**School Calendar**

**TERM 1**
- **Friday March 27th**
  - Schools’ Earth Hour
- **Saturday March 28th**
  - Election Day Book Fair
- **Tuesday March 31st**
  - Drumbeats
  - Parent / Teacher Interviews begin
- **Wednesday April 1st**
  - Easter Hat Parade
  - KH Parent / Teacher Interviews
- **Thursday April 2nd**
  - End Term 1
- **Friday April 3rd**
  - GOOD FRIDAY

**TERM 2**
- **Monday April 20th**
  - School Development Day
- **Tuesday April 21st**
  - Kindergarten – Life Education
- **Friday April 24th**
  - Easter Hat Parade
  - ANZAC Assembly
- **Saturday April 25th**
  - ANZAC Day
- **Monday April 27th**
  - Footsteps begins
- **Tuesday April 28th**
  - School Photos
- **School Photos Friday May 1st**
  - School Cross Country
- **P&C Meeting**
- **Tues–Thurs May 12th – 14th**
  - NAPLAN
- **Friday May 15th**
  - District Cross Country

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**From the Principal…**

**Election Events at Hazelbrook PS**
If you're voting at Hazelbrook PS this weekend, lend your support to Hazelbrook P&C who are conducting several fundraising events, including a Sausage Sizzle. Also being held on the day (in the Small Hall) is a Book Fair – so drop in, and have a look.

**Earth Hour**
Official Earth Hour is on Saturday March 28th. The school shows its support with Schools Earth Hour this Friday. From 11:30am, all non-essential lights and electronic devices will be turned off and shut down.

**Easter Hat Parade**
The school Easter Hat Parade is on Wednesday April 1st, and pending weather, will be conducted on the school Quadrangle (under the COLA).

**Drumbeats**
A note about the Drumbeats in-school event has been sent home with students. The program and performance is on next Tuesday, March 31st. If your note and performance/activity payment is still to be returned, please send in as soon as possible.

**National Young Leaders Day**
Seventeen of the school’s student leaders attended the National Young Leaders’ Day event at the formerly named Sydney Entertainment Centre. They were part of an audience of thousands of students from around the state who listened to some great speakers. All our students showed themselves to be wonderful representatives of Hazelbrook PS. Well done!

**Futsal**
Congratulations to our two teams who participated in the Penrith District Football Championships. Both teams played some outstanding team sport!

Additional congratulations to our junior team who won their final (and so are Penrith District Champions) against Mamre Anglican College, 4-2. Thank you to Mr Dance who coached the boys, and to all parents who were able to support the teams.

**Parent / Teacher Interviews**
Parents and Carers have received their notes offering interviews on student progress. The interviews will be conducted in the week beginning March 30th. The note requested parents / carers to make a request for available times.

**Events Early Term 2**
There are some events to be aware of for Early Term 2, with a couple of notes and packages to be distributed.

- **School Photos**
  - School Photos are on Tuesday April 28th. Information packages are being sent out.
- **Footsteps**
  - The opportunity to participate this well reviewed program is again available. Footsteps Dance will begin with our classes on Monday April 27th.
  - Information is being sent home this week.

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**Mr D Nosworthy**
**P and C Report**

**Garden Festival 2015**

The preparations are about to begin. The first garden festival meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 1 April at 7:30pm** If you are able to help on the committee this year, please give me a call on 0466 537 239 or email me on kschorahmccarthy@gmail.com

Thanks, Kathleen

**Election Day BBQ 28th March**

We are in need of helpers for the Election day BBQ. These usually raise about $1500 for our school and are a great way of getting together as a team. If you are available please email me at pendraithe@hotmail.com

Cheers!

Danielle

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

**New Price List out Now!**

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

**Shop Hours:**
Every Wednesday,
8.45 - 9.15am
1st Saturday of the month

**Contact:**
hazouniforms@gmail.com
Cheryl 0419 416 212

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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.

This week’s winners are:

- Dorothy Grzonkowski  KH
- Maddison Lowe  1-2F
- Kellsey Kerek  3-4K
- Charley Sussman  5-6D

**PBL Rule of the week:**

I am RESPECTFUL if I use good manners

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**LOST PROPERTY**

Lost Property can be located at the top of the internal stairs to the library. At present it is overflowing with lost clothing and hats.

If your child is missing anything please ask them to check or feel free to visit and check for yourself.

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**Allergy/Childhood Diseases Alert**

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support in minimising the risk of exposure to foods containing eggs and all types of nuts. Our children who suffer from allergies appreciate it.
Canteen Roster and News:

Reminder: All Hot Cross Bun orders are due in tomorrow, Friday 27th March.

Check out our facebook page for updates and new information: Hazelbrook Public School Canteen.

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On Monday the 23rd of March some students from HPS went on an excursion with Mrs Field to participate in the National Young Leaders Day in Sydney. The students were the leadership team (Luke, Holly, Mitchell, Jordan, Davy, Amielle, Oliver and Jemima) and house captains (Asha, Sam, Evelyn, Sabian, Cassandra, Khy, Clay, Eli and Tegan). Mrs Kustro also volunteered to come and help out on the day. We arrived at Hazelbrook train station at 6:25am for the train to Central Station. When the train arrived everyone got on the train and prepared for the long journey to Central. On the train we all had conversations, played technology, read books, told jokes and looked out the window at the interesting things. When we arrived at Central Station we had a toilet break and then continued to McDonalds for some breakfast. When we arrived at the Qantas Credit Union Arena we sat in our seats and were given a “Get Started” booklet in which to write our thoughts, comments and questions. When the event started the presenter welcomed all the young leaders and students who were attending, and told us to write our thoughts in our books every time a new speaker came. They played ‘thinking music’ as we wrote in our books.

Then she introduced Mike Martin from the Halogen Foundation to the stage. He talked about how the “young leaders” would learn new leadership skills through the event and he told us how you’re not born with leadership skills and how you can develop them over time, even as we move into high school. He told us how stories and science work together in some ways. Then he answered a few questions and before he left he introduced the next speaker - Mike Baird the NSW Premier.

Mike Baird introduced himself and then told a few stories. He told a story about how you can achieve more than you can imagine and never give up. He then talked about his cat, I know it’s kind of off the topic but at the end the story was about courage and caring for the people around you.

Then Bindi Irwin (who is more scared of bees than crocodiles or tigers) told us to always have a passion for life and learn as much as you can – Never Stop Learning! She also showed movies of her dad wrestling with crocodiles. We all enjoyed her presentation.

After that, Rachel Leahcar told us everyone is different and you need to just be yourself. She said that you must never give up when people say no because no just means not yet, and that it’s Ok to be different from other people and difference is a positive thing when you follow your passions.

Some highlights included Bindi Irwin’s presentation, listening to Rachel Leahcar (The Voice finalist) sing an amazing song in French and having a group photo taken with her afterwards, watching the talented Voice Kids artist, meeting the makers of the movie Paper Planes – Dylan Parker and James Norton, and throwing paper planes with close to 8000 other students around the arena! Mrs Field was glad we didn’t have to pick them all up afterwards.

It was a fun excursion meeting famous people and learning how to be a better leader. We hope we can show everyone at school that we are great leaders and learning every day.

By Asha and Davy