HUNTINGDON PUBLIC SCHOOL.

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RECEIVE OUR FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTERS BY E-MAIL … Please contact the school so we can add your name to our ever growing list of families receiving their newsletters by e-mail. Many thanks!

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY PLANNER …

Monday 15 th Primary Schools’ Golf Championships. Wauchope Country Club. 12.30 pm. We are entering two teams.

Tuesday 16 th Small Schools’ Soccer Gala Day.

Wednesday 17 th 2014 School Photographs. Master School Portraits. Mr Iain McKinley. Happy birthday Mr David Anderson! Year 4, 5 and 6 students Sydney projects due.

Friday 19 th Happy birthday Tristin Bramwell! Farewell to Nicholas Atkins. Best wishes from us all! September holidays begin.

OCTOBER MONTHLY PLANNER …

Friday 3 rd Happy birthday Reuben Hirst!
Sunday 5 th Daylight Saving starts in NSW. Add one hour to clocks.
Monday 6 th Labour Day public holiday.
Tuesday 7 th All staff and students return for Term 4. Welcome back! Special welcome to Max Troth and his family!
Thursday 9 th Tennis Coaching Clinic with Mr Greg Alchin. K – Yr. 6.
Friday 10 th Pancake Lunch Order Day. $ 3 all you can eat! $1.50 for flavoured milk.

Saturday 11 th Huntingdon School Development Day. All Huntingdon teaching staff coming in for the day. We will be working on our School Management Plan for 2015 – 2017.

Monday 13 th Term 4 Huntingdon P & C meeting. On the agenda will be organisation for Term 4 including our school social.

Tuesday 14 th Happy birthday Beaudean Taylor!

Wednesday 15 th Hastings Small Schools’ collegial meeting. Huntingdon PS. 4.00 pm

Thursday 16 th Tennis Coaching Clinic with Mr Greg Alchin. K – Yr. 6. Mobile Library Van visit. Welcome back Mrs Elizabeth Robinson and Mrs Virginia Cox.

Friday 17 th Happy birthday Cooper Dick!
Sunday 19 th The 17 th Asian Games Opening Ceremony in Icheon Korea.

Monday 20 th Huntingdon vs Long Flat Cup Tennis Championship. At Long Flat PS with Mr Jarad Alexander.

Wednesday 22 nd Happy birthday Bailey Gavin!

Thursday 23 rd Tennis Coaching Clinic with Mr Greg Alchin. K – Yr. 6. Mobile Library Van visit. Welcome back Mrs Elizabeth Robinson and Mrs Virginia Cox.

Wauchope Post Office stamp talk.

Tuesday 28 th Stage 3 Small Schools’ Health Day at Huntingdon Public School. Welcome Mandy Lindsay, Jane Newman, Leesa Roach, Daryl Ford and Tayt Rosenbaum.

Thursday 30 th Happy birthday Calais Gavin and Nikita Fuller! Tennis Coaching Clinic with Mr Greg Alchin. K – Yr. 6 World Teachers’ Day Awards presentation at Little Fish Café Port Macquarie. 4.30 pm.

OCTOBER MONTHLY PLANNER CONTINUED …

Friday 31 st Huntingdon School Social. Monster Fun Theme.
K – Yr. 6 $10 entry including food and beverages.
Only 100 tickets sold so be quick purchasing yours!
Join us for a great family fun night! 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm

NOVEMBER MONTHLY PLANNER …

Tuesday 4 th  Annual Huntingdon Cup. Three races K- 1, Yrs. 2- 3 and Yrs. 4 – 6 after Morning Tea.
Wednesday 5 th  BAGO Community of Schools meeting Wauchope HS. 4.00 pm.
Thursday 6 th  Tennis Coaching Clinic with Mr Greg Alchin. Mobile Library Van visit. Mrs Elizabeth Robinson and Mrs Virginia Cox.
Friday 7 th  Surf Safety Talk with Hastings Lifeguard Mr Grant Hudson.
Tuesday 11 th  Remembrance Day. Special Remembrance Day Assembly at 11.40 am. Mr Kevin Ward and Mr Ted Scott special Wauchope RSL guests.
Thursday 13 th  Tennis Coaching Clinic with Mr Greg Alchin.
Monday 17 th  Happy birthday Xander Brown! Intensive Swimming starts.

Tuesday 18 th  Intensive Swimming.
Wednesday 19 th  Happy birthday Amelia Paulson! Intensive Swimming.
Thursday 20 th  Mobile Library Van visit. Mrs Elizabeth Robinson and Mrs Virginia Cox. Intensive Swimming.
Friday 21 st  Intensive Swimming.

NOVEMBER MONTHLY PLANNER CONTINUED …

Sunday 23 rd  Happy birthday Mrs Rachel McCann and Mrs Cheryl Carpenter!
Monday 24 th  Intensive Swimming.
Tuesday 25 th  Intensive Swimming. Huntingdon Yr 6 students present the ‘School’s Out Program’ at the 2 WAYFM Community Radio Station. 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm.
Wednesday 26 th  Happy birthday Joseph Hamilton! Intensive Swimming.
Thursday 27 th  Intensive Swimming.
Friday 28 th  Final day of Intensive Swimming.

DECEMBER MONTHLY PLANNER …

Tuesday 2 nd  Special Helpers and Volunteers’ Thank You MorningTea. 11.00 am
Wednesday 3 rd  Happy birthday Kelly Styles! Year 6 Orientation Day at Wauchope High School.
Thursday 4 th  Final Mobile Library Van visit. Mrs Elizabeth Robinson and Mrs Virginia Cox. Senior Citizens’ Day. Special visit.
Tuesday 9 th  Huntingdon’s 2014 Final Assembly in the School Hall. Annual presentations of academic, sporting, creative arts and citizenship awards and certificates. Announcement of school leaders for 2015.
Thursday 11 th  Happy birthday Luella Warburton! Broken Bago Senior Citizens’ Group visit. Special school performance 10.00 am Year 6 Formal Dinner. Eastport Bowling Club. 6.00 pm.
Tuesday 16 th  Huntingdon Christmas Tree. Santa arrives at 7.00 pm to give gifts to all of the children.
Wednesday 17 th  Last day Term 4. Wishing everyone a safe and relaxing holiday!
Friday 19 th  Happy birthday Mrs Merridy Golding!
Thursday 25 th  Christmas Day! Merry Christmas everyone!

Friday 26 th  Boxing Day.
Wednesday 31 st  New Years Eve.
JANUARY MONTHLY PLANNER...

Friday 2nd Happy birthday Harry Jakobsson!
Tuesday 13th Happy birthday Ms Katherine Oszpet!
Wednesday 21st Happy birthday Jacob McDonald!
Tuesday 27th All teaching staff return. School Development Day
       Term 1. Welcome back!
Wednesday 28th Yr 1 – Year 6 students return. Welcome back!

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT...
OUR FINAL NEWSLETTER FOR TERM 3...

Term 3 is almost over. This term has certainly passed quickly. It’s hard to believe that before long another year is going to be over and it’s Christmas time again.

Amazingly there are now only 99 more days until it’s Christmas Day!

TERM 4 MONTHLY PLANNERS...

These should keep everyone updated on what has, is and will be happening at our school next term. I will keep you updated of any changes as they occur.

THANK YOU MS HAYLEY BURN...

A BIG thank you to Ms Hayley Burn for being a great member of our schools’ teaching staff for the past four weeks. Thank you especially for assisting Ms Katherine Oszpet and enriching the lives of our Kindergarten and Year 1 students.

Ms Burn read ‘My Dad Thinks He’s Funny’ to the Upper primary class.

THE MOBILE LIBRARY VAN RETURNS FOR THE FINAL TIME THIS TERM...

All students are reminded to bring in their library cards and books to return on Thursday, 18th September when the Mobile Library Van visits us again.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS...

Our 2014 school photographs were taken this morning and I would like to thank all families who returned their special school photographs packs. The weather turned out to be favourable and all photographs will be returned early in Term 4.

Guess who won the Huntingdon ‘Archibald’ prize for Miss Burn’s portrait?
HOLIDAY READING CHALLENGE ... A reminder that we would like ALL students to read during the Spring holidays. Students know that at Huntingdon Public School … “students who read – SUCCEED!”

Students in the Upper Primary class have received a special Holiday Reading Challenge. I sincerely hope that they all manage to complete it as they can win some great prizes if they do.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THE TROTH FAMILY ... A special welcome to Max Troth who will join our school after the holidays. Max and his family are moving to Byabarra from Canberra and Max will be joining Ms Oszpet's Year 1 students.

LOST PROPERTY BIN ... As the term draws to a close we have a Lost Property Bin that is almost overflowing with winter garments longing for their owners to re-claim them. The job would not be an onerous one if they had a name on them but unfortunately they don’t.

Please have a look in the Lost Property Bin next time you visit the school because we have put everything out on display and the students can’t identify any of the items as belonging to them.

MUFTI DAY THIS FRIDAY ... To make the last day of Term 4 a memorable one we will allow students to come to school out of uniform this Friday. It will be a Spring theme! No inappropriate slogans on T-shirts or strappy tops please. A reminder that students need to wear enclosed footwear on mufti days.

WE FAREWELL NICHOLAS ATKINS ... Nicholas Atkins is unfortunately moving to Port Macquarie so this will be his last week at our school. It will be sad to see Nicholas leave us and we wish him well at his new school. We hope he stays in touch with us.

ELECTRONIC GAMES, PHONES, I-PODS AND I-PADS ... Please note that we have a school policy regarding students bringing in their own electronic games such as expensive Gameboys, mobile phones, I-pods and I-pads. If they are brought in without permission or a note from home explaining why they need to be at school then they will be confiscated and kept in the office until parents contact the school to let us know they are aware that the items have been brought in without permission or they can call in to collect them.

Students who have a legitimate reason to bring in a mobile phone know they need to hand it to their classroom teacher in the morning for safe keeping and it will then be returned to them when they go home in the afternoon. Many thanks!
**PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE REGIONAL FINAL …** This was held at Old Bar Public School on Monday, 8th September. Congratulations to the three students who represented our school on the day. **Riley McCann** managed to get to **Level 2 in Stage 2** and **Jorjia-Rose Styles** managed to get to Round 4.

Super Spellers Jorjia-Rose Styles, Riley McCann and Ben Clifford.

**Ben Clifford** managed to get to **Round 5** and came 4th in the overall competition. A fantastic achievement! What word knocked him out? **Frankincense**!

**TENNIS COACHING IN TERM 4 …** Please note that we will start Tennis Coaching for six weeks starting next term. **Tennis coach Mr Greg Alchin** will be teaching all students from Kindergarten – Year 6 each Thursday morning from 9.00am – 10.30 am. Cost for this is $4 per student but this will be paid for by the school with part of our **Premier’s Sporting Challenge** money.

**ZUMBA …** Mrs Natalie Warburton will kindly return next term and complete the three ZUMBA sessions students have missed out on.

**INTENSIVE SWIMMING …** Please note the dates for our two weeks of Intensive Swimming in Term 4 because we will be needing some parent helpers and volunteers to assist us by taking a group. More news to follow next term.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL GOLF DAY …** On Monday, afternoon, 15th September eight Huntingdon Public School students participated in the local **Primary Schools’ Golf Championships** at the Wauchope Country Club Golf Course. A special thank you to **Isabelle Leslight** who very kindly became a member of the **Maroon Team** after Amelia Paulson received an injury playing on her trampoline.

Organised by **Mr Ray Robbins** the afternoon proved to be a great experience for our Stage 3 students. Our four best players will now go on to the Regional Primary Schools’ Championships in Term 4. Our two mixed teams were:-

The **Blues**: Beaudean Taylor, Nikita Fuller, Ben Clifford and Riley McCann.

The **Maroons**: Patrick Magennis, Jorjia-Rose Styles, Lucas Warburton and Isabelle Leslight.
After a nail biting finish the final putt by Lucas Warburton ended up with the Maroon Team winning on the day. Congratulations!

Ben Clifford lining up his putt.

A special thank you Mr Jarad Alexander and Mrs Rachel McCann for transporting, coaching and supervising our students on the day.

CRICKET COACHING CLINIC WITH MR MERVYN BOURKE ... Last Friday we were fortunate to have Mr Mervyn Bourke return to our school to run a Cricket Coaching Clinic for all of our students.

As always, Mr Bourke makes learning the finer skills of cricket a lot of fun and the students learnt how to catch, bowl, and bat in a non-competitive environment.

The Upper Primary students enjoyed their training session with Mr Bourke.

A funny thing that happened on the day was when the ball was hit and in the air and Jye tried to catch it. Fortunately his hat, which he was wearing at the time, came off and landed in his hands. The ball then landed right in it! “It’s a hat – trick!” yelled Mr Fuhrmann – and it certainly was!

Talented cricket player Jack Kidd thanked Mr Bourke on behalf of everyone for revisiting our school.
We are hoping to get Mr Bourke back sometime in Term 4. A reminder that anyone wishing to play cricket in Wauchope during summer can still do so by contacting the local cricket club. Registrations were being taken on the weekend outside of the **Timbertown IGA Store**. Bailey Gavin was just one of our students who joined up to play on the weekend.

*Riley McCann … What insect is the best cricket player ?
A CRICKET of course !*

**OUR SOCCER GALA DAY ....** Many thanks to all parents, grandparents and friends who attended the **Small Schools’ Soccer Gala Day** yesterday to watch and cheer on our six teams. The weather turned out to be favourable and I was amazed by the agility and determination of some of our players on the soccer field. I have to congratulate everyone for their efforts, sportsmanship and overall behaviour yesterday. Well done !

*The Huntingdon Redbacks.*

Of course we didn’t go there just to win but to become fitter, learn new skills, meet students from the other small schools and most importantly try our best. I do, however, have to congratulate the Huntingdon K – 1 Bull Ants who ended up winning the trophy for their division and being undefeated all day.

*The undefeated Huntingdon Bull Ants won their K – 1 Division !*
OUR NEXT P & C MEETING... Please note that our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday, 13th October starting at 3.00 pm. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. On the agenda will be the final organisation for our school social and planning for our P & C Barefoot Bowling day plus organisation for Term 4 including our Xmas Tree. We would love to see some new faces at our meeting.

PANCAKE DAY... This is now being held on Friday, 10th October, which is our first week back. A special Pancake Lunch Order note will be sent home on the first day that we’re all back at school.

NEW BELL... We have moved and improved the volume of our bells being rung so that all staff and students can hear them. This is important as we need everyone to know if there is an Emergency Evacuation Procedure or need for a School Lock Down.

Electrician Mr Kurt Schubert installing our new bell.

GAME EXCHANGE... We are hoping to have our new Huntingdon Game Exchange operational before the end of the term. We have lots of board and card games available. Students are allowed to borrow a game for the weekend or holidays provided they have their homework up to date and look after them.

MORE GAMES NEEDED... If you have any pre-loved board games, jigsaw puzzles or card games suited to Kinder – Year 6 that you could donate to the Huntingdon Game Exchange then we would love to add them to our collection.

AUTHOR’S VISIT... Next term we are fortunate enough to have author Mr Colin Thompson visiting our school to talk to our Stage 3 students. You might like to check out some of his books during the holidays.

LIFE EDUCATION VAN VISIT... Due to the costs involved we have decided to have Happy Healthy Harold and the Life Education Van visit our school bi-annually.

OUR NEXT SCHOOL SOCIAL... Please save the date! Friday, 31st October for our next fun filled family school social. More information to follow next term.

CRUNCH AND SIP STICKERS... A reminder that during Fruit and Vegetable Month from the 25th August until the 19th September all students receive one stamp for a piece of fruit and two stamps for any vegetable they eat during our daily Crunch and Sip Program each day. Once they have accumulated 20 stamps they receive a Super Fruit and Vegetable Ring which is theirs to keep.

Adam Bramwell with the ring he earned for receiving 20 stamps on his 'Crunch and Sip' card. Congratulations!
SOME MORE MEMORABLE SYDNEY EXCURSION PHOTOGRAPHS ... I know we were away from home during our excursion but look who Ben Clifford caught up with at the Wax Museum.

I didn’t know you were this tall!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO ... Mr David Anderson who celebrates his birthday today and Tristin Bramwell who celebrates his birthday on Friday 19th September. We hope you both have a great birthday!

Mr David Anderson celebrates his birthday today.

WANTED ... We still need some more clean, ring pull lid tin cans for our Art and Craft work. Many thanks to all families who have sent some in already. Mrs Rachel McCann has asked if any of our families are using a variety of tin cans with ring pull lids over the next week or two to please send them in.

SPECIAL MENTIONS ... Many thanks to Jacob McDonald, Liam and Riley McCann, Jye Baker, Jack Kidd and Nikita Fuller for doing a fantastic job running the 2 WAYFM Community Radio Station’s ‘Schools’ Out Program’ recently.

Tristin Bramwell is one of our determined sports stars and a great soccer player.
Emilie Luke and mum Michelle enjoying the Small Schools’ Soccer Gala Day.

Aaarrghhh! Blue tongue students Luella, Calleigh and Jordyn!

Minibeasts galore with Calais and Jacob!

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School Capatins Beaudean Taylor and Lucas Warburton with Riley McCann accepting the Timbertown IGA’s cheque for $1000.
THIS WEEK’S WINNING JOKES ...  (By Nikita Fuller)

Q ... What is a dog’s favourite cinema snack?
A ... PUP-corn!

Q ... What does a dog like to read?
A ... WAG-azines!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT ...

The best teachers are those who show you where to look but don’t tell you what to see.
— Alexandra K. Flexler

SEMESTER 2 SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS ... There are more than 1000 Huntingdon Semester 2 School Photographs available for parents to borrow on a flash drive after the holidays. This doesn’t include the 600 plus photographs taken on our Small Schools’ Sydney Excursion.

COMMUNITY NEWS ...

There are hundreds of memorable photographs to look at. Here is just one of them.

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