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## Principal's News

As we close out another school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we've shared over the past months. This year has been one of growth, achievement, and resilience, and I am so proud of what our school community has accomplished together.

Academically, our students have continued to excel. From improving literacy and numeracy skills to diving into hands-on experiments and projects, their hard work and curiosity have shone brightly. Our participation in public speaking competitions and the Premiers Spelling Bee showcased our students' creativity and high achievement results, earning praise and recognition.

In the arts and sports, this year has been equally remarkable. Our performances and athletic achievements not only demonstrated talent but also teamwork, dedication, and school spirit. Events like the Festival of Instrumental Music, Pulse Alive, PSSA, sports and Zone competitions, brought our community together in celebration of these talents.

Community-building has also been a highlight. From successful fundraising efforts such as the colour fun run, election day sausage sizzle, Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, to open days such as Multicultural Celebration Day and Book Week Drop Everything and Read, we've worked together to support our school and its associated community. Your participation and enthusiasm have been truly inspiring and appreciated.

As we close off the school year and look ahead to the rest of summer, I encourage everyone to take time to rest, recharge, and enjoy special moments with family and friends. To our students moving on to new adventures, we wish you all the best, and to those returning, we look forward to another exciting year ahead.

Thank you all for being part of our wonderful school community. Have a safe and joyful summer break!

Jan Holt | Principal

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## Our Vision:

At Harcourt Public School every learner receives a high-quality education that enables them to achieve ambitious learning goals within a school culture that strengthens student wellbeing and development.



It is that time of year again, where we say goodbye and thank you to our hard working 2024 student leadership team and welcome in a new team to lead in 2025. Congratulations to our new student leadership team. We look forward to seeing you grow as leaders and contribute positively to our Harcourt community throughout 2025.



### School Captains 2025

Nicole and Issac



### School Vice-Captains 2025

Joanne and Chris



### School Prefects of 2025

Isabella and Ryan

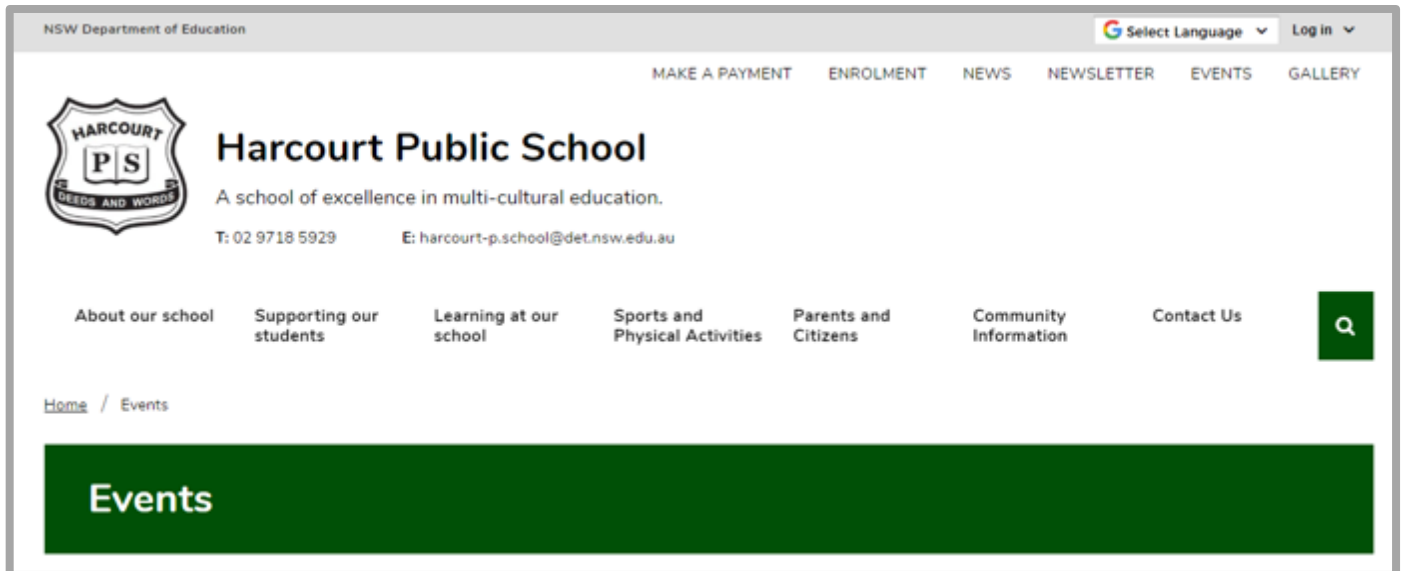
Renee and David



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>



Our school uses the Sentral for Parents app so that parents can stay connected and informed about their child.

This app enables families to give permission for their child’s activities and events, make payments to the school, inform the school of the reason for their child’s absence and receive messages and notifications to keep them informed.

Download and connect with us now!



Click the image above for instructions on how to get started with this app.



# CONGRATULATIONS KINDY! LET'S RECAP A WONDERFUL YEAR



***"Congratulations, today is your day, you're off to great places, you're off and away!" – Dr Seuss***

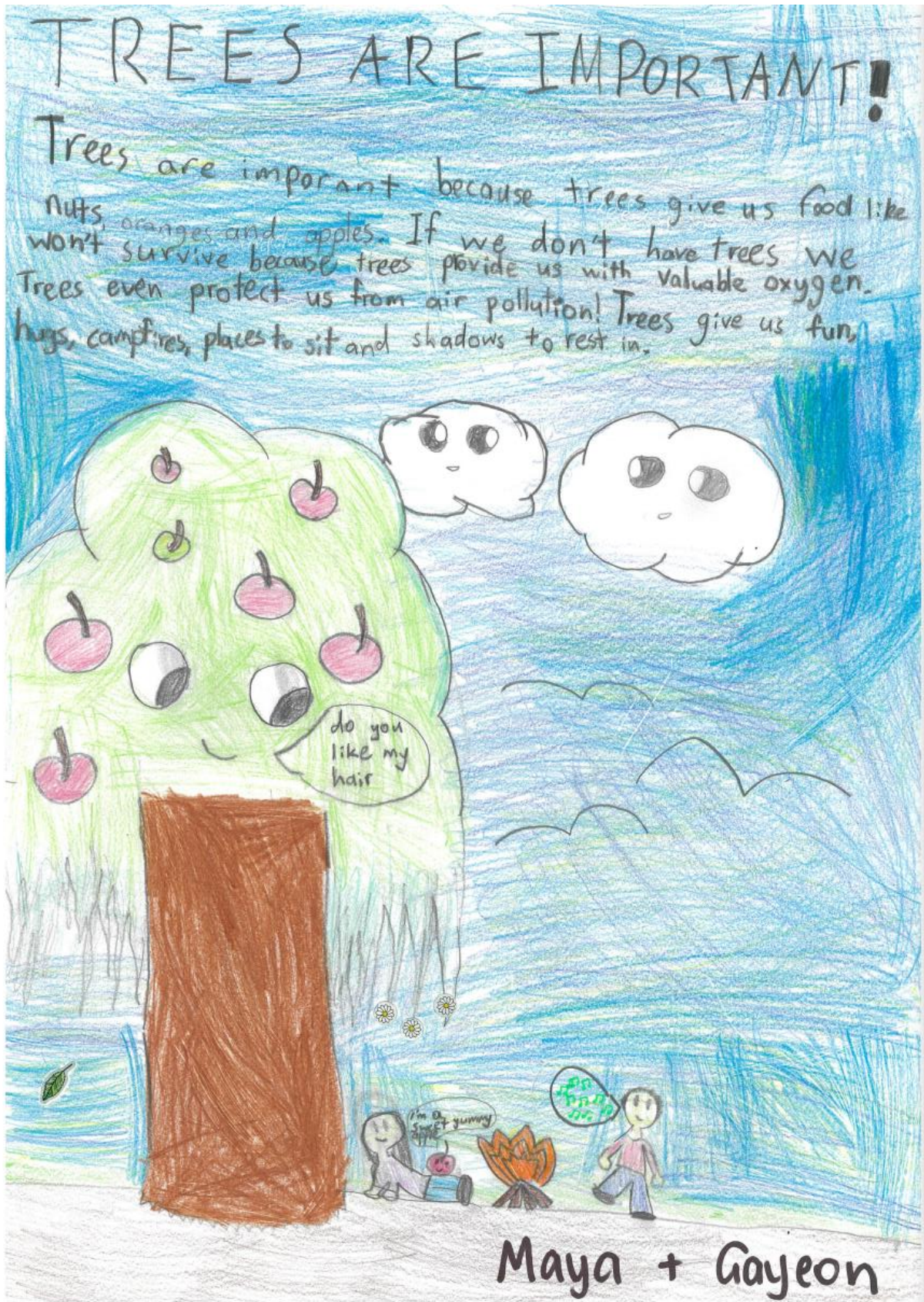




WE HAD SO MUCH FUN IN STAGE ONE!



2M's published English work



# Learning... Friendships... Memories in Years 3 & 4

Stage Two students reflected on what they enjoyed in 2024. These are some of their reflections...

This year I really enjoyed doing group work and cooperating with the whole class. I also really liked my teacher for helping me be very confident with my answers, speech and lots more. But what I really really enjoyed was doing reading groups and learning a whole lot of new things. I hope that next year will be the same just like this fun and best year.



History

Science

English



Maths

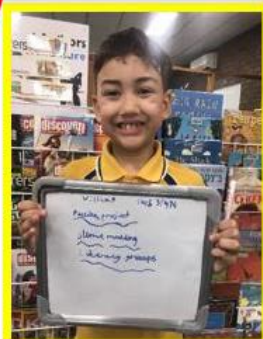
at first because I improved my thinking in Math. I became smarter, efficient and love math. And for getting a teacher that helps me to be good in math.



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Friendships



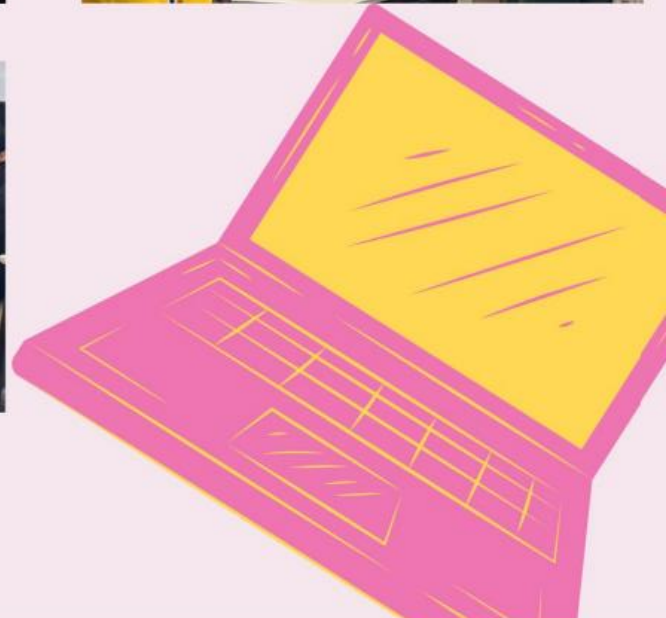
# STAGE 3 PASSION PROJECTS

Students in 5/6D were very excited to teach the class about a topic they feel passionate about. Some topics included - origami, sea animals, basketball, cooking, mythology, mint, Studio Ghibli, football, art and technology.





# STAGE 3 PASSION PROJECTS



# YEAR 6 KOKODA TRACK MEMORIAL EXCURSION

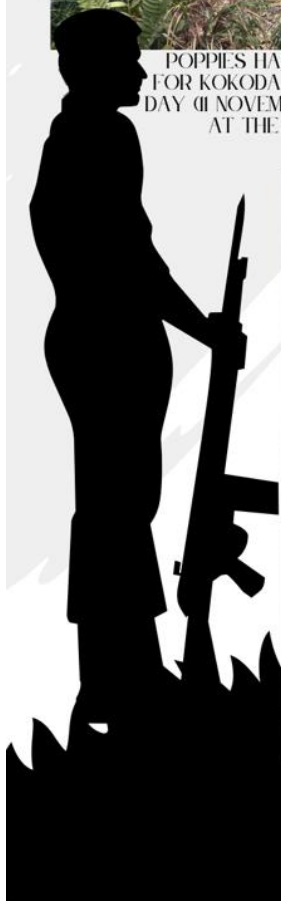
On November 21, our Year Six students visited the Kokoda Track Memorial in Concord. The excursion is offered by Campsie RSL club who covers the cost. Students were given the opportunity to listen to World War veterans speak about their personal experiences, while they walked the Kokoda track replica. They also got to enjoy a scrumptious barbecue lunch.



POPPIES HAD BEEN CROCHETED AND DONATED FOR KOKODA DAY (3 NOVEMBER) AND MEMORIAL DAY (11 NOVEMBER) THESE COVERED THE GARDENS AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE MEMORIAL.



OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS HAD THE HONOUR OF LAYING DOWN THE WREATHS



# Year 6 Graduation



Year 6 had a great night celebrating the end of primary school at their Year 6 farewell.  
Here are a few photos from the night!





# Swimming Carnival



House cheers



Racers

We had our Swimming Carnival on Thursday 21st November. Swimmers took to the water to try and backstroke, freestyle and butterfly their way to the 2025 Zone Swimming Carnival next year. Congratulations to everyone who placed in a race, and well done to all participants! Students also enjoyed house point races, indoor and outdoor novelty events, and cheering on their friends in the sunshine.



Racers



Indoor novelty



# SWIMMING SCHEME

In Weeks 7 and 8, students from Years 2–6 had the opportunity to attend the swimming scheme. At these lessons, students learned important survival skills including how to be safe in a range of water environments. They also developed their swimming skills or learned to swim for the first time!



### Multicultural Day

To join in on the celebration of Multicultural Day on Friday 15 November, the P&C held an Ice Cream and Donut Stall. We would like to thank our admirable volunteers who came to help sell these delicious treats. The P&C are very grateful to Coles Clemton Park for their support of our stall in donating the donuts and finally, a big thank you to the Harcourt community for their generosity and making purchases from our stall.



### Year 6 Farewell

Congratulations to the 2024 Year 6 class on completing your final year of primary school!

We hope you all had a blast with the P&C's farewell gift of the Photobooth and took a bunch of photos as mementos. As you continue your journey into high school, may the photos be a fond reminder of your time at Harcourt.



As the 2024 school year comes to a close, the Harcourt P&C Association would like to sincerely thank all the teaching, administration and support staff, led by our awesome school Principal, Mrs Holt, for their never-ending dedication, patience and kindness for all the students at Harcourt.

We would also like to thank our five school crossing supervisors who help keep our Harcourt community safe every morning and afternoon whether it be blisteringly hot or pouring rain. Thanks to our 2024 P&C financial members for their support and attendance at our online meetings throughout the year and a big thank you to our amazing volunteers who happily gave a helping hand at one or more of our school fundraisers.

*"Gratitude is a divine emotion: it fills the heart, but not to bursting; it warms, but not to fever."* Charlotte Brontë

### Summer Holiday Break

We wish all Harcourt families a safe and well-deserved holiday break.


For those looking for a break from cooking, we suggest Providoor. Use our link below to get a 10% discount and the P&C receives a commission too!  
<https://bit.ly/harcourtpps>

We look forward to welcoming our 2025 kindy families and all the returning friendly faces of our Harcourt families at our next general meeting early March.



**Taekwondo for all ages**  
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Lesson!**





**Harcourt  
Public School**

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Thursdays  
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FOR 2025**

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