Harcourt News

Newsletter Christmas Edition Term 4 Week 11

From the Relieving Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

It is with mixed emotions that I write my last message to you as Relieving Principal of Harcourt Public School. I have recently made the difficult decision to return to my permanent position as Principal of Lurnea Public School.

I have really enjoyed my time at Harcourt and under different personal circumstances; I would have loved to stay here for many years to come. I have loved getting to know the students and families at this great school and wish you all the best as Harcourt continues to grow and innovate into the future. It gives me great pleasure to let you know that Mrs Jan Holt will continue in the role of principal at Harcourt for 2016. I have known Mrs Holt for some time and I know she brings a wealth of ideas and enthusiasm to this important leadership position.

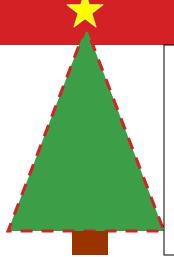
I wish you all a safe and happy holiday break and thank you sincerely for your support generosity during my time Harcourt...... David Sim

PRESENTATION DAY 2015

Korean Drum Group



Student performance...





To celebrate success is to recognise what is great about Public Education. We come together to acknowledge students for their achievements and dedication to their learning.

Excerpt from Mr Sim's presentation day address



Presentation Assembly: **Sport Award Recipients**

Presentation Day 2015













CONGRATULATIONS

2016 Prefects and Captains

A celebration for the Year 6 at Luna Park....











This term 3H and 3/4N have been writing lots of imaginative texts. We've been looking at fables and decided to create our own scripts.

Fable: The Lion and The Mouse

Script by Stanley Szenaich 3/4N

Characters - Narrator, Lion, Mouse

Narrator Once there was a mouse and a lion who lived in a land far away.

Lion Ahh! I'm sleepy... I want to have a nap.

Narrator A few metres away were a few mice unaware of the ferocious King of the

Jungle.

Mouse Hey! Why don't we climb over that boulder?

Narrator So they did... but as they went over they realised the boulder was a lion.

The mice took extra care not to make LION angry by trampling on LION

and awakening him.

But as the last mouse had stumbled over the lion, he got caught under

the lion's massive paw.

Lion HA ha! I caught you, now you will be my DINNER!

Mouse NO PLEASE spare my life and I will return the favour one day.

Narrator The lion let the mouse go.

A day later, LION was caught in a trap and struggled to breathe! But

luckily MOUSE was scrambling around looking for something to do when

he saw LION.

Mouse Hey are you ok?

Lion Do I look ok?

Mouse I will help you.

Narrator So the valiant mouse climbed up the tree and onto the net and started

nibbling on the ropes with all his strength. Soon LION was free.

Lion Thank You my dear friend, at first you were my foe and now you are my

dear friend.

Moral: Your biggest enemies can become your best friends.

Here we come a-caroling.....









Kindergarten Blue's Puppet Show

During the last four weeks Kindergarten Blue has been very lucky to have a lovely student teacher named Miss Tauok.

Besides doing some fantastic individual lessons she also made sock puppets with the children and helped them perform a puppet show for some of the other Kindergarten classes. All the children of Kindergarten Blue and Mrs Barrington would like to say thank you for all your hard work and all the best for the future.







Harcourt's School Admin Manager recognised with a Public Education Excellence Award.... Congratulations!

Lorraine St. Guilaume has demonstrated outstanding dedication and commitment to Public Education at Harcourt Public School over many years. As the School Administration Manager, Lorraine has overseen the development of strategic processes and practices to better align school administrative directions to the school vision. Lorraine has consistently displayed the values of Public Education and is an exemplary ambassador for support staff in schools. Lorraine has a deep understanding of the Harcourt Public School community and positions herself as a trusted, reliable and empathetic advocate of the school community. Lorraine has been a key driver in ensuring the positive impact of the support staff team across the school. She has an excellent understanding of the skills required of support staff in their various roles and willingly invests her time and energy into the continued development of others. Lorraine has developed effective succession planning as a key component of her leadership and displays an enthusiasm for her work which has a positive impact on all who work with her. Considering this, I recommend Lorraine as an outstanding nominee for a Public Education Excellence Award in 2015.





