

Howlong Public School Newsletter

Thursday 19 May 2022



Dates For Your Calendar

Mon 23 May	3/4AM Assembly
Mon 30 May	Athletics Carnival Ribbons Assembly
Mon 6 June	2/3PM Assembly
Mon 13 June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Thurs 16 June	Riverina Cross-country

What busy weeks we have had so far at our school! We have had NAPLAN testing, sporting events, whole school assembly, and a Teddy Bear's Picnic and lots of learning happening in the classrooms! It is always great to see happy faces and hear children laughing and enjoying school life.

We hope all the mums, nans, grandmas and aunties had a lovely Mother's Day last Sunday. Thank you to our P&C who did the Mother's Day stall. I am sure the special gifts that they provided for students to purchase was well received and treasured!

It was also lovely to see our families back onto school grounds for special school events like the Teddy Bear's Picnic. We hope to continue to see everyone back soon.

Congratulations to Mrs Smithwick who is the successful applicant for the EOI Assistant Principal Curriculum Instruction position. This position will be shared with Brocklesby PS. Specific staffing changes will be communicated to the relevant students and their families in the coming weeks.

The Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction position is a leadership role dedicated to ensuring that literacy and numeracy knowledge and skills are embedded in curriculum and assessment; high quality teaching practices are enhanced, and the capabilities of middle leaders are strengthened in literacy and numeracy instruction. It shares the broader educational imperatives of the Assistant Principal position but with an explicit focus on the leadership of effective, evidence-based literacy and numeracy teaching and assessment practices for improved student learning outcomes across the curriculum.

Road rules for bicycle riders and pedestrian safety

There have been concerns raised about the dangerous and inappropriate ways in which some students are exiting school grounds at the end of the day. This has involved pedestrians and younger children being almost hurt by students not correctly using their bikes on pathways.

Transport for NSW states that across NSW, shared paths can be used by both pedestrians and bicycle riders of all ages. Bicycle riders must keep left and give way to pedestrians on shared paths.

The school will address this concern in the classroom, but it would be greatly appreciated if parents and carers can talk to their child/ren about the appropriate use of a shared path and riding safely on a bike. Thank you.



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Sport News

Southern Riverina (SR) Cross Country

Well done to all the students who participated at last week's SR Cross Country event in Lockhart. Students did very well over all and this contributed to our overall school achievement of coming 3rd out of all the SR schools.

Congratulations to the following students who have now progressed onto the next level.

Patrick Conroy- 1st Place 10 year old Boys

Jadeja Leatham- 4th Place 10 year old Girls

Amelia Bradbury- 1st Place 11 year old Girls

Oliver Just 1st Place 12/13 year old Boys

Ben Ibrom- 2nd Place 12/13 year old Boys

School Athletics

Due to circumstances outside the school's control, the 1500m running event and the re- run of the 8 year old boys 800m running event will be held in the coming weeks.

The Athletics Carnival Ribbon Assembly will be held on Monday the 30th of May at 2.20pm in the School Hall.

AFL

Good Luck to Ryley Pargeter and Oliver Just who will be representing Riverina AFL at the State Carnival in Coffs Harbour.

1/2S Class Learning News

1-2S impressed with their performance of the Cha Cha Cha dance at last week's assembly. I could not have been prouder of their skill and efforts to work as a team to perform movements that involved learning about 'left and right' as well as moving within unison. I'm sure that all at our assembly would have joined in if they could. 'Fabulous', 'What a performance', 'Awesome' were some of the comments expressed after the assembly.

Mrs Svarc

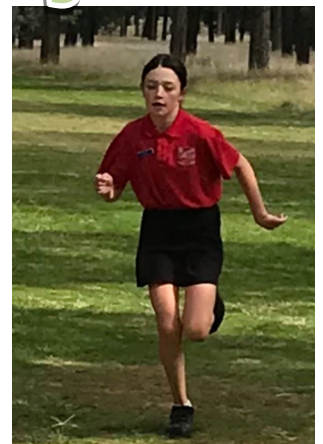


Term 2 Week 3 Assembly Awards:

Congratulations to the following students who received a Class Merit Certificate:

Liam Fulton, Mavrick Anderson, Railand Wilson, Evan Breden, Jaxson Ansell, Mason Longley, Hamish Freer, Luke Pollard, Zaine Prowse, Milla Schilg, Grace Thomas, Aaron Marshall, Claire Devos, Indi Leathem, James Fyffe, Zane Saunders, Charli McNamara, Oliver Thomas, Isla Britt, Annie Karlovsky, Pearl Marriott-Statham, Matilda Keeble, Jadeja Leathem, Cooper Kirk, Breahna Fulton, Katelin Baker, Austin Alchin, Cooper Kelsall, Jess Baggio, Raymond Knight, Ella Witt, Kaden Saunders, Cooper Beale, Jake Taylor, Bianca Tate and Pippa Cooper.

SRPSSA X-Country



On Friday the 6th May, 39 students participated in the Southern Riverina Cross Country event at the Lockhart Golf Club. It was a very successful day for Howlong Public School. Seven different schools competed in this event. Although the weather was a bit chilly, it was perfect for running. At 10am the races started, and the 8/9-year girls were first up to run. They did very well and had lots of fun. While they were running the 8/9-year boys were called up to run and they ran excellently. Next up was the 10-year-old girls and they ran awesomely. This happened throughout the whole day, and it was excellent. Everyone had lots of fun and did their best. They were all very proud of themselves, and our school came 3rd overall. Congratulations to the students from our school that are going to the next level.

By Ella and Milly

Congratulation to the following students who will be representing our school:

Jadeja Leathem, Patrick Conroy, Milly Bradbury, Kaden Saunders, Oliver Just and Ben Ibrom, we wish these students all the best.



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Teddybears Picnic



Last Monday we had our Teddy Bears Picnic everybody brought a teddy bear, we had a parade and parents were invited. It was loads of fun.

Mavrick :

I liked it when my mum had a picnic with me. I also liked the teddy bear parade I brought two teddys.

Francesca:

My favourite bit of the teddy bear picnic was that we got to bring our teddy bears and I also liked when my dad and my little sister came to have a picnic with me.

Emma:

I liked that I got to bring my teddy bear. I also liked that mum and dad came to have lunch with me, my teddy bear was my Komodo dragon.

56D Jayden, Ebony, Alex. KMH Francesca, Mavrick, Emma.



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Mothers Day Stall



Thank you to everyone who supported the P & C Mother's Day Stall. It was a great day and the children really enjoyed making purchases for their special person. We were delighted to have some very special guests, with the preschool children also attending this year to make a purchase. We raised in the vicinity of \$2000.00. Special thanks go to Howlong Nursery for their very generous donation of potted colour and to Shirley Crump and Raquel Geddes for their handmade items. Also, a big thank you to those parents that sent in donations and money with their children to make a purchase. Gemma Steers, Sarah Longley, Susan Barker, Kate Conroy and Hayley Cooper -thank you for your help with the sales and preparation and a very big thank you to Laura Farnsworth for all your hard work. Laura was instrumental in helping take the lead with me to ensure the stall went ahead again this year, and for all her handmade items. These events that benefit our students could not happen without volunteers.

Jody Reid, President, P & C.



Just a note to say that the Easter Raffle held at the end of Term 1 raised \$1700, again the P&C would like to thank all those who donated to this cause.



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Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

All students have the right to a safe play environment uninterrupted by unsociable behaviours.

To support students understand what is expected of them at school, staff developed a '**MATRIX OF EXPECTED BEHAVIOUR**'.

This matrix outlines the expected behaviours in all school settings. These expectations are explicitly taught in class so that students know how they align with our school values, what they look like, sound like and feel like and that they are to be used to guide student behaviour choices. They also support consistency of staff response to behaviour issues.



EBS4 data and anecdotal observation reveals that disagreements happen often when students are at play



If students comply with expected behaviours, parents can be confident their child/ren are happy at play by being in a safe and respectful environment. Students who usually have issues are those who are not complying with one or more of these expectations or students who are being impacted by the student not-complying. Students who display behaviours towards

others such as: **name calling, alienating, hitting, kicking, intentionally throwing objects to hurt, swearing, not following game rules or being argumentative** impact playtimes in a very unpleasant way. There is nothing productive or safe about this type of behaviour and only leads to students being upset unnecessarily during their playtime.



Positive Behaviour Expectation – Play Safely

Responsible	Safe	Respectful	Active Learner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ be a positive role model ✓ use playground equipment correctly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ walk on concrete ✓ hands and feet to self ✓ follow the rules of the game ✓ use the No Go Tell strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ use appropriate language ✓ share playground space and equipment ✓ play fairly and take turns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ take turns ✓ play fairly ✓ learn the rules of games ✓ know the rules of games



MINOR behaviour is usually 'one off' or arises intermittently and dealt with at the time with the student responding positively and adjusting their behaviour. Some **MINOR** behaviours are indicated below:



Not Responsible	Not Safe	Not Respectful	Not an Active Learner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ out of bounds ➢ playing in the toilets ➢ displaying unsportsmanlike attitude in games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ arguing over play equipment ➢ pushing, shoving, grabbing ➢ taking hats from others ➢ play fighting ➢ playing body contact games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ alienating peers in games ➢ arguing about game rules ➢ targeting to get others out in games ➢ name calling ➢ voicing 'put downs' ➢ laughing when someone gets out in games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ out of bounds ➢ arguing about game rules ➢ changing game rules

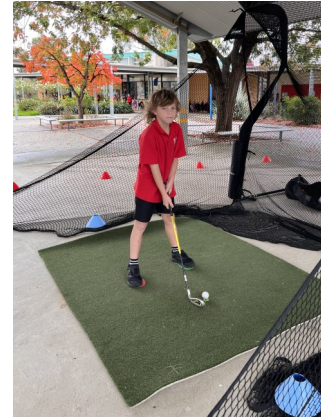


MAJOR behaviour is usually unsafe and persistent with the student involved not responding to or adjusting their behaviour when supported by staff to comply. Some **MAJOR** behaviours are indicated below:



Not Responsible	Not Safe	Not Respectful	Not an Active Learner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ argumentative in games ➢ swearing in games ➢ persistently disrupting games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ playing roughly with intent to hurt ➢ throwing objects at others ➢ hurting other children by hitting, kicking, pinching, pulling hair, biting, or spitting ➢ displaying severe physical anger outburst & loss of control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ swearing directly at students or staff ➢ persistently taunting ➢ targeted abusive comments ➢ persistent name calling directed at students or staff ➢ throwing objects with intent to injure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ persistently out of bounds





Lunchtime Launch It Program

The wet weather did not deter us from enjoying some extra undercover activities last Thursday. Students and staff got the opportunity to enjoy and learn some golfing techniques with Cade Webb. There was even a competition to see who hit the furthest distance using a high-tech sensor device! The furthest shot was 107.5m.

The one-day program and promotion generated a lot of interest amongst our students who displayed a genuine enthusiasm and enjoyment for golf. We hope to have Cade back in Term 4 as part of the Sporting Schools program to deliver more coaching sessions at our school.



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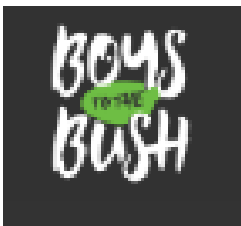


Boys to the Bush



On Tuesday the Boys to the bush people went to Morgan's lookout and had a great time looking over at the landscape and cleaned up the farm around there. We had a great time and got to look around at the Morgan's lookout, we are really excited to go next week as we had lots of fun. We got our boys to the bush t-shirts.

By James and Liam



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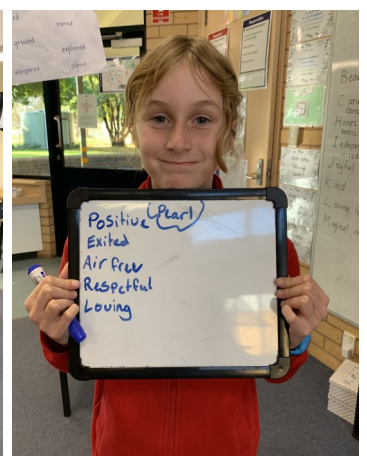
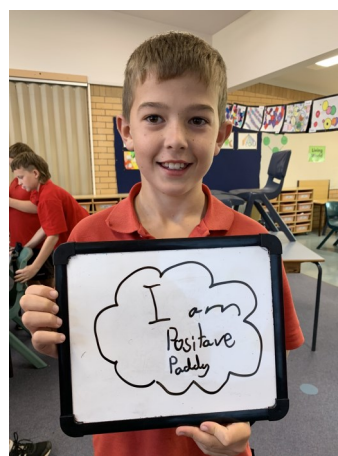
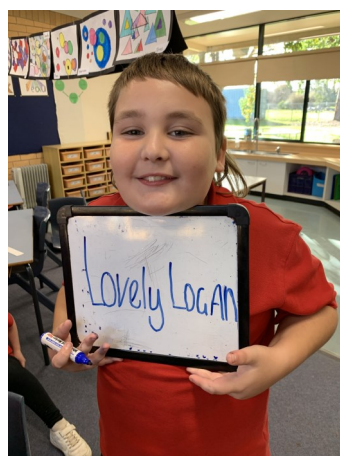
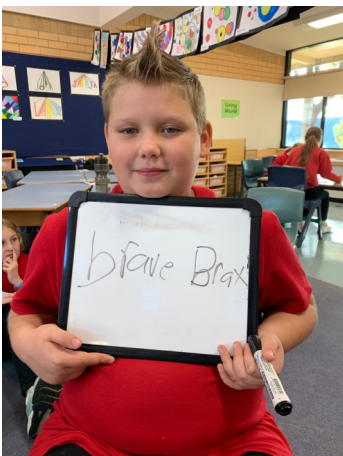
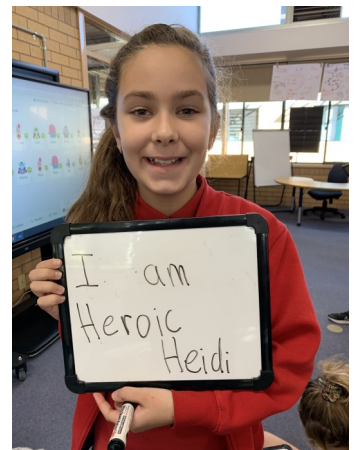
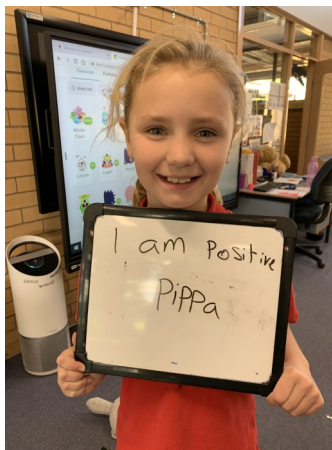
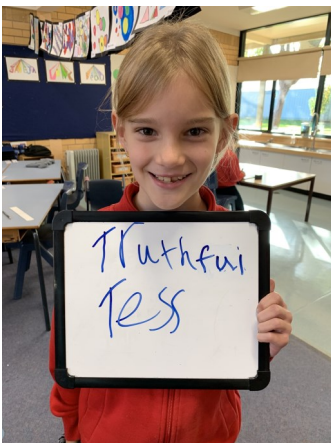
Canteen News

Winter Uniforms: The P&C would like to advise that winter uniforms are available to purchase from Kayleen at the Canteen or by arrangement through the front office. We are aware that parents have raised the issue of a winter jacket and have investigated having this in stock however the cost and minimum order makes these unaffordable. The school is happy for any black jacket to be worn over the top of the school uniform during these colder months.

Canteen News: Did you know our school canteen is required to follow the NSW healthy school canteen strategy which ensures that we support students health and well being by promoting and offering more healthy food and drink options? Please note that the canteen caters for all those children with allergies and intolerances. Please talk to Kayleen if your child has any special dietary requirements. Kayleen has lots of yummy hot food to warm your bellies this winter. Eg chicken & gravy rolls, Meatball subs, Spaghetti and Lasagne she also has Hot Chocolates available for \$2.

PBL Values with 3/4SF

Our PBL class focus this week is "Being Kind". We've talked about showing kindness through our words, facial expressions and actions. Yesterday we had fun creating positive names for ourselves using alliteration.



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TEXTING, DRINKING & MORE

ALL TEENAGERS & GUARDIANS WELCOME

DINNER AND PRESENTATION • 6:30pm - 8:30pm

FREE EVENT | AGES 14+

FRIDAY MAY 20, 2022

THE MIGHTY RIVER ROOM, HOWLONG FOOTBALL CLUB

RSVP - VIA FACEBOOK EVENT OR

HOWLONGSPIDERS@BIGPOND.COM

PRESENTED BY



The presentation and dinner is for teenagers aged 14-18.

We encourage parents/guardians to come along and support this free event to help give our youths a better understanding into safe driving.



Scouts
AUSTRALIA

1st Howlong Cub Scouts

Is your son interested in the Cub Scouts?
We are having an open night at the
Howlong Community Hall, Hammer Street
Wednesday 25th of May, 2022
Time- 6.30pm- 8pm
Ages- 8-11 years [Can be 7.10 months]
Please ring Sheryl Pitman ~Akela
0437906868 if you have any questions

	Canteen Roster
May 20	
May 27	Laura Farnsworth
June 3	Carley Alchin
June 10	Gemma Steers
June 17	Laura Farnsworth
June 24	Rohan Matthews
July 1	Jody Reid & Rohan Matthews



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Term 2 2022



Month	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
April & May	1	25 ANZAC Day	26	27	3 & 4 28 Excursion Beechworth	3 & 4 29 Excursion Beechworth	30/1
May	2	2	3	4	5	6 <u>Mothers Day</u> Stall	7/8
May	3 NAPLAN	9 1/2S Assembly	10	11	12	13	14/15
May	4 NAPLAN	16 Athletics Ribbon Assembly	17	18	19	20 Walk Safely to School Day	21/22
May	5	23 3/4A Assembly	24	25 PSSA Netball Knockout	26	27	28/29
May & June	6	30	31	1	2	3	4/5
June	7	6 2/3PM Assembly	7	8	9	10	11/12
June	8	13 Queen's Birthday	14	15	16 Riverina X- Country	17	18/19
June	9	20 5/6H Assembly	21	22 <u>Naidoc</u> Performance	23	24 Lion King Performance	25/26
June & July	10	27 KM Assembly	28	29	30	1	2/3

