Coming Events

**Week 8**

**Friday 21st March**
- Harmony Day Assembly 12.15pm
- 3/4S Assembly Item
- K-6 Singing Harmony Item
- Moving into Year 7 2015 Expression of Interest Forms to be returned to School

**Saturday 22nd March**
- P&C Working Bee 8am – 12pm

**Week 9**

**Thursday 27th March**
- P&C Chocolate Money Due Back

**Friday 28th March**
- School Cross Country

**Week 10**

**Wednesday 2nd April**
- Gold Assembly 10.30am

**Friday 4th April**
- Assembly 12.10 – Item 4/5P

**Week 11**

**Monday 7th April**
- Years 3-6 Excursion to Powerhouse Museum and Darling Harbour

**Wednesday 9th April**
- P&C Meeting

**Friday 11th April**
- Easter Picnic Day

From the Principal

**Harmony Day**
March 21 is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia Home – from the traditional custodians of this land to the many people who have come to Australia from Countries around the world. On Friday, the Pleasant Heights school community celebrate our cultural diversity. Students and staff (and parents) are invited to wear a piece of clothing that is orange (the colour of harmony). If you do not have orange, we would ask that you wear red or yellow. Please join with us at assembly at 12.15pm in the hall where K-6 will present a Harmony Song. Parents of 3/4S students are also invited to join us for a special school item. 4/5P are excited to be able to present at the following assembly on 4 April.

**Working Bee**
We all know that “may hands make light work”. On Saturday next, there will be a P&C Working Bee at the school between 8am and 12noon. Please donate some of your time to help us improve the appearance of our school. We have a beautiful environment, but the weeds just love it! We appreciate your support and ask that you bring your garden equipment and gloves etc. with you. Thank you in advance for your time.

**Cross Country Volunteers and Notes**
Friday 28 is our Cross Country at Towradgi Park. Final date for notes and payment is Tuesday 25 March. This is a whole school activity and all children are expected to attend. K-2 will return to school at 12noon, 3-6 will stay all day. Thank you to the volunteers who have already sent notes in offering help. We still need some more help as we
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don’t as yet have enough volunteers for the day to run smoothly.

Voluntary Contributions 2013
Last year the voluntary contribution paid for half the cost of putting wireless network throughout the school. This allows all students in all classrooms to have computer/hand held devices access in all rooms. This year’s voluntary contribution will go towards the purchase of more hand held devices – ipads or surface tablets. Please help us by paying the voluntary contribution fee. We rely on your help to get the extra things that our students need.

Parking
Today, we have again had complaints by neighbours about our drive through/pickup system and the failure of parents to follow the parking rules. Please – do not come early and queue. If you are in a hurry to get your child, please park in a nearby street and walk into school to collect your child. Coming early to be first in line causes parking queues and this annoys our wonderful neighbours. Rangers and parking police periodically patrol our area. We do not want anyone booked.

Mad Hatter’s Tea Party
Congratulations to students who joined me for the Mad Hatter’s Tea Party last Thursday – they were delightful company and had some very inventive hats. Thank you everyone.

Have a good week

Lee Venables
Principal

Public Speaking and Debating
Thank you to all those students who have returned their green permission note to join the PHPS Public Speaking and Debating club. We have had a fantastic response and it is going to be a fun and worthwhile experience for all. A reminder that we start this Thursday, so please return your permission notes to Mr Swan no later than Thursday.

P&C News
Thank you to the many families who have supported our chocolates fundraiser. We would kindly ask that you return money and any unsold chocolates to the school by Thursday, 27th March. We have extra boxes of chocolates available!! If your family or workplace would like another, please contact the office. All extra boxes taken will be given an extension on the due date.

Our Term 1 working bee will be held this Saturday, 22nd March from 8am to 12pm. If you can spare half an hour (or more!) we’d love to see you. Please bring gloves and gardening tools/equipment.

Thank you
Pleasant Heights P&C

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Save the Date

School Cross Country
Friday 28th March

Gold Assembly
Wednesday 2nd April 12.10pm

Easter Activities
Friday 11th April

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