

Howlong Public School Newsletter



Wednesday 21 September

Dates For Your Calendar

Wed 21- Fri 23 Sept	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion - Rescheduled
Friday 23 September	Last day of Term 3
Monday 10 October	First day of Term 4
Friday 21 October	2/3PM Assembly
Wed 26 & Thurs 27 Oct	Kinder 2023 Parent Interviews

Happy Holidays!

Term 3 is quickly coming to an end and what a term it has been! We have had lots of learning and school events and the time has come for everyone to recharge and enjoy the school holidays! We would like to wish staff, students, and their families a restful, enjoyable, and safe break over the school holidays. There will be no staff development day at the beginning of Term 4 and students resume back at school on the 10th October.

Myers Book Week Competition



A big congratulation to Noah Van Zanten who won the second prize and to Andrew McGrath who also won a prize for the Myers Book Week Art competition. Noah and Andrew entered this competition by themselves Noah and has been awarded the prize of \$100 and \$300 for the school. Andrew was also the lucky recipient of a \$30 book voucher. Noah and Andrew will help Mr Curtis choose some books for our school library next term for all students to read and enjoy!



Garden Mulching

Brennan our GA will be busy in the next few days and weeks with spreading out the bark chips throughout our school grounds! We have had some very helpful and skilful students giving Brennan a helping 'shovel' during lunch time last week. It has been a mammoth task indeed! Thank you Brennan and helpers!

Home Reading

With the new structure we are putting into place for home reading next term, we would like to provide some support for parents when implementing this at home. Next term we will be holding some parent information sessions to share what home reading can look like for you and your children as well as answer any questions you may still have.

These will be held in the school library on **Friday, October 14, at 9am** and again on **Tuesday, October 18, at 5pm**. The afternoon session will also be filmed and made available via Seesaw. We would love to see as many parents at these sessions as we can.



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2022 State Golf Championships

Austin, Isaac and Isabella went to Sydney on the 5th, 6th and 7th of September to play golf at the Brighton Lakes Golf Club and The Ridge Golf Club. We represented the Riverina at the State Championships. We also had a fourth member, Braxton from Narrandera.

On the first day we started at eight o'clock in the morning and it was an Ambrose event. Everyone played well as a team, we finished 12th out of the 22 teams that competed.

The second day was a stroke event, so everyone played with people from different teams. There were eighty-one kids playing to go to the next level. We played in groups of 3 or 4. At Brighton Lakes there were 11 holes where you had to hit over water, so it was not so easy.

On the third day we played at The Ridge Golf Club, and it was another stroke event. We teed off at eight o'clock and we all had good drives so it was a good start to our day. The course was very hilly and it took a lot of energy to get around.

We finished at about 1pm and then we had the presentations. Eight boys and four girls were selected for the NSW team. They will play in the Australian Primary Schools Interstate Championship being held in November in the ACT.

Austin finished highest for the Riverina team scoring equal 50th for scratch and equal 45th for nett. Isaac received the Riverina School Sports Association medal for his resilience and perseverance. Everyone had a crack and tried their best.

After golf we had free time to do a few things. On Monday we went to Penrith to do Aqua Golf, iFly and had dinner at Penrith Leagues Club. On Tuesday we went to Event Cinemas in Liverpool to watch Top Gun Maverick and WE WERE THE ONLY ONES THERE! On Wednesday we just relaxed at the hotel. Austin, Blake and Isaac went down to the gym before having an early dinner.

We got to experience going to a state level championship and during this we got to learn a lot and meet people from all over the state of NSW. We would encourage anyone who is interested in golf to give it a go, have fun and never give up. It would be really good to see some more of the local kids participating

in this level of competition. The Howlong Golf Resort has a number of programs running to assist us and others in learning how to play golf.

We would like to thank the following for their support in assisting our families to enable us to attend this event:

- Howlong Opportunity Shop
- Howlong Public School
- Howlong Public School P & C
- Howlong Golf Resort
- MDGA
- Enzed Albury



Written by Austin, Isaac and Isabella



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Lego Play

Our students have been enjoying Lego play in the Hall at lunchtime, a very popular activity, with many amazing creations being built. The school received the lego from the **Good360** program, we received \$2300 worth of Lego for just the cost of the freight.



Term 3 Week 8 Assembly Awards:

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

Chelsea Adams, Liam Fulton, Thomas Elverd, Archer Houley, Jack Finucane, James Vasquez, Freya Dunkley, River Leathem, Brock Fulton, Claire Feuerherdt, Annie McCormack, Jaxson Ansell, Lachlan Wenzke, Patrick McMillan, Indiana Leathem, Lawson Lees, Logan Field, Maddison Mackay, Inneka Wraith, Matilda Keeble, Bella Lions, Amelia Parcsi, Lily Kiely, Jake Taylor, Ronan Simpson, Andrew McGrath, Jake Marshall, Katelin Baker, Mia Howard, Kaden Saunders, Charlie Marks, Ella Witt, Raymond Knight, Cooper Kelsall.

Little Athletics is back



Join our community for the 2022 - 2023 Season

REGISTER TODAY

Come and try day Monday 10th & 17th October



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HOME READING FACT SHEET



Howlong Public School has a clear focus on phonics instruction in the classroom. We will be supporting this through **decodable sheets** sent home for home reading. These decodable sheets are based on the letter sequences that the student has learned in the classroom.

The aim of these sheets is to practice the sounds that these letters, or combination of letters, make, and to be able to blend (push the sounds together) or segment (break them into individual sounds) to promote fluency.

Examples of games and activities will be provided for parents to complete with your child/ren using these sheets. Short, regular, repeated practice will support your child to become flexible and fluent in their blending and segmenting of words, which assists both reading and writing. Students will be sent home new sheets once they have completed learning that letter sequence in class, which means that students may be bringing new decodable sheets home at different intervals.



Books will continue to be sent home to share and enjoy together once students reach a certain level of phoneme/grapheme ('code') knowledge. This will have a slightly different format than in the past. We will be classifying these books as 'You can' books. 'You can' books can be different types of text including story books from home, town or school library, magazines, newspapers and websites that you, as the parent, can read to, and with your child. Students will also be able to select books from school to take home as 'You can' books. They will be choosing them on the basis of their own interest rather than being concerned with the level of the book. These books can be recorded in the student's Home Reading Log.

This quality time with your child or children enables them to follow their own interests and instill a love of reading. There may be sections in these texts that your child can access on their own and begin to notice items of 'code' that they already know. They will also promote rich discussion and conversation about what is being read.



Athletics Assembly

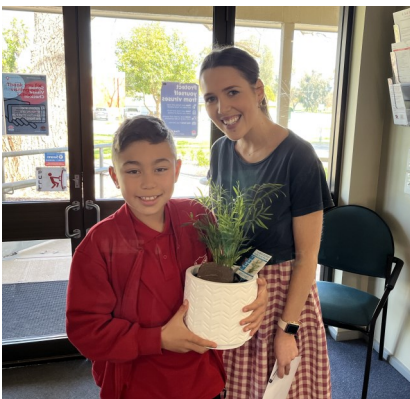


Congratulations to the following students for their SRPSSA & HPS Athletics Carnival achievements:

Teddy Cann, Ella Breden, Charlotte Chant, Campbell Steers, Patrick Conroy, Jimmy Conroy, Adelina Whitehead, Austin Alchin, Claire Feuerhert, River Leathem, Archie Weule, Isaac White, Jack Longley, Pippa Cooper, Jadeja Leathem, Nate Arnold, Oliver Just, Charli McNamara, Ben Ibrom, Milly Bradbury. Absent Katelin Baker and Kaden Saunders.

Howlong Public School Athletics Carnival Age Champions are:

Oliver Just, Katelin Baker, Archie Weule, Milly Bradbury, Patrick Conroy and Jadeja Leathem.



Dear Miss McGown

Thank you for teaching this class all sorts of stuff like science, maths and many, many more interesting things that we all have learnt during your time at H.P.S. So now that you have passed down knowledge to this class and this is your last day, thank you Miss McGown for all that you have done.

Yours sincerely

5/6D

Thank you to the Howlong Bakery for their ongoing support to our HPS families by donating delicious baked goods that are shared to a different family each week.



Happy SASS Week! Week 8 we celebrated the incredible work the SASS workers do around the school. 3/4M are fortunate enough to have Kylie Baker often working in their classroom.



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Literacy Groups in 1-2S

1-2S students had a great time in literacy groups recently by working with a partner to read and follow the instructions to build a robot. They then were able to make modifications or design their own robot during each day's session. On the final day, students were able to determine which design was most effective in moving along the carpet by competing in robot races.



Literacy Groups 1/2S



Front garden progress

We are very excited about the recent upgrade to our Larmer Street front garden. Together with the aid of 8 enthusiastic Bunnings workers, students from across the school rolled up their sleeves and got dirty on Tuesday.

It all started with some hard digging, straight into a rocky ground, with perseverance a river like track was dug. Next up, shovelling in some granite stone, kindly delivered by Jenny and the team at Nagles, THANKYOU!

Uh I forgot to mention the wheelbarrow troubles: 2 flat tyres, a tyre falling off, a squeaky tyre and an old metal work horse. Luckily Damien and Brennan quickly responded to our call for Help, supplying two top nick wheelbarrows for the day, thanks!

As the day rolled on we dug holes, planted native plants, fertilised the garden beds, and most importantly, we stomped down the track!

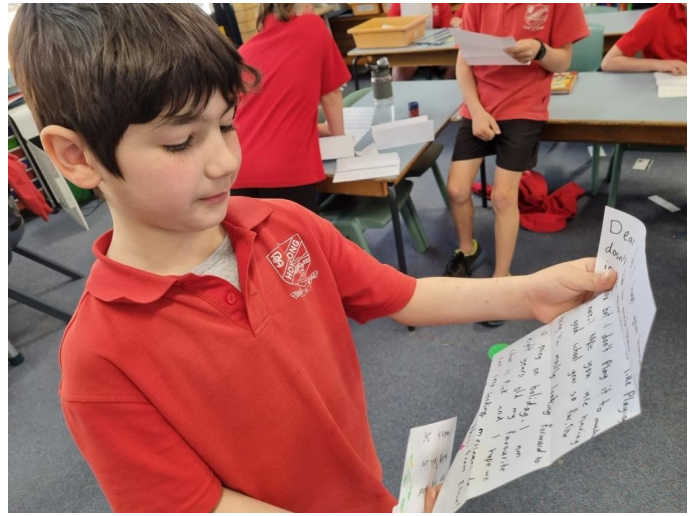
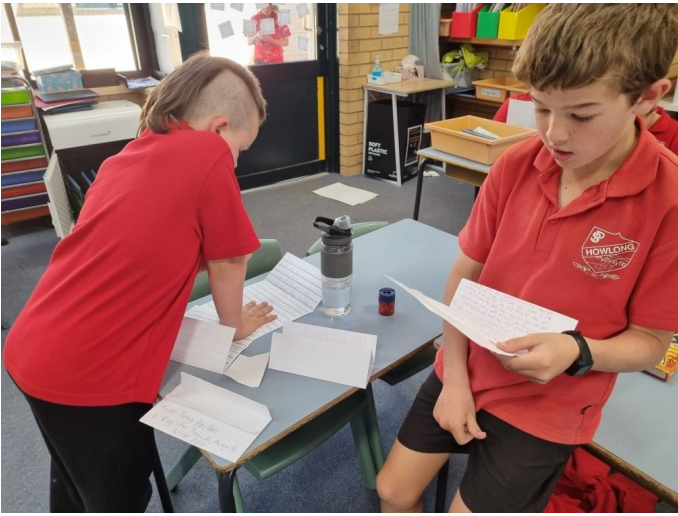
We still have a lot to do, but once again a big Thank-you to everyone who helped. I Hope you are all proud of your efforts, what we achieved will be enjoyed for many years to come.

We would like to thank Amy and Nick from the Howlong Nursery for supplying some flower, vegetable and herb seeding. We have planted some already and can't wait to watch them grow!

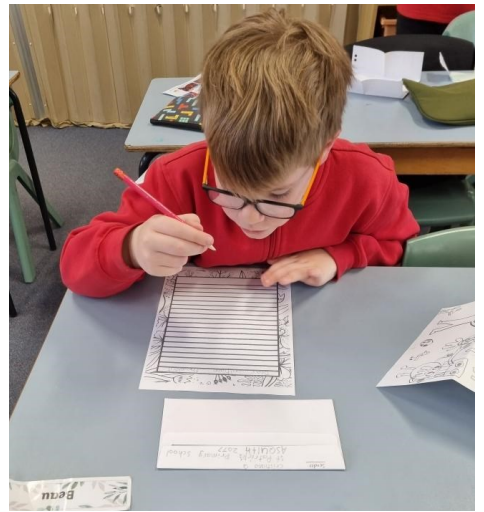
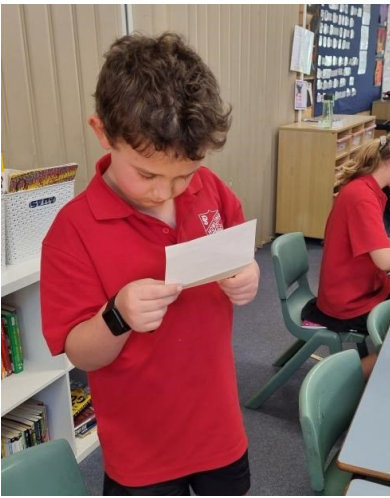
By Spencer and Logan



3/4FH Penpals



3/4FH were very excited this week to receive a 2nd round of letters from their pen pals a Year 3 class at St Patricks Catholic College Asquith in Sydney.



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Footy Colours Day



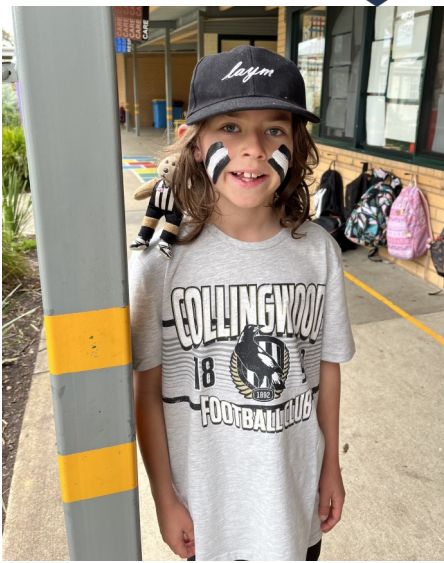
Our annual Footy Colours Day is always a popular event with the students and staff, so many sporting teams represented today and our students will enjoy extra play today as part of their PBL reward.



Footy Colours Day



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Term 4 2022

Month	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
October	1	10	11	12 Boys 2 the Bush Cultural day	13	14 Home Reading Session 9am	
October	2	17	18 Home Reading Session 5pm	19	20	21 2/3 PM Assembly	
October	3	24	25	26 2023 Kinder Interviews	27 2023 Kinder Interviews	28	
October/ November	4	31	1 Healthy Harold	2 Seedlings Healthy Harold	3 Healthy Harold	4 5/6H Assembly	
November	5	7	8	9 Seedlings Visit	10	11	
November	6	14	15	16 Seedlings Visit	17	18 KMH Assembly	
November	7	21	22	23 Seedlings Visit	24	25	
November/ December	8	28 Dental Van Visit	29 Dental Van Visit	30 Dental Van Visit Presentation Day	1 Swim School Begins	2 Year6 Farewell Dinner	
December	9	5	6	7	8	9	
December	10	12	13	14	15	16	
December	11	19	20 SDD	21	22	23	
December							

