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Newsletter 10 November 2022

Up and coming events			
Event	Year	Date	Note Due/Cost
Intensive Swim Scheme	1, 2, 3 and 4	Mon 7 Nov to Fri 18 Nov	
Milsons Island Camp	Year 5 and 6	Mon 21 Nov to Fri 25 Nov	
Cockatoo Island Camp	Year 3 and 4	Thur 24 Nov to Fri 25 Nov	Final Balance Due 10 Nov
EHS Orientation Day		Tuesday 29 November	
Dance Assembly	Dance Groups	Wednesday 30 November	Parents welcome 2 pm
Thank You Morning Tea		Thursday 1 December	
Inflatable Reward Day	K - 6	Thursday 1 December	TBA – No charge
Charity Shield Year 6 vs Staff		Friday 2 December	
Year 6 Mini Fete		Friday 2 December	
Presentation Ceremony		Thursday 8 December	
End of Year Movie Day	K - 6	Friday 9 December	TBA
Year 6 Farewell	Years 5 and 6	Monday 12 December	
Year 6 Fun Day to Luna Park	Year 6	Tuesday 13 December	
Gally Rewards Day	K - 6	Thursday 15 December	
Last Day of Term 4 for students	All Students	Friday 16 December	Last Day of Term 4
Staff Development Days		Mon 19 and Tue 20 Dec	

This newsletter is published fortnightly, the next on Thursday 24 November 2022

The next assembly will be tomorrow Friday 11 November 2022 – 2 pm in the hall

Class Awards – Academic Achievement Award

K: **April K:** for confidently writing short texts and starting to include compound sentences!!

Amelia W: for using different strategies to read tricky texts in class

1/2: **Jensen S:** for working very hard during writing tasks to write neatly and form his letters correctly

Annabelle M: for engaging positively in writing sessions

2/3: **Eva P:** for using Focus on Feedback to improve her writing

Harper T: for working hard and focusing on improving her writing

3/4: **Lincoln M:** for setting and achieving personal goals during times table challenges

Anja M: for applying learnt spelling rules to her daily writing tasks

5/6: **Thijs E:** for showing his thinking when solving challenging problems in maths

Clara R: for effectively using her knowledge of factors to solve complex problems involving BODMAS

Positive Behaviour Learning Awards (PBL)

K: **Olive B:** for being a strong learner by taking on feedback to improve her learning!!

1/2: **Jack T:** for engaging positively with the Zones of Regulation in class

2/3: **Andy O:** for being a strong learner in the classroom

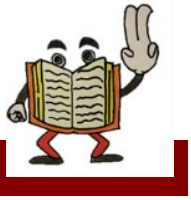
3/4: **Penny K:** for being a respectful and strong leaner

5/6: **Alyssa P:** for having a positive attitude that brightens our classroom

Read and Discover Awards (RAD)

100 Nights (Silver Award): Charlotte T; Riley M

200 Nights (Platinum Award): Olive B



Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL) Awards

50 Gallies: Neave T; Audrey S; Harper T; Jayda T; April K; Conor S; Heath S; Rose D; Lucia P; Alyssa P; Abbey J

100 Gallies: Archie M

Principal's Address

Dear Parents and Carers

Term 4 is always such a busy time of the year, please keep a look out for SkoolBag alerts, yellow notes in bags and the newsletter happenings! The weather has been super great, our students have been out on the oval which is fabulous. Please pack an extra drink bottle or refillable drink bottle for those hot days and remember to pack a hat for sun protection.

COVID Update

COVID-smart measures continue to be in place at HPS. These measures include:

- Staying home if unwell and/or showing any symptoms
- Using Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) when showing symptoms or exposed to COVID-19

This week extra RAT kits will be sent home to support symptomatic testing with two RATS per student.

Curriculum Reform 2022-2023

Our staff are currently engaging in significant professional learning for the implementation of NSW Government Curriculum Reform that begins in 2023. This requires time off class for teachers to engage in professional learning and planning. Our staff are really excited with these changes in English and Mathematics. Our school is lucky to have a consistent casual base made of long-term casuals and our part time teachers which helps with consistency. When teachers are off class, the expectation is that the teachers leave work that would generally be taught by the regular teacher. Our students and staff are very good at managing this to ensure consistency in routine as much as possible.

Throughout Term 4 teachers will be engaging in curriculum reform days and STEM integrated units this term and we have tried to book casuals on the same class for consistency and teachers will provide the day's plan. This is significant reform that will benefit teachers and student 2023. We know it is disruptive on top of all the "Term 4 camps and extra curricula" but just like to let you know what is happening behind the scenes.

Staff Long Service Leave Term 4

Mrs Dowling this week is on leave and being replaced by Mrs Nguyen and Mrs Bender. Mrs Davis will be on leave Monday 21 November and Tuesday 22 November and being replaced by Mrs Bender. I am on leave from Monday 5 December to Monday 19 December with Mrs Rodwell replacing me and Miss Nunn relieving as Assistant Principal.

Mobile Dentist

The NSW mobile dentist was well attended by more than half the school. The school will have the mobile dentist attend annually.

PSSA Ball Carnival 2022

The school had 70 students attend last week's PSSA Ballgames Carnival. It was great to see our students working in teams doing captain ball, tug a war, tunnel ball and under and overs activities. There was great school and team spirit, with everyone encouraging and cheering each other on. Thank you to the Year 3 - 6 teachers for coordinating and practising, and office staff and the sporting committee for organising the mammoth behind-the-scenes paperwork. A great day was had by everyone.

School Leaders 2023

Our nominations for school leadership in alphabetical order are follows:

Boys

Patrick D; Archie M; Hudson R and Patrick T

Girls

Milla B: Gabrielle B; Caitlyn R

The speeches will be conducted **Wednesday 16 November 1:15pm in the hall**. Parents and carers are more than welcome to attend.

Swim Scheme 2022

Our 60 students are undertaking the Swim Scheme this week and next. The progress and improvement in their swimming over this period is significant. It is tiring work, but our students and staff are doing it so well.

OC Applications for Year 7 Selective High School Placement 2024

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2024, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address-not the student's email address. Detailed instructions on how to apply and the link to the online form will be available in early October 2022 at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7. Applications open on 18 October 2022 and close on 16 November 2022. You must apply before the closing date. You must submit only ONE application for each student. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 4 May 2023.

Kind Regards - Vanessa Gordon Principal

Administration News

Milsons Island and Cockatoo Island Camps

Thank you to everyone for paying your final balances for camp and for those who are using a payment plan please continue to make payments. Both camps will be held during Week 7 so please look out for final information notes next week.

Excursion/Incursion Notes

With the end of year fast approaching, there will be a few more notes for end of year activities. As per the new DoE policy our permission notes are extremely lengthy. Please check them over carefully and make sure you have signed, ticked and circled where necessary. We find we are sending home many notes for missing information and at this busy time of the year it is very time consuming.

Prue King

Rebel Sport Community Givebacks

Rebel Community Givebacks is a program designed to allow sports clubs and schools to earn instore credit at Rebel to purchase essential sporting equipment and teamwear. Registered sports clubs and schools are rewarded with 5% back on sales linked to a member or student who is a Rebel active member. **We have recently collected from their Erina store eight soccer balls. Please see picture below.**

How does our School earn credits?

You need to sign up to be a Rebel Active member instore or online at www.rebelsport.com.au/account/register and head to our local store to link your account to our school.

If you are already a Rebel Active member, you simply need to head into store and link your account to our school.

What is the benefit?

By joining you will enjoy a range of great benefits such as exclusive member offers and access to VIP experiences, rewards, and competitions. In addition, when you link your membership to our school, it ensuresthat EVERY dollar spend is helping to support our school.

School News

Southern Central Coast PSSA Ball Games Carnival

Last Friday, Mrs Papps, Miss Trudi, Miss Forest and myself had a fantastic day at Frost Reserve with Stage 2 and 3 for the Southern Central Coast PSSA Ball Games Carnival. All the students participated in a range of events, including Captain Ball, Tunnel Ball, Over and Unders and Tug of War. Our Junior Boys Team was successful in not only qualifying for the finals in Over and Unders but WON the final. The Senior Boy Tunnel Ball team qualified for the final but unfortunately the final was not finished due to time constraints. Mrs Papps and I both saw some outstanding displays of sportsmanship from all the Holgate students. It was a fabulous day for everyone who attended.

Ms Davis

Outstanding Sportmanship	**Snr Boy Tunnel Ball Finalists**	**Jnr Boy Over and Under Champions**
Jnr Boys - Kayden L	Eden M (c)	Benji B (c)
Snr Boys - Patrick D	Darius K	Charlie M
Jnr Girls - Eva Pa	Hudson R	Kayden L
Snr Girls - Milla B	Patrick D	Riley M
	Finn P	Jake S
	Thijs E	Jack G
	Archie M	Jasper B
	Rubedo P	Toby A

Swim Scheme

This week many students from Years 1 - 4 have embarked on two weeks of swim scheme at Gosford Pool. The students were excited to start the week and have already shown improvement in their swimming. They are all having a great time while learning and improving their swimming at the same time. We are all looking forward to doing it again next week.

P & C News

The annual and very much loved 'Holgate School Quiz Night' went off with a bang on Friday 21 September.

A great turn out with a record-breaking amount of money raised through the P&C for the kids at Holgate Public School.

As is now tradition, each of the tables had a dress up theme with the Wild West, I do I do I do, Onesies, 70's plus the Holgate Hippies, the Mad Hatters, Famous Couples, Halloween and Grandads making for a very colourful and rowdy night.

Two new Holgate/Matcham Quiz masters; 'the Ninja' and 'the Yakuza' kept the questions flowing over seven tricky rounds with two suspicious 'elderly ladies' marking the scores and not taking any nonsense from the crowd. Mixed in with all the questions were the classics including toss the coins at the bottle, last person standing and the much-anticipated paper aeroplane flying competition where physics met creativity and the trophy bounced from one Roder to another. Lots of friendly family rivalry going on there.

A big thankyou to all of the 20 sponsors that helped raise the bar again with prizes for the best dressed, at least four rounds of raffles and an auction rounding off the night (a big thankyou to guest auctioneer Stephen Gittoes).

Thank you to all of our local sponsors who helped to raise over $7500.

Big shout out to all of the local businesses who supported us:

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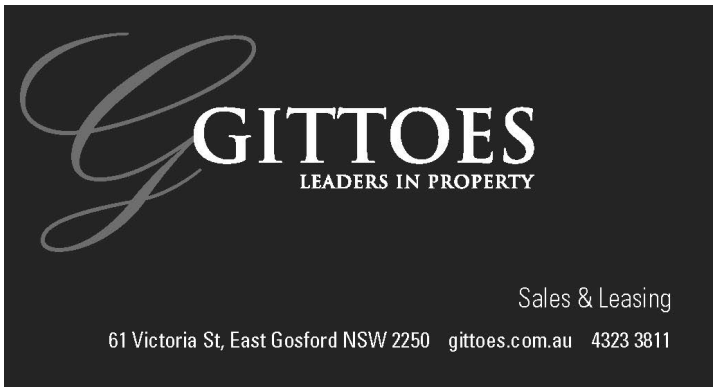
Bamboo Buddha
Wyong Milk Factory Tavern
Nimka Pure Collection
Superior Locksmiths
Alkira Preschool
Fires Creek Winery
Beautiful by Lex
Bohemian Traders
Distillery Botanica

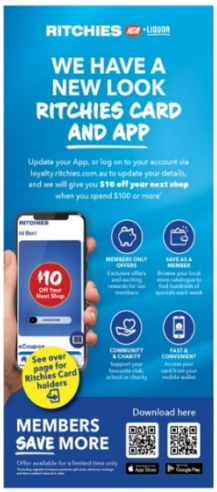
You all made it super special!!

Thank you also to all the team from the P&C for the huge effort in putting on this event and raising funds for a dream cover over the basketball court.

If anyone would like to help in this great cause please contact us or come to our P&C meetings which are open to all at the Holgate school between 7PM - 9PM on the first Monday of the month throughout the school year.

Holgate P&C

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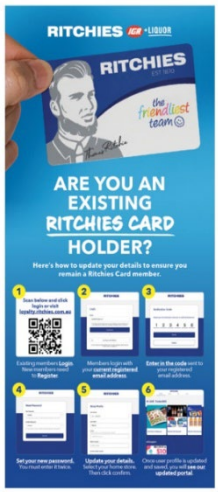
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Tuesday, 10th January 10am to 11:30am
STARWARS WORKSHOP
A BEGINNER TO INTERMEDIATE LEVEL COURSE TO LEARN HOW TO ASSEMBLE A SNAP KIT, LEARN BASIC PAINTING TECHNIQUES AND BUILD A SCENE FOR A STAR WARS AIRCRAFT. AIMED AT EVERYONE NEW TO SCALE MODELING PERFECT FOR A 8 + YEARS
Tuesday, 10th January 12:00pm to 2:00pm
ENGINEERING FUN
A BEGINNER TO INTERMEDIATE LEVEL COURSE TO LEARN HOW TO ASSEMBLE A GEAR BOX AND THEN ADD AND TEST TO SEE WHAT MOVES PERFECT FOR A 8 + YEARS
Tuesday, 17th January 10:00am to 12:00pm
MILITARY PLANES
INTERMEDIATE LEVEL COURSE TO LEARN HOW TO ASSEMBLE A COMPLEX KIT WITH GLUE AND LEARN BASIC PAINTING TECHNIQUES AIMED AT PEOPLE WITH SOME SCALE MODEL EXPERIENCE - 10 + YEARS
Tuesday, 17th January 12:30pm to 2:30pm
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