Congratulations to Damien on starting a new year as President of our School Council. Thank-you to all who nominated.

Our School Council is:
- Damien G – President
- Sean R – Vice President
- Ali Petrie
- Narelle Ryan
- Maddy Ginger
- Lisa W - Secretary
- Owen H - Executive Officer

We still have a further vacancy. Please let us know if you are interested.

Lisa is currently “taking us all” through “Blogging” and we will soon have more interactive information online. This will eventually replace our tired web page and will allow for interactive comment.

Congratulations to all of our children. Behaviour and work habits have been exemplar. It is a pleasure to come to work. We have rearranged furniture/equipment in the school in order to get the most out of our resources. I was afraid to stand still last week in case Lisa decided to move me.

Children will learn about script writing and recording techniques to support “Digital Story Telling”. This is a great way to have children engage in higher level thinking skills and will improve literacy.

Once again: All children should have a quiet, calm place to read at home for at least 20 minutes each night. Reading aids spelling, communication skills etc... Engaging with your kids helps comprehension. Ask them about what they are reading. Share the book with them.

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“High expectations” is always our mantra. Children will deliver what is expected of them. If we all aim for high standards and continually enforce them at school and home then children will always know what is expected of them. We continually encourage them to contribute at home. Help with dishes, set tables, tidy room, help with washing and so on. This contributes to their overall development.

Ore soon.

Regards
Owen

HARSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

Parents’ Club are finalising the ‘advertisers’ for the 2013/2014 calendar. We have a number of vacant spots available. If you know of a business that may be interested in advertising please get them to contact: Madeleine Ginger 0416 148 934 or Narelle Ryan 0417 323 135.

Prices for advertising on the calendar back board are:

Square ad $110.00 plus GST
Rectangle ad $190.00 plus GST
Other options are also available to advertise within the calendar.

MOTHER’S DAY ACTIVITY

A reminder that Parents’ Club are organising a Mother’s Day activity at school on Monday 6th May commencing at 9.00am and are seeking helpers. If you are available please come along. Families are asked to send along empty plant pots, soft drink bottles or any containers which could be used for a plant. Students also need to bring a gold coin donation.

TREE PLANTING

On Friday 17th May students will travel to Stockyard Plain for tree planting with the DPI and Landcare. We will be picked up at 9.45am and plan to return by lunch time. The morning will involve tree planting, morning tea and a site tour.

There will be a number of Landcare members in attendance and parents are also welcome to join us. Parents attending will need to travel in their own car.

Students need to bring a hat and sunscreen, a warm coat, morning tea and a water bottle. Students also need to bring a pair of work boots, gumboots or old sneakers in a plastic bag.

Permission forms have been sent home and need to be returned to school by Friday 10th May.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR 2014

Grade six students were given a form last week for application to enrol in secondary school in 2014. We apologise for any confusion but these were not the correct forms.

We have been told that we will receive further information next week.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

The Earn & learn program is running again this year. In 2012 we received over $1000 worth of new books and lego through this program.

From Monday 8th April to Sunday 9th June, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect stickers from the checkout operator. One point is awarded for every $10 spent. This is a great way for us to gain new resources for our school for minimal effort and no extra expense.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

AUSKICK 2013

Starts Sat 27th April 9.00am, on the Leon Heath Ovals.

Registration/Re-registration and PAYMENT of $65.00 MUST be done online @ www aflauskick.com.au

Packs will only be presented to PAID participants.