



# Holland Park State School

## NEWSLETTER 20th October 2017

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

23 Oct	Music Fest Calamvale Community College
24 Oct	Year 3 Raw Art Incursion
25 Oct	P&C Meeting
28–29 Oct	P&C Camp out
30 Oct 3 Nov	Year 6 Camp
30 Oct	Book Fair Commences
30 Oct	Life Education Van Arrives
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## SCHOOL RULES

### Our School Rules are:

- **Be safe**
- **Be responsible**
- **Be respectful**

### Staying safe Around School Buildings

- Walk, not run, on hard surfaces
- Stay off stairs and verandas before school and at play times
- Move quickly and quietly to line up and sit down when the 'end of play' bell rings
- Walk bike/scooter in and out of the school grounds

## 5C TIP OF THE WEEK

### Courtesy

- Say 'sorry' if you hurt someone by accident Say 'excuse me' to pass in front of someone

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Cavendish Road High School's Awards Night

I was very happy to be invited this week to Cavendish Road High School's Awards Evening and to present some prizes. I have been doing this over the last number of years and it has been part of a partnership between the two schools that has grown significantly more in depth in terms of engagement. Over this time two things have become apparent. Firstly, Cavendish Road High School has become the school of first choice for a growing number of our families. Indeed 76 of our year six students will attend our close neighbour next year. The other thing that is apparent is how prominently, our students feature in the annual awards night. Many of students received awards for the full range of academic, sporting and cultural pursuits the school has. It was also great to see students as part of the very high quality strings, percussion, concert and jazz groups who featured on the night.

### Music Fest

A big thank you to Mr James for coordinating the choirs who sang at the P&C's market night this week. No doubt too, the parents of our band members will be at Calamvale Community College on Monday night to support the senior band when they take part in Musicfest. Thank you to Mr Bryer for organising.

### Reading and How You Can Help

The explicit teaching of reading remains a key focus for every teacher of our school. There are five "keys" to reading that are worth keeping in mind when reading with children at home:

\* **Phonemic Awareness:** This is the knowledge of and the ability to manipulate phonemes, the smallest distinct sounds.

\* **Phonics:** This is the study of the relationship between sounds and letter symbols.

\* **Fluency:** The ability to read accurately, quickly and expressively is about the relationship with how fluently one can read and the level of comprehension is very strong.



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONT'D

\* Vocabulary: These are the words that children need to know in order to comprehend and to communicate. We normally talk in terms of first and second tier vocabulary where the first tier simply comprises the words and their synonyms that describe our world. Second tier vocabulary are the words which enable us to manipulate our language effectively. These are words such as, "compare, contrast, generate and classify."

\* Comprehension: This occurs when students can extract meaning from written text using their knowledge of words, concepts, facts and ideas. When reading with children at home, it is a good idea to go beyond the simple decoding of words and how they are pronounced and ensure that children are keeping up with the author's main ideas and purpose. This often requires the reader to infer and get meanings that are unstated and exist "between the lines".

**Anthony Gribbin**  
Principal

## MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

### Healthier Happier and Safe Workplaces

Wellness is more than just our physical health—it's about our overall state of wellbeing that enables us to live and function at our best. A lack of wellness affects many Queenslanders. The Queensland Healthier, Happier, Workplaces initiative supports employers to create a work environment that:

- Improves the health and wellbeing of employees
- Increases business productivity
- Enhances workplace culture

A goal of our Health, Safety and Wellbeing Committee is to implement effective programs and access a wide range of resources for our staff to better integrate healthy lifestyles and employee wellbeing into the workplace culture at Holland Park.

Safety of staff and students is a major focus for the committee. Walkie-talkies have been purchased to provide quick response to critical incidences occurring in the playground. Recently our new digital two-way radios (walkie-talkies) proved to be a vital link in the chain to a successful outcome when we had an incident on the oval. We were able to quickly advise all the necessary people around the school, including the office staff, of the emergency. Having these devices at our school provides us



with a professional private secure communication system that means an immediate response to any problem anywhere on the school campus. Each teacher on playground duty is equipped with a walkie-talkie, which allows them to communicate with the office staff and other teachers on duty by simply pressing a button and talking. Also, students can easily find teachers on duty in the playground, as they are wearing bright fluorescent jackets. They carry some essential first aide items to attend to minor injuries as well as an EpiPen for emergencies and student medical information cards. All of this has made our playgrounds a safer place to be for both staff and students.

### The Joy of Reading

Everyone knows that reading is important, but have you ever asked yourself why that is so? I asked some year one students why they liked reading and what helped them learn to read. This is what they said:

"I like how books entertain us. We can read books when we're bored or feeling down. I like reading in groups for phonics because they are there to help us. We learn words with our friends and our phonics teacher. We also play games with words to help us learn how to read. I like how books help us learn. Today my group read about castles and we learned more. We might know something but reading books helps us to learn more." **Grace**

"I think books are interesting because you learn new words if you want to write a book one day. Some books are adventures and some are procedures. My parents help me learn to read and in reading groups you can read in your head and with partners and by yourself but I like to read with a partner because you get heaps of feedback that helps you work on something to improve." **Pippar**

"I like to read because we get to learn about the world. I read a book about volcanoes. I learnt that when they erupt they make space for the dirt." **Victor**

## MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

"I like books. They are very interesting. I'm reading a book about Paddy Mills at home. There are twenty-one chapters and I'm nearly finished. I learnt to read by sounding out words. When I learnt how to sound out words I started by looking at the letters and sounding them out and blending the sounds together. Now I only have to do that for the hard or big words because I know lots of words." **Lachlan**

"I learnt to read when older people read to me like my mum and dad so I could read along. I like books because they teach us things we never knew." **Sam**



Mem Fox, who is a reputable children's book author and retired Associate Professor of Literacy Studies from Flinders University, South Australia, provides parents with some very sound advice. She recommends that parents read the stories that their children love over and over, and over again, and always read in the same 'tune' for each book. The number of books read to children is important. When they are learning to read they need to hear at least three stories a day. It could be the same story three times or three different stories. Very importantly, children need to hear a thousand stories before they can begin to learn to read, or the same story a thousand times. The time spent reading with your child on a daily basis can bring so much enjoyment for yourself and your child and will help them to develop a lifetime love of reading.

**Julia Whittaker**  
**Acting Deputy Principal**

## ★ ★ FROM THE SCHOOL LEADERS

My name is Isabelle D and my role at Holland Park state School is Student Council Representative. Some of the things I do in this role include going to meetings to consider ideas from classes to improve the school and raise money for charities. I help out on the fundraising days to collect money and I give out stamps for Active School Travel. Sometimes I even help with announcements on assembly. I really enjoy my role as Student Council Representative because it's fun and I get to talk to lots of students from different classes and grades. I have made new friends in the meetings and I get to contribute ideas to continue to improve our school.

**Isabelle D 6NA**  
**Student Council Representative**

Hi, my name is Joshua S and I am one of the Holland Park State School Wilson Vice-House Captains for 2017. I love my job as a sport captain because of all the leadership duties I get to take part in with Mr Walker and the other house captains such as Active School Travel, sports shed and sports carnivals. I like being a good role model setting a good example for all younger students at Holland Park State School. I encourage people to have a go and to do their best in everything. Being a leader has been a very good experience for me and has given me a lot of confidence. I am proud to be a 2017 Vice-House Captain.

**Joshua S 6SE**  
**Wilson Vice-House Captain**



## CURRICULUM NEWS

### School Based Moderation

Next week, our classroom teachers from Prep to Year 6 meet to engage in school-based moderation. This occurs at a 'Twilight Meeting' which runs from 3.30pm-6.00pm. Moderation is a process by which teachers engage in a professional discussion about how evidence in student work demonstrates at, above or below the Australian Curriculum achievement standard for the year level. It also involves collaborative decision-making about assessment criteria and expectations for grading levels before marking begins. This process ensures quality assurance is in place for students to receive fair treatment with regard to assessment processes. Teachers moderate recently completed pieces of assessment from English and maths and if time permits other learning areas. Our teachers compare judgements to either confirm or adjust the assessment pieces. The process involves close collaboration between teachers to establish a shared understanding of what student achievement across a variety of standards looks like. Teachers work towards making judgments that are consistent and comparable.

**Michelle Smith**

**A/Head of Curriculum**

## SCIENCE CLUB REPORT

On Wednesday 11/10, Isabella F, Eilidh K, Kiri B and I attended science club at Cavendish Road High School. The teacher taught the Holland Park State School team and 6 other teams about the world under a microscope.

The first thing the teacher said to us was "Every living thing is made from cells." Cells are the building blocks of all organisms and are invisible to the naked eye. He taught us about Anton Van Leeuwenhoek, a Dutch tradesman and scientist and the inventor of the first microscope. He then taught us about different microorganisms and how to use a microscope. After that he gave us dirty water samples and let the students look at them using a microscope. The students saw multiple different microorganisms. He then gave us a test on how materials looked through a microscope. It was one of the most fun things I've done in a while.

### Eli M5/6 AW

Ever thought of going to Venus? Well think again...

On Wednesday, the members of the Science Club learnt about our atmosphere. We learnt that Venus is almost entirely made up of CO<sub>2</sub>. In other words, carbon dioxide. Humans would not be able to survive in this environment.

Don't worry if you have no idea what I am talking about. You will learn all you need to learn at Science Club. Science Club is an amazing opportunity! You might not be the smartest in the grade or the best scientist in the class but Science club is open to any hard working, persistent students that enjoy learning! So, if you need an opinion, personally, I think Science Club is a phenomenal experience and a massive head start in learning! If you get the chance take it!

### Isabella F 5GO

Staff and Students are invited to participate

Remembrance Day Service

To be conducted on 99th anniversary of the first Remembrance Day

**Saturday 11th November 2017 10:15 for 10:30 start**

at

Memorial adjacent - 58 Arnold Street, Holland Park

Refreshments will be served on conclusion of service approx. 11:05am

## CLASS 5KO ARE HOODWINKED AS BUSH KIDS

On Wednesday 11 October I travelled with Mr Olive and 5KO students to visit Pullenvale Environmental Education Centre. The Environmental Education Centre teaches students about the environment by immersing them in exciting stories about people and their strong connections to place. On the day of the excursion year 5KO students became part of the historical story 'Hoodwinked' that they had studied in their classroom. During the day the students had to unlock clues as they participated in the recount of the story 'Hoodwinked'. Students role played a group of children who lived in a small farming community in Pullenvale in 1897 and attended the one teacher school. Students stepped back in time wearing historical costumes and participated in a historical classroom setting through dramatic role playing.

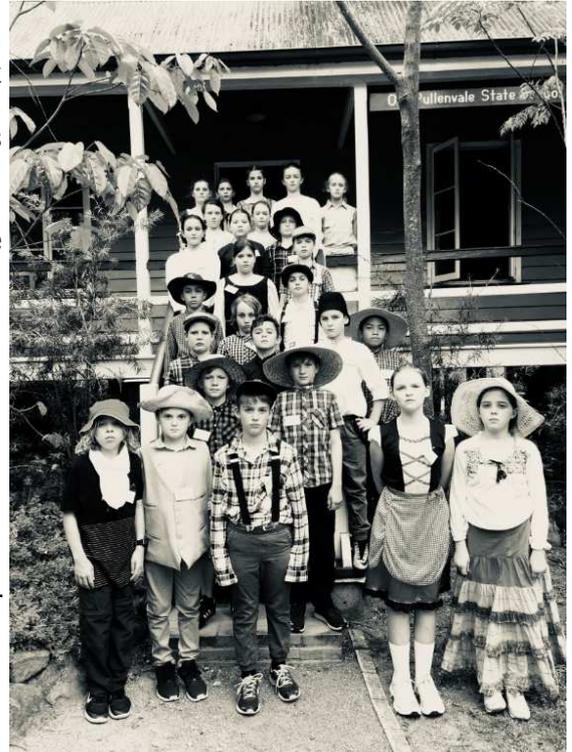
The excursion provided opportunity for enhancing writing skills when the students did a bush walk to the local creek and reflected on what they experienced at the creek. Creative and critical thinking skills were developed as students unlocked all clues from the narrative 'Hoodwinked'.

Year 5KO students were well prepared for this visit and the Community of Inquiry approach as they followed the established protocols. Such as:

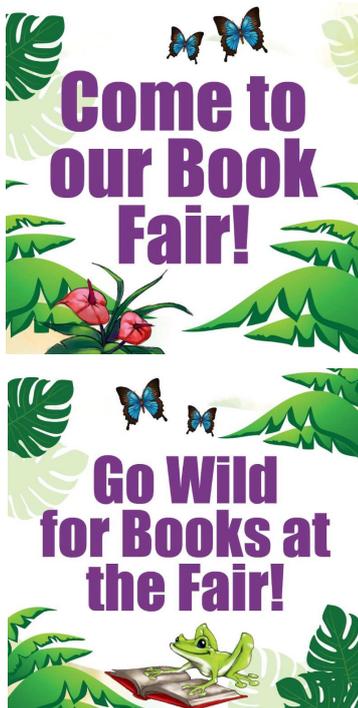
- Listen Attentively
- Respect self, others and place
- Build on Ideas of others
- Disagree reasonably and respectfully
- Confirm there may be many correct answer

Year 5KO students should be congratulated for their excellence behaviour at Pullenvale Environmental Centre.

**Gail Young**  
**Gifted Education Mentor**



## LIBRARY MATTERS



### **Book Fair 2017**

Students will be given a promotional flyer by their class teacher to take home next week.

### **Preview Days**

**Tuesday 31 October – Friday 3 November**

All classes will be scheduled for a 'preview session' where they get the opportunity to compile a 'wish list' of items they may like to purchase.

### **Buying Days**

**Monday 6 – Friday 10 November**  
**8.00 am – 4.00 pm**

**Payment methods:** Cash, cheque (made payable to Holland Park State School), EFTPOS, credit card (Mastercard and Visa)

## COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

### 1. Student Absences

We would like to ask parents when they call the office, email or via QParents to advise of a student absence, please let us know the reason for that absence. All these absences must be entered onto One School; to complete the process a reason must be entered.

### 2. Finalising Prep Enrolments for 2018

Please bring your 2018 Catchment and/or Sibling prep enrolment forms into the admin office as soon as possible. If you already have siblings at school, remember to bring an original birth certificate or passport with your application. For new catchment enrolments, please don't forget to bring a birth certificate or passport and proof of residency documents with your application. If you have any queries regarding enrolments, please don't hesitate to contact me.

## FINANCE

**A friendly reminder that the Finance office is located under the administration office. Please visit the Finance office for any account queries, returning permission slips and payments.**



## SWIMMING CLUB NEWS

### Friday Night Club

We welcomed a number of friends for "Bring a Friend" night and hopefully everyone enjoyed themselves. We also had a few more families sign up for the season, which is fabulous.

The results from Friday night are on the website. The results always show your time, your place in the event and also any time improvement. Swimmers are encouraged to check their times to see if they have qualified for the 50m events. Times required are in the Handbook and also in the nominations folder.

The order of events for this coming Friday are:- 13m/25m/50m Breaststroke, Backstroke, Butterfly, Freestyle and 100m Breaststroke being the special race for the night. Nominations for club night need to be in prior to 5.00pm Thursday.

The Roster for the first half of the season is available on the website. <http://www.hollandparkswimclub.com/>



### Canteen News

Sushi will be back on the menu this Friday.

On Friday the 27th we will have some Halloween treats and members are encouraged to come dressed up – but no face painting.

### Most Improved at Club Night

The club wishes to acknowledge the great improvements in times achieved by swimmers throughout the season. Each week we shall list the swimmer who took the most time off their previous best swim for the season. The following children will be presented with a "Treat Voucher" for the canteen (only 1 voucher per child per week) Friday night's most improved were:-

13 October 2017 – Club Night 2

STROKE	Swimmer's Name	SECONDS IMPROVED
25m Freestyle	Murphy H	6.29
25m Backstroke	Nicholas P	6.75
25m Breaststroke	Jade S	3.90
25m Butterfly	Curtis H	2.51
50m Freestyle	Curtis H	4.87
50m Backstroke	Archie M	3.38
50m Breaststroke	Toby J	2.92
50m Butterfly	Meg P	2.95

## SWIMMING CLUB NEWS CONT'D

### 3 Way Twilight Carnival

The nominations form is at the pool for the 3 Way Carnival our club will be hosting on the afternoon/evening of Saturday 11th November against Cleveland and Norman Park State School Swimming Clubs. Racing starts at 3.30pm and the carnival runs for approximately 3 hours. This season our club will only host one meet. The club is hoping for maximum participation from our members. There is 1 heat, per age group, per event, so Holland Park can have 2 swimmers for each event. Swimmers 9yrs and under swim 25m events and 10yrs and over swim 50m events. There are also multi age medley and freestyle relays. Sometimes if numbers are low in age groups, girls will be allocated to boys events or swimmers are required to swim up an age group.

## P&C NEWS

### Active School Travel

**Next week is 'Ride safe to school' week!** To celebrate, on Wednesday we will have some prizes on offer for students who bring their best cycling or scooting safety gear. We will meet at Mott Park from 8.00am for a play and chat in the park, before handing out prizes and heading off safely to school at 8.30am.

*Bring your friends!*

### This Week's Top 5 Winners



### Oval Camp Out - Sat 28 & Sun 29 Oct

#### **Ticket sales ON NOW!**

Jnr		Snr	
1LS	71%	6JC	83%
2CS/ 2PS	64%	6KD/ 6SE	81%
1SR	50%	3AM	63%
1MG	32%	5EB	59%
1SB	30%	3MC	48%

Login at [www.school24.net.au](http://www.school24.net.au) and select "Camp Out" from the EVENTS section to book your site and purchase your tickets. Remember that you'll need to make your payment using a credit card as you are not able to use your tuckshop balance to pay for event tickets.

Site Fee: \$15.00  
Child: \$10.00  
Adult: \$20.00

Email list of attendee names to [HPSSCampOut@hotmail.com](mailto:HPSSCampOut@hotmail.com) once you've paid for your site and tickets.

If you haven't already received it, ask your Class Parent Rep for your copy of the CAMP OUT GUIDELINES.

See attached flyer for details.

### Fathers Day Stall - 2017

The results are in for our Fathers Day stall and we are pleased to report a profit of \$3,112, even after GST!

Thank you to parents and teachers who supported the stall and to the volunteers who helped with the gift wrapping and selling of items.

## P&C CONT'D

### Planning Ahead...

#### 2018 P&C EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Are you thinking about putting your hand up for an Executive Member role next year? You have plenty of time to think about it, however if you let us know you're considering it, you can speak directly with the existing member and find out what is involved. If you would like to find out more about our P&C Executive roles for 2018, please email [pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au).

Executive Positions:

- President
- Vice President (existing member retiring)
- Vice President, Communications (existing member retiring)
- Treasurer (existing member retiring)
- Secretary

#### 2018 FETE CONVENOR

We are currently looking for a person to lead volunteers in putting together the Fete of 2018. Last year's convenor has kindly offered to be on hand for 'hand-over' and will act as 2IC to the new convenor. If you are interested or would like more information, please let us know by emailing [hpssvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:hpssvolunteers@gmail.com)

#### OTHER 2018 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Thank you to those who have already put their hand up to convene fundraising events in 2018. We still have a few gaps to fill. If you are interested in being a convenor or would like to assist the convenor for any P&C event in 2018, please email [hpssvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:hpssvolunteers@gmail.com) for more information.

### Can YOU make a difference?

The P&C needs new Executive Committee members for 2018:

- **President**
- **Vice President** (existing member retiring)
- **Vice President, Communications** (existing member retiring)
- **Treasurer** (existing member retiring)
- **Secretary**

Find out more about any of these roles by emailing [pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au](mailto:pandc@hollparkss.eq.edu.au) for details.

The current P&C Executive will be able to provide templates and resources and are always on hand to provide support.

Nominations will be taken up to the AGM in March 2018.

*Download your nomination form from the P&C section of the school website by clicking on the "Membership Form" link.*



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w: <https://hollparkss.eq.edu.au/Ourcommunity/PandC>

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## BAZIL grumble CREATIVE ARTS EXPERIENCES DRAMA CLASSES

### Shining Stars (Prep to Year 2)

Held in **The Music Room**

From **3.10 — 4.25pm** every

**Monday** of the term from **9 October**.

### Masterclass (Years 3 to 6)

Held in **The Library**

from **3.10 — 4.25pm** every

**Monday** of the term from **9 October**.

Confidence, communication, interaction and imagination. Practical presentation and public speaking skills.

**ENROL NOW ONLINE!**

**LIMITED PLACES**

[www.drama.bazilgrumble.com.au](http://www.drama.bazilgrumble.com.au)



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## HPSS OVAL CAMP OUT 2017

3pm Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October - 10am Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October

### **BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!!!!**

Come join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual HPSS Oval Camp Out!  
This will be the biggest and best Camp Out yet!! We have more space and better facilities, so book a site for your family and friends for a fun night of "roughing it" on the new and improved School Oval. No iPads!!!!!!

Dinner and breakfast provided

Limited sites – first in-best dressed!

Site Fee: \$15 (includes a bag of marshmallows)

Adults (12+): \$20

Children: \$10

Buy your tickets... Credit Card ONLY via your

Online School24 Account

Simply go to "CAMP OUT" in the Events sections

Once booked, please email [HPSSCampOut@hollandparkshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:HPSSCampOut@hollandparkshs.eq.edu.au) with names of adults and children attending, if any!

Any queries to: [HPSSCampOut@hotmail.com](mailto:HPSSCampOut@hotmail.com) or Kristian Leach 0466658366



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