**FOR YOUR DIARY**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>14 September</td>
<td>Thursday Canteen Roster: Room 14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Thursday Book Fair Commences</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15 September</td>
<td>Friday Book Fair Dress Up</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19 September</td>
<td>Monday Assembly — Room 11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20 September</td>
<td>Tuesday Canteen Roster: Room 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21 September</td>
<td>Wednesday Learning Journey — Evening</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Thursday Canteen Roster: Room 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22 September</td>
<td>Friday School Development Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23 September</td>
<td>Monday First Day Term 4 for Students</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24 September</td>
<td>Tuesday First Day Term 4 for Students</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Thursday Canteen Roster: Room 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Friday School Development Day</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Another great week for Helena Valley Primary School Staff and Students:

**INCASE YOU MISSED IT**

What a great night last night at Wakakirri - Helena Valley Primary School champions of the night!

Peoples choice, 280 votes in 3 minutes! Thank you to the amazing Gibby team for getting that information out to the community so fast.

Best Global Awareness Story!

**WA Story Of the Year Nominee!!!**

Staff and students looked exhausted when I saw them at 6 pm, but their performance was nothing but spectacular.

Thanks go to Mrs Ferguson, Mrs O'Reilly, Mrs Young, Mrs Budd, Mrs Patriarca, Mrs Spence, Signoria Jones and associated family members who have lived the dream. Also a big thank you to Mrs Wright, Mrs Callender, Mrs Hall, Mrs Walling and their associated families who also assisted with make up and prop making.

You all have so much to be proud of!

**FACTION DAY**

Drummond! Drummond! Drummond!

Oi! Oi! Oi!

Drummond the successful Faction at this years Faction Carnival. The day had great atmosphere at Darlington Oval, Parents and Students joined in on the day with a great dose of sportsmanship and comraderie. This year the factions held a cheer leading competition which was exceptional.

The students created the cheers and routines entirely by themselves, a real credit to them. Thank you to all staff and parents who assisted to make the day so fantastic, with a special thanks to Mr Brown, Ms Curtis, Mr Fitzpatrick, the ladies in the canteen, Mrs Swanton and the Coffee Van Man.

Good luck to those students selected for the Interschool Team next term.

**SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

Please don’t forget Friday 23rd September is a School Development Day. Staff will spend a few hours at Sawyers Valley Primary School working with the Australian Curriculum around Mathematics and then return to school to complete Whole School Self Assessment.

This will be followed closely by Monday 10th October our last School Development Day for the year. Staff will be joined by Parkerville Primary School and we will start the day with an inspiring story from one of our own parents Damien Gee, followed by a morning of Writing moderation using Brightpath and finishing the day with a visit from Scholastic who will go through Literacy Pro and the use of resources we have purchased over the last 2 years.

**LAST CHANCE TO COMPLETE PARENT SURVEY**

WOW! with just under 2 weeks to go, 49 parents have completed the parent online survey, that is 39 more than the last time we ran the survey. We need at least another 50 responses. If you haven’t had a chance to complete the survey please use the following link to do so:

https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/jaDA9RDQ

Don’t forget this Friday is dress up day for book fair - Australian Country. We look forward to seeing you all at Learning Journey next Wednesday at 5.30pm.

Tamala Wilkinson
Principal
From the Deputy

SCHOOL RUN4 FUN
Sponsorship brochures were sent home several weeks ago for this year’s School Run4Fun, which is being held on Thursday 22nd September, the last day of this term. Please support the children through your sponsorship and encourage them to seek other sponsors, such as friends and relatives. All funds raised will be used towards purchasing much needed learning technology resources. All children who raise at least $10 in sponsorship money can select some great prizes, as shown in the sponsorship brochure. If by any chance your child has not received the coloured brochure, please see the office staff.

FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
This year’s Carnival provided spirited and exciting competition and a close finish. Congratulations to Drummond Faction on their victory. The final points were:
- Drummond – 522
- Forrest – 454
- O’Connor – 372
- Statham – 268

Well done also to Drummond on winning the Team Games Shield. Special mention needs to be made of the fantastic work done by the Faction Captains in helping the teachers and children in their faction bays and encouraging competitors in their events.

A huge thank you also to parents, staff and former students who assisted on either or both Carnival days with measuring, raking, recording, judging, setting up/packing up and canteen duties.

Individual Champions and Runners-up are listed. Congratulations to these athletes and well done to all competitors on their terrific enthusiasm and sportsmanship on the day.

2016 FACTION ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>CHAMPION</th>
<th>RUNNER UP</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Year 1 Boys</td>
<td>Kohen A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 1 Girls</td>
<td>Lacey O</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 2 Boys</td>
<td>Cade Y</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 2 Girls</td>
<td>Stella Y</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 3 Boys</td>
<td>Jackson D</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 3 Girls</td>
<td>Shayla K</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 4 Boys</td>
<td>Jack M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 4 Girls</td>
<td>Georgia L</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 5 Boys</td>
<td>Kobi O</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 5 Girls</td>
<td>Sohpie D</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 6 Boys</td>
<td>Liam C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 6 Girls</td>
<td>Chloe B</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS
The Interschool Athletics Carnival is being held on Wednesday, 2nd November (jumps, throws and distance events) and Friday 4th November (sprints, relays and team games) at Mundaring Recreation Ground. Selected competitors will shortly receive their excursion permission notes.

This year is the inaugural Hills Education Community Athletics Carnival. We will be competing against Darlington, Mundaring, Mount Helena, Parkerville and Glen Forrest. As an added bonus, we are the organising school for the carnival! Therefore, we will be in need of parent assistance to ensure both carnival days run efficiently and enjoyably for the competitors. Therefore, if there are any parents who are likely to be available to assist on either or both of the dates above, please advise the Office Staff or Mr Brown. Thank you in anticipation.
Yes it’s Book Fair time again!

This year’s theme is “Australia Story Country”! The Library is decorated in readiness for its commencement on Thursday 15th August until the following Wednesday 21st September.

Come along between 8.30-9.00am & 3.00-3.30pm. Parents, friends, family and students will be able to purchase fabulous books and novelty stationary items each day.

We will also be having a special Open Night on Wednesday 21st (Same night as Learning Journey) from 5.30pm – 8.00pm, so that busy working parents can have an opportunity to participate. A special guest book character will be joining us early in the evening and there will be competitions on the night. Please come along and join us and have a look at the beautiful books on display.

Buying a book for a child is a wonderful gift and you will be supporting your school, as a large percentage of the total sales gets’ donated back to the school in books.

Hope to see you all at the Book Fair!

---

**Students Absent from/ Late to School**

Please notify the office before 9.30am via:

- SMS on 0437 410 293
- Phone on 9294 1062
- Email on HelenaValley.PS@education.wa.edu.au

The absentee form on the new HVPS School App.

**LATE TO SCHOOL** - would parents please ensure that children who arrive to school after the 8.50am siren report to the front office and take a red card to the class teacher.

**EXTENDED ABSENCE** - please notify the office in writing (via email on HelenaValley.PS@education.wa.edu.au) prior to your child being absent from school for an extended period. This is a Department of Education requirement and will be forwarded to the Principal on receipt.

---

**From the Board Chair**

Did you know that the school’s Positive Behaviour Team have developed, in conjunction with the students, a list of expectations that helps guide student behaviour. It is an extremely supportive approach that understands all behaviours can be taught. This moves away from punitive, punishment based approach to discipline and creates a positive behaviour management model within our school. This contributes to building students into successful pro social citizens who are life long learners. I learnt this last week at a Parent Information Session presented by Ms O’Reilly.

HVPS School Expectations are that students are/will:
- Ready to Learn
- Work with persistence
- Learn from mistakes
- Interact safely and with purpose
- Be positively involved

I’m blown away by this positive behaviour approach that our school is taking to support our students. Ask your classroom teacher about it the next time you pop in.

Enjoy your holidays!