Welcome back everyone to our final term for 2015. This year has certainly flown and we have another action packed, exciting term ahead of us. Thank you to everyone who participated organised and attended our night of nights “Tales From Africa.” It certainly was an incredible production that showcased the talents of the staff and students of HWPS. A huge thank you to the musical committee for their organisation and dedication that ensured the production was entertaining and outstanding. To the teachers and students who put more than 100% into their items, to the parents who helped construct and make the costumes and the props and for everyone who sat in the audience and enjoyed the journey. Everyone on the night was a STAR.

Swim school
For the next 2 weeks HWPS students from years 2 – 6 will be attending swim school. This is a very important part of our curriculum where all our students have the opportunity to develop their swimming and water safety skills. Living in Australia and being surrounded by water it is so important that everyone has basic water safety skills. Please continue to encourage your child as they attend swimming classes in the next 2 weeks.

Upcoming events
As I have previously mentioned we have another busy term ahead for us. We are now in the early stages of the planning for the new building works that will take place at HWPS in 2016. This is an exciting time for the whole school community. In the coming weeks the HWPS community will have the opportunity to give their thoughts and opinions on the design, structure and considerations that are required for our new school. Please ensure that you become involved in the project and participate in the surveys and forums. Our final P&C meeting for the term is on 13th October I look forward to seeing as many people as possible at the meeting. This meeting is an important one as we will be discussing the Halloween Fun Night.

Coming Up
Swim Scheme—6 October—16 October
P&C Meeting – Tuesday 13 October
School Council - Wednesday 14 Oct
Sydney Chinese Language Spectacular - Wednesday 14 Oct
Kindergarten Orientation Day 1 - Wednesday 21st October
Sunsmiles Dental Check Yrs 3—6 - Wednesday 21st October
Basketball Competition – Monday 26 October
P&C Halloween Fun Night – Friday 30 October
Kindergarten Orientation Day 2 - Wednesday 4th November
Remembrance Day Ceremony 10.30am - Wednesday 11 November
Twilight Concert – Wednesday 11 November
Surf Awareness – Monday 23 November
Scripture Teacher & Volunteer Morning Tea – Thursday 3 December
Award Night – Tuesday 8 December
School Picnic – Wednesday 9 December
Year 6 Farewell – Wednesday 9 December
HWPS Star Factor – Friday 11 December
SRC Mufti Day – Wednesday 16 December
Year 6 Farewell Arch – Wednesday 16 December 2.50pm
Final Day for Students – Wednesday 16 December

Dee Stephenson
Rel. Principal

Swim Scheme
The Program is conducted over nine days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes.

Date: Term 4, Week 1 & 2
Tuesday 6th October – Friday 16th October

Times:
Session 1: 9:30 – 10:20
Session 2: 10:20 – 11:10
Session 3: 11:10 – 12:00

Location: Roselands Pool
S-P-E-L-L-I-N-G Rules at Regional Finals

On a cracking Spring day, our four school finalists travelled to Harcourt PS to take part in the regional finals of the NSW Premiers Spelling Bee. The nerves were kicking in before the Junior finals began. Yashas and Angeline safely navigated through the early rounds of the competition with words such as 'ruthless' and 'trio'. In Round 3 Yashas was knocked out with the word 'relief'. Angeline was in fine touch as she progressed to Round 6 but was thrown a curve ball with the word 'artesian'. In the senior competition, the boys were in the groove during the early rounds with words such as 'interface' and 'mischief' rolling off their tongues with ease. Nikhith was able to progress to Round 5 but his chances crumbled with the word 'avalanche'. Saksham on the other hand was in outstanding spelling form and made it to Round 6 before his reign was short-lived bowing out of the competition with the word 'sovereign'. A great day was had by all, and it was excellent to see so many proud parents supporting the students.

Junior Reps
Year 3 Yashas Sama 43M (Round 3)
Year 4 Angeline Kaitharath Joby 654F (Round 6)

Senior Reps
Year 6 Nikhith Pagadala 65L (Round 5)
Year 6 Saksham Bhatia 65C (Round 6)

Mr Fung

Beehive Splitting

On Thursday at 2nd lunch Jerra and Maisy’s dad Davis showed us how to divide a beehive. The native beehive at their house was getting too crowded so they donated half of their bees to Homebush West. The new beehive is located next to the garden at the Exeter Road side of the school. Please go and visit it if you have a chance. The bees are native and sting-less bees so they won't hurt you. However be careful because they might fly up your nose! Bees are great pollinators so will help our garden grow.
Kindergarten Orientation
Homebush West Public School kindly invites you to attend our Kindergarten Orientation which gives parents of kindergarten students commencing school in 2016 the opportunity to receive valuable information about starting school at Homebush West. In addition, it is a great chance for your child to experience what it will be like to be in a kindergarten classroom as part of our Kindergarten Orientation program.
Our orientation program at Homebush West Public School runs over two days, allowing for more information to be shared with parents, as well as a better experience for your child to see the kindergarten classrooms.

When:

Kindergarten Orientation Day 1
Wednesday 21st October
9.30am – 10.45am

Kindergarten Orientation Day 2
Wednesday 4th November
9.30am – 10.45am

RSVP:
Please register your attendance for you and your child at the 2015 Kindergarten Orientation at Homebush West Public School via the following link http://goo.gl/forms/2Imggq2jB1

You can also email the school at: homebushw-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to inform us of your attendance.

Enrolment Reminders
To ensure that your child’s enrolment is complete and finalised, you must have provided the office with a copy of the following documents:

♦ Proof of student’s residential address (E.g. original copies of council rates, electricity accounts etc.)

♦ Birth certificate or identity documents

♦ Proof of Australian Citizenship (E.g. Citizenship paper, Australian passport, overseas passport with visa)

♦ Immunisation History Statement (Only required if enrolling for first time in primary school)

♦ Copies of any family law or other relevant court orders (if applicable)

♦ Health care plan, Asthma plan, Allergy plan and Anaphylaxis plan (Can be obtained in consultation with family doctor)
SURF AWARENESS COURSE
Monday, 23rd November, 2015 at Bondi Beach
For many years now Homebush West students have had the opportunity to attend surf awareness classes at Bondi Beach. These days have been very enjoyable and rewarding for the students who have attended.

The course involves:
- **Identification** of rips and other hazards of the beach
- **Rip Escape methods**
- **Visit by Surf Instructors** to our school to teach our students about surf conditions and hazards
- **Surf skills**, such as, diving over/under waves and using foam Boards

Details below:

Please look out for the permission note that will be sent home in the next few weeks.

Mrs. Rich
Surf Awareness Coordinator.

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Kindergarten 2016
Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016 are now being accepted. Children born between 1st August 2010 and 31st July 2011 are eligible to enrol. Parents / carers who would like to enrol a child for Kindergarten next year, need to visit the school office.

Please bring the following:
- Child’s birth certificate for proof of age
- Passports and visas for families born overseas
- Proof of residence (e.g. Council rate notice, gas, electricity account or bank account).

If you would like to complete an enrolment form prior to visiting the office, a copy of the enrolment form can be found on the school website: http://www.homebush-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/downloads/School%20Information/application%20to%20enrol%20in%20a%20NSW%20government%20school.pdf

There will be orientation days advertised in this newsletter. As soon as you enrol you will be placed on a mailing list to receive notification and information on these informative sessions.

LCF FUN LANGUAGES CLUBS FOR KIDS
Fun Languages offer French, Spanish, Mandarin, Italian and German language lessons for Primary Age children across Australia. Our FUN and active lessons include games, songs, role-play and worksheets that get kids USING the language quickly and naturally.

FRENCH AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB AT HOMEBUSH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
Every Friday afternoons from 3.15pm – 4.15pm starting on Friday 9th October 2015.

Registrations for Term 4 are open! Enquire today by emailing us at admin@lcfclubs.com.au or call us on 1300 707 288. For more information about Fun Languages visit our website at www.funlanguages.com.au

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Senior Girls Softball
On the last day of Term 3, the Senior Girls Softball Team played against Burwood Public School and Homebush West had an awesome victory. Varsha1 was a great catcher and we are sure she will continue to be good in the future. Umika was a really good batter and runner, as she stole bases all the way home. Everyone in our team has improved a lot with their catching, batting and throwing. At training, Ms Kanakakis gave us hats to say thank you for our commitment. We wore our new hats at the game and they became our lucky hats, as we won our match. The score was 18 - 5 to Homebush West. Player of the match goes to Varsha1.
Written by Captain Ananaya and Umika

Victorious at Mason Park
On the last day of term, we travelled to our home ground at Mason Park with blustery but sunny conditions. Our opposition, Burwood PS, were full of energy and were sent into bat after the toss. With a reshuffle of the bowling attack, Captain Aryan bowled with searing pace and 'McGrath' like line and length. He stemmed the flow of runs with a maiden and had the support of the Ramsantosh 'Express', who decimated the batters with a double wicket maiden! Pranav also shattered the wood work with a pin-point leg break. Chasing a modest target, our opening batters did a fantastic job building up our total. Karthik again demonstrated improved technique as his wielded and guided the willow with ease. Hadi, Sanjay and Jay also performed with the bat admirably and in the end, their wayward bowling gave us the extras we needed to seal a memorable victory!

Player of the Match - Pranav P.

Junior Boys Cricket Score
Homebush West PS defeated Burwood PS
84 runs to 67 runs

Teeball and Softball
Online enrolments for the Walking Bus
- A big thank you to Mr Fung for all his work on the Walking Bus website. You can check out the website here [http://wsbhws.weebly.com](http://wsbhws.weebly.com)
- If you would like to enrol your child to join the Walking Bus please do so online [http://wsbhws.weebly.com/enrol-my-childchildren.html](http://wsbhws.weebly.com/enrol-my-childchildren.html) if you would like help most Walking Bus volunteers can show or help you enrol using their mobile phone.
- If you have questions or would like more information please contact Suzanne Ellis 0410 507 669 [suzanne@suzanne-ellis.com](mailto:suzanne@suzanne-ellis.com) or Ms Kanakakis

Summer PSSA Training Days
- Senior Softball Boys and Girls Training
  **Fridays 8:00 - 8:45**
- Junior Boys Softball and Junior Girls T-Ball Training **Thursday 8:10 - 8:45**
- Junior and Senior Cricket Boys Training
  **Wednesday 8:10 - 8:45**

**LOST PROPERTY**
There are quite a few items currently in lost property. Please come to the office foyer and check for items. A reminder that at the end of the year all unclaimed lost property items are donated to charity.

**Friday Hot Dog Orders – Last orders by 3pm Thursdays**

Hot Dog Order Form

First Name: ____________________

Last Name: ____________________

Class: ____________________

Plain Hot Dogs at $2.50 each __________
Halal Chicken Hot Dogs at $2.50 each __________
I wish to order for the whole term, I have enclosed $____________
Please Join Our Community Party!

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a community we would love for families and students to have the opportunity to wish Mrs Gavin the very best for the birth of her second child. We would also like to welcome our new teachers to the school: Miss Brown,
Miss Isaac, Miss Jackson and Mrs Morrison.

***Please kindly bring a plate of food to share.***

**Date:** Monday 12th October  
**Time:** 3pm-4pm  
**Location:** HWPS School COLA

Warmest regards,

**Chris Prouty**  
School Chaplin, Homebush West Public School
Healthy lunchbox checklist

☐ Only water or milk (reduced fat milk for children over 2 years) supplied as a drink.

☐ A food from each of the 5 food groups is included:
   1. **Breads and cereals** (e.g. bread, rice, pasta, noodles, crackers, pikelets, muffins).
   2. **Meat and meat alternatives** (e.g. beef, chicken, fish, chickpeas, lentils, eggs, tofu)
   3. **Dairy foods** (milk, cheese, yoghurt).
   4. **Fruit** (fresh, frozen, canned in natural juice, dried).
   5. **Raw or cooked vegetables** (fresh, frozen, canned).

☐ Wholegrain or wholemeal varieties of breads and cereals are provided.

☐ Reduced fat dairy foods provided for children over 2 years.

☐ No ‘sometimes’ foods provided.

☐ Include ice pack or frozen water bottle to keep food cool or thermos to keep food warm.
Healthy lunchbox checklist

Examples of ‘sometimes’ foods to keep out of lunchboxes:

- Potato chips, flavoured savoury biscuits and instant noodles
- Cakes, muesli bars, and sweet biscuits
- Pastries (e.g. pies, sausage rolls)
- Fast food and takeaway meals
- Fruit ‘roll-ups’, lollies and chocolate bars
- Fatty meats (e.g. sausages, salami)
- Soft drinks, cordial, fruit juice, juice drinks, sports drinks and flavoured milks

Further information regarding healthy food for children can be found in the Australian Dietary Guidelines: [https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au](https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au)
Knit-Ins 2015
Well the annual Knit-Ins have been held in various centres and we are delighted with the large quantity of Wraps and Squares that have arrived at our warehouse. So far (up to September) this year we have despatched over 21000 Wraps to a variety of charities including World Vision which received over 7000.

Sending Your Wraps.
If you have to send your work to our warehouse by post, the most economical way is to buy a prepaid satchel from the post office. You can use either the 3kg size ($13.40) or the 5kg size ($17.10) from anywhere in Australia. There is no need for tape, staples or other packaging. Using padded bags or boxes is much more expensive especially from interstate.

Wrap with Love in Kenya
The students at the Gabriel Learning Centre are having fun with one of our wraps. Hopefully it will be taken to a needy family!

Check our new website for the latest news and information about knitting group venues.
http://www.wrapwithlove.org

Happy children at an orphanage in Mongolia really love their beautifully handcrafted wraps from WWL
ACU Strathfield Medieval Fayre
Saturday October 24, 12 noon
25A Barker Road, Strathfield
Pageantry, Music, Markets, Crafts, Cultural Culinary Events
& Family Entertainment

FREE ENTRY
- Medieval Tasting Table
- Market Stalls

FREE ENTERTAINMENT
- Medieval Jumping Castle
- Petting Farm
- Face Painting
- Light & Sound Installation

What's on

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
50–90% OFF!

HUGE CHILDREN’S BOOK SALE

Thousands of picture and chapter books, nonfiction and activity items.

1 DAY ONLY!

Bring this ad to the sale to receive 10% off your total order.

Wednesday 14 October
8am–5pm

Castle Hill Showground, Federation Pavilion
Showground Road, Castle Hill

Payment methods: EFTPOS, cash, VISA, MasterCard and school accounts. No trade resellers.
scholastic.com.au
Term 4 Week 1
第四学期第一周
星期三
- 老师学生回校开学
- 游泳课，整周
- 三，四年级体育竞技
星期四
- 国际象棋班，三点
星期五
- 夏季 PSSA 体育竞技
- 法语班
下周
星期一
- 游泳课，整周
星期三
- 新州中文才艺汇演，悉尼市政厅
星期四
- 全校大会 A 组
- 宗教学习
- 兴趣小组
- 国际象棋班，三点
星期五
- 夏季 PSSA 体育竞技
- 法语班

From the Principal
欢迎大家回到学校开始本年度的最后一个学期。谢谢大家参加我们在上学期末尾举办的音乐会 - “非洲的故事”。谢谢老师们和学生们全力准备以及家长们的支持。演出非常成功！

Swim school
本学期第一第二周我校二到六年级的学生会参加游泳课。这是非常重要的一门课，学生可以学会游泳以及学会水上安全的技能。澳洲到处都是海滩，学会游泳是非常重要的，请家长继续鼓励你们的孩子参加这两周的游泳课。

Upcoming events
近期大事
我们现在正在准备明年学校扩建的工作。这对我们社区来说是一件非常兴奋的事。我们会为此进行一些民意调查活动，你们可以对新学校的设计，建筑等发表你们的想法和建议，请你们踊跃参加我们的讨论。我们今年最后一次家长委员会会议在十月十三日开，欢迎大家参加。当天我们也会讨论年底的万圣节筹款活动。

Coming Up
近期活动
游泳课 - 十月六日到十月十六日
中文才艺汇演，悉尼市政厅 - 十月十四日星期三
幼稚园新生入学准备（第一天） - 十月二十一日星期三
篮球比赛 - 十月二十六日星期一
家长委员会万圣之夜 - 十月三十日星期五
幼稚园新生入学准备（第二天） - 十一月四日星期三
黄昏音乐会 - 十一月十一日
海边安全意识 - 十一月二十三日
宗教老师及家长志愿者感谢早茶-十二月三日星期四
颁奖夜 - 十二月八日
全校野餐 - 十二月九日
六年级欢送会 - 十二月九日
才艺竞赛 - 十二月十一日星期五
学生委员会便服日 - 十二月十六日
六年级欢送礼 - 十二月十六日星期三两点五十分
第四学期最后一天 - 十二月十六日星期三

代理校长
Dee Stephenson

Swim Scheme
游泳课为期九天，每天的课程为 45 分钟
日期：第四学期第一，第二周
十月六日星期二到十月十六日星期五
时间：第一节早上九点半到十点二十分
第二节早上十点二十分到十一点十分
第三节早上十一点十分到十二点
地点：Roselands 游泳池

Kindergarten Orientation
幼稚园新生入学准备
我校邀请明年的新生和家长参加我们为新生举办的入学准备课，课程分两天。通过这些准备活动，家长既可以获得有关的资料，新生也可以体验到第一年学校的生活。

时间
幼稚园新生入学准备（第一天） - 十月二十一日星期三
早上 9.30am – 10.45am
幼稚园新生入学准备（第二天） - 十一月四日星期三
早上 9.30am – 10.45am
回复：
请家长通过以下网址来登记 http://goo.gl/forms/2lmggq2jB1
或者发电邮给学校报名。邮箱地址：homebushw-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

报名入学需要带齐以下文件，我们才能受理：
□ 居住证明（比如，市政厅的收费单，煤气费或电费单，银行帐户等）
□ 出生证以及有关的身份证明
Monay, 23rd November, 2015 at Bondi Beach

Bondi 海滩，十一月二十三日星期一

我们学校每年都会举办海边安全意识课程。到现在为止已经办了很多年了。学生参加这些活动，既玩得开心，也学到很多有关的知识。

在这课程中，学生会学会判断漩涡以及其他一些安全障碍，他们也会学习如何从漩涡里逃生以及一些冲浪滑水的技巧。

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请留意发回家的有关通知

Online enrolments for the Walking Bus

- 非常感谢 Fung 老师帮我们步行校车建立了一个网页，大家可以上去看看 [http://wsbhwps.weebly.com](http://wsbhwps.weebly.com)
- 要是你们帮孩子报名参加步行校车，可以在网页上报。要是你不是很清楚怎么做，可以请教我们负责步行校车的家长，他们可以直接在在手机上帮你们登记。
- 要是你们有什么问题，请联系 Suzanne Ellis
  （手机 0410 507 669，电邮 suzanne@suzanne-ellis.com）或见 Kanakakis 老师