



Halls Gap Primary School

Newsletter No 16

Tuesday 25th May 2010

MAY	
Monday 24 th	Active After School – Bushwalking session 5
Thursday 27 th	Active After School – Self Defence session 6
Monday 31 st	Active After School – Bushwalking session 6
JUNE	
Wednesday 2 nd	MARC
Thursday 3 rd	Active After School – Final session Self Defence
Monday 7 th	Active After School – Final session Bushwalking
Friday 11 th	Pupil Free Day – state-wide reporting day
Sunday 13 th	Queen's Birthday Market – Centenary Hall Halls Gap
Monday 14 th	Queen's Birthday holiday
Wednesday 16 th	MARC
Thursday 17 th	SCHOOL COUNCIL 6.30PM FINANCE 6.00PM
Wednesday 23 rd	Halls Gap/Pomonal Playgroup visit 9.30am
Friday 25 th	Last day of term, students dismissed 2.30pm
JULY	
Monday 12 th	Day 1 Term 3
Thursday 15 th	SCHOOL COUNCIL 6.30PM FINANCE 6.00PM Ms Win Warren – Reviewer to meet with staff 3.30pm and Council 6.30pm
AUGUST	
Friday 6 th	Jeans for Genes Day – Junior School Council
Thursday 19 th August	SCHOOL COUNCIL 6.30PM FINANCE 6.00PM
SEPTEMBER	
Thursday 16 th	SCHOOL COUNCIL 6.30PM FINANCE 6.00PM
Friday 17 th -Sunday 19 th	State Schools Spectacular

Dear Parents

It was great to have so many school families and friends of the school come along and enjoy a bacon and egg roll last Friday. We enjoyed listening to stories about the community both past and present, caught up on news of previous students and were able to share information about the school with the broader community. Thank you to those who helped organise food, set up, cook and clean up.

Last Thursday was the May meeting of School Council. Items discussed at Council included the School Self Evaluation Report, review meeting, netbooks for purchase/lease for Years 4 and 5, current progress of buildings, the parameters for teacher driven buses on excursions and school camp for 2010. The School Self Evaluation Report was presented to Council. The report has been put together with data from across the previous four years and feedback collated from workshops with parents, students and staff. Three main areas are the focus for the report and these include Students Learning, Student Engagement and Wellbeing, and Student Pathways and Transitions. Following the presentation of the report the reviewer, Ms Win Warren will visit the school and complete the final report. The report will form the basis for the next Strategic Plan for Halls Gap Primary School. The meeting for Councillors on the 10th will **not** take place until our July meeting. Win would however encourage councillors to be part of the review day on the 10th. If you are able to participate at any stage on the day please let me know as soon as possible. Council agreed to support the purchase/lease of netbooks for students in Years 4 and 5. Parents have already indicated an interest to participate in the program. Details will be provided in the near future. The school camp for 2010 will be to Sovereign Hill – Monday 19th July to Wednesday 21st July. Students in Years 5 and 6 will have an additional camping experience as part of their 'Out There' program with schools from across the cluster.

Many people have been busy around the school throughout the past week. Tasks included supporting and assisting with sporting activities, constructing wooden seating, putting in posts, helping with the Year 4 sandwich luncheon, preparing fruit, ordering food, cooking the BBQ, helping to solve computer problems, attending School Council and I'm sure there are other tasks I have missed. Both students and staff appreciated the support everyone provides – thank you.

Have a wonderful week
Judy Hilbig



ALLERGIES

Just a reminder – we do have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis). We do ask that you refrain from sending products to school that contain nuts.

MARKETS

The fundraising committee require a volunteer to take on the role of a number of administrative tasks. These include advertising and mail outs. Please see Jill if you are able to take on this role.

The roster for the next market is attached again. At this stage we do not have any names for the various tasks on the day.

WRITING ABOUT FAVOURITE PLACES WITH FRAU STOFFEL P-3

My favourite place at home is in my game cube because it is quiet. By Ethan

My favourite place at home is my bedroom. The smell is a nice boy smell that's great and my bed has sky sheets. The wall is white and blue and my shelf is wood and my bed is made out of wood as well. I can hear the birds, I hear the cars and I hear everything around me. That's my favourite place at home. By Spencer

My favourite place at home is my trampoline.

Smell

The smell that it has is a fresh grassy smell. When it goes up my nose it tickles.

The Feel

On my trampoline it feels hard but not very hard.

The Light

The sun is shining on the trampoline, it feels nice and it makes the trampoline shine.

The Colours

There is black on my trampoline floor and there is nice green grass. There is blue on the springs to cover them.

The Sound

I can hear dogs barking.

I love my favourite place at home.

By Haylee

My favourite place at home is my bed. It is soft and furry and it has space ships on my doona cover. The ground is furry because it has little furs come out of it and my walls are white. I feel happy in my bed.

By Dylan

I like this little ledge at home that comes out of the side of my house. It has tiles that I lay on. They feel a bit rough but it doesn't bother me. The colour of the tiles is a blackish greyish colour. The sides are lots of little rectangular tiles stuck together; they are red, black, grey and burgundy. When I lay there I see the sun and smell the fresh air pushing against my face. I feel loved, peaceful and calm inside. Sometimes I do my maths, spelling or my reader there because it is quiet. By Ashlyn

At home I like just lying down in my bed. My doona is stripy and my pillow is spotty. My room is pink. I can hear birds. My room has a furry mat and smells like flowers. By Kaylee

My favourite place is my bedroom because it's warm. I can hear birds. My bed is white in the morning and in the night it is blue. I feel safe in my bed.

By Georgia F

My favourite place at home is my room because I can smell the fresh air after it has rained. I can feel my soft, warm and comfy bed. I can see my purple doona and my blue pillow case and white walls. I don't taste anything. I feel calm, safe and protected. I love my room. By Bethany

My favourite place at home is my bed. It's warm. It's a comfy place. The walls are white when I am cold I snuggle up. It has windows and doors, my doona is white. My sheet is white. I smell my lunch. I feel safe.

By Eugene

My favourite place at home is my bedroom because I can go on my D.S., go do some reading. It's nice and warm. The walls are white. There is a bed that is white as well. There is a book pile that has 30 books. There is a heater that is grey. The floor is a carpet that's grey and soft. I feel safe and warm. I can hear birds chirping away for hours and hours. I can smell the smell of corn chips when I am in there because I used to eat corn chips in there. By Henry

My favourite place at home is on the hill. It feels sometimes wet because it sometimes rains. I hear the birds tweeting. I hear the wind. I see the trees around me. I see the birds in the trees. I can smell sort of the sweet green grass and when the birds are around me I can smell feathers. Inside I feel peaceful, happy, calm and a bit safe. The colours around me are green, yellow, purple, pink, blue, red, orange, brown and a little bit of black. I love my hill because there's shade when it's hot. The grass is so sweet. There are so many birds around me in the trees. By Georgia S

My favourite place at home is my bedroom because you can hear he birds outside. It is warm there and I like to feel my blanket. It is warm there and I can smell my bed and it is colourful. I have a t.v. in my bedroom, a computer too and I have a guitar. I have a remote controlled car and I like my bed. My blanket has a dragon on it, a crown on it too. By Hayden

**WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE
PLACE?**