Monday 4th November 2013

Hello Everyone!

This is a very big week. Today Interviews take place for our new School Administration Manager. For the past 18 years Katie Nolan has dedicated her time, expertise and energies to Hannam Vale Public School. Katie works tirelessly, she has adapted to many changes throughout her time at the school, remaining positive and focussed; she runs an excellent office, and has been, and will remain, a treasured part of our school community. Hannam Vale thanks you Katie, and wishes you the very best in your upcoming retirement!

Come along at 2pm this Friday 8th November, everyone, as we have a special Afternoon Tea for Katie! All community members are invited to attend.

SATURDAY’S WORKING BEE

It was hot, and it was hard work, but thanks to a very enthusiastic and willing band of parents, citizens and superkids the following milestones were achieved!

- Our vegetable beds were constructed and filled.
- Our new ‘Meeting Room’ was completely cleared and cleaned and shelving constructed – with shelving to be completed later in the week.
- A tasty sausage sizzle was prepared - and water and fruit juice was flowing!

A very big THANK YOU to Brett Partlett and Michelle Dennis who provided the timber for, and constructed our garden beds! Adam and Donna White for getting the shelving underway, and firing up the barbecue! The adult worker bees – Lana Read, Mandy Bartlett, Kristy and Peter Miller, Peter McInnes, Mark and Helen Brockbank and those already mentioned above! The student worker bees – Isla, Hannah, Laura, Emily, Adam B., John , Adam P., Connor, Elen and Ben! What a productive day!

STAR of the WEEK is Kenneth Northey from Year 1, for his improvement in all academic areas and his great enthusiasm and singing in the practise sessions for our end-of-year production!

NEW EQUIPMENT

Our new printer/photocopier/fax machine arrives on Wednesday, and will be installed sometime soon after... Again – it’s a black and white edition of the Newsletter this week! Colour insert printed from home printer.

KITCHEN AND GARDEN LESSONS were again a success on Friday, with the kitchen crew cooking up:- Bread with a beetroot Dip and delicious mango, eggplant and tofu lettuce cups! ... the Gardeners set about mixing a special soil for seedlings, moving it into egg cartons and various other containers and planting lettuce seeds therein.

We also had to complete a deal of maintenance on our wicking boxes, and removed plants from the rubber tyres. We will plant companion plants in these. Thanks again to Mrs Stevenson for bringing in extra equipment necessary for cooking – and to Mandy Bartlett for her expert assistance with the gardening session!

FIRE BRIGADE VISIT

Students thoroughly enjoyed this informative visit! Great work John and Robyn! Look out for our student recounts of what happened which will be printed in following newsletters!

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Apart from it being the day of the Melbourne Cup, Tuesday is our Celebration Assembly Day! 2:30-3:00pm. Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition results have turned up and Yrs 4, 5 and 6 students have some great news to share! As well, our first Waratah Award will be presented!
WELCOME
We welcome Mrs Cathy Walker to our school today! Mrs Walker will be with us for a number of days this Term... Hope you enjoy your day with us Cathy!

COUNSELLOR VISIT
Friday of this week we will also welcome Ms Christian Fieldhouse (School Counsellor) back to H.V.P.S. We’ll look forward to hearing of her travelling adventures in her camper van!

HARRINGTON TOUCH FOOTBALL
The Touch Football Competition begins this Friday, 8th November, at Harrington Oval after school hours. We are hoping to field a team from Hannam Vale. An information and Expression of Interest form will be distributed tomorrow, to be returned to school as soon as possible before this Friday.

COLLECTION REMINDERS
1. Medical Update forms
2. Guitar Lesson Payments (Tm4=8wks)
3. Swimming Note & $35.00

P&C MEETING
Where? HVPS School Hall!
When? 3:15 pm till 4:15 pm

EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND!!!

Thanks everyone for your continued help, support and friendship.

Pam Everingham
Teaching Principal

So, Kenneth, how do you feel about being chosen star of the week?
Very Excellent!

Why were you chosen for this award?
For improvement in all academic areas and great singing in our end-of-year production practices!

Who are your best friends?
Elen, Piper and Adam P.

What is your favourite subject?
Fast Maths

What is your favourite home activity?
Riding on the tractor!

What do you want to be when you grow up?
A Farm Owner

OK Kenneth, thank you for being interviewed by HV Press.

By Reporter – Elen Miller
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| TUESDAY  | STUDENT BANKING  
- Please hand in to the office before school  
LIBRARY LESSON  
- Please bring books in library bag |
| Fridays  | Student homework to be returned to school                         |
| Fridays  | Sport Session first hour of the day                               |

**Hannam Vale Public School BOOK FAIR**

**Tuesday 12\(^{th}\) to Friday 15\(^{th}\) November**

9am to 3.30pm

**A great selection of Children’s books to choose from!!!**

**P & C NEWS**

Thankyou, thankyou, thankyou to all the families and members of our school community who turned out to help at our working bee on Saturday. Thanks to their efforts we now have some new garden beds and new shelving for storage! I would like to thank Mandy Bartlett, Lana Read, Pam Everingham, the Miller family, White family, McInnes family, Partlett family and Brockbank family for your amazing efforts! Thanks also for your wonderful company!

**Hannam Vale P&C Cookbook - $12 each**

Available to view at the school office.

**Annual Christmas Raffle**

Please keep the donations coming in. The raffle will be drawn on December 12\(^{th}\) during the School Production.

**Crazy Camel Orders:**

Please get your orders in to Cristy or Michelle as soon as possible so that we can return them in time for delivery by the end of term. They make great Christmas gifts for grandparents!

**Lucky P&C Pick:**

The prize money was returned to the P&C for the benefit of our students, as the winning number was not chosen last week.

**Next P&C Meeting:**

This Wednesday 6\(^{th}\) November at 3:15pm at school.

Michelle Dennis, P&C President
Planting lettuce seeds, in our own soil mix!

Will attends to the watering!

Lily topping up a wicking box!

Top Right: Josh waters and checks the lettuce.

Middle: Kenzie cooks eggplant.

Below: Kitchen clean-up brigade! Ben, Sam and Oliver!
Brett constructing garden beds....

Ben and Adam unloading wood for Meeting Room shelving!

Mandy and Connor preparing bed bases...

Laura, Adam, Emily and Mandy preparing garden beds.

SATURDAY’S WORKING BEE

Even Pre-schoolers got a job!

Mandy and Connor preparing bed bases...

Some workers with a well-earned paddle pop!

THANKS EVERYONE!!