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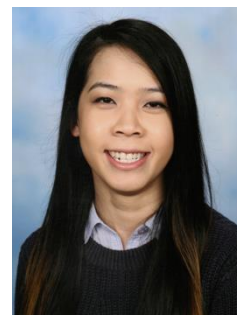
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Principal's News

Dear parents and carers,

It is with great pleasure that I announce the permanent appointment of Ms Angela Huang, effective from 2023. Ms Huang has been a temporary teacher at Harcourt since 2016 and it is wonderful to say that she is now able to stay with the Harcourt family for many years to come. Thank you to the teaching staff and community members that formed the panel to determine the suitable applicant. It was highly contested, and the time given to ensuring we had the best candidate for the position is greatly appreciated.



The weather is warming up and we have moved our focus to sun safety, especially while outside in the playground. We ask for your support in ensuring your child walks into the school grounds with their school hat on, ready for the morning play time and the day ahead. If your child requires a spare hat, they are able to be purchased at the office, and remember to label every item of clothing so we have a better chance of returning any lost items.

Covid-19 isolation guidelines have been relaxed however we are seeing in the media that there continues to be cases present in the community. Please remember to notify the school if your child has a positive covid result so correspondence can be sent out if a few cases in a class or stage have been noted. This assists us all to be diligent and work together to keep everyone healthy. Students, staff and visitors should only attend school when they are symptom free.

Jan Holt
Principal

Our Vision:.

Our learning community at Harcourt Public School is committed to fostering personal excellence. Together we inspire curious, adaptable learners who actively engage in a complex and dynamic world. We value integrity, inclusivity and mutual respect.

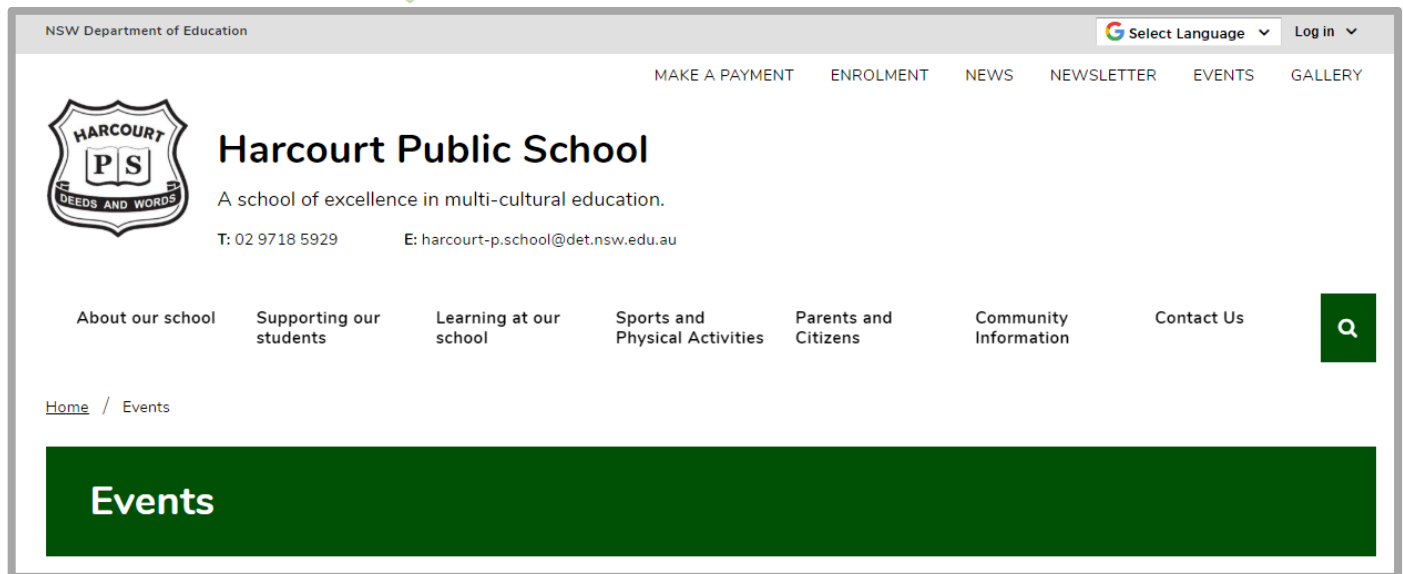
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Our school website contains information on upcoming events so click on the image below to access this information.



URL: <https://harcourt-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/events.html>



SkoolBag

Don't forget to download our school's SkoolBag app to ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

- * School newsletters
- * Notices
- * Events
- * Cancellations
- * Reminders
- * ...and more!

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Just download the "SkoolBag" app on your phone, open the app and add our school!



Harcourt Heroes in Kindergarten



KG being active learners by navigating digital technology and developing their keyboard skills in the classroom.

KR being respectful and responsible by being rubbish warriors.



KR being active learners by spelling two-syllable words in the -ake word family.

Dion and Tyrese being safe by wearing their hats at the Athletics Carnival.



Kindergarten participating in the K-2 Athletics Carnival. Long jump in action.



Push and Pull Investigators in Stage One

This term, Stage One students have been exploring different forces and how they are used in their daily lives. They investigated the effects of gravity and how forces work in water, air and on the ground. Here are some photos of our students completing different activities during Science lessons:



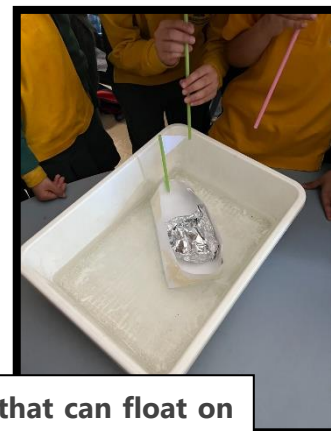
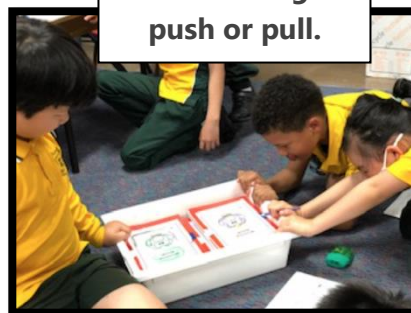
Friction makes things slow down. 1A



1C and 2H
identifying
which things
push or pull.



In 1K, we were investigating the effects of push and pull on objects that are heavy.



2L building a boat that can float on water and be pushed by the wind.

Active Communities in Stage Two

Stage Two is working on encouraging each other to be fit and healthy as part of our Active Communities unit. We are learning to maintain a healthy lifestyle and each class has been investigating ways to make home and school healthy and physically active spaces.



Stage Three Buddies

Stage Three students have had so much fun spending time with their Kindergarten buddies throughout the year. We have had the opportunity to visit their classrooms and assist them with their reading and writing. We helped them to create posters for the K-2 Athletics Carnival. It's been fun playing fitness games with them like Duck Duck Goose, catching and throwing activities and skipping. We played parachute games which helped develop our team-building skills. It's been wonderful socialising, building friendships and engaging in problem solving activities. They always greet us with big smiles and wave to us in the playground during lunch and recess. We think our Kindergarten buddies will continue being Harcourt Heroes in Year 1 next year!



We love playing ball games with our buddies.



We read lots of picture books with our buddies.



We have been helping our buddies write sentences and draw pictures.



It was fun making Sonic the Hedgehog themed posters for our K-2 Athletics Carnival.





This year Harcourt PS ran the ICAS assessments for English, Mathematics, Science and Writing. Congratulations to our active learners.



ICAS English Awards Stage 2:
High Distinction – Nicole
Distinction – Ananyaa
Credit – Isabella, Bupesh, Rick, Amelia, Matthew



ICAS English Awards Stage 3:
Credit – Myrtle, Adam, Jitish, Arika
Merit – Phoebe



ICAS Writing Awards:
Distinction - Nicole
Credit – Joseph, Rick, Amelia, Myrtle
Merit – Michelle, Zoey, Ananyaa, Matthew



ICAS Science Awards:
Credit – Nicole, Joseph, Jayden, Rick, Ananyaa.

Attendance – Every day counts...

Regular attendance at school is essential for students to achieve quality life outcomes. At Harcourt we aim to work in partnership with families to promote regular attendance and support students in understanding the importance of attending school daily.

Did you know that if students miss as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed an entire year of education?

If you are experiencing difficulties with getting your kids to school, please let us know. You can speak to your child's classroom teacher, an executive member, or even the front office staff about how we may assist you. Our aim is to help you to help your child attend school every day.

Why is regular school attendance important?

Regular school attendance will help your child succeed later in life. Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps children build and maintain friendships with other children. If your child doesn't learn the basic skills in the early years of school, they may struggle in later years.



EVERY DAY COUNTS....

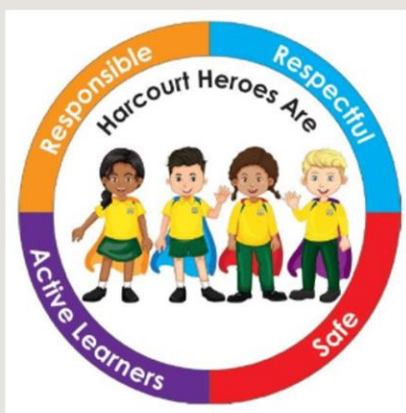
A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!





Active Learners

Information to assist & support our Active Learners
at Harcourt Public School

Our learning community has asked us to suggest various ways that they can support their child's learning and progress.

This google site aims to provide some helpful information & links to various websites that our learning community can connect into which can help them support their child's growth in both literacy and numeracy.

We will review this page each Semester to support further learning.

Where should I go?

How to navigate this site.



Helpful Websites

This page aims to link you to helpful websites that can support your child's learning.



Activities to be enjoyed at home

This page aims to provide helpful games and activities that could support your child's learning.



Learning at Harcourt

A website made for our learning community



Our learning community has asked us to suggest various ways they can support their child's learning and progress.

Please click on the link below or the image above to open up our helpful website. This website has been developed to provide our families with some helpful information, such as activities that can be enjoyed at home to develop mathematical or literacy skills, as well as links to various websites that could help their child to practice skills or support their child's growth in both literacy and numeracy.

We hope this information can steer you to some resources that are available to support your child's learning this year.

<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/learningatharcourt/home>



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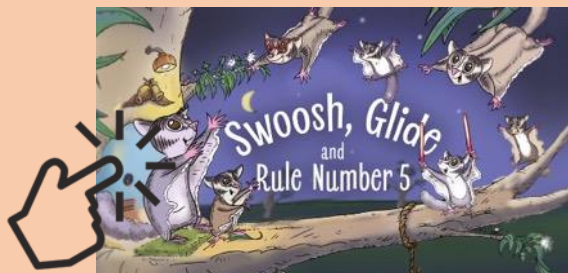
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Online Safety



Swoosh and Glide are eSafety's baby sugar glider twins who want to help other little Aussies learn about online safety and develop positive attitudes and habits with digital technology as they grow! Listen to the story below with your child to learn about how to stay safe online.

Click to
listen to the
story!



The Online Safety Book covers some of the key online safety issues for young people and includes a range of practical tips and advice on what to do if things go wrong.

How much is too much?



There is no magic figure. The right amount of screen time can depend on a range of factors like your child's age and maturity, the kind of content they are consuming, their learning needs and your family routine.

Visit the website for more information:

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/big-issues/time-online>



Guiding children's growth

Newsletter



A message from your Coordinator

At Camp Australia, we work towards developing a unique and constantly evolving program based on the children's interests. We prioritise targeting learning outcomes in order to promote the learning and development of the children.

Multiculturalism plays a significant role in our OSHC service. We encourage diversity through integrating cultural activities and food in our weekly programs. Our most recent cultural theme was Lebanon where the children learnt about the culture's food, language, and flag. Our upcoming cultural themes include Philippines, Cyprus and Chilean. These were suggested by the children during our Yarning Circle.

This term, our weekly themes have been carefully selected to further develop the children's skills. This includes fashion, creative arts, sustainability, and STEM week.

This week we look forward to shedding light on the importance of sustainability through our 'Rubbish Robots' program. We aim to encourage the children to become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.

Activities coming up

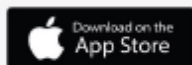
- Paper roll transport creations
- Carton animals
- Outdoor recycling scavenger hunt

What's on the menu

- Nachos
- English muffin with cheese
- Popcorn

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustalia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

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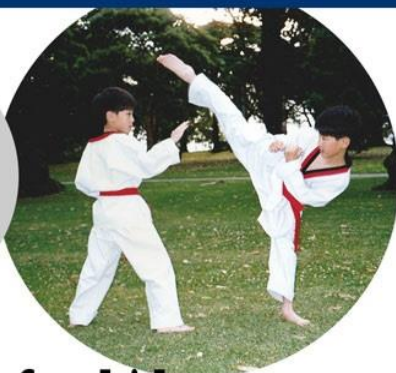
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