



# Hermit Park Herald



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Dear Community,

Welcome to another week of news. This week we received notice that we can commence planning for our new Music Block which we applied for in 2013. We are hoping that we will have tenders arranged by Easter and with any luck building will occur in term 3. We expect the cost to be around \$200,000 and will provide a sound proof practice space for our instrumental players as well as a purpose built music room. As we develop plans, I will let you know.

## **Meet The Teacher Afternoon – This Wednesday Afternoon!**

Our annual meet the teacher afternoon for grades 1-5 will occur this Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. We are trialling a different time slot this year to see if it suits more families. The times are-

- Grades 1 and 2 – 3:15-4:00
- Grades – 3,4, 5 – 4:00-4:45
- Grades P, 6, 7 – these classes have already/ or about to hold individual interviews.

All meetings will occur in your teacher's room. The purpose of the afternoon is to introduce you to the goals of the school, how the classroom operates and anything unique to the class. Of course you also get to chat with your child's teacher! If you can't attend this time, of course you are always welcome to organise a time.

In early term 2, we will be organising individual student progress interviews for all grades. These meetings allow you to discuss in depth the progress of your child.

## **Tasty Tuesday – A Super Success**

Our first Tasty Tuesday was held on Tuesday just gone. Thank You again to all of our Mums led by Anna Mead for organising this great program. The first menu item was a banana smoothie and it was a hit! Our next Tasty Tuesday will be held in a fortnight.

## **Prep Levy and Paper levy**

Our prep and paper levies are currently due. If you could please assist us by paying these, it would be much appreciated. These levies allow us to provide learning programs to all of our students in lieu of purchasing textbooks.

## **Tuckshop**

Our new tuckshop is now trading five days a week. We have new operators this year and I am hearing some wonderful comments. If you have further feedback, please let us know. The tuckshop is open for Morning Tea and Lunch every day.

## **Interim Steering Committee – School Board**

Thank You to all parents who have indicated an interest in our school board. We have recently received the constitution from Education Queensland and we will now spend a few months developing a constitution that will meet our school's needs. Once this is complete, we will hold elections for the board. At this stage I am expecting these will occur in late term 2. It is a very exciting initiative which I believe we need to take slowly to enable us to get it right.

## **Save The Date for Our Family Fun Day**

Following feedback from our parents about the heat during the early part of our family fun day last year, we have moved the date into winter. Our family day will be held on Friday afternoon/ evening June 20. It will be a lot of fun!

Have a super weekend,  
Clayton and Sharon.

**P and C News****2014 Easter Basket Raffle**

This year our P&C will be holding the annual Easter Basket Raffle. Tickets will be released next week for all students to sell (one book will be sent home to each family via youngest child). This year, the P&C will be raising funds to purchase early learning reading books as well as raising money to support our new 'Learning Connections Program'. In order for the P&C to make some spectacular prize baskets, we are asking students to please donate something to their classroom for an Easter themed hamper. Items could include: tinned food, Easter eggs, vouchers, sports equipment, etc. – be creative – and remember, it might just be you who wins a prize! Nothing is too small to donate – every little bit counts! We are hoping to make at least three super hampers for prizes.

Keep an eye out next week for the raffle ticket books that will be sent home with your youngest child! Thank you for supporting the P&C in this endeavour.

**Project Old Uniforms**

Do you have any old uniforms you no longer need? The P & C would love to receive your unwanted items. These will then be sent overseas to a school community in need. Please drop your old uniforms to the office (any day) or uniform shop (Tuesday 2:45 to 3:30). Thank you for your generosity.

**Electronic Newsletter**

We will be sending our newsletter electronically later this term so if you are new to the school or have changed your email address since last year please email Karen Maher on [kmahe31@eq.edu.au](mailto:kmahe31@eq.edu.au) with your child's name and class so you can be added to our list.

**Swimming Carnival Photos**

Photos taken at the swimming carnival will be available for purchase. \$10-00 for a 5 x 7. A proof sheet will be available in the office from Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March. All proceeds will go to school projects.

**Melanoma March**

Local charity Violets and Lace is hosting their annual Melanoma March on Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The March takes place from 8:00am at The Strand, registration is \$25.00 and is available online through Violets and Lace Facebook page or for more information contact Briohny from our Outside School Hours Care on 0415 292 362. Hope to see you there. All proceeds raised go directly to Melanoma research.

**Upcoming Dates**

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| March   | 3 –Futsal Carnival                |
|         | 18 –Interschool swimming carnival |
|         | 18 – P & C Meeting                |
| April - | 1 – Inter house Cross Country     |
|         | 4 – U/12 Bill Nettle Challenge    |
|         | 4 – NQ Netball Cup                |
|         | 4 – Last Day Term 1               |
|         | 22 - First Day Term 2             |
|         | 25 -Anzac Day Holiday             |