**NEWSLETTER**

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Respectful, Responsible Learners
Term 1 Week 7 – Thursday 13th March, 2014

**From the Office…**

Playground Work: On Monday, 17th March, work will begin on restoring the pathway and drainage in Crecy playground. The work is scheduled to take two weeks, weather depending. During this time the whole of Crecy will be unavailable for use as a playground and the gate at the overbridge will be closed. Students who would normally enter through this gate, will be able to cross the bridge, walk along the footpath on the highway and enter the school near the Greenhouse.

Student Absences:
Department of Education Attendance Policy states:

1.2 All students who are enrolled at school, regardless of their age, are expected to attend that school whenever instruction is provided.

4.1.2 Parents are required to explain the absences of their children from school promptly and within seven school days to the school.

Please provide in writing to your child’s teacher, reasons and dates for absences.


School Photographs: Just a reminder that school photos are on Monday 24th March. Envelopes have been sent home. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Skoolbag: Our Skoolbag app is up and running. To install it, just search for our school name "Hazelbrook Public School" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.

*Maree Cairns*

Relieving Principal
Thank you to all those who attended our AGM. We now congratulate;

Sophie Williams – President
Sarah Pearson – Treasurer
Secretary – Sharon Ellicott
Vice Presidents – Danielle Wilding Forbes and Kim Heckenberg
Canteen Treasurer – Liz Smith
Canteen Convenor – Jay Cooper
Uniform Convenor – Cheryl Griswold
Executives – Ric McConaghy and Naona Stewart
Rewind Co-ordinator – Tina Thornhil
Garden Festival Co-ordinator – Danielle Wilding Forbes
Greenhouse Convenor – Carolyn Dance

Kiss and Drop

We are working on better signage and arranging Council Rangers to come to the zone to better equip our volunteers in making the traffic flow. It is better if you can organise to get there between 3.10pm and 3.20pm as this avoids congestion. Also please remember to not get out of your car as this also adds to the congestion. The volunteers are there to help your kids get into your car safely.

Walkathon- Wednesday April 2nd

Walk to raise money for technology in the classrooms
Great prizes including an iPad Mini for the most money raised.
Fun activities and a sausage sizzle for lunch.
Sponsorships sheets coming soon. Keep an eye out.
If you are able to assist on the day contact Michelle at michelle.ellerton@bigpond.com

Enjoy your week

Sophie
hazelbrookpandc@gmail.com

Canteen Roster and News:

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Positive Behaviour for Learning

Each week a student or teacher is recognised for being a respectful, responsible learner. When students or teachers receive a ‘PBL Bee’ they put their Bee into the hive outside of 1-2L. On Thursday mornings the hive is raided and a winner is drawn.
The winners have their photo recorded for posterity in the PBL on display cabinet outside the Stage 2 classrooms.
The winners for the week are:

Jai Thompson KH
Sophie Boyes 1-2G
Alexandra Howie 3-4HP
Sofia Dedovic 5-6J

PBL Rule of the week:
I am RESTPECTFUL if I listen to my tutor and play my instrument at the right time.

UNIFORM SHOP

P&C website: http://www.hazelbrookpandc.org.au

Shop Hours: Every Wednesday, 8.40-9.15am
Open first Saturday of the month
during Term 10-11:30am

Contact: hazouniforms@gmail.com
Cheryl 0419 416 212
Hazelbrook Woodford Garden Festival turns 30

Jump on board this year’s festival committee and help make it fabulous. First meeting will be Wednesday 26th of March. We are always looking for new energy and ideas. More importantly we love new members to our team. For more information call Danielle 0413 846 563 Or Danielle@mmnc.org.au

REWIND – 2014

After many late nights and hours of brain storming, the committee have come up with the theme for this year’s Rewind, see if you can guess what it might be.

Here’s a hint:

They’re creepy and they’re kooky, Mysterious and spooky, They’re all together ooky, The Addams Family. Their house is a museum Where people come to see ’em They really are a scream The Addams Family.

Got it yet? Not quite. Okay here’s one more clue for you:

Just sit right back and you’ll hear a tale, A tale of a fateful trip That started from this tropic port Aboard this tiny ship. The mate was a mighty sailing man, The skipper brave and sure. Five passengers set sail that day For a three hour tour, a three hour tour.

I know you have all got it by now, Hazelbrook’s night of nights is all about the small screen. So put your thinking caps on and start trawling through the archives to come up with an original idea. Come on your own, as a couple or as a group. Book your baby sitter for the 21st of June now as this is strictly an adults only evening.

Ticket information will be released shortly, as always this will be a night of fun, laughter and dancing so start planning your outfit and get your group organised. Don’t miss out on this chance to see the world famous Rewinds live in concert.

Keep your eyes peeled for more information as it is released, the committee looks forward to seeing you all on the night.

Next Rewind committee meeting: Friday 14 March at 9.30am, in the small hall.

Hazelbrook Public School Library

News off the shelf!

Please visit our school library webpage http://hazopslibrary.weebly.com/

Here you will find great resources for students and access to websites in the school teaching and learning program. Here students can;

- register for the Premier’s Reading Challenge
- log into Studyladder, Healthy Harold, Bug Club and Lexile
- access Britannica encyclopaedia online
- visit author webpages and engage in interactive learning games

explore, discover and be inspired!
Miss Bec Hopson
Teacher Librarian
Residents of the Blue Mountains will be able to have their cats and kittens microchipped for free during April 2014. A joint initiative of Blue Mountains City Council and the RSPCA NSW, the free service will be available at the RSPCA shelter in Katoomba and at participating vets throughout the mountains.

Microchips identify your pet as belonging to you. They help Council, the RSPCA and local vets to reunite lost or injured pets with their owners as quickly as possible. Microchips won’t hurt your cat. They last for the life of the cat and can’t be lost like collars and ID tags. And they help reduce the number of cats that have to be rehomed or euthanased because their owners can’t be found.

The free microchipping service will be available from 1-30 April at:
- Council RSPCA Pound Katoomba 4782 2674
- Katoomba Veterinary Clinic 4782 3273
- Wentworth Falls Animal Hospital 4757 3255
- Mid Mountains Animal Health Centre Lawson 4759 2655
- Selwood House Veterinary Hospital Hazelbrook 4758 8990

The service is only available by appointment and only to Blue Mountains City Council residents – proof of residency must be provided.


There’ll be a lot of people going batty down at Katoomba Falls soon, but don’t get into a flap about it.

The 3rd annual BatNight on Friday 21st March down at the Katoomba Falls Kiosk will be filled with fascinating fun with furry, flapping flying foxes and interesting, intriguing investigations of insectivorous indigenous microbats.

Often maligned in movies or perceived as a pest, they are essential to the functioning of our ecosystems. Due to a wide range of threats, mainly from human interactions, many bats are listed as Threatened or Vulnerable Species.

Local ecologist, Marg Turton, helped by BM Conservation Society, has organised another BatNight to celebrate and educate about these captivating creatures and debunk a few myths.

Come along any time between 6:30 – 9:00pm on Friday March 21st, rain or moonshine. Bring the family. There’s something fascinating for everyone and it’s FREE.

Please try to arrive a bit later if your kids aren’t really young, to allow the littlies more space earlier.

For any enquiries, ring the Batphone at National Parks on 4787 8877.