SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY - 3rd of JUNE

Yes! Our School Development Day is on the 3rd of June. This day was endorsed by the School Board as it backed onto the Western Australian Day long weekend. Students DO NOT come to school. The agenda for this day is:

Visit to Sawyers Valley Primary School to observe Literacy Practice in the classroom. Sawyers Valley Staff will be here on the Tuesday to do the same at our school.

Meg Stanlake from the SSEN – Behaviour and Engagement, will work with staff on Trauma and the effects this has on children.

Staff will review and establish HVPS common beliefs around Numeracy and what teaching numeracy should look like at HVPS.

OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING & INTERESTED PARENTS

On Monday the 20th June, the School Board invite interested parents to attend an information session/board meeting. The Board is looking for an interested parent to join the board for the next 3 years. Sounds easy enough! If you are interested you just need to complete a form and drop it off to the office before 3 pm on the 1st of July. The election results will be announced on the 1st of August.

Thank you to long time board member Sharon Slater, who has completed her second term as Board member. Staff will now go through the same process of voting an interested staff member onto the board.

QUESTIONS ABOUT STUDENTS

Staff are often asked question like “what is the school actually doing to help THAT child?” Although as parents we would really like to know, what the problem is with “that kid”, generally we are not at liberty to disclose details about families to each other or the wider community. What I can say is:

“THAT” student often has:

- The School Psychologist or the School Nurse or The School Chaplain working with them, school staff and the family. Maybe even access to the Support-A-Reader Program.

- The student will often have a raft of support services possibly including Therapist, Psychologists, Psychiatric care, Parenting support, DCFP and occasionally the police

- Staff work with these services above and beyond catering for everyone in the class

- The student generally would have a Risk Management Plan or an Individual Behaviour Management Plan or an Individual Education Plan

- There would be case conferences that include Administrators, Teachers, EA’s and external services

- The student MAY have a diagnosis – but often not.

- The family may have a court order or an RVO

- The family may have an Attendance Plan or a Responsible Parenting Agreement or be about to face an Attendance Panel

- The student may have a mental health issue due to childhood trauma, which could include a separation, domestic abuse, parenting

“THAT” Student may have a lot of things, a lot of issues, a lot of information - which we will not share with other families or community. But, be assured when you ask the question, there is a lot being “done” that is invisible to other families, friends and the community.

Enjoy the beautiful rain! (We really need it)

Tamala Wilkinson
Welcome to the 2016 Concert Series.

We have all now been allocated our night of nights – the Western Australian Government Schools Music Society Choir Concert. We will be performing on the evening of TUESDAY THE 30TH AUGUST, 2016.

WAGSMS received extremely positive feedback from schools regarding the trial of on-line ticketing in 2015 so it has been decided to continue with on-line ticketing through Ticketmaster for the 2016 season and the following ticketing procedures will apply:

1. Tickets for ALL Crown concerts will go on sale at 10.00am on Tuesday 7th June, 2016. Tickets are on a first in best seats basis. There is no limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased per transaction. Concerts have “Sold Out” in the past so to guarantee your attendance, early ticket purchase is recommended.

2. The ticket price remains at $23.00 per ticket for 2016. There is no student or pensioner concession on the ticket price.

Parent Information Session

After the next assembly Mrs Lydiate and I will be presenting and discussing ON ENTRY TESTING with any interested parents. This session will take place straight after assembly in the Science Room.

This will not be a time to discuss individual student results. If you wish to discuss your child’s results please see your class teacher.
Honour Board

Thankyou to Mrs Patriarca and the year 5/6 Students from Room 14.

School Photos

This year our school will be having our student photos taken by Midland Photographers. Photos will be taken on Thursday 2nd June and Friday 17th June for Kindy A.

Envelopes for photo orders have been sent home with students and parents are asked to select the package they require.

Each student must bring their envelope with the correct money inside, on or before the 30th May and hand into the office.

It is important that all children come dressed neatly and wear their normal school uniform shirt not their sports shirt. This is so that the class group photos in particular, look attractive and represent a lasting good image of the school for everyone wishing to buy them. It is wise to supply your child with a comb on the day so they can neaten their hair if necessary. Students with long hair are requested to keep it neatly tied back. Year 6 need to wear normal uniform and bring along leavers shirts to wear for individual photo.

Thankyou

Many thanks to Natalie Davis and Fiona Evans for their community spirit and assistance in sorting all the Early Childhood jigsaw puzzles last Friday. A big thanks also to all the enthusiastic students in Ms Shepherd's class for helping me to check that all the floor puzzles were complete.

Sharon Slater

2017 Enrolments

Parents/carers wishing to enrol their children turning four before 30th June 2017 in Kindergarten or turning five before 30th June 2017 in Pre-Primary are invited to complete an ‘Application for Enrolment’ form. These are available from the school office.

Applications close Friday 22nd July 2016.

Further information is available by phoning the school on 9294 1062.

Absentees

If your child is going to be late or absent from school, please notify the office via email (HelenaValley.PS@education.wa.edu.au), SMS on 0437 410 293 (text only) or call on 9294 1062 before 9.30am.

Please would ALL parents make sure that children who arrive to school after the 8.50am siren report to the front office and take a red late card to the class teacher.
The P&C will be running our next School Disco on Friday 24th June with a Superhero theme. Make sure you add this fantastic P&C event to your Term Planner and start planning your costume!

Recently, the P&C has been working to secure a grant to restore and rejuvenate the bush block at the Ridge Hill Rd side of the school. There has already been some work in this area to reduce the build-up of Morning Glory weeds. This is an area of the school with great potential that everybody sees as they pass by. Thankyou Tess Healy for your efforts thus far and we keep our fingers crossed to be successful in our grant application.

Our Next meeting will be held on Monday 13th June at 6pm in the school library.

Nick Stretch
P&C President

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**Uniform Shop News**

Please take note of the process for placing an order with the Uniform Shop 1) Fill out order form and complete ALL details, especially the top box with personal information 2) Make payment by EFT (preferred) or Cash 3) Send form to Uniform Shop via email hvpsuniformshop@gmail.com or hand into office 4) Your order will be delivered to your child's class once payment is received. Stock will no longer be placed "on hold". Payment is required within 4 weeks of placing order.

- The Uniform Shop is run by volunteers. We try to open regularly on Wednesday at 2.40pm. Sometimes the Shop may be closed due to work commitments. If this is the case please contact us via email to find a suitable time to meet.

- The Uniform Shop Clearance Sale - Monday 30th May 2016 from 8.30am to 9.30am (assembly day) and from 2.30 - 3.30 on Monday 30th May

Please ensure you have the correct bank details. Details for the Uniform Shop are:

- **BSB**: 633 000
- **Account**: 15578 8896

- New jackets have arrived. There are plenty in stock. Please place your orders now!

Thanks
Catherine