PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to another week of news from Heathcote PS!

I would like congratulate all the students in Grade 2-6 who took part in the Combined Cross Country Run with Holy Rosary Primary School on Friday 20th April. It was so great to see everyone trying their best and putting in the effort to finish the race. Well done everyone! A big thankyou also to all our parents who came along to encourage the students.

On Wednesday 23rd May, there will be a group of students who will now go on to compete against students from other schools in the Division Cross Country in Bendigo. Qualifying students will receive a note next week outlining the details.

Kind regards,

Cindi Bruechert
bruechert.cindi.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

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SCHOOL CROSSING

We have had a number of reports of our students crossing the road in a dangerous manner both at the beginning and the end of the day and also many students who are not using the designated crossing area to cross the road.

We will be speaking to all our students about keeping safe when crossing the road and we will be showing them how to use a school crossing in the correct way.

We would also ask that all parents take great care when moving in and around the school car park and that everyone obeys the 40km per hour limit along Herriot St during school hours. This will help ensure that our children stay safe.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Friday 4th May
Mother’s Day Stall Working Bee Any helpers will be appreciated 2.00pm—3.00pm

Fri 4th - Sun 6th May
Harold Baigent Art Show All students will be entering work into the Art Show

Thurs 10th May
SAKGP Committee Meeting All interested parents welcome 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Friday 11th May
Mothers Day Stall Helpers will be very much appreciated 2.00pm—3.00pm

Wednesday 16th May
School Photo Day Photo ordering envelopes attached to today’s’ newsletter

Tues 15th - Thurs 17th May
NAPLAN Testing for Years 3 and 5 students

Wednesday 16th May
School Council Meeting 5.30 pm

Mon 21st - Fri 25th May
Education Week - We will be running lots of different activities for students and families

Monday 21st May
Twilight School - Day starts at 12.00pm and finishes at 5.45pm with a Sausage Sizzle

Wednesday 23rd May
Division Cross Country Competition Students who’ve qualified will be notified shortly

Wednesday 23rd May
Student Leadership Conference in Bendigo A team of 10 students will participate

Wednesday 23rd May
Information Session for 2013 Prep Parents All families welcome to attend

Friday 25th May
Whole School Excursion to the Discovery Centre Leave school 11.45am Return 3.00pm

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CIVICS AND CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Congratulations to our Civics and Citizenship Award winners for this week:

**Miss O’Neill’s Grade**
- Dakota Delmo
- Bradyn Ferguson

**Mrs. Parry’s Grade**
- James Pringle
- Josh Comer

**Mr. Morris’ Grade**
- Aiden Taleb
- Ryan Comer

**Mr. Clayton’s Grade**
- Imogen Nixon
- Liam Wallwork

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Mrs. Parry’s** grade who were the winners of our **Attendance Champions** trophy this week.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photo Day is Wednesday 16th May

The photo ordering envelopes are attached to today's newsletter.

Extra envelopes for ordering **sibling** photos are available from the Office.

Photo orders can be returned to the Office before the 16th May. We will group them by classes ready for the photographers.

*All payments go directly to Advancedlife Photography. These orders are not processed via the school. Please select a payment method that suits you from the options available from “How to order School Photos” letter from Advancedlife Photography.*

PARENTS CLUB INFORMATION

**2012 Elections**

Our annual Parents Club Elections which were held last Friday. We would like to congratulate the following parents for being elected to the these important roles:

- **President** - Michelle Edwards;
- **Vice President** - Jodie Koeleman;
- **Secretary** - Mary Beedle.

**Mother’s Day Stall**

We will be holding our Mothers Day Stall Working Bee on Friday 4th May at 2.30pm. We would love as many helpers as possible.

LIBRARY NEWS

All library books borrowed during term one are overdue and should have been returned to school before the holidays. Please check your shelves and return books immediately. Lost book notices will be issued next week. Please make my job a little easier, as issuing notices wastes the time I need to get new titles on the shelves for our students. Thank you.  *June Gleeson*

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Woolworths Earn and Learn is back for 2012. From the *May 9th until the July 1st* when you shop at Woolworths you can collect stickers from the checkout operator and place them on sticker cards. There’ll be one sticker for every $10 spent. Once the sticker card is completed, they can be placed in the collection box at school in the Office foyer.

These stickers will go towards providing valuable re-sources for our school. Your family’s sticker card is attached to the newsletter. If you happen to fill it, there are more available from the Office.
AROUND THE COMMUNITY

A Farewell B.B.Q. for Keith & Carol Chambers is to be held at the Redesdale Hall on Saturday, 5th May @ 6.30 p.m.
*Ladies bring a plate of sweets please.
All Welcome.

Reduce your electricity bills by installing solar
Session following CoGB Community Forum
A community based non for profit organisation helping to promote a sustainable future.
www.goldfieldssolarhub.org.au
More information phone:
Colin 0417 561 903

SECONDARY COLLEGE PLACEMENT PROGRAM

INFORMATION EVENINGS
Wednesday 9th May

- Bendigo South East College
  7.30 pm — Year 8 & 9 Neighbourhoods

- Crusoe College—Kangaroo Flat
  7.30 pm — Year 7 Neighbourhood

- Eaglehawk Secondary College
  7.30 pm — Performing Arts Centre

- Weeroona College
  Bendigo
  7.30 pm — Performance Centre

HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY HOUSE IS HAVING A STALL AT THE BUSHMARKET
On the 5th May
WE’RE GOING TO BE SELLING STACKS of SADDLES
As well as heaps of other terrific goods
If you want to have a look at the saddles prior to the Market give us a call and make a time

Heathcote Community House is running a Responsible Serving of Alcohol Course
Thursday 17th May
6.00pm—10.00pm
Cost: $70 per person
Call 5431 0930 to book a place
Every year our student's artwork is entered into the Harold Baigent Art Show which is organised through the local Lions Club. Here are some of the entries our Junior Unit students will be entering into the art show this year.