

Message from the Acting Principal

The year has come to a close with the presentation of many awards and celebrations of achievements. Students have worked hard and should be congratulated on such a successful year.

I would like to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of each staff member. They endeavor to ensure the growth and development of every child here at Harcourt and to continually travel along their own path of professional development.

Thank you also goes to the community for engaging with our learning environment and sharing skills, expertise and ideas. It has been wonderful getting to know many of the Harcourt families and working with the Parent and Citizen committee.

I wish everyone a restful and relaxing time with their families over the next few weeks and look forward to the exciting adventures 2017 will bring.

Mrs Holt



What's On, 2016	
Dec 12	Presentation Day
Dec 16	School Concludes for 2016
Jan 30	1-6 students return
Jan 31	Kindergarten begin

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at assembly.

Class	Week 8
KB	Mason, Ashvika
KG	Callisto, Herman
KP	Beryl, Brie
KR	Scarlett, Anand
K/1S	Arnisha, Brian
1C	Joanne, Patrick
1E	Yu Tong, Hong Ru, NgweSin
1G	Aiden, Eric
2V	Chloe, Xarif
2B	Jongsuk, Kristian
2T	Ryan, Yichen
3H	Safwan, Brendan
3N	Ian, Chaw Suu
3/4E	Tyson, Chloe
3/4W	Claire, Chris
4C	Mia, Kevin
4R	Yeram, Brian
5C	Sani-e Zahra, Tiara
5F	Raita, Saira
5/6W	Anai, Kevin
6H	lanthe
6N	Cecilia

SEEN AROUND OUR SCHOOL in Term 4

Kindergarten Red Art

As we prepare for the end of the year, Kindergarten Red students are starting to take their beautiful artworks home. We have made an artwork for each letter of the alphabet. Here are some pictures and comments from students:

<u>Emilia:</u> "I liked ripping pieces of tissue paper to make the vase pretty" <u>Scarlett:</u> "It was fun using paint and glitter to make our octopus pictures" <u>Johnson:</u> "I am good at colouring and cutting out" <u>Ena:</u> "I helped my friends to fold the cat's ears"









KOREAN PERFORMANCE



Our wonderful Korean mothers danced at our final ROSE Assembly in 2016. Thank you for your fantastic entertainment.



WE LOVE READING AT HARCOURT!







Some wonderful students in Year One have been working with Mrs Law and had a very successful year with their reading and writing. Well done!

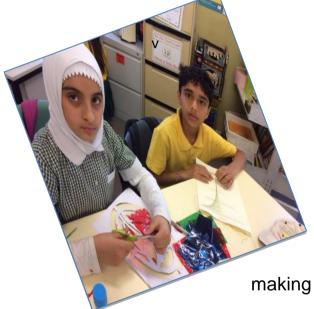


5C have been busy with the countdown to Christmas.





We have been making paper mache puppets in CAPA time...





... and doing string art and making stained glass windows for Christmas craft.



Merry Christmas from 5 C





Celebrating the Year 6 Farewell, a wonderful night had by all.







This year's Boxercise at Harcourt Public School has provided fitness sessions to our students. This was a great success, as it was great fun and built student confidence throughout the sessions.

The class structure for each session involved:

<u>Warm-Up.</u> Lasting 8-10 minutes which includes performing different basic boxing footwork patterns and initial warm-up is to prepare the mind for the workout ahead.

<u>Main Activity.</u> Activities which developed their strength, endurance (both aerobic and anaerobic), flexibility and coordination.

<u>Cool Down: Promoted recovery and return the body to a pre-exercise or pre-workout</u> level. This takes the form of five minutes of easy exercise followed by about five minutes of stretching. Static stretching and developmental stretching are utilised.

In our final session of Boxercise, students participated in a dress- up game. This was similar to captain ball, where students were in teams and had to take turns in choosing a costume.



A NOTE FROM THE PAC

Another year has come and gone here at Harcourt. Our children are growing so fast aren't they! As the year comes to an end, the P&C executives feit it appropriate to thank those who have given of their time and energy in assisting the P&C throughout 2016.

We want to firstly thank the parents who have supported our humble fundraising efforts, and for joining us at our meetings. We have some wonderful things in store for the New Year, and look forward to your ongoing patience and support. It has been a year full of ups and downs with staff coming and going, and we know that for some parents and students this has been a little unsettling. We have had the pleasure of working alongside Mr Sim, and currently Ms Holt. We wanted to let you know, that Ms Holt has been in attendance along with Ms Edgerton at the majority of our P&C meetings. Her input has been invaluable. Ms Holt has really shown her support for our small group and her eagerness for a stronger connection between parents and the school. We wanted to say a big thank you to her for taking time out to keep us informed of the school plan, and the great things Harcourt is really capable of achieving in the near future. We know that it is uncertain at this stage who the new Principal will be, but please know that the P&C are active and are always around to help for the benefit of the entire school. Thank you Ms Holt and we wish you all the best for your future. The P&C sent flowers to Ms Holt last week, they were received with the following message:

"HI P&C team, thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and wonderful words of support. I have been privileged to be a part of the Harcourt community and have enjoyed working tagether with you all over the year. I feel we have strengthened the relationships with other members of the parent body and begun to develop some stronger directions and procedures for the coming years. I am also excited with the closer relationship between staff and P&C that has begun to develop. This can only lead to a stronger learning community at Harcourt which is the purpose behind all that we do."

As already mentioned, Ms Edgerton has been a wonderful support of our efforts as always. Thank you Ms Edgerton for all your hard work. Thank you also to the office staff for looking after our children so well. Flowers were also sent on behalf of the P&C and were received with much thanks. Mark, our trusty GAI We haven't forgotten you either. Thank you for running around after us making sure everything runs smoothly.

We also wanted to say a special thank you to our "follypop" people... the fine ladies and gentleman who stand at the road crossings and ensure that our families make it across the road safely. No matter what the weather, they are always there with a smile. The P&C executive team have for the past 2 years, shown appreciation for their hard work by a gift of a card and small gift voucher. Each one of them have really expressed their fondness for our children here at Harcourt, and they wanted us to pass on their warm thanks for the thoughtful card and gift.

Finally, all the teachers deserve a big thank you for their time and support. Special shout out to Ms Nicos, can you please pass on our thanks to MARTY and the Sly Dogs for their wonderful performance last Friday. They were fantastic and we really appreciate the time and effort that they donate in playing awesome music that we can all enjoy!

We hope you enjoy your holidays and we look forward to another great year in 2017[

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