



# Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No12 Wednesday 8th of May, 2013

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Thursday 9th May	Active After School Touch Rugby session 2 – 3.15 – 4.15pm
Friday 10th May	Responsible Pet Ownership incursion
Tuesday 14th May	Active After School Circus session 4 - 3.15pm to 4.15pm

### ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL

**Just a reminder – we have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis). We ask that you do not send any foods to school that contain nuts.**

Dear Families,

Well, last Friday was a very exciting day as all of our students participated in the Grampians Cluster Cross Country running competition. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to catch up with friends from the cluster. I would like to congratulate ALL of our participating students. I was so proud to see and hear that our students were trying very hard. Pomonal PS played host to our younger students and, by all accounts, they had a great day. All of the senior students came to Halls Gap PS and were barracking and encouraging each other for most of the day. I know that they enjoyed our lovely playground too. We can't run these days without our parent helpers. We are extremely grateful for everything that you do – THANK YOU!!

Well done to everyone but, in particular, well done to our place getters which I have listed below:

<b>5/6 Year old boys</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Harry Farrer	<b>7 year old girls</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Mackenzie Farrer	<b>8 year old girls</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Isobel Erkelens	<b>9 year old boys</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Charlie Farrer
<b>9 year old girls</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jenna Boschen	<b>10 year old boys</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Eugene Read-Spinks	<b>10 year old girls</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Georgia Farlech	<b>11 year old girls</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bethany Farlech 3 <sup>rd</sup> ZaliLinke
<b>12/13 year old boys</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Henry Read-Spinks 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sam Linke	<b>12/13 year old girls</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Haylee Hutchins		

The Cluster Athletics are just around the corner (the 27<sup>th</sup> of May) and, for those of us who are experiencing our first athletics (parents of prep students, new families and new teachers,) Frau Stoffel is going to conduct an information session on Monday morning. For those of you who have not participated in the Athletics sports before or who would just like some "refresher" information, please stay after assembly. It should only be a 10-15 minute session.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Halls Gap PS Fundraising Committee is still seeking membership from its school community. Dannielle Hutchins is the School Council representative on the committee but we are also looking for some enthusiastic members to support her in her recommendations to School Council. There will be a meeting next Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> of May at 2.45pm in the school's library. This will be just a quick meeting to get an idea of numbers and an information session for new members.

Acting Principal  
Ja-San Trimble

It is Education Week from Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May – just some little clues about what we will be getting up to during that week ..... Firstly, one day getting up and getting dressed will be the easiest it has ever been for school. Secondly, some of our fluffy, furry and scaly little friends will be very happy. Thirdly, sensible shoes required! See if you can guess what might be happening during that week.



**Earn and Learn is Back!**



Don't forget to collect your stickers when you shop at Woolworths!

After the great success of Earn and Learn last year we are collecting stickers again. You can bring your stickers into Miss Mac or put them on the sticker sheets provided just outside the reception area at school. Thanks for your support!

**Payment Reminders:** Please remember school fees are now due, if not already paid (detailed as subject contributions on statements). **Computer Lease payments are also due for all grades 4 – 6. Thanks very much.** BPAY details have been activated by the school, if you wish to pay school fees via BPAY please contact Sue at the office for your biller code and reference number.

Each month Halls Gap Primary School writes an article for the local publication "Fill The Gap & Pomonal Too." The organiser of the newsletter is wanting to wind down her involvement so if anyone is interested in taking over or helping out please come and ask at the school about how to contact Carolyn.

OTHER DATES FOR THE CALENDAR	
14 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN testing for Grade 3 students
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Education week begins
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Black Ranges Division Cross Country
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Cluster athletics
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Choir at State School Spectacular rehearsal in Melbourne
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Report Writing – PUPIL FREE DAY
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Choir at State School Spectacular rehearsal in Melbourne

### SCHOOL VALUES

Please discuss these on a regular basis at home as a family

- Honesty  
Being true to yourself, family, friends and teachers
- Persistence  
Being confident, resilient and optimistic when striving to meet challenges
- Humour  
To enjoy and celebrate with others
- Initiative  
To contribute ideas, be flexible and demonstrate leadership
- Commitment  
Being dedicated to do your very best
- Teamwork  
Working with and sharing with others to enhance learning for everyone
- Respect  
Treating self, others and your environment with care and respect.

