



Hermit Park Herald



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What an amazing first term we have had and I am sure you will all agree with me that the term has flown by! From swimming carnivals to cross country tomorrow to our annual Easter bonnet parade – we have been buzzing along quite nicely. I would firstly like to thank you all for your amazing support this term and wish you all a great Easter break with your children. To our wonderful staff at Hermit Park – we thank you for another great term. We hope you have a well deserved break. Finally I would like to congratulate all of our wonderful Hermit Park students for a fantastic term. Students have been working hard in class from day one and should be proud of their efforts. I am sure everyone is looking forward to having a relaxing Easter vacation and recharging the batteries ready for an exciting term 2!

New P and C Committee 2015

Last week we held our annual general meeting for our P and C. I would like to congratulate -

President – Mrs Helen Merry

Vice President – Mr Allen Weynberg

Secretary – Mrs Alison Mayne

Treasurer – Mrs Larissa Moule

Fundraising – Mrs Gina Evennett

Tasty Tuesday – Mrs Anna Mead

Banking – Mrs Larissa Moule

Thank you to all of our new office bearers for stepping forward to assist our school. I am very much looking forward to working with you all.

Cross Country and Training

Tuesday 31st March is our annual Cross Country. Mr Cody has been busy preparing the students for the big race. We kick off at 12.30pm with our Preppies, followed by our Year 1's and 2's. Our Year 3's to 6's will commence racing at 2.00pm.

From our school cross country races we will select a Hermit Park team for our Interschool Cross Country carnival which will take place in May.

We would love to see you all there to cheer along our students!!

Easter Bonnet Parade

Our annual Easter Bonnet Parade for Prep's to Yr 2 will be held in the hall from 9.15am on Wednesday 1st April! All parents welcome to come and watch this wonderful parade! There could also be a surprise visitor...

Netball

This Thursday Hermit Park will be sending two teams to the Murray Netball courts for a round robin netball competition against other schools. Mr Cody has been working with the girls to prepare for the competition which should be a lot of fun. Parents and family members are most welcome to come along and cheer for the girls. Good luck girls - we hope you have an awesome day!

Rule of the Week

This week's rule of the week is: Be Safe- Before/After School. This includes the following -

- Depart school promptly after 3pm
- Walk bike/scooter in school grounds
- Wait inside the gate until parent collects you
- Walk safely on concrete paths

Crocs Day

Last Wednesday Hermit Park was a sea of green with our students and staff dressing up in green in support of our Townsville Crocs basketball team. Students enjoyed meeting some players and were lucky enough to get some autographs! Shawn Dennis the coach of the Crocs even took time to speak to our student council and gave them some words of wisdom about leadership. We would like to thank Shawn and the boys for taking time to visit our school. We look forward to more visits where students will be able to participate in workshops with some of the players! Go the Crocs!!!

EFTPOS in the Office

With very few people carrying cash around these days we are pleased to announce our school office is now EFTPOS friendly. This means you have another option to pay for school fees, excursions etc. at our school office. Please note however there is a minimum of \$10 per transaction and no cash out will be able to be given. Please note also that you will be unable use EFTPOS to purchase uniforms or use the facilities for the tuckshop.

Class Planning This Week

All teachers have been involved in a planning session over the past week. This planning allows Year level teachers the opportunity to analyse data and reflect on their teaching throughout the term as well as look at next term units for their classes. This planning takes place once per term and is extremely valuable to both staff and students.

Year 4 Sleepover

Last Friday our year 4 students slept over at the Hall. It was a super evening and the children had a lot of fun. Thank you to all of our parents, teachers and students for a super camp.

Tasty Tuesday

This Tuesday our Tasty Tuesday Ladies will be serving our very own Hermit Park Mess! It will be a tropical version of Eaton Mess so it will consist of a coconut meringue, pineapple, banana, passionfruit and lemon curd. All for only \$1!

Banking

Due to the public holiday, there will be NO BANKING on Thursday 1st April. Well done to Hermit Park for banking and saving a whopping \$5392 for Term 1!!!

Banking will resume WEEK 1, TERM 2 with a special reward given out to all students who bank.... so don't forget! Also there are a few super savers who are eligible for a reward! If you have made 10 deposits please make a selection from either Term 1 or Term 2 rewards and hand it into the office for ordering.

Easter Basket Raffle

Please hand in all of your Easter Basket Raffle tickets (sold or unsold) to the office by the end of the day on Tuesday 31st March 2015. The Easter baskets will be drawn at the end of the Easter Bonnet Parade on Wednesday 1st April in the hall. Due to the Easter Bonnet Parade being on in the morning there will be no normal Parade on in the afternoon. Thank you for helping to make this year's Easter Basket Raffle a success! All money raised will be put toward updating our drinking fountains around the school with coolers.

Music Theory Lessons

Music theory classes will begin next term. Classes start on Wednesday, April 22 from 3.15 - 4pm in the Library. Students will need pencil, rubber and a Grade 1 Music Theory Book by Dulcie Holland (can be purchased from any Music Store). Please bring a gold coin donation each week. Donations will be placed back into the Music Budget to help fund other musical activities in the school.

Year 5 Student Council News

The Year 5 Student Council has only been running for a few weeks and we have already started to do before-school Buddy Reading with the years Prep to 3. This has been fun for all participants.

On Thursday the school was a sea of green with a gold coin donation supporting the Crocs Junior Development Program. Inspiration was provided by the Crocs Coach as he told us to follow our dreams and how to develop leadership qualities.

The Year 5 Student Council voted for committee positions with the following results:-

President - Milla Bartulovich

Vice President - Xavier Cameron

Secretary - Jordan Kelly O'Brien

Treasurer - Georgia Dagge

Congratulations to all successful applicants and we look forward to a successful and happy year!!!

Milla

Year 6 Student Council News

The Year 6 student council has recently elected the following students to fulfil positions on the student council.

President – Isabelle Carnes

Vice President – Tully Bowtell-Young

Secretary – Lily Croker-Newman

Treasurer – Chrystal Chapman

Next term we are looking forward to the introduction of lunch time activities. Students from both Year 5 and Year 6 student council will coordinate activities ranging from various sports to art activities on both senior and junior campuses.



“We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we work, travel and live. We pay our respects to the Elders, their Ancestors and Future Generations”.