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Principal's News

As we look back over the 2020 school year, we realise what a unique, challenging and rewarding one it has been. Despite the challenges thrown our way we have held strong as a community and kept the focus on the students of Harcourt. The learning has continued, the planned professional and environmental changes have occurred and most importantly the community/school relationship has strengthened. We have modified the way we interact, report on student achievement, continue to learn as individuals and teams, as well as adjusted the way we meet. I must admit, P&C meetings over Zoom was never a thought had before but appreciate the way the members moulded the need of continued connection into the current climate.

I would like to acknowledge the hardworking P&C members who did not let a pandemic get in their way, the incredible staff at Harcourt that continued to think outside the box, adapt and provide solutions to daily complexities, and to all the families that adjusted to the new routines and worked with us to keep everyone learning, engaged and nurtured.

Let's see this year out with a reflection on all the positive gains we have had over the time. Happy holidays everyone, stay safe, relax and we look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Jan Holt – Principal



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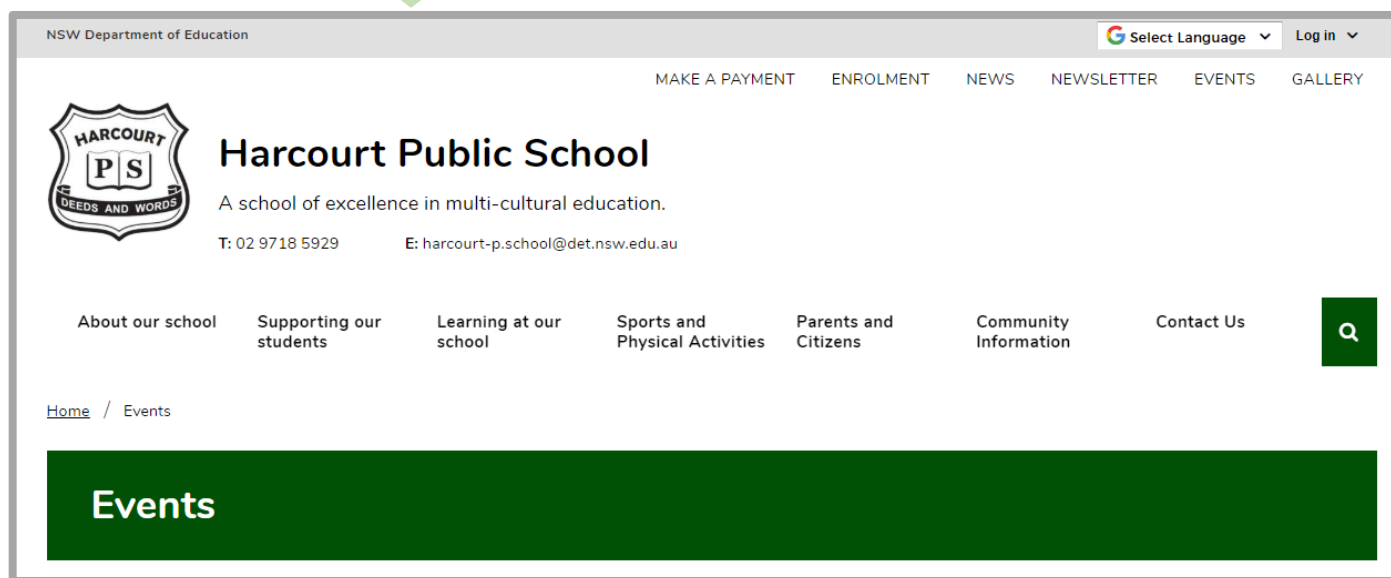
Our Vision:

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.

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>



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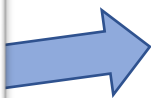
Don't forget to download our school's SkoolBag app to ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

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

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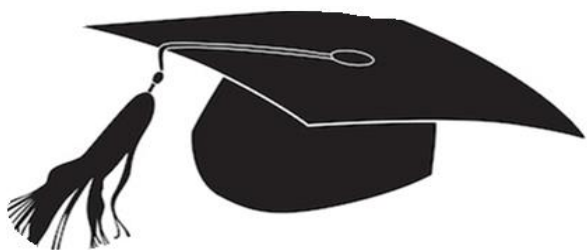
Kindergarten Blue Highlights

Learning to read and write, making new friends, playing on the equipment and visiting the library.

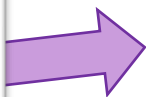


K/1 Red Highlights

Working on the computers, playing sport, maths lessons and meeting new friends.



Kindergarten Class of 2020



Kindergarten Purple Highlights

Learning to read, singing lots of songs and making new friends.



Kindergarten Green Highlights

NAIDOC Week activities, making poppies for Remembrance Day, learning new dances and playing maths games.





They did what? Well done Stage One.



Stage One students have shown their skills in adapting to new situations whilst continuing to strive to be active learners and Harcourt Heroes at every opportunity this year. Students have grown their skills and knowledge across all key learning areas at school and have also learnt how to complete their homework online using Class Dojo.

This year Stage One students have creatively showed their learning and knowledge with their teachers using Class Dojo. This was a first for our students and their families, yet they impressed us every single week.

Stage One students created videos that:



explained capacity.
Keanu from 2L

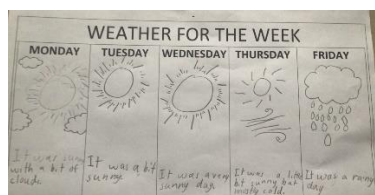


described a curious creature
that they had developed.
Dylan from 1K

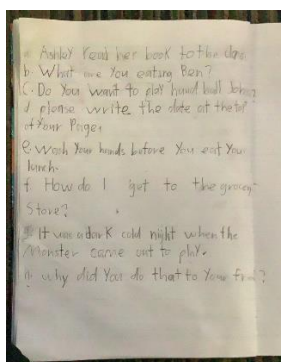


retold stories using finger
puppet characters.
Camille from 2T

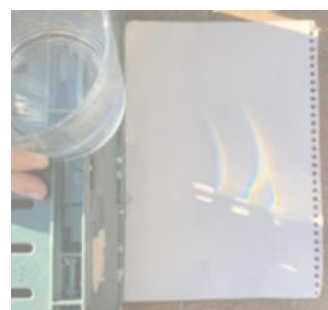
They took pictures of their work to show their knowledge of:



the changing weather
Riony from 2B



punctuation
Aldric from 1A



rainbows and the water
cycle
Jeremy from 1C

Students typed in their:

<p>1) door four</p> <p>2) car jar</p> <p>3) paw saw</p> <p>4) frog dog</p> <p>5) rain chain</p> <p>6) lake rake</p> <p>rhyming words <i>Athan from 1Red</i></p>	<p>Elephant</p> <p>Elephant is large and she stomps her great feet.</p> <p>Her size makes her scary to those she may seat.</p> <p>With a trunk for a nose and big floppy ears.</p> <p>She,s actually kind and nothing to fear.</p> <p>completed poems <i>Isabella L from 1C</i></p>	<p>a. June, July, August = winter</p> <p>b. December, January, February = summer</p> <p>c. September, October, November = spring</p> <p>d. March, April, May autumn</p> <p>answered time questions <i>Renee from 1Red</i></p>
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Teachers also loved sharing their students learning and achievements with their students' parents. There were many celebration stories shared each week which put a smile on everyone's faces, just like:



Vihaan identifying the features of 3D objects in 2L.



Amelia in 2B using Google Maps to show how our local area has changed over time to share our history.



Abby in 1A developing her two-hand strike to play Tee-ball.

This has been a year that included many highs for Stage One. Please celebrate your child's achievements, their resilience and their adaptability this year. We know we have loved recognising their efforts throughout the year and hope that you enjoy ending 2020 with a few celebrations at home as well. Thank You parents for all of your support and please enjoy quality family time throughout this summer holiday break.

A Year of Learning in Stage Two

This year has thrown all of us so many challenges and obstacles but together we have made the best of what we have had. Stage Two have worked hard to explore many new concepts and have had to be adaptable in finding new ways to learn.

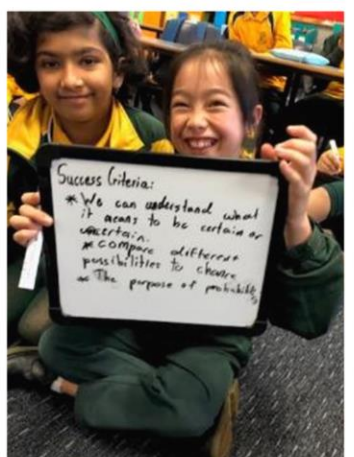
Inside the classroom during History, students were given the opportunity to study the journey of the first fleet and the voyage of Captain James Cook. In Maths, they learnt to articulate their understanding of language when exploring measurement and statistics. Students were also engaged in a variety of practical activities and events this year including exploring 3D printing as well as learning about the tradition tools used by Indigenous people during our NAIDOC week celebrations.

As the year concludes, it's important to celebrate the collective growth of Stage Two and their demonstration of Harcourt Hero behaviours throughout the year. To another great year at H.P.S!

Oliver and Sarah (4L) constructing various 3D objects.



Ejay, Michelle and Katelyn (4H) trialling their 3D printing skills.



Anunzul and Sinchan (4L) creating some criteria on how to be successful when learning about probability.

Congratulations Year 6 of 2020

Year 6 you have been a delight to teach. This year has been a rollercoaster of a year, yet you have managed to shine academically and socially. Congratulations Class of 2020! Wishing you all the best on this exciting next stage of your journey. Don't forget once a Harcourt student always a Harcourt student. Look after yourselves and **BELIEVE IN YOUR DREAMS!**



Thank you to our leaders!

At Harcourt Public School there are many opportunities to grow as a leader. Thank you to our 2020 leaders in Year 6 for their commitment and dedication.



Thank you to our school captains, vice captains and prefects.



Thank you to our Year 6 Maths Committee members.



Thank you to our Year 6 library monitors.



Thank you to our Year 6 School Representative Council (SRC) members.



Thank you to our Year 6 Techno Team members.



& Goodluck!



Congratulations to our 2021 Student Leaders

We are looking forward to seeing you personally grow as leaders and make a positive difference to our Harcourt learning community in 2021.



2021 School Captains

Ayden & Milan



2021 Vice Captains

Cody & Nicole

Our 2021 prefects include:

		
Austin	Eugene	Syon
		
Kymberlee	Ju-Hee	Victoria



Congratulations!



WOW! Congratulations to all students who reached 300 dojo points and received their platinum awards and badges! It is fantastic to see so many Harcourt Heroes at our school who are **responsible, **respectful**, **safe** and **active learners**! Class dojo points will restart in 2021 for all students.**



Kindergarten



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6

We hope students will continue to demonstrate our school expectations at home during the school holidays! We look forward to seeing the return of Harcourt Heroes in 2021!



Thank You!

Mrs Holt, Mr Peeauake and Mrs Pearson with some of the food hampers donated to our school. Thank you to Mr Newman Peeauake, our School Chaplain, for organising this for some of our families.



Thank You Message

The Harcourt Public School Parents and Citizen's Association would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the all of the teaching, administration and support staff as well as our general assistant for their perseverance, adaptability, flexibility and overall dedication towards each and every one of Harcourt's students throughout this extraordinary year which will undoubtedly go down in world history. Despite the ongoing and ever-changing restrictions imposed, all students have gained a valuable education and their personal growth and development would simply have not been possible without the commitment of all Harcourt staff led by our Principal Mrs. Holt, our Deputy Mr. Keevers.

We would also like to thank all our school crossing supervisors who have, despite the pandemic shown up to their crossings every morning and afternoon with their warm, comforting and reassuring smiles. We'd also like to welcome our new crossing supervisor for the First Avenue crossing, making this crossing at the front much safer.

We would like to thank all 2020 P&C financial members for their assistance and attendance at our meetings throughout 2020 including their receptiveness to transitioning to online meetings. We hope the restrictions will continue to be lifted and we can hold meetings onsite in person at school in 2021.

NSW Government's 2020 Community Building Partnership Fund

We are incredibly pleased to advise that the Harcourt Public School P&C Association has just recently received wonderful news that we were successful in our application to the NSW Government to upgrade our Senior Courtyard. We were awarded a total of **\$20,500!!!** We hope to start the upgrade project as soon as possible.

Welcome to new 2021 Kindergarten Parents and Farewell to Year 6 2020

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new 2021 kindergarten parents and look forward to meeting you all face to face onsite at school in 2021.



A special Farewell and Congratulations to our Year 6 class of 2020! Your resilience and ability to take all challenges in your stride are admirable. We wish you every success in the future as you tackle this momentous transition into your high school education. Good-bye and good luck.



2021

Depending on the restrictions imposed on all NSW schools in Term 1 2021, we hope to host a Welcome back Morning Tea for all Harcourt parents early in Term 1. We will also hold our Annual General Meeting in March. Date TBC.

Please keep an eye out on the Skoolbag app for updates.



Creative Kids and Active Kids Vouchers

If you haven't done so already, we encourage you to visit: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/active-kids> and <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/creative-kids> to download your Creative Kids and Active Kids vouchers for 2020. These vouchers can be redeemed at many local organisations to increase your child's physical activities and creative arts interests.



Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all Harcourt students and their families, a safe and enjoyable holiday break. We encourage you to spend quality time together and celebrate the magic that is Christmas. We look forward to seeing all the friendly faces of our delightful Harcourt families back around the school in January 2021. Please stay safe and look after each other.

Please feel free to reach out or approach or approach our executive tam at any time or contact us via email: pandchps@hotmail.com





eSafety Commissioner

Click on the image below to access important information from the eSafety Commissioner on ways to keep your family safe using a variety of Apps, such as TikTok.

Spend the time to check the privacy settings on your family's devices to stay safe.

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App/Browser/Website >

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Houseparty is a social networking app which allows you to create a group video chat with up to eight people on mobile or desktop.

App >

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TikTok is a social media app for creating and sharing short videos.

App >

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Instagram is a social media service designed for people to share photos and video.

Snapchat

Snapchat is a messaging app that lets you send images, video or texts to friends. These images, video and text are only available for a short

Omegle

Omegle is a free online chat website that allows you to chat anonymously to strangers through text or video chat.

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