Dear Parents and Friends,

**Easter Hat Parade**

An Easter hat parade is traditionally held on the Thursday before Good Friday each year. This is NOT a competition. It is for fun. Hats are made at school during class time, so don’t panic about your millinery skills.

Students are asked to bring a selection of materials suitable to decorate either a cardboard base from school or a plastic party hat from home. These materials could include feathers, beads, ribbon, cotton wool, flowers, braid etc.

* Helpers for the K-1 classroom would be appreciated on Tuesday, 26 March at 2.00pm to help with Easter hat construction. Please see Mr Braye if you can help out.

The parade will begin around 2.30pm, followed by an egg hunt and the drawing of the P&C Easter raffle. Dress will be out-of-uniform.

**Black Hill Star**

There was an error reported in last week’s newsletter. Our Black Hill Star is Emily Dobbins. Emily represented our school at the Regional Swimming Carnival last Wednesday. Congratulations on a fine effort.

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**School Council Meeting** 19 Mar
**P&C Annual General Meeting** 19 Mar
**Small Schools Athletics Carnival** 27 Mar
**Easter Hat Parade, P&C Raffle Draw** 28 Mar
**Last Day Term 1, ANZAC Service** 12 Apr
**Day 1, Term 2 for staff** 29 Apr
**Day 1, Term 2 for students** 1 May
**Annual Stewart House Donation Drive Closed** 10 May
**Singleton Horse Sports Day** 17 May
**Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off** 9 Aug
**Taronga Zoo Excursion** 5 Sept

The Black Hill P&C AGM will follow at 7.00pm. In order to vote, families must be financial members of the P&C. For the nominal fee of $5.00 membership per family you are also covered as a volunteer in the school grounds in case of an accident.

**Whooping Cough**

There has been a case of whooping cough reported in the school last week. If your child has a persistent cough, particularly at night accompanied by breathing difficulty and vomiting, please consult with your doctor.

**Lower Hunter**

**Small Schools Athletics Carnival**
*Wednesday, 27 March*

The Lower Hunter Small Schools Athletics Carnival will be held at the Fred Harvey Sports Complex on Wednesday, 27 March.
Complex at Woodberry on Wednesday 27 March. Kindly complete and return the attached permission note to the school mail box by Friday 22 March. Transport will be by private arrangements. Please indicate on the note if your child/ren require transport.

Students are required to arrive by 8.45am, ready to be placed into groups with events commencing promptly at 9.00am. All students in years 2 who will turn 8 this year and students in years 3-6 are expected to attend, except in the case of illness, as it is a normal school day.

Students are required to wear full sport uniform including hats. Sunscreen is a must, even if it is overcast as the sun’s UV rays are emitted and reflected from cloud, intensifying their potential to damage skin. Fully enclosed shoes must be worn at all times.

Please note that the carnival is for students in year 2 who are turning 8 this year and students in years 3-6 only. Kindergarten, Year 1 and those year 2 students who do not turn 8 this year will remain at school.

Classroom Helpers
Classroom helpers are needed in the K-1 room from Monday to Thursday from 9.00am—9.45am for literacy groups. Kindly complete the return slip and return to the office asap.

Helpers are also needed in the 1-2 classroom from Monday to Thursday from 9.00am-9.45am. Kindly complete the return slip and return to the office asap.

Literacy Planet
Congratulations to all the students who were part of Literacy Planet last week. Black Hill School was placed 22nd in the world on the world leaderboard. Literacy Planet is an online literacy program to which the school subscribes. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 use it for our class spelling program, part of a reading program and part of our grammar program. All students also have access to sight words and word games but have tasks set for them by Mrs. A to complete during the week either from school or from home. This week we are hoping to climb higher up the leaderboard. Well done.

P&C News
Cheese & Bacon Bread Roll
Cheese and Bacon bread rolls will be available again for lunch next Tuesday, 19 March. Please pre-order via the attached bag. One bag for each student, clearly marked with name, class and order with correct payment enclosed. One bag per student please, as orders are delivered to classrooms. Place orders in the hot lunch box in the foyer no later than this Friday morning. Rolls $1.50, poppers $1.00, Up’n’Go $1.50

Easter Raffle
Thank you again for all the donations already brought in. Please keep them coming … and don’t forget to sell your tickets. Only two weeks to go! More tickets are available from the office or you are welcome to contact me if you would like more books to be sent home with your child. Thanks, Melinda. Mobile: 0407662961

Notice of AGM
The P&C AGM will be held this coming Tuesday, 19 March at 7.00pm in the staff room. We will be voting for our office holders and would love to see as many people as possible there. Our regular monthly P&C meeting will be held straight afterwards. If you want to vote, please ensure you have paid your P&C membership for the year. The P&C Constitution makes no allowance for proxy voting, so if you want to vote for P&C office bearers for the coming year, you need to be at the meeting.

P&C Membership
This is the LAST WEEK we will be asking for payment for the annual contribution for P&C membership. It is $5.00 per family and covers your insurance if you are injured when volunteering on school grounds. Please fill in the attached slip and return with your $5 if you haven’t already done so. If you have any questions, feel free to call Karen Stevenson on 0414 807 053.

Sausage Sizzle
Friday 15 March
Nicole Dobbins              Trudi Rofe
Sausage Sizzle $1.50 Poppers $1.00 Up’n’Go $1.50
P&C Membership 2013

Family Name: _________________________
I enclose $5.00 as payment for 2013 membership to Black Hill P&C Association.

Cooking Volunteers 2013

Name: _______________________________
Contact Phone: _______________________
I am available to help in the kitchen with cooking on Wednesdays between 11.30 and 1.30.

Classroom Helpers K-1

Name: _______________________________
Contact Phone: _______________________
I am available to help in the K-1 classroom for literacy groups between 9.00 and 9.45am on the following day/s.
Monday   Tuesday   Wednesday   Thursday

Classroom Helpers 1-2

Name: _______________________________
Contact Phone: _______________________
I am available to help in the K-1 classroom for literacy groups between 9.00 and 9.45am on the following day/s.
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Canteen Price List

"Small Schools Athletics Carnival"
Wednesday, 27th March 2013 at Woodberry Oval
(Canteen supplied by Millers Forest Public School P&C Association)

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Event: Lower Hunter Small Schools Athletics Carnival 2012 (Years 2-6)

Destination: Woodberry Oval, behind Francis Greenway HS

Date: Wednesday, 27 Mar Commence: 8.45am sharp End: by 2.15pm

Dress: Full winter sports uniform including sunscreen, hat and suitable, fully enclosed footwear to be worn at all times. Please ensure all items are labelled with names. A warm coat is advisable. It can be extremely cold.

Permission Note: Mail box

Requirements for the day: Plenty of enthusiasm, energy, sunscreen

Food Requirements: Packed recess and lunch or canteen facilities including BBQ are available.

Transport: Parent transport. Please fill in the slip below to indicate your children’s travel arrangements.

Permission Note—Small Schools Athletics Carnival 2013

I give permission for my child/children _____________________________ of class/es _____________ (years 2-6) to participate in the Small Schools Athletics Carnival on Wednesday, 27 March at Woodberry Oval. I understand travel will be by private arrangements.

My child will require transport. ☐ no ☐ yes

Signed: ___________________________ Date: _______________

408 Blackhill Road BLACK HILL 2322 Tel 02 4930 3137 Fax 02 4930 3105

The Lake Macquarie Philharmonic Orchestra
Conducted by WILFRED LEHMANN

Activity Note

Sunday
5 May 2013 at 2pm
LAKE MACQUARIE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE WARNERS BAY

PROGRAM
Mozart Overture to Figaro
Lehmann New Work for Strings
Wagner Siegfried Idyll
Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 5

The region’s professional orchestra in a glorious concert of favourite works.

ENTRY
$22 & $15
Concession Children under 12 yrs $10
Family of 4 (2+2) $45

TICKETS AVAILABLE
Mercia Buckle mbuckle@tixemail.com.au
and at the door.
### Primary Rotational Activities

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### Lower Hunter Small Schools Athletics Carnival 2012

**Primary Program**
- 9:00: Students split into age groups for their events
- 9:10 - 1:20: Primary Tabloids
- 1:20 - 1:40: Lunch
- 1:40 - 1:55: Relay
- 1:55 - 2:25: 800m
- 2:30: Carnival concludes

**Activity 1**
- 9:10 - 10:00
- 10:00 - 10:50
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**Activity 2**
- 9:10 - 10:00
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**Activity 5**
- 9:10 - 10:00
- 10:00 - 10:50
- 10:50 - 11:40
- 11:40 - 12:30
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**NB:** There will only be a presentation if there is sufficient time for recording. If this is the case, ribbons and trophies will be sent to schools.
**APRIL 2013**

**VACATION CARE 4 – 12yrs**

Do your children a favour these school holidays and enrol them in Vacation Care. Vacation Care is an inexpensive way to keep the kids entertained these school holidays and gives children the opportunity to make new friends whilst, playing fun and interactive games, participating in sporting activities and learning new arts and crafts. Program runs from 7.30am till 6pm. For further information visit our website www.hsc.org.au or contact the Centre on 49536366

**Mon 15th April**  
Ball Sports, Tabloids, Aerial Madness

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**AT THE HUNTER SPORTS CENTRE**

**January 2013 School Holiday Programs for 4 – 12 years**

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**SINGLE SESSION - $15.50 2 SESSIONS ON THE SAME DAY - $30.00**

*Family discounts for 2 or more participants available for 2 sessions on the same day. 2 sessions include a snack break*

**URBAN SPORTS TRAINING FOR 10 YEARS +**

Urban sports are activities usually conducted in public areas with little set-up required. We take the training of these activities from the outdoors into a safe environment where participants can learn the correct techniques to help reduce the risk of injury. Specifically catering for those aged 10 years and older 'Urban Sports Training' is a great activity for those bored with their normal holiday options. Participants will learn, Slacklining, Parkour and Free Running and the skills and techniques that make these urban sports fun and exciting.

Tues 16th and Tues 23rd April commencing at 5pm  
$17.50 for the 1hrs $15 for existing HSC members

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOLIDAY PROGRAMS VISIT OUR WEBSITE www.hsc.org.au OR CONTACT THE Centre on 49536366

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