be patient around pick-up and drop off times. Also please obey the parking signage especially around our school crossings. The safety of our children near our roads is our number one priority!

## **Christmas Bookfair**

We are extremely fortunate to be hosting a Christmas Book Fair in our Hermit Park School Library commencing on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November till Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Opening times: 8:30-8:50am; 1:30-1:50pm; 3:00-3:30pm. EFTPOS available. This will be a great opportunity to buy some early Christmas presents for the kids - Books! Knick Knacks! Stationery Galore!

**Special Event: Parent Morning Tea!  
Tuesday 22nd November - 9-11am**

The library will be open especially for parents/guardians to purchase from our Book Fair with bargain boxes of books available first at this time only. These books are usually under \$5 with some wonderful titles available and many books only \$1-\$2. Your chance to grab some stocking fillers or Christmas gifts without the kids around your ankles!! Come in and enjoy a coffee, snack and a chat!

**Tasty Tuesday**

Tasty Tuesday is on this coming Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Our Tasty Tuesday ladies will be serving 'pumpkin scones'. If you haven't already pre-paid please bring along \$1.

**Upcoming Dates**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
21/11/16 - 25/11/16	Christmas Book Fair week All hire instruments to be handed back in at lessons
22/11/16	School Council Parent Voting 2:30pm-3:15pm School Library  Christmas Book Fair morning tea  Tasty Tuesday – Pumpkin Scones
24/11/16	P&C Meeting 6pm
25/11/16	Prep Picnic 9:30am – 11am Touch Football Gala Day
28/11/16	Futsal Gala Day Music testing for 2017 this week
30/11/16	Christmas Carols 5:30pm
05/12/16	Yr 3 Kingpin Bowling
06/12/16	Year 6 Graduation 9am-11am Year 6 Grad Dance 7pm- 10pm
07/12/16	Year 6 Big Day Out