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Term 4 Week 3

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Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Staff,

What a truly impressive and supportive school community we have. I would like to thank Peter Miller, Adam White, Sarah Herlihy and Angela Channells-Tee for your hard work at our working-bee. Lukas, Isla, Emily B and Odette also came to help, as well as many of their siblings!

We had a great turn out to our open garden with a wide representation from our P&C and student body. A big thank you to Pam for donating her time and effort to ensure that the school and garden was presented in its best form.



As our musical looms ever closer, you will find that students are spending more time rehearsing their lines and songs. Musicals are an excellent way to give context to all the reading, comprehension, talking, listening, interacting, moving and musical skills that students learn throughout the year. They have the opportunity to develop their love for performing arts and have an authentic audience for their hard work.

Coming Events

Tuesday 30 Oct	Music Lessons
Wednesday 31 Oct & Nov 1	NSW PSSA Athletics Championships
Wednesday 31	3MAPS Staff meeting
Thursday 1 Nov	Whizzy the Waterdrop 12.30
Friday 2 Nov	Celebration Assembly 2.15pm
Tuesday 6 Nov	Music Lessons
Thursday 8 Nov	RFS Fire Safety Workshop 11.30am-1.00pm
Friday 9 Nov	P&C Meeting 8.30am Kitchen/Garden
Tuesday 13	Music Lessons
Wednesday 14 Nov	Musical – From Galaxies to Gumleaves

Please clear your calendars on the evening of **Wednesday 14 November** and come celebrate the success of our students - your children.

Best of luck to our PP6 Relay Team. Adam, Andie, Lukas and Javier are representing our school in Sydney on Wednesday and Thursday at the State PSSA Athletics Carnival. Run your guts out and enjoy the experience!

Thanks everyone for your continued support,

Sam Small
Teaching Principal

Value of the Fortnight Managing Distractions

What is it: Recognising and reducing distractions; knowing when to walk away and refresh yourself. Creating your best environment for learning.

When you are using this learning muscle, you

- are aware of possible sources of distraction
- purposefully try to minimise distractions
- know what conditions help you learn
- settle back into learning quickly after an interruption

GROWTH MINDSET

Ideas for Creating a Growth Mindset Environment at Home Part 9: The Importance of Backstory – Part 2 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

When you think of Mozart, what comes to mind?

- . Child prodigy?
- . Genius?
- . Gifted?

The idea of “child prodigies” amaze us because we compare them, not with other performers who have practiced for the same length of time, but, with children of the same age who have not dedicated their lives in the same way.

We often think they possess “miraculous talents” because we assess their skills in a context that misses the essential point. We see their little bodies and cute faces and forget that, hidden within their skulls, their brains have been sculpted—and their knowledge deepened—by practice that few people accumulate until well into adulthood, if then.

Had the six-year-old Mozart been compared with other musicians who had clocked up 3,500 hours of practice, rather than with other children of the

same age, he would not have seemed exceptional at all.

The take away here is that, it is not through nature that we master hard things, it is through practice, effort, help and support.

Some important points of backstory that contributed to Mozart’s early success in music;

- Mozart was trained from the age of four by his father – a renowned music tutor and teacher.
- His first compositions were, for his age, amazing, however, for his level of training and practice, quite normal.
- After 15 years of virtuous practice with experience among some of the best orchestras and teachers available, he was 19, and a world name in orchestral composition.

We are not born ‘natural musicians’ or ‘natural writers’. The children who demonstrate aptitude/ interest at a young age are often nurtured within these fields and supported to continue to develop and practice – thus, more often achieving mastery at a young age.

It is the hard work, deliberate practice and interest within the field that leads to mastery – not the natural born talent.

Next fortnight – “The Greatness Gap”

Would you like to know more? –

<http://www.hannamvale-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/growth-mindset-culture-at-home>





Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden

We enjoyed a very informative Kitchen/Garden

Session on Friday!

Ms Dennis and the Zucchini Group got very creative and cooked up Spinach slice. Using our spinach and Mr. Alex Matuszny donating 3 dozen Manning Valley Free Range Eggs! Our lettuce made for a delicious green salad, the meal was complemented by chocolate, plain and strawberry milk and we completed the meal with lemon cake.



We welcomed Ms Robyn Bishop RP from Johns River who ate with us, and Mr Colin Sheather came along with beetroot and tomato seedlings for the garden that were very gratefully received! Thanks Colin!



The gardeners harvested spinach and lettuce and Ben, Maya and Tyler set about cleaning our secateurs and other garden implements – using oil and a file! They all work much better!



Laura, Ellsie and Emily fed the worms, then researched the chia plant and planted a chia plant!



Eli and Harry planted some pumpkin seeds recycling two wicking boxes. These seeds are from 2002, it will be interesting to see if they germinate!



Lucas and Mark planted parsley near Mr Gough's shed! Peyton and Hannah researched Fly Traps and Brooke and Isla researched the thyme plant.

All students needed to complete a weed hunt when their gardening was completed. We listened to reports from Brooke, Laura, Peyton and Hannah at the conclusion of the session and presented weeds identified!



Name the Chooks!

Laura and Emily have organised a Chook Naming Competition for our new pullets! The results are:

- Lilac – with light brown chest
- Jessie – with one white feather in her chest
- Brownie – the darkest one.

Words we learned about – debilitating, aromatic, genus, floret, pollinators.

Library Stocktake

Mrs Odgers has been working hard to complete a library stocktake, and return all books to the shelves after painting in the holidays. To assist her with this process, please review your child’s list of current loans and return all library books to the school ASAP. If you cannot locate your child’s books, please make a note on the list and return it to the school office.

Term 4 guitar and drum lessons with Brad

As outlined in Issue 30 of the school newsletter, all families should have received their credit advice outlining which lessons they paid for in Term 3, but did not attend. Your Term 4 music lesson balance has been reduced by this amount. Your statement of account may still list an outstanding balance for Term 3 lessons. This amount must be paid to the school in addition to your individualised Term 4 balance.

We suggest that families refrain from paying their balance as a lump sum at the start of the term, to prevent the school from having to process refunds at the end of the year for lessons that have been paid for but not delivered. Please pay any outstanding balances from previous terms, as well as your \$15.00 per lesson fee weekly if possible. If your child misses a lesson due to illness etc., your due balance will be adjusted.

Whizzy the Waterdrop

Whizzy from Mid Coast Water will be dropping in to the school on Thursday at 12.30pm to discuss water conservation with students.



RFS Firewise workshop



The Rural Fire Service will be presenting a fire safety workshop to students next Thursday 8 November from 11.30am – 1pm.

RFS volunteers will instruct students about safe fire behaviour and survival skills in the case of fire.



Our Star of the Week for Term 4 Week 2 is Lukas Tee

Lukas has received this award for his super effort helping at the open gardens and working bee. He demonstrated responsibility and citizenship - great job Lukas!



What in-school activity did you enjoy most last week?
... **Open Garden Tours**

What book are you reading at the moment?..... **The Trials**

What do you enjoy most about Maths?.....**Mentals**

What do you like most about Kitchen/Garden?... **I really like working in the garden**

What project are you working on in class?.. **The Ancient Olympics**

Do you have a hobby? What is it?...**Soccer**

What is your dream holiday? Where? Doing what?
Skiing on a big mountain somewhere

What would you like to be when you grow up?...
A professional soccer player.



Our Star of the Week for Term 4 Week 3 is Maya Kompara

Maya has received this week's award for creative thinking and great classwork. Congratulations Maya!



What in-school activity did you enjoy most last week?
... **Practicing for the musical**

What book are you reading at the moment?..... **The Dragon Story**

What do you enjoy most about Maths?.....**Times Tables**

What do you like most about Kitchen/Garden?...
Making and cooking the food

What project are you working on in class?...**Push and Pull**

Do you have a hobby? What is it?... **Drawing**

What is your dream holiday? Where? Doing what?
Going to Poland

What would you like to be when you grow up?...
A scientist

From Galaxies to Gumnuts- Musical Wednesday November 14

A reminder to all students and their families that costumes from CHAFFS must be returned to the school ASAP so that they can be used for the school musical. Please return yours this week if you haven't already done so.

Maya Kompara, Tiana Lewis, Donna White, Emily White, Anthony and Angela Channels-Tee, Helen Brockbank, Marie and Andie Maguire, Adam Brockbank, Harry Maguire Londa Phillips, Liz Rowley, Carla McInnes, Lukas Tee, Pamela Everingham, Pamela and Skyla Cabot, Javier Tee and Gemma Baker.

What an exhaustive list of servers, helpers, bakers, dishwashers, florists, tour guides and amazing volunteers. You are all absolute gems!!!

P&C News

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Many big "thank yous" to the staff, students, parents and grandparents of our community who made our Hannam Vale Open Gardens Café such a success. Although the weather wasn't the best, we still managed to pull a crowd and do some fundraising of approximately \$1100. We were also able to fit in some socialising too!

Unfortunately I don't have too many photos to share (too busy to take them) however there are some from our school's open garden which was also a great success.



Quote of the Week



Special mentions go to Farmer's Own Milk for donating the milk for our yummy milkshakes; Waitui Blueberry Farm and the Hannam Vale Hall Committee for the loan of tables and chairs.

In no particular order, thanks to: - Adam White, Sue Odgers, Jeff and Christine Dennis, Brett Partlett, Sarah Herlihy (Newby), Magda Rogers (Kompara), Michedla Boilling, Cristy Miller, Elen Miller, Lewin Miller, Isla Miller, Hannah Partlett, Laura Partlett,

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Friday November 9 at 8.30pm at school. All welcome.

As always, thank you for your support

Michelle Dennis,
P&C President



TERM 4 2018

Oct/Nov Week 3	29 Newsletter	30 Music lessons	31 NSW State PSSA Athletics Staff meeting	1 NSW State PSSA Athletics Whizzy the Waterdrop 12.30pm	2 Celebration Assembly 2.30pm
November Week 4	5	6 Music lessons	7	8 RFS Fire safety workshop 11.30 – 1pm	9 P&C meeting 8.30am Kitchen/Garden
November Week 5	12 Newsletter	13 Music lessons	14 Musical	15	16 Kitchen/Garden
November Week 6	19 GG Van 3MAPS staff meeting 4-5pm	20 Music lessons	21	22 Interrelate family evening JRPS: Where do I come from (3-4) 6-7pm Preparing for puberty (5-6) 7.15-8.15pm	23 Celebration Assembly
November Week 7 Swimming	26 Newsletter	27	28 3MAPS Principals meeting full day	29	30
Nov/Dec Week 8 Swimming	3	4 High School Orientation day	5	6	7
December Week 9	10 Newsletter	11 Music lessons	12 Presentation Morning Year 6 Farewell	13	14 P&C meeting 8.30am Garden
December Week 10	17	18 Reward Day	19 Final day for students	20 3MAPS School Development Day	21



When kids ask "the" questions... Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 90 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?

1-hour session: Years 3-6

Session 2: Preparing for puberty

1-hour session: Years 5-6

Years 3-4 can attend at parent's discretion

Date: Thursday, 22nd November 2018

Where: Johns River Public School

Price: \$10 per student

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.

Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.



YOU'RE INVITED TO A

Retirement Party

IN HONOUR OF

Pamela Everingham

FRIDAY

21ST DECEMBER

6:30 PM

Lown Green Inn

6 HORTON ST - PORT MACQUARIE

*\$50 pp
3 course buffet dinner
(Drinks not included)*

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