NEWSLETTER – WEEK 6 TERM 1 2015

A NEW BEGINNING

It has been a great start to our new school format of three classes.

Mrs Bailey has been very impressed with the students of Colo Heights and has enjoyed her start with the 2/3 class.

Congratulations to the children for welcoming Mrs Bailey and hope she continues to love our school for the remainder of the year.

HAWKESBURY HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

Colo Heights students and their families have been invited to an Open Night at Hawkesbury High School. Attached to this newsletter is a brief note regarding the night which will be held on Thursday 12th March starting at 5:30pm with a free sausage sandwich and a drink.

This is a great opportunity for Colo Heights’ families who are interested in what the high school offers.

COMING EVENTS

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The P&C will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Thursday 12th March (Next Week). Cost is $2 for pancakes and a drink.

A big thankyou to Shiloh Richards and Chamarelle for their donation of pancake mix to the P&C.

NOTES

In a previous newsletter we sent home a note to be signed for students’ access to the oval, BMX, Internet and Photo permission. We are still missing a few notes from a few families.

If you have not returned this note please do so as soon as possible. If you need a new note please contact the school.
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

We have had three Students of the Week in 2015. All students represent the best qualities of RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and PERSONAL BEST. Colo Heights Public School hope all students can strive to achieve the Student of the Week award throughout the year by demonstrating these fine skills.

Congratulations:
Zayne, Nayshani and Charlise.

RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP

Years K, 1, 2, and 3 had an interesting talk about responsible pet ownership. The students met 'Cino' the chocolate labrador and learnt some key safety messages. Students were able to approach Cino safely, ask the owner for permission to pat the dog, and then stroke it gently.

Students also acted out what they should do if they were approached by an angry dog.

LUNCH ORDERS

Just a reminder lunch order notes were sent home this week. Once a term is a wonderful treat for the students to get a lunch order from the Colo Heights Shop.

Please return the form by next Thursday 12th. It is always great to have a special lunch. Lunch orders on Monday 16th March.

COLO WILDERNESS AREA PLAY GROUP

Are you a parent or carer of children aged 0-5? Colo Wilderness Area Playgroup would like to welcome new members. We are an informal group where both kids and their carers can connect and have some fun. Held every Wednesday from 10.30am for approx 2 hours at the Horrie Eley Hall right next to the Colo Heights Fire Shed and Primary School. Come and see what we are all about!

Carley Joseph

2015 SCHOOL PARTICIAPTION

Over the Year we will be offering some wonderfully interesting activities for students to volunteer for.

For the first time in a long while we will be entering a Dance Group in the 2015 Hawkesbury Dance Festival. The festival will be early in Term 4.

On Friday the 27th March we will be entering two teams from years 5 and 6 in a Hawkesbury Small School's Basketball Gala Day.
**Hawkesbury Small School’s Camp** will be at ‘The Great Aussie Bush Camp’ in Kincumber near Gosford in Term 4. The camp will be from Monday 2nd to Wednesday 4th November. All Year 5 and 6 students will be invited to attend.

Ty (from Sport) is also running a **Dodgeball Competition** at Comleroy Rd Public School early in Term 2.

Hawkesbury Small **School’s Cross Country** will also be held early in Term 2.

Colo Heights Public School **Athletics Carnival** will be held late in Term 2 (date to be confirmed).

Hawkesbury Show Art and Craft has already started, thank you again to all the parents and friends who have been helping the students.

There are many more opportunities for our students to be involved throughout the year as well!!

**CRUNCH and SIP**

Colo Heights P.S is part of the ‘Live Life Well’ program and offers ‘Crunch and Sip’ for all students each day of the week. If you can donate fruit and vegetables for the students to snack on in the middle of the morning session it would be greatly appreciated. The teachers will cut it up each day for the students to eat a healthy snack in the morning.

**FROM THE OFFICE:**

- Please find attached a great resource that was sent to the school. It is a list of after hours chemist in the Hawkesbury. PUT IT ON YOUR FRIDGE.

**HEAD LICE**

It is that time of the year that seems to encourage head lice. Please be vigilant with checking your child/s hair as they move very quickly and cause great frustration for anyone who has to treat them.

The P & C suggests that spraying the hair with diluted tea tree oil with water has an effect on them. The school can have this available if you wish for us to spray your child/s hair with the mixture. There is a slip below in which you can give us permission request the spray.

For girls it is also a good idea to keep long hair tightly tied back in a ponytail or plat with a little hairspray as well. Otherwise I encourage all parents to check regularly your child/s hair.

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**Permission for Treatment of Head Lice**

I give permission for __________________ to receive a spray with diluted tea tree oil for the treatment of head lice.

Signed ____________________________________________

Date ____________________

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FROM THE P&C

Just a reminder of what we have in store for the term:

**Pancake Breakfast** - Thursday 12th March

**Hot Dog Lunch** - Thursday 2nd April (last day of term)

**Autumn Raffle** - Drawn Thursday 2nd April

**Colo Picnic Day** - Sunday 19th April

We would like to say a special thank you to Shiloh & Chamarelle and the team at Somerset Outdoor Learning Centre for their extremely kind donation towards our pancake day. Every donation we receive goes directly towards benefiting our school and our growing number of students and is truly appreciated.

Prizes for the Autumn Raffle include Bowling Tickets for a Family of 4, a $100.00 Woolworths voucher, a money tree and more. Tickets for the raffle cost $2.00 each or 3 for $5.00. These prizes are just what every family needs to survive the autumn school holidays so get your raffle tickets fast!!!!

The P&C will hold their next meeting on Thursday 19th March 2015. This will be in the afternoon straight after Hawkesbury Show Craft so if any parents can stay on (don’t be scared) we would love to see some new faces and welcome your input.

For anyone who is unable to attend the meeting but has ideas they would like to share we have placed a P&C Suggestions and Donations box at the front office. If anyone would like to participate in any of the events we have planned, just drop us a note, we would love you to come on board.

Carley Joseph
P&C Secretary

Our school has been taken over by SILKIES!!

A few weeks ago we got four silkie chickens. Their names are Coco, Custard, Peggy and Honey. Everyone at Colo Heights Public School is helping to look after them. Some people move their cage some check and fill their food and water and some hold the chickens while others move their cage.

Tayvan Townsend

Thank you
Glenn Ellis
Principal