

21<sup>st</sup> February, 2018

Term 1 Week 4



# The Crest

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Many thanks to all parents and teachers for Meet the Teachers night last week. Please find at the end of this Crest an attachment titled, "What Every Teacher Wants You To Know, But Won't Tell You". I first published this two years ago but thought it was good to put it in again.

Tonight we have our first P & C meeting for the year and every parent is encouraged to attend. This is one of our more proactive ways of ensuring that parents and our wider community are provided with the chance to directly have a positive impact upon the learning our children are undertaking. The meeting starts at 7.30pm in the staffroom and should finish by 9pm.

Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> March, is our Swimming Carnival at Hornsby Aquatic Centre. We design the day to have a dual purpose. Firstly, every child who is turning 8 years of age or older is encouraged to participate for the fun of it! Swim well, earn points for your house and cheer everyone on as they race. The second purpose of the carnival is to allow those strong swimmers an opportunity to excel and move onto future District, Regional, State or National events. Our Hornsby Zone Carnival will be held on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> March at Hornsby Aquatic Centre.

Although early in the year please keep a check on your child's hair for nits. Whilst this is not the most popular of subjects, nits in schools are a simple fact of life. There are plenty of home remedies and fact sheets that you can Google to inform you and your family as to how to treat an infestation, but please note that success using any treatment only happens when everyone in the class is vigilant and treats their children. Lack of action by only one family or student will result in the nits returning - so please keep a check and let the school know if your child has nits so that we are able to advise the entire class to take 'action'.

### **Trophies**

Any students, who won perpetual awards (including sport awards) at Presentation Day last year and took them home for a family photo, please return them to school so they can take pride of place in the trophy cabinet or wall of the office. If you know of anyone who has left the school could you please remind them to do the same please.

### **Congratulations**

- Annie S, Zoe D, Rocco D, Alana A, Xavier A, Cayleigh H and Rachael H – these children participated in the NSW State Touch Football Carnival in Port Macquarie last week.

### **Car Park Entry**

Thank you to all parents who have used the other entries into the school since I have padlocked the gate adjacent to the staff carpark driveway. This is a direction from our Work Health and Safety Directorate to keep our children safe at and around our school. I am looking into fencing to continue the fence, between the carpark and the footpath, up to the brick building. Once this has been completed then that gate can be reopened.

On Monday I went out and watched this area from 3:10 to 3:40pm. I was amazed to see parents climbing over the gate and fence and also parents walking up the driveway with toddlers. Then watching families who were going to jump the fence to go home. I have also been told that parents are encouraging their children to jump the fence.

Please encourage your children to walk around – this will keep them safe. Also please ask them to walk across driveways safely. I saw many children just running past the driveway and not even looking.

I would be devastated if one of our children were hurt around the school and we hadn't worked together to ensure everything in our power had been done to protect them.

### **Risks of social media**

Please be careful when using social media. Popular social networking sites include Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. On social networking sites, users can post information, comment and criticise. The benefits of social networking for parents include being able to stay connected with friends, family and school. Online, users can identify who they share information with and what level of information and interaction they have with others. However, they can't control what their friends might do with their information, which may be shared more broadly than anticipated. For example, one parent may think they are telling only one person they are unhappy with another parent but this can be re-posted to anyone.

Remembering that once something is posted on the internet it never truly 'disappears', no matter how many times you press delete.

The risks in using social networking sites include:

- defaming someone and being sued for doing so
- embarrassing or harassing others.

Gossip, whether online or in person, can often be hurtful and lead to distrust and disunity.

Legal advice ... *"The Court has recognised cyber defamation to be the same as other forms of defamation and you can take action against a person who defames you over the internet. Even if they did not name you, as long as there is enough information for*

### **Messages to students**

Please only call the office in the case of an emergency as the office can only disturb and disrupt class lessons and teachers to forward urgent messages or messages that would effect your child's safety.

Please do not call the office to forward messages to your children unless it is urgent.



other people to recognise that the defamatory material is about you, then it is enough. If you feel that you have been defamed by comments, photos or other material written about you online you can contact the website administrator and/or the police.”

*Di Bower*

Principal



Our first 2018  
merit certificate presentation



## Working Bee | Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 9am to 12pm

Bring yourself and the family to help refresh our school Vegetable Garden.

Come for as long or as little as you like, there is plenty to do for EVERYONE!

Please comment and let us know if you can make it! Thank you.



## Upcoming Events

### FEBRUARY

Wed 21	P&C meeting 7.30pm
Sun 25	BPS Working Bee 9-12

### MARCH

Fri 2	Steward House clothing collection—last day
Mon 5	BPS Swimming Carnival at Hornsby Aquatic Centre
Tues 6	Asquith Boys High Open Night
Thur 8	Zone Swimming Carnival at Hornsby Aquatic Centre
Tues 13	Student Parliament mufti day
Wed 21	P&C meeting 7.30pm
Sat 24	BOOSH Book Fair
Thurs 29	BPS Hat Parade Area Swimming Carnival
Fri 30	Good Friday

### APRIL

Mon 2	Easter Monday
Tues 3	BPS Fair mufti day
Thurs 5	Photo Day
Fri 6	BPS term 1 Disco
Wed 11	ANZAC Day assembly
Fri 13	Last day of term 1
Wed 25	ANZAC Day
Mon 30	Staff return to school

### MAY

Tues 1	All students return for term 2
Tues 8	Mothers Day stall
Thurs 10	BPS Cross Country Carnival
Fri 11	Mothers Day breakfast
Tues15-Thur17	NAPLAN Assessment for years 3 and 5

### JUNE

Tues 5	Student Parliament mufti day
Mon 11	Queens Birthday public holiday
Fri 22	Area Cross Country
Thurs 28	BPS Athletics Carnival

### JULY

Fri 6	Last day of term 2
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# Canteen Volunteers urgently needed

Any amount of time on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that you can spare would be greatly appreciated. Lunch provided.

Call Teresa on 0402 855 941, see her in the canteen any Wednesday, Thursday or Friday between 9.00am - 2.30pm or leave your details at the office.

*The children love seeing mum, dad, grandma or nana helping out at the canteen.*

## Stewart House Clothing Appeal



It's time for a clean out of those cupboards over the next few weeks!  
Stewart House are again asking for donations of clean clothing.

Please return your Stewart House bag to the **staffroom foyer** by **Friday 2nd March**.

The pick up truck is coming early the next week so no more bags after this date please.

## MOBILE PHONES AT SCHOOL



Parents and students are reminded that mobile phones are not to be brought to school except in exceptional circumstances.

Then the mobile phone must be left at the school office before school and collected at the end of the school day.

Thank you...  
For helping disadvantaged Australian kids.



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## School Crossings

Some pedestrian crossings are used as school crossings which operate just before and after school hours.



They display flags with the words CHILDREN CROSSING on them.

When the flags are displayed you must slow down and stop before the stop line if a pedestrian is on or entering the crossing. You must not proceed until ALL pedestrians have left the crossing, which includes the crossing supervisor.

When the flags are not displayed the crossing operates as a normal pedestrian crossing.

Children are to stand behind the yellow line on the footpath and wait instructions from the crossing supervisor. They should dismount bike and scooters and walk across the road when indicated. If crossing with your children, please abide by these rules.

**REMEMBER:** The speed limit around schools during 'school zone times' is **40 kms**.

## PARK LEGALLY IN SCHOOL ZONES AND KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE!

### NO STOPPING



Stopping is not permitted at any time.

### BUS ZONE



Stopping is not permitted during the times shown on the sign.

### NO PARKING



Drivers may stop in this zone to drop off or pick up children, but note:

- Maximum stop time is 2 minutes
- Driver must remain in or within 3 metres of the vehicle
- Vehicle must not be left unattended

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## SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES

Current as at 1 July 2012



Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must **NOT STOP** your vehicle at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.

### Maximum Penalty

**\$397**

**+ 2 Demerit Points**



Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.

### Penalty

**\$165**

**+ 2 Demerit Points**



Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.

### Penalty

**\$298**

**+ 2 Demerit Points**



### DOUBLE PARKING

You are **NOT PERMITTED** to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parked parallel to the kerb.

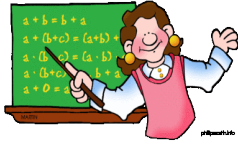
### Penalty

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- STOP in a NO STOPPING zone: **\$298 + 2 Demerit Points**, or STOP on or near a Children's or Pedestrian Crossing: **\$397 + 2 Demerit Points**
- STOP on path/strip in built up area: **\$165 + 2 Demerit Points**
- STOP or Park in a Disabled Marked Area without a permit: **\$496**

Please Note: fines subject to change without notice.  
These penalties apply to offences in school zones during posted school hours.



# What Every Teacher Wants You to Know... But Won't Tell You:



1. **Your respect means the world to me.** I truly care about your child and am trying to do my best to make sure that he/she is learning! Please show your child that you respect me by talking positively about me in front of him/her and backing me up when there are discipline issues at school.
2. **We are a TEAM.** We are both working towards the same goal when it comes to your child—helping him learn and be successful! If there is an issue and I share it with you, it does NOT mean that I don't like your child...actually, it means that I care enough about your child to help him resolve any things prohibiting him or anyone else in my class from learning.
3. If your child is five years old or older, **please make sure she knows how to tie his/her shoes** or buy Velcro shoes. Taking time to tie the shoes of multiple children in my class only takes away time that would otherwise be used for instruction.
4. Please don't tell me your child is bored. I try to make learning as interesting and engaging as I can and telling me this makes it seem like you don't think I am doing my job. Many times what might appear to be boredom is often a lack of self-control and/or self-regulation (which typically works itself out with maturity). If we need to work on teaching your child how to cope with down time, what to do if he finishes early, or how he can be challenged, **let's work together and come up with some solutions.**
5. I put a lot of work into the parent notes/emails that I send home. There is also lots of important information included, so **please take just a few minutes to read it and check your child's backpack every day and your emails.**
6. **Please bring individually wrapped or pre-cut birthday treats that are ready to serve.** Trying to cut a cake or watermelon while 26 (or more) hungry mouths are (not-so-patiently) waiting can often lead to complete chaos. And when you send a snack like jelly, don't forget the spoons!
7. Don't assume that just because you struggled with a specific subject in school (i.e. maths) that your child will as well. Always encourage your child in *every subject*, not just those that interest you.
8. **Let your child make mistakes and try to do things by himself.** Don't rescue him/her whenever he/she can't figure something out. It gives your child a feeling of power and control when he/she can handle things independently.
9. **Make sure your child gets plenty of rest each night.** Primary school children need *at least* 10 hours of sleep every night. Don't overdo it when it comes to extracurricular activities—children need down time just like adults!
10. **YOU are your child's first (and most important) teacher.** Trust your instincts. I have your child for 9 months and you have them for their entire lives—don't underestimate your importance when it comes to your child's education! Make your home a learning oasis and read to him/her every day!

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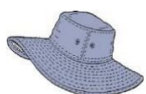
Hats are one of the easiest ways to protect you from UV radiation.

Like all sun protection, hats are needed when the UV is 3 or above. Download the free SunSmart App to find out when the UV level will be over 3. Most parts of NSW experience high UV throughout the year, especially from October to March.

A sun-safe hat protects the whole face, head, back of the head and ears.

### Styles of Sun-safe hats:

- ✓ Broad-brimmed
- ✓ Bucket
- ✓ Legionnaire-style



Baseball caps and sun visors do not protect the cheeks, ears and back of the neck and are not recommended.

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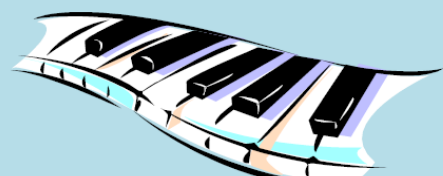
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Presented by HKH Dental

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