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Principal News

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To Give... To Question... To Excel...

All students can achieve at HFSS given the right time and support...

20 DAYS TO GO

With 4 weeks of school left and still many events to go, we need to make sure we are organised and have enough rest so that we get through this busy time. In term 4 what I quite often see is student behaviour slipping due to being tired or stressed. As a parent, now is the time for you to make sure your child/ren are rested and ready for a successful end of year. Please have a conversation with them in regards to how they are going and what support they may need to get to the end of the year.

Speaking of behaviour, now is a timely reminder to ensure our students are aware of our school expectations and rules. As I have mentioned to the year 6 students, leaving primary school should end as a positive experience with lots of lovely memories. Unfortunately, every now and again, we have students who make poor choices at the end of the year which can result in not attending graduation or end of year activities. It is therefore up to our students to make good choices and continue to follow the school's expectations and rules.

Have a great week!



Jo Sinclair-Jones
Principal HFSS

Be Safe

Be Respectful and,

Be a Learner

Deputy Principal News

2022 Prep Interviews

It has been a pleasure to meet some of the 2022 preppies so far that have enrolled. We welcome each of our new preppies with a bag of goodies to support their transition into prep. If you know of a 2022 preppie who has not yet had their enrolment meeting, please encourage them to make a booking as soon as possible.



2022 Prep Enrolments

We are currently accepting enrolments for students who are due to begin prep in 2022. Students born the 1st of July, 2016 through to 30th of June 2017. Please collect an enrolment package from the office. We look forward to meeting families soon.





Mrs Catterson
Deputy Principal

Finance News

All levies are now due. Please pay ASAP.

Wellbeing Behaviour News

Uniforms

The uniform shop is opened from 8:00am – 8:30am and 2:30pm – 3:00pm Tuesday and Thursdays only. The uniform shop will not be open outside these times.

Pre-order forms for uniforms are available at the office and uniform shop. If you would like to order more uniforms, please visit the uniform shop to place your pre-order.

If you are using centrepay, there will be a limit of 1 full uniform per child.

Our full uniform is as follows for 2021:

- HFSS school polo – preps and year 1 only
- HFSS school polo or yellow polo – Yr 2 -6
- HFSS Senior shirt – year 6 only
- Skivvys worn under polos in winter must be navy
- Bottle green or navy shorts or tracksuit pants
- Jumpers must be navy or bottle green (Plain with no branding)
- Black tights worn under shorts or skirt
- Lace up or velcro shoes (no wheely shoes please)
- Hat

Please help your child to wear the correct uniform with pride. We appreciate your support.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) News

Last week the expectation was: **Be Respectful**.
The rule was: **We keep our environment clean and tidy.**

This week the expectation is: **Be Respectful**.
The rule is: **We respect other's rights to learn.**

Next Week the expectation will be: **Be Respectful**.
The rule will be: **We wear our uniform correctly.**



Please see link below for Harris Fields State School. Student Code of Conduct 2020-2023.

[https://harrisfieldsss.eq.edu.au/SupportAndResources/FormsAndDocuments/Documents/Student-code-of-conduct\(PDF,1434KB\).pdf](https://harrisfieldsss.eq.edu.au/SupportAndResources/FormsAndDocuments/Documents/Student-code-of-conduct(PDF,1434KB).pdf)

HOD-C Curriculum News

Reading at Harris Fields

At Harris Fields we value the importance of reading instruction. This instruction can look very different as we consider what type of reading pedagogy will best suit our learners. Sometimes this reading will be whole class which we call modelled or shared reading. We can focus on the vocabulary for example that students will see in a story and take the time to explain what certain words mean so that students can have a greater understanding of the meaning of what they are hearing. This helps students engage with the books that they are hearing when their teacher reads to them.



We might read in small groups which we call guided reading. In this type of reading we can group children with like needs together and support them with their reading goals. Sometimes if students are finding particular concepts difficult it can assist them to be grouped together to enable their teacher to structure the learning to the groups needs. By having smaller groups it enables teachers to ensure that children are able to ask questions and be supported with the right instruction and resources.

All these different types of instruction support our learners at Harris Fields to become confident, independent readers. I have included a picture of a small sample of our most recent purchase of books for our beginning readers.

Music News

It's that time again when we come together to celebrate another fantastic year at Harris Fields State School.

Our end of year concert, Carols in the Fields, will be held Thursday 2nd December at the stage on the hill. The entertainment will begin at 4:45pm.

Each year level will be performing for you as well as some extra group performances. So, if you can make it, you are sure to have a good time!

It would be great if your child could wear the costumes stated below to help make their performance even better.

Year Level	What to wear
PD, PF, PT	Christmas colours
1D, 1R, 1H	Elves and Reindeer (Red, green and white)
2C, 2R, 2W	Beachwear (board shorts, rashies, sunscreen, sunglasses, summer dress)
3S, 3T, 3M, 3GT	Animals (brown, white, black, yellow colours)
4D, 4G, 4T	Beachwear (Hawaiian shirt, board shorts, rashies, sunscreen, sunglasses, summer dress)
5P, 5N, 5B	Bright colours
6C, 6F, 6FS	Free Dress

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Visual Arts News

The Year 3s have been explaining patterns caused by movements of the Earth in Science. In Visual Arts, they have created a triptych landscape using the various colours in the sky. They used horizontal brushstrokes to blend the paints, and paid attention to the colour wheel to decide what colours blended well. They have done a wonderful job!



In week 9, we are holding a Year 6 All Stars v's Teachers game of TRL from 1:40pm on the oval. If you would like to come along and cheer for either team your support would be much appreciated.

Community News

YEAR 7 2022 ORIENTATION DAY
THURSDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2021
WHAT TO EXPECT...

- Welcome - meet the teachers and your classmates
- House Activities
- School Tour
- Uniform fittings
- BBQ lunch

WHAT TO BRING...

- Water bottle
- Hat
- Wear your full current school uniform
- Morning tea or money for canteen

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF OUR 2022 YEAR 7 STUDENTS

OUR CULTURE HIGH EXPECTATIONS **OUR LEARNING** 21ST CENTURY INNOVATIVE CURRICULUM **OUR STUDENTS** PERSONALISED EXTENSION **OUR PATHWAYS** LOCAL & GLOBAL LEADERS

Indigenous Cricket Skills Session
Sunday 21st November
Where: Cec Munnis Sports Complex, John Paul Drive, Daisy Hill.
Time: 9:00am – 11:00am
For boys & girls of any skill set.



Rego link: <https://atsichsbrisbane.org.au/services/health-wellbeing/deadly-choices/>
What to bring: Hat, drink bottle, sunscreen & cricket kit if you have one.

Looks forward to seeing you there.

Date of Events

22nd November – 24th November	Year 5 Camp – Gold Coast Recreation Centre
30th November	Award Ceremony 9:00am
2nd December	Carols in the Fields 4:45pm
7th December	Year 6 Graduation 9:00am
8th December	Year 6 Excursion – White Water World
10th December	Last Day Term 4, 2021
24th January 2022	School Resumes, Term 1, 2022

Sports News

Last week we saw the end of interschool sports, due to the wet weather. Hopefully we will have a better run with sports in 2022.