Welcome to Term 4, as we look forward to warmer weather, longer evenings outside and the run up to Christmas and holidays.

This is a busy term for us as we launch into exciting events and activities this term. Thank you to those parents who took the time to fill in the recently advertised School Satisfaction Survey. I am thrilled to announce that in each of the nineteen areas parents could comment on, the level of satisfaction across many areas of our school all stood in the 90%+, which resulted in all areas being above or significantly the System average – this absolutely made my day, and the staff thank you for the time you took to participate in this and the positive feedback.

We continually strive to improve our practices here at Hughes and soon, a couple of questionnaires will come your way to gather your opinions about home/school communication – which has been recently brought up for discussion at the P&C and the School Board. We value your input and ask that you return these questionnaires to the front office within the deadline time so we can analyse them and use the data to guide our decisions.

Also, a questionnaire will arrive soon about 2015 class preferences, this has been a highly successful initiative for the past two years and we continue this proactive practice again this year. Each family is asked to relay to us, class preferences for 2015. Across the middle of the term, all staff work very determinedly, to create classes for 2015 to maximise the learning for each child – every child will know their teacher and classroom before the end of this year. After careful consideration and your input, the decision will then be final and everyone can relax over the holidays and look forward to a smooth Day One of Term One.

But... before then, we have Children’s Week, Market day, Shine, end of year celebrations, Mr Tim Extravaganza Concert, assessments and end of year reports, graduations, Fun days, planting the new time capsule, Bandstrav...and the list goes on and on.

Teachers are super busy this term, and have already begun creating the extra special edition of the 2014 HPS Year Book—please ensure that you grab a copy of this to keep.

We still have 50th birthday celebrations pins and mugs, that are important to purchase and tuck away, as a memento. Wouldn’t it be amazing if every child in the school owned a 50th Birthday lapel pin, and wore it when they visit in 25 years’ time when their Time Capsule gets unearthed?? What a sight that would be!! So, ‘beginning with the end in mind’— please come on in and buy a pin.

I am looking forward to the celebrations we have this term, feeling excited about what 2015 will bring. As always, very happy to receive any emails of praise or concern, so we can know what we are doing well, suggestions for new ideas or areas of concern so that we can sharpen things up, and move towards being the best we can for your children, family and our sensational community!

Until next time --- keep sunny an smiling!
Information Session for 2015 Preschool Students

An information session for Preschool families starting in 2015 will be held on
Wednesday 5th November
6.00 - 7.00 pm
at Hughes Preschool, Kent Street

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER 2014

Thursday 23rd Market Day
Friday 24th Assembly SHINE 1.30 - 2.30
Friday 24th P-2 Camp Sleepover School Hall and Library
Monday 27th Board Meeting 6.00 - 7.00
Monday 27th P&C Meeting 7.00 - 9.30
Thursday 30th Music Count Us In (Old Parliament House) 10.30 - 1.30

2014/2015 Entertainment™ Book

There are only two 2014/2015 Entertainment Books left for sale at $60.
There are fantastic discounts and special offers for many of the best restaurants, cafes, supermarkets, cinemas, theatres, hotels, accommodations, attractions, and activities in your local area.
Please see the front office if you would like to purchase an Entertainment Book.
Library News

MS Readathon

Have you finalised your sponsorship forms? All sponsorship money is due by 31st October. Thank you so much to the 54 students who have supported this worthy cause.

Contest: Favourite Reading Spot

Where does your child like to read?

The Children’s Book Council of Australia’s ACT branch invites students from preschool to Year 12 to enter a contest to celebrate reading.

They need to submit a photograph of their favourite spot (with the CBCA logo where they sit or placed over their face in the image), write 50 words or less explaining why this is their favourite reading spot and tell the title of their favourite Australian book. The winning child in each category (xxx) will receive a book and their school will receive a collection of books. Entries are due by 28th October 2014.

For more information about the contest: http://act.cbca.org.au/competitions


Any Questions?

As your local, friendly teacher librarian, I am keen to support parents and carers in our community. After all, that is usually the best way to support your children! If you have any questions about reading, choosing books, children’s literature or information literacy, please do get in contact with me.

Tuesday afternoons are probably the best time to catch me, but I am also available on email or by phone if you’d like to have a chat or flick me a question.

Holly Godfree, Teacher Librarian Holly.godfree@ed.act.edu.au
Favourite Reading Spot Entry Form

Please fill in your details below including your explanation why this is your favourite spot to read plus the title of your favourite Australian book. Please remember to upload your photo as a jpeg image.

1. Entrant's Details
Please note that only the child’s first name their school will be used in the promotions of the competition winners.

| Child’s Name |  |
| School’s Name |  |
| Contact Name | Phone |
| Contact Email |  |

2. Entry Category

| Preschool | Year 7 to Year 9 |
| Kindergarten to Year 2 | Year 10 to Year 12 |
| Year 3 to Year 6 |  |

3. Name of your Favourite Reading Spot

4. In 50 words or less explain why this is your favourite reading spot.

5. Favourite Australian Book

| Title |  |
| Author’s Name |  |

6. Please send your entry form and photograph that includes the CBCA Logo as a jpeg image, preferably as a portrait orientation to: act@cbca.org.au

I give permission for the photo I am submitting to be used in promotions and on the CBCA ACT Branch website (x)

I wish to receive regular emails and event updates but I can unsubscribe at any time (x)

The Children's Book Council of Australia ACT Branch will judge each category according to the judging criteria. The photos and explanations will be displayed on our website and the winning photos will be used in our promotional literature. If there are any people in the photo you must have permission for us to use their image. Only the child’s first name their school will be used in the promotions of the competition winners. THE JUDGES DECISION WILL BE FINAL. No correspondence will be entered into.
Market Day

Thursday 23rd October
Children's Week
Week 2, Term 4

This event raises money to support our World Vision child, Van Tai Luu, and his family and community in Vietnam. Also, we support our Year 6 end of year activities.

Please send your child with around $5 in a labelled bag to participate on the day.

10:00 - 10:45am: Junior students organising (K-2) - cake/food stalls.

After recess, 11.30am - 12.30pm: Senior students organising (3-6) Activity stalls, such as, marble guessing; icy poles; 'Splat the Rat'; kick a soccer goal; drinks; preloved toy, books and games.
School Disco

The Hughes Primary School Disco will be held on Thursday 13th November.

DJ Cliff will be running the disco this year and the theme is Halloween.

Mark the date in your diary. More information will come home soon.
FREE INTRODUCTORY DANCE CLASS

To coincide with Bring a Friend for Free
LGA is offering a free trial
lesson to any child from the age of 4 years to 12 years
At one of the Beginner Grade 1 Classes
on
Tuesday 21st October and Thursday 23rd October 4pm

ENROLMENT FOR THIS LESSON
only by Email lgida52@hotmail.com
or phone/message Liz  0419225195
before 20th October, 2014

Beginners Classes are held Tuesday and Thursdays
at our fully equipped dance Studio in Aranda
from 4pm
(Aranda Scout Hall, Kubura Place, Aranda)

From the 1st lesson children will learn
“Riverdance” style and Traditional and energetic Irish Dancing
Children are taught dance for public performances, competitions and local and
international championships.

Normal enrolments will be accepted at any time during the Term!

For further enquiries please contact Liz  T.C.R.G., A.D.C.R.G – 0419 225195
School Banking Volunteers Needed!

HUGHES PRIMARY SCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUT WITH THE SCHOOL BANKING.

DID YOU KNOW THAT SO FAR THIS YEAR THE STUDENTS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE SCHOOL BANKING PROGRAM HAVE EARNED $887.66 IN COMMISSION FOR THE SCHOOL!!

WHAT A FANTASTIC EFFORT, 59 NEW STUDENTS THIS YEAR BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO BANK TO 141.

$5.00 IS EARNED FOR THE SCHOOL EVERY TIME A NEW STUDENT JOINS THE PROGRAM AND 5% COMMISSION PAID ON ALL THE STUDENTS DEPOSITS, IT’S A GREAT WAY OF FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR SCHOOL!!

AT THE SAME TIME, THE STUDENTS LEARN IMPORTANT SAVING SKILLS BY BRINGING IN THEIR MONEY EACH THURSDAY AND EARN REWARDS FOR THEIR SAVINGS SUCH AS SWIM BAGS, PENCIL CASES, MONEY BOXES AND PLUSH TOY KEYRINGS.

IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CONTACT KYLIE COOKE ON kylie.cooke@bigpond.com OR Ph: 0410 499 145.
ONLINE ORDERING

• Available 24/7
• Convenient for parents
• Removes paper orders and cash
• FREE registration

Online ordering is more convenient, providing a 24/7 payment and ordering system that can be accessed from home, work or a mobile device.

No more fumbling around for coins in the morning or sending kids to school with excess cash, online orders are faster and more accurate giving parents peace of mind that their order and payment is received accurately at the school.

Registration is free and only takes a few minutes.

EASY, ONLINE REGISTRATION

• Go to www.flexischools.com.au
• Click REGISTER
• Enter your email
• You will be emailed a link to an online form - follow the link
• Choose a username and password and complete the form
• Add each student and their class
• Top-up the account - VISA or Mastercard preferred.

Place lunch orders from your iPhone, iPad or mobile device!

For help call 1300 361 769
Snacks
- Milo Slice $1.20
- Choc chip cookies 50c
- Jelly $1.00
- Salad Tub $1.20
- Watermelon Tub $1.20

Ice Creams
- Frozen juice Cup $1.30
- Frozen Yogurt $2.60

Sauce
- Chutney tomato or BBQ 30 cents
- Property of Alfred Deakin High School

 PRIMARY SCHOOL
Wednesday Term 4 2014

Water $1.20

Milk $2.80
- Strawberry
- Chocolate

Snacks
- Water $1.20
- Sandwiches Cheese or Ham $2.50
- Toasted Sandwiches Cheese/ham $3.00
- Cheese/ham $2.50
- Sushi vegetable handroll $2.50

Juice $1.60
- Apple
- Tropical

Hot Food
- Single pizza $3.00
- Sausage roll $2.60
- Popcorn cheese & wedges $3.80
- Nachos with salsa & cheese $3.50
- Chicken nuggets x3 $3.50
- Cheese pizza $3.00
- Fried rice/2spring rolls $3.50

Burgers and Wraps
- Chicken burger with chicken patty, lettuce and mayo $4.50
- Wrap with choice of cheese, tomato, cucumber, carrot and lettuce $3.00
- Wrap with Chicken, with choice of tomato, cucumber, carrot and lettuce $3.00