Green & Gold News

School Grounds
Recently there has been a lot of activity around the school to make our outdoor spaces as ‘user friendly’ as possible for our students. This has included mowing of the oval, planting of new vegetation, upgrading and beautifying areas near the new chook shed, painting non-slip tread on stairs and pressure washing the pathways. I firmly believe that if students have a stimulating school environment, not only will they perform better, but also appreciate and care for it with a sense of pride. As a result, we have been involving our students in many of these improvements and using our student environment group to help identify areas requiring attention. If we can continue to involve parents and students in the upkeep of our school, we will continue to be able to provide a clean, ‘litter and graffiti free’ environment that our broader school community can all come and enjoy. Thank you to everyone who contributes in any small way to maintaining the special learning environment we have here at Highton.

TOM
Any families wishing to come and support the school TOM team perform from 1.30-6.30pm at LATROBE UNIVERSITY BUNDOORA (not Burwood as I previously mentioned!)

Concert
I am sure no one has forgotten, but the concert is on tonight and students need to be there by 5.40pm. We are all very excited to be performing and a big thank you to Mrs Slaven who has coordinated the event and to all the people who have given their time as volunteers for the occasion.

Student Learning
Highton Primary is more than a school; it is a community of shared values dedicated to maximising the learning outcome of all its students. Recognising that each child has the potential to exceed expectations, students are encouraged to question and apply their learning, think independently, consider different views and ideas and reflect on their learning to achieve even better results. At the moment our senior students are bringing their skills together in working on their exhibition. If you get the chance it is worth going down and seeing how they are working in a very different setting from their usual classroom. A great deal of planning has gone into this part of their learning and I am sure we will see great things as a result.

Thank you for your support and have a good week- Tessa Calder

Highton Primary School Vision
As an IB World School, with strong community partnerships, we commit to excellence and the development of principled, compassionate, lifelong learners, who know they can take action to make a difference to our world.

Highton Primary School is an International Baccalaureate World School for the Primary Years Programme.
Shop For Your School

Both major supermarket chains are offering rewards to the school for you shopping with them. **Coles** are once again offering sport for schools vouchers in August until October. Every $10 you spend you receive a sports voucher, bring in your vouchers to the office and we can redeem them for sport equipment for the school. **Safeway/Woolworths** are now offering Earn and Learn codes. Each time you shop in store you earn a unique code. So bring in the bottom section of your docket with the unique code on it and we can redeem it for new classroom and library resources. It is currently running and will continue until September 18th.

**So all the supermarket shopping can help your school receive valuable resources for the students ask neighbours, friends and grandparents to collect for you also.** Please bring all receipts/ vouchers to the boxes located at the office.

Shopping Tour

**The Highton Primary School Annual Shopping Tour is on again.** Great Bargains, Great Company, No Parking Worries, Morning Tea, Afternoon “Tea”, Lunch and Remember Wear Your Comfy Shoes! A fun day of shopping with friends. Saturday 29th October $55 per person. The tour includes lunch at a restaurant. Name and payment to the office by October 19th to secure your seat.

Get Fit

$10 per person. Mon circuit 7 PM, Wed boxing 9 AM, Circuit 7 PM, Fri Circuit 9 AM. Running Group—All levels $50 per term Thurs 9 AM Phone Carolyn Hall 0407826504

For Sale

Brand New Laptop bags(25), black, Toshiba brand, fits 15 inch laptop. $5 each. See the office to buy one.

Student Awards

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September
- Wed 7th: School Concert
- Tues 20th: Zone Aths
- Fri 23rd: Last Day - finish 2.30PM

October
- Mon 10th: Term 4 commences - 9 AM
- Thurs 27th: School Photos

**Community News**

**For More Details See the Noticeboard Outside The Office**

- **Geelong Indoor Sports**– Kids Parties Cricket, footy, netball, dodge ball, poison ball, soccer and more. You bring the cake we do the rest. ph 52221822 or visit www.geelongindoorsports.com.au
- **East Belmont Cricket Club Junior Registration Day**, Sunday 11th of September 11am - 1pm Free BBQ for all Children and their Families Teams for all age groups - U/17,U/15,U/13,U/11 Milo have-a-go program for children under 10 For further information contact Brendan Thomas on 0412132595
- **Saint Ignatius College**, Geelong is holding its School Musical Production (High School Musical) on 15th & 16th September which we think will be one of our best! Ph 52511136
- **Softball**- All Ages and abilities. Boys and girls from 4 Yrs. Come and try day Sat 10th and Sun 18th September 10–noon Stead Park Princes highway Corio. www.geelong.softball.org.au
- **Futsal**– From 8yrs up to under 19’s come and register as an individual or team on October 8th contact Futsal Geelong on 52751816 or email bneurath@geelongcity.vic.gov.au
- **Hockey** School holiday program Tues 27th Sept 9.30-12.30 Stead Park Cost $20 Booking by Sept 12th email—lizmulconry@gmail.com
- **New Under 11 Cricket team**– Barrabool cricket club, Ceres. We are family club looking for new players aged 8-11 Playing Friday nights contact Wes Grigg 0418525588. Other age groups also welcoming new players.
- ** acabellas children’s singing and music** making circle is a fun, inclusive and nurturing singing group for primary school children. Term 4- Mondays @ ‘Kalkee Hall’ Thompson St, Belmont. For more information visit the website or contact Sue on: 0407 804 886 or sue@acabellas.net.au or www.acabellas.net.au
- **Life Be In It**—Enter a basketball or netball team in the coming season. For Team Entry forms visit [www.lifebeinitgeelong.com](http://www.lifebeinitgeelong.com) or call Life. Be In It on 5223 1992

**Camp**

A reminder to all year 3 and 4 families that the deposit for camp needs to be paid by the end of term 3. Also can you be sure to return the medical form by the end of term 3 as this helps the teachers plan roster and rooms, if the medical situation changes you just need to write a letter to the teachers.

**2012 Year 6 Jumpers**

We are seeking a volunteer (or two) from current year 5 parents to coordinate the 2012 year six jumpers. If you are able to help please see Lyn or Gaylene in the office.

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Winter Clearance Sale

Heavily reduced prices for winter clothes in the Pre-loved Uniform Shop. Save 90% on the cost of a new Bomber Jacket, Windcheater, Rugby Top, Long Sleeve Polo Top, Skivvy, Track Pants, Jacket, Beanie or Scarf. Stock up for next year!

Sizes 4 to 16 are currently in stock.

The shop will be open on Friday 9, September from 2:30 – 3:30pm in the hall foyer or other times by prior arrangement with:

Sue Bettanin
Mobile: 0428 658 202
Email: sue.bettanin@gmail.com

Donations to the shop are always greatly appreciated and can be left at the office.

Father’s Day

I want to personally say a big thank you to Nicole Griffin for all her support and assistance in helping me with our Father’s Day stall. A big thanks also to everyone who helped Thursday through the morning with the chocolate making, setting up in the afternoon, and on Friday who gave their time to help work on the stall. We would not have such a great stall for the children if these people did not help out.

Thank you also to Selleys, Armor All, Muzz Buzz, Eagle Boys, Subway, Muffin Break, Madura Tea, Neutrog and Fiskars for donating goods to our stall.

It is lovely to see the children excited about the gifts they were buying and this would not be possible without your help. Thank you.

Maxine Eaton

PYP

This is a summary from a paper called ‘A basis for practice: the Primary Years Programme’ which is a companion document to the online version. It gives a very clear picture of the PYP and the curriculum and quality of education we strive for at Highton Primary School. As part of our evaluation, we will be providing evidence and documentation that supports this.

The PYP focuses on the heart as well as the mind and addresses social, physical, emotional and cultural needs as well as academic ones. The traditional academic subjects are valued. In addition, there is an emphasis on the balance between the acquisition of essential knowledge and skills and the search for meaning and understanding. The programme provides opportunity for learners to construct meaning, principally through concept-driven inquiry. The threads of children’s learning are brought together in the trans-disciplinary programme of inquiry, which in turn allows them to make connections with life outside the school. The PYP enables children to develop sensitivity to the experiences of others through the curriculum, the attributes listed in the student profile, the attitudes that are an explicit element of the programme, and the expectation of socially responsible action as a result of the learning experience.

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Active After-school Communities Program

INFORMATION FOR HIGHTON P.S. PARENTS

The *Active After-school Communities Program* is an Australian Government funded initiative encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle for your children. The program runs for 7 weeks each term, is **FREE** and students will be provided with a healthy afternoon snack. **Can you believe it….**

**Term 4 programs already!!!**

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*If you would like to join our program please complete the form below and return to the office as soon as possible.* Children in all grade levels are welcome to join in either/both sessions.

On Mondays we have a Deakin Uni student coming to run a multiskill program which will involve lots of games and skills needed for a variety of sports. Our Beach volleyball program on Tuesdays will include 4 sessions with a blow up court for the children to play on.

To help us keep the program running smoothly please be sure to let us know if your child will not be attending on a particular night. A text is fine (0407 826504) or let the office know.

Thanks
Carolyn Hall
AASC Co-ordinator

I would like my child/ren ……………………………………………………..to participate in the Active After School program on :

**Monday / Tuesday / Both days.**

(please indicate which days you require).

Parent name…………………………………………Contact no…………………………

Signature…………………… Date…………………………

I would like my child to walk home after the program.
Basketball and Netball

teams for Summer season (term 4 2011 and term 1 2012)

Time is flying by and it is time to sign up for a team for next season. All children are welcome to join a team even if they have not played before.

The available options are:

**Netball**

- Monday Grade 3/4
- Monday Grade 5/6
- Wednesday Grade 3/4
- Wednesday Grade 5/6
- Thursday Grade Prep/1/2

**Basketball**

- Tuesday Grade Prep/1/2
- Tuesday Grade 5/6
- Wednesday Grade Prep/1/2
- Wednesday Grade 3/4
- Thursday Grade 3/4
- Thursday Grade 5/6

Approximate costs:

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**Other information**: Grade prep/1/2 competitions are very much about teaching the children to play the game. For basketball the rules are modified (and not always strictly enforced eg travel) and the referee is called a court coach and as such should be helping the children to understand the game. Netball at this level is similar and the umpires will assist the children to play the game rather than just enforcing the rules.

As children progress up the levels rules are more strictly enforced.

**Basketball tops**: this season we introduced a $10 levy to cover the cost of replacing tops as they become worn. Tops currently cost $38 each and a minimum of 10 must be ordered. It is therefore necessary to build up funds in order to be able to buy tops when needed. Money will be held in a dedicated account by the school. We appreciate your assistance in paying the levy at the start of each season so we can continue to provide tops for our teams.

**Coaching a team**: We have been fortunate to have parents volunteer each season to be a ‘coach’. The position involves putting the teams on the court. If we don’t have parents to co-ordinate who is playing which positions (netball) and how long players get on the court (basketball) then the children cannot play. You do not need to be an expert - rules can be learned. You just need a sense of good sportsmanship and fairness to all players regardless of ability. If you can arrange a time to practice as a team that is great but not essential. A ‘volunteer working with children check’ is necessary but this does not cost anything. If you would be willing to give it a go please check the box below and thank you for helping our children experience the wonder of team sport.

☐ **YES I will give coaching a go! Please contact me on the number below.**

Name .................................................. Grade............. Team (current players only)..........................

Friends I would like to play with ..........................................................

(not guaranteed but every effort made to place children with friends)

Sport: NETBALL   or   BASKETBALL   (circle)

Preferred nights: 1st.................. Parents name.................................

2nd..................

Signature..........................................

Contact..........................................

For more information please contact me on 0407 826504.

Carolyn Hall
Co-ordinator.
In the coming weeks your child will be asked to complete a drawing for a **2012 calendar/diary**. This is a fundraiser organised by the Parent’s Club through Crazy Camel.

All artwork will be completed in Art and then orders will be taken. Payment is to be made at the time of placing your order. You will be able to order multiple calendars and diaries. The calendar artwork/photo is laminated and bound with wire into 12 tear-off months. There will be sample calendars for you to view at school in the Art room, the office and on the Parent’s Club Notice board in the foyer. Diaries are 148mm x 210mm with a hard cover, view the week at a glance from Monday to Sunday, are wire bound, have public holidays and school term dates listed, and include a year planner.

Each child will be given a separate sheet of paper to draw on. It is advised that they use lots of bright colours and that the art paper is fully covered, using crayon, paints, textas, etc. You can make collages from photos, magazine cutouts, etc. or just glue a photo onto the art work. If you would prefer a photo calendar, all digital photos should be in a *horizontal* format. These can be sent through directly to Crazy Camel or placed on a CD/DVD.

For those families who have more than one sibling at school, it is possible for them to share the one page of art paper. It can be divided into 2 or more sections, however this will reduce the amount of space each has to draw; or they could place their names and a small photo of themselves or draw a picture of their choosing next to their name. Perhaps you could discuss this now as a family in preparation before the art class starts. You also have the option of having a digital photo of the children transformed onto the calendar, instead of individual artworks.

When all the artwork is finalised an order form will be sent home to each family for completion. This is then to be returned to the office with all money included.

**Art and photo calendars will be $12 each and diaries will be $17 each.**

Every child will be asked to draw their own picture, regardless of whether or not they will be having the calendar/diary made. All artwork and photos will be returned to the school and passed back to the students.

We anticipate that all orders will be completed and back at the school by the first week in November, leaving plenty of time for those who want to send calendars overseas.

**N.B.** Photo calendars and diaries do not display the name of the school or name and age details.