Dear Parents,

At the time of writing this newsletter, I can report that the Year 6 students and nine teachers are in Canberra. They travelled to Canberra yesterday and are looking forward to touring Parliament House, The War Memorial, Questacon, and The Australian Institute of Sport, which are just some of the places they will visit. I am sure they will have a wonderful week and will have plenty of stories to tell when they return.

The Great Fete - Saturday November 19th

2016 is a fete year and already some of our fete committees have been meeting to ensure this year’s fete is a huge success. One such group is the silent auction committee. Last time round our Hartwell families were extremely generous and we hope that by making some suggestions as to how you can help we might again receive a fantastic response to our call for donations for the silent auction. For instance we are hopeful that families or friends might be in a position to donate items such as:

- a weekend away at a holiday home
- a dinner party catered for by the parent community with a string quartet featuring some of our musician parents
- Babysitting offer
- Designated driver offer. To pick you up and return you home on a night out
- Another ‘backyard blitz’ with electrician / plumbing component
- Preparation of tax return by an accountant
- Any other creative ideas that you might think of

Please contact ANNA GLENN (0430 320 097) annaglenn99@gmail.com or see Kris Moore at school if you can assist with any of these ideas or similar.

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Movie Night

Many, many families attended the Movie Night on Saturday evening to see ‘The Good Dinosaur’ and all seemed to enjoy themselves. Thanks to Jacqui Hilton and her team of assistants who organised the movie, bean bags, and yummy food- choc tops, pizza, popcorn and drinks.

Curriculum Days -2016

I would like to remind all parents that we have two curriculum days in the next few weeks both having been ratified by School Council. The first will be on Friday March 11th. when the focus for the teachers will be on Writing and Spelling. Lyn Watts who is a noted expert on teaching all aspects of literacy, especially writing will be the facilitator for the day and we are very much looking forward to continuing the work we have been doing in this
area of the curriculum with Lyn over the past couple of years. On Monday April 11th, the first day of term 2 for many schools, we will have another curriculum day and this time the focus will be on Mathematics. Sue Fine will be running the professional development for the day.

I have spoken to Camp Australia about a child care program for each of these days, however there must be a minimum of twenty enrolments for the day to be held. As soon as bookings open for this program, please book in if you intend making use of it.

**Parent Information Evenings**

Parent Information Evenings will continue with the Years 1&2 session scheduled for 7.15pm tonight and the Years 3&4 session on Thursday evening at 7.15pm. We would love a large number of parents to attend each night. Thanks to families from Prep and Years 5&6 who have already been represented at these sessions. The feedback from parents has been positive re: the content of the meetings which is great because we have made a genuine attempt to include information we think you will find useful.

**Student Leadership**

The Year 6 leadership badges were presented last Friday morning at a special assembly. All Year 6 students were involved and received leadership badges. I will include the names of all our student leaders in the newsletter before the end of term.

**Home Group Representatives**

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered / agreed to be home group representatives this year. Please keep in mind that in the case of year six parents, all of you will be invited to be part of the Graduation Committee later in the year. A meeting will be held to outline this really important role this Friday 4th March at 9.00am in the staffroom. All home group representatives are invited so please mark this date on your calendar. Interestingly we still require home-group representatives for the following classes who at the time of writing this newsletter had no reps: - 1M, 1O, 1C, 1D; 3G, 5C, 5M. The following home-groups have only one class rep at the moment: - 2G, 3F, 3S, 4L, 4O, 5J and 6B. If you can assist with this very important role please contact Charlotte or Catriona in the office or complete the form in this newsletter and return it to school. Thanks for your help with this matter.

**Reminders**

- The first working bee for 2016 will be held on Saturday March 19th from 1-4pm. Please mark this date on your calendar and look out for the notice which will provide detail about the jobs scheduled.

It would be great to have a large turnout to this working bee.

- Our bi-annual twilight fete will be held on Saturday November 19th from 1-8pm. Please also note this date on your calendar.

**Kris Moore**

**Principal**

**MUSIC**

**No Choir rehearsals this week**

Please note that there will be no Choir rehearsal on the 2nd or 3rd of March as Ms Hyland will be away on Year 6 Camp. Rehearsals will resume next week as normal.

**PE UPDATE**

**HPS Swimmers Simply Superb!**

Congratulations to our brilliant swimmers who participated in the Borroondara Division Swimming Finals yesterday. At this level the competition really heats up with some terrific racing on display. Our team’s performance was outstanding with many exceptional results. Well done to:


Congratulations to Emerson who will now swim at the Eastern Metropolitan Finals next Monday in the 9/10yr Backstroke event. Well done Emmy, what a great effort. Emerson is also a member of the 9/10yr Girls Freestyle Relay team with Madi, Hannah and Rhys who will also swim next Monday. Go Hartwell Girls!

Thank you to the swimming parents for taking your children to the event and a very big thank you to Ann Cornish for managing the team at the division finals.

**Weetbix Tryathlon**

We are definitely on the countdown to the Weetbix Tryathlon now! We are currently at 111 ‘Tryathletes’! Congratulations Hartwell Families, what a great result. To enter go to the website: http://try.weetbix.com.au/events/melbourne

We have our final non-compulsory training session this SUNDAY 6TH MARCH at 4pm at Catani
Gardens in St. Kilda. Parking is available around the Gardens but please be aware there is a fee. Free parking is available in side streets surrounding the area. We will have a swim in the bay and then a ride and run around the park. Parents can relax a bit more this week as the area is contained with no roads to negotiate. In saying that, I am happy for parents to swim, ride and run as we will need some support. Students, bring your bathers, goggles, runners and bike.

Next Monday 7th March I would like all 2016 ‘Tryathletes’ to wear their Weetbix Tryathlon tee shirt to school for the day. We will take a big group photo and acknowledge our ‘Tryathletes’ at assembly.

Go Hartwell!

Year 6 Sport

What a great week we had in Year 6 sport last Thursday. Great skill, team work, communication and sportsmanship saw some wonderful results being delivered. Wins to both cricket teams, the girls’ and boys’/mixed tee ball teams, our tennis team and our Newcombe team, showed great reward for effort after our training week. Our Volleystars match went down to the wire and we narrowly lost in the third set. The players demonstrated great composure and sportsmanship in such a close contest. No matches will be played this week due to Canberra Camp.

Premier’s Active April

I have had some families and some teachers ask me if Hartwell PS will be taking part in Active April. Yes we are! Premier’s Active April encourages all Victorians to do 30 minutes of activity a day during April. This is a free program simply to encourage good health and physical activity, although Hartwell families are no doubt full of energy and very active! If you register there are some great giveaways and benefits. Students can track their progress on line. I have set up a team for Hartwell families, so if you register as an individual you can then nominate to join a team. Our school ID is hartwell-primary-school. We can track the activity of our team! Head to the website for more information www.activeapril.vic.gov.au. This is certainly not compulsory but certainly worth a look. Come and see me if you do register as I have an Active April pack for you.

Please remember all students do need a hat for PE.

Jo Bayes
PE Teacher & Sport Co-ordinator

STUDENT BANKING

Parents please note that student banking will re-commence on Thursday 3rd March. All bank books should be sent to school via the students and handed to the classroom teacher. If you wish to open an account for your child with the CBA please call in at the school office and pick up a pack or contact the office on 9889 4012 for more information.

Grade 1 Girls – Want to start playing basketball?

We’re looking for girls who are keen to learn the game and have fun.

Contact Nicole Strydom for more information on 0415 695 475 or nstryd@bigpond.net.au

U7 Soccer Players

EOI sought for Grade 1 boys wanting to join a new futsal/soccer team, playing Sunday mornings.

Please contact Tanya on 0416 923 095 or tanyaday@yahoo.com.

2016 HOME GROUP REPRESENTATIVE

NAME
_______________________________________

CONTACT NUMBER___________________________

CHILD’S /CHILDREN’S NAME:
1. ___________________________HG_______
2. ___________________________HG_______
3. ___________________________HG_______

I am willing to undertake the role of Class Rep for 2016

Signature ____________________________________
**Good Food Shop**

**Menu**
The Term 1 Summer Menu includes some new items including:

- Giant Jelly Beans – these are frozen grapes which are lovely and cool in the hot weather
- Vegetarian Spring Rolls – crisp and tasty

Some of our popular items include:

- Sushi – vegetarian, tuna, chicken
- Chicken Tandoori Wraps and
- Good Food Salad Wraps – both are very filling and perfect for the summer months.

Hot chocolate will be offered again on cold days as was very popular.

***Special Food Day – Friday 18 March***
We would like to operate a Special Food Day on Friday 18 March. A separate flyer will be distributed closer to the date with further detail. The new summer menu is available on the website and the Skoolbag App. A hard copy is always available for pick up from the school office.

**Good Food Shop Rosters for this week**

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**Uniform Shop**
The Uniform Shop will be open from 8.45 to 9.00am on the following Tuesdays for fittings only:

**Wednesday 9th March**

**Tuesday 15th March**

All orders must be processed in the school office first. If you need to place an order, please pick up an order form from the office or download one from the school's website and place the order through the office. There will be approximately a two-three week wait on all orders as we are unable to store large quantities of stock.

**Hats and folios** are available to purchase from the office.

Alison Watson
watson.ali@icloud.com

Claire Lugger
dm.cl@hotmail.com

**Sick Bay Washing Roster**
Thank you for volunteering to go on the sickbay washing roster. The roster for 2015 is below. If you are unable to do the week you were allocated, please swap with someone else on the roster.

Could you please collect the sheets on Friday and return them some time the following week. If you require any assistance please see the office staff.

**TERM 1 2016**

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**Social Calendar**

**Prep Parents Night**
7:30pm Friday 18th March
**Café Paradiso **
213 Camberwell Rd Camberwell
$27pp inc canapés – Drinks at bar prices
RSVP 11th March
kellie@holidayconcepts.com.au

**Note change of venue**
Grab your girlfriends and enjoy something different with your Friday coffee!

**NOW SERVING**

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**FRIDAYS | 10AM**

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