HALDON STREET FESTIVAL
SATURDAY 23 AUGUST 2014
10am-4pm HALDON ST, LAKE MB

Dear Parents,

I want to tell you of a great forum/parent workshop that we had last Tuesday. We asked where you would like the school to be in three years’ time. In what areas can we improve? We need to open our communication channels so we can disseminate as much information as possible to each other.

So the first thing I would like to talk about is the amount of leave students are taking from this school. Education in Australia is an extremely high priority. There are 202 school days in a year and we need all students to be present for as many of those days as possible. So if you are going overseas for any reason please keep your trips confined to the school, holidays. Also if you are travelling overseas BEFORE YOU BOOK YOUR AIRLINE TICKET, come and see one of the executive staff (including me) and we can outline what is the best alternative for your child. This is very important.

Another very important thing is if you are overseas and won't be back in the first week of school but are intending to return you MUST tell the administration staff so your child can be counted in the census for the following year. Again this is very important. Thank you to the parents who attended the forum and thank you for your great input.

I will be on leave from 1st September until the 8th October. Mr Pearce will be in the Principal's chair while I am gone and Mrs Ullo will be continuing in her role as relieving Deputy Principal. I wish you great success for the rest of the term.

Terry Fisher
Principal

Flu season is here!

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.
They have been leaning about the weather and at the observatory learnt how to measure the temperature and wind speed. Students learnt how to read weather maps and even how to read low and high pressure systems. They looked at the weather on the day they were born. It was a fun day full of learning and sight-seeing in the city. Both students and teachers had a great day of learning.

Sydney Observatory Excursion

Stage one and the Support Unit went on an excursion to the Observatory in the city.
Kinder Farm Excursion

Kindergarten students went on an excursion to Golden Ridge Animal Farm on Wednesday 13th August. It was a very exciting day for our students, parents and teachers. The students, parents and teachers had the opportunity to explore and experience a real working farm. The students happily cuddled baby ducklings, chicks, rabbits and fed milk to a kid (baby goat) and a lamb (baby sheep).

One of the most exciting moments on the excursion was milking the cow. “It felt squishy and warm”. You can find more photos on our school homepage ‘Farm Excursion’.

PSSA Soccer

The PSSA Senior Boys Soccer team played their semi-final of the Wiley Park Zone PSSA Competition on Friday 7th August 2014.

The boys played well and tried hard but were beaten 4-0 by Earlwood Public School.

Congratulations to all boys involved, as well as the Junior Boys team, on a wonderful season and we look forward to you all coming back and playing next year!

Mr. Brown - PSSA Soccer Coach
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On Saturday the 23th of August, HPPS will be proudly participating in the Haldon Street Festival. This is a perfect opportunity to celebrate a day of Respect, Unity and Peace with teachers, students, parents and the wider community. We need as many students, teachers and parents to participate in showing off their HPPS pride during the street parade at 10am and we encourage you to watch the school dance group at 11.20am.

When: Saturday 23th, August. We are meeting at 10 am for the parade and 11.20am to watch the dance group.
Who: Teachers, Students & Parents .
Where: 31 The Boulevarde, Lakemba (In front of Olympics Hardware Store (across the car park).
Dance group: performing at 11:20 am to 11:30 am.

Location of where our meeting point will be:

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