From The Principals Desk

As we move towards the digital age of communication this will be the last newsletter in print. All future editions will be available from our Facebook page. Our Facebook page will become our main communication tool. People who do not have access to the internet may request a printed newsletter.

Reading groups

Reading groups will now be conducted by our Teacher Aides for the remainder of the year as we understand that this time of year gets very busy for parents. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those hard working parents for their help in raising our schools reading levels. Your effort and hard work is much appreciated.

Camp

We have finalised the cost of camp. Students will be charged $72. A permission note, will go out shortly. Please make arrangements for paying with Mrs Phillips.

P & C

There are positions open for the P and C for 2014. Anyone may apply for a position and it doesn’t take up much time. The P and C are very valuable to the school and we would not function without their continual support and effort around the school. If you are interested drop us an email.

Mr Pritchard
THE GARDEN - WE WENT HARD
A huge thankyou to everyone that came along a few Saturdays ago to help me with the cutting back and mulching of the gardens. It was an AWESOME effort from all. I was so overwhelmed from the support. The GARDEN looks great but will look awesome in a month's time.
Again THANKYOU. CHEERS Lou

BLUE LIGHT DISCO
When - This Saturday night, 2nd November.
Venue – Halifax Preschool
Time – 6.30pm – 7.30pm (Under 8 years)
7.30pm - 9.00pm (Over 8 years)
Entry - $2 Theme - Halloween

What are we up to

P to 3
Year 3 are currently working on persuasive speeches while P-2 are reading folktales and comparing the characteristics of the main characters. The tales they are comparing are ‘Cinderella’ and ‘Wishbones’ a Chinese folktale.

In Maths we have been doing ‘Halves, Quarters and Eighths’ and some measurement using different measurers (paper clips, handspans etc).

We are looking at Aboriginal Stories and attempting our own style of Aboriginal Art.

Our Science is based around Movement.

4 to 7

English
Students are working on persuasive motivational speeches.

Maths
Students are working on data representation, place value, and shape

The Arts
Students are learning national dances from various countries

Science
Energy and electricity

Just remember Mrs Fuller the School Rule - to keep your hands and fingers to yourself!!!!!
Recent events

Frank Fraser Lecturette Competition

Kate, Mikaela and Lily-Rayne competed in the Country Schools Section of the 'Frank Fraser Lecturette Competition' last Thursday Evening. All girls did a fantastic job speaking in front of an audience on their selected topic. Kate was fortunate enough to progress through to the final this Thursday evening. Good Luck Kate. I'm sure you will do Halifax State School proud.

Working Bee for Lou’s Garden

Swimming
P & C Meeting—The next P & C General Meeting will be on Tuesday, 12th November, 2013 at 3.00pm. All parents are invited to offer input into these meetings.

Melbourne Cup Raffle Tickets – Can all families ensure the Melbourne Cup Raffle tickets are returned (Sold or Unsold) by this Friday.

Body and Tupperware Raffle – Find attached flyers for the Halifax State School Body Shop and Tupperware Raffle to be drawn on the 30th November.

Tuckshop – There is NO TUCKSHOP next Tuesday, 5th November due to the Melbourne Cup.

**Tuckshop Roster**— Tuckshop roster for the next few weeks of Term 3 is below

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**Public Community Shed Meeting - Lower Herbert Communities**

Members of the Community are invited to attend Council’s Community Shed Meeting:-

**Date:** Tuesday 29 October 2013  
**Time:** Commencing at 5.30pm  
**Location:** Halifax State Primary School

This meeting is open to all members of the public, however is particularly focused on residents of the Halifax, Lucinda, Taylors Beach, Macknade, Cordelia and Bemerside areas.

The purpose of the meeting is to allow Councillors to meet with residents to discuss any concerns that may be occurring in their area.