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June 1st
 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER:

June

Wednesday 1st-
Camp form to be returned

Wednesday 15th-
Whole School Camp

Thursday 16th-
Whole School Camp

Friday 17th -
Whole School Camp

Tuesday 21st-Day
one of Athletics

Thursday 23rd-
Day 2 of Athletics

From the Principal's Desk.....

Every day makes a difference!!

A very successful movie night was held at Haden SS last Friday night by our hard working P&C. It really was an enjoyable evening which ran smoothly and to time. A huge thank you to all concerned. Thanks also to our families and community for supporting Haden SS in spite of the chilly weather which rolled in just in time for our fundraiser! It was great to see so many people enjoying their meals and the movie at our school. Events like these strengthen our community ties, which is so important. Thanks to our P&C also for organising such a great multi-draw raffle which was drawn at the end of the evening. Congratulations to all our winners. The prizes were terrific and were donated by local businesses.

We are currently updating our Individual Curriculum Plans and Support Plans for students needing extra support and also for those who are being extended in their learning. Thanks to Mrs Pukallus, in her role of Learning Support on Friday mornings, meetings are being organised with parents to discuss and sign off on these plans, prior to our first reporting period for 2016. Mrs Pukallus and our Speech Language Therapist, Mrs Sharyn MacDonald, are working with classroom teachers in the implementation of daily speech sessions across the school. This is a time to implement individual speech programs, to reinforce receptive and expressive language and to extend students with pronunciation, poetry, debate, descriptions, word association games, barrier games and impromptu speaking practice.

Camp is only two weeks away! Please ensure outstanding payment for camp is made prior to camp. **If this is not possible, arrange to meet with Mrs Kidman to organise a payment plan.** Camp Forms D and E need to be submitted to camp by Monday 6 June. Please return these forms ASAP. Thanks!

We are still training here at school in preparation for the athletics days in Week 11, after we return from camp. Students are regularly doing sprint work, starts, finishing and some longer distance running. Please encourage your child/ren to keep up their fitness training by doing a bit of running at home and over weekends. Thanks.

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Birthdays
Nazareth
Connie



From the Principal's Desk continued.....

Please take the time to read the note Homework at Haden. We value your input. There is a return slip to fill in and return to school. We have been working really hard on learning number facts in the 3-6 classroom. Mrs Simpson is our resident number facts guru and has supplied our families with number facts to music. Students are being monitored regularly and results are improving; in some cases, dramatically. Well done Nevaeh Berry for successfully learning your number facts and making a huge improvement recently!

Our attendance data is currently sitting at 94.8% attendance for 2016. We recently reached the dizzying heights of 95% for a day last week. We are aiming high with our attendance rate! Please ensure our students attend every day that they are well enough to come to school. Special mention must go the following year levels for attaining attendance data of over 96% - Year 2, Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6! Well done students.

With winter now with us, please ensure that uniforms are clearly labelled, especially those items which get removed during the day! Thanks to students who continue to wear their full school uniform, including winter uniforms.

Mobile Library

The mobile library visits the school on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month between 2.10-3.15pm

Uniforms

Polo Shirts \$22
Shorts \$11
Baseball Jackets \$27
Tracksuit Pants \$16
Bucket Hats \$5
Surf Hats \$7



School Camp

When : 15th- 17th June 2016

Where: Tallebudgera Beach School, Currumbin

The P&C have generously covered the bus costs, so the cost per student will be \$130. This covers all accommodation, meals and activities.

Camp costs must be paid in full by Wednesday 8th June.

Payment plans can be arranged for those families with multiple students attending.

Students have been issued with the paperwork required for camp.

- ◊ **Permission Note**
- ◊ **Form C** Camp information for parents (including the what to bring list)
- ◊ **Form D** Medical Consent Form

Please read carefully and return the : Permission Note and Form D (Medical Consent Form) before Wednesday June 1st.

The bus will be departing on Wednesday June 15th at 6.30am from the Haden State School and departing the campsite on Friday June 17th at 1pm and arriving back at the school by 4.30pm (approximately).

Students will require a packed morning tea on Wednesday.



Only 2 weeks to Go!!!

Homework at Haden SS

Dear Parents,

We are proposing some changes to our current homework schedule. We would like to focus on the following core skills...

Sight Words learned nightly for those with Sight Words

Words Their Way activities completed nightly

Reading nightly for all students

Counting/Number facts reinforced at home for all students

We appreciate your continued support with homework. It is important that you do support your child/ren with homework by reminding them, encouraging them and sitting with them if necessary.

By reducing the amount of homework, we are hoping to make homework more achievable for every student. There is still an expectation that every student completes their homework. As when mastering any new skill, reluctant readers will only improve with practice!

We will continue to utilise the existing homework contract books at school, so they won't be wasted. Please provide feedback about this proposal by filling in the return slip below.

Kind regards

Elaine Brennan

Principal, Haden SS

Return slip re: Homework at Haden SS

Please tick to indicate your response.

____ We support the new core homework proposal including sight words, reading, counting/number facts.

____ We prefer to retain existing homework.

Other comments:
