

# **Deputy Principal's Message**

Term 3, Week 6

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we race past the halfway mark in Term 3 there is no slowing down the buzz of activity and work happening at Harcourt Public School.

# **NAPLAN Online Readiness Test**

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 will be participating in the 'NAPLAN online' testing program next week. The testing program is intended purely to trial our school's capacity to deliver NAPLAN tests in an online environment. Students will not receive individual results based on this school readiness test.

## Kindergarten Enrolment for 2019



We have already received many applications for enrolment into Kindergarten for 2019. Applications to enrol for Kindergarten at Harcourt Public School in 2019 are open. If you, or someone that you know, is looking to enrol a child into Kindergarten next year, enrolment forms are available from the front office. Further enrolment information can be found on our website at <a href="http://www.harcourt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/enrolment">http://www.harcourt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/enrolment</a>

Applications should be lodged at the front office. Please note that as part of the application process, proof of residential address is required. In cases where a lease agreement that expires before February 2019 is offered as proof of address, we will ask for details of a new lease agreement to be provided before enrolment will be confirmed.

## SASS Recognition Week 2018



Next week is SASS recognition week for all of our hard working support staff in our school. This encompasses all of our office personnel (Ms Carter, Ms Thai, Mrs Dinale, Ms Doeihi) plus the school support staff (Mrs Sventzouris, Mrs Moussa, Ms Giles) and our General Assistant (Mr Muller). Without these people the school would not run as effectively as it does and the students would not have the support that they do. So a huge THANK YOU to all of our SAS staff for the marvellous work that they do each and every day. If you have a chance next week to say thank you please take the time to do it.



This term, our school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* surveys for students, teachers and parents. The *Partners in Learning* parent survey helps to clarify and strengthen the important relationship between parent and school.

Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* surveys to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line.

This survey will help our school better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will help the school identify what works to improve student outcomes. Please paste the link below into your navigation bar to complete the parent survey:

https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/37rj4

### Winter PSSA

As the winter PSSA season draws to a close I wish to acknowledge the commitment of both our students and their teachers who have taken part in soccer and netball this year. All teams have worked hard throughout the season to improve their skills and team work. Special mention to the Senior Girls Netball team which qualified for the semi-final. Thanks to the teachers who gave their time to lead these programs: Ms Nicos, Mr Chong, Ms Barnes, Ms Edmundson and Mr Stebbing.

### **Staff Car Park**



The car park adjacent to the school hall is **not** a pathway or student / parent entry point and we have had near misses over the years with students and parents entering and leaving the teacher's car park. While we appreciate how difficult it is for parents to park anywhere in the area of the school, I must respectfully ask that parents do not walk through or encourage their children to pass through the teacher's car park. Staff encourage all children to leave via the front and rear gates of the school and for students whose parents are running late to wait with the teacher at the silver seats outside the office area.

Warm regards,

Paul Keevers & Yasmin Ibrahim

**Deputy Principals**