Welcome back for Term 2 2015

We trust everyone had a relaxing Easter break and a chance to spend time with friends and family.

Day one for Term 2 has commenced with all students displaying eagerness for learning and a great attitude to classwork. We have had a fun first day with lots of laughs, good humour and students enjoying being back at school with their friends.

We also discussed several upcoming events for this term, as follows:

Mrs Williams prac. which will commence on Monday 4th May (Week 3). Students have written a personal holiday postcard for Mrs Williams which is including their special requests for activities and classwork that they would like to do during her prac.

Mr Burke is planning to share his love of reading with a special "Reading Session" next Wednesday. Everyone is looking forward to listening to Mr Burke reading one of his favourite stories to us next week. A big Thank you to Mr Burke for being our GA whilst Fiona has been on leave. Wednesday will be Mr B’s last day.

The completion of our special artworks including the painting of our Spruce Up Dorrigo Project (SPUD), the garbage bin, for outside WH Bailey & Sons and our front gate initiative to update our school entry reflecting the students of 2015!.
Students are looking forward to this Thursday’s history excursion to Dorrigo to learn about local and Australian history. The chance to travel as a whole school on the Dorrigo Community bus is also very exciting and appreciated by all!

Lots of other special learning experiences are being organised for the benefit of our students, such as a special writing workshop with author John Heffernan, combined schools day at Ebor and our regular Sporting afternoons with Dundurrabin PS. We are awaiting the receipt of funding for Hernani’s participation this term in the Sporting Schools programme, which will hopefully facilitate gymnastics sessions at the Armidale Gymnastics Centre and in quality in-school sporting initiatives.

Term 2 is shaping up to be another great term with outstanding learning experiences for all at Hernani!

Thursday 23rd April 2015

Excursion to DORRIGO HISTORICAL MUSEUM, DORRIGO SPORTS STADIUM AND DORRIGO RSL to view ANZAC Memorabilia

On Thursday 23rd April 2015 Hernani Public School students in years K to 5 will join with Dundurrabin Public School for an excursion to Dorrigo Historical Museum, Sports Stadium and Dorrigo RSL Club to view ANZAC Memorabilia and displays.

Transport for this excursion will be by the Dorrigo Community Bus driven by Ms Bernie Fell.

Itinerary (approx. times)

9:20am Depart from Hernani Public School to travel to the Dorrigo Historical Museum - Fruit break on arrival.

Visit to Museum from 10.15 until 11:30am.

Walk to the Dorrigo Sports Stadium for indoor sports and lunch.

Walk to the Dorrigo RSL to meet with Mr. Bob Denner at 1:30pm.

2:30pm Depart from Dorrigo RSL- travel to Hernani PS.

NB: If wet weather students will travel on Community Bus between venues.

District Cross Country

Students who are turning 8 years or older are eligible to participate in the District Cross Country at Bowraville on Friday 8th May 2015. Please see Mrs Winkel asap if your child is interested in participating.

P & C MEETING

Our P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th May at 3:00pm.

Items on the agenda include:

- Changes to reporting on student absences
- Milo Cricket
- Gobblesumz/supplies

Attached to this week’s newsletter is an update about changes to the DEC Attendance policy and parents are encouraged to read this before Wednesday’s meeting.

School Photos

Hernani Public School annual school/student photos are scheduled for Monday 4th May 2015 from 10:30am. As in previous years Donna Davidson will be our photographer. Students to wear their sports uniform please.

Donna has kindly offered to take family portraits. Students can bring to school additional clothing for their family portraits and change for these photos. The order form will be sent home on Friday 24th - to be returned with payment by Thursday 30th April. Thank you. This will enable us to try and schedule photo times for each family as needed.
ANZAC Display

Our students completed a quality display for the Dorrigo business centre during the last week of Term 1. Great job everyone, you should be very proud of our display!

Hopefully many community members have enjoyed reading our personal family histories, student Recipes for Peace and special ANZAC Day artworks. Thank you to all parents for their support in ensuring personal relevance for our students and the extra hands to complete our school's display on the last Thursday of Term 1. A true example of “Community Achieving Success” our school motto.

If you have not had the chance to view this and many other shop front displays, perhaps Saturdays ANZAC march will provide an opportunity for you to do so.

Hernani Public School display for ANZAC Day 2015

DORRIGO RSL SUB BRANCH
CENTENARY OF ANZAC

This year's ANZAC Day will commemorate the Centenary of the Landing at Gallipoli on the 25th April 1915.

The Dawn Service will commence at 5:30am at the Dorrigo Monument.

Hernani Public School will be participating in the mid morning service from 10:40am – (students to meet Mrs Winkel outside the Dorrigo RSL).

This significant event will include the March & Wreath laying Service which will commence at 11:00am from the Dorrigo Memorial RSL Club.

There are some changes to the Order of March this year and the Dorrigo Schools contingents will be towards the head of the march, and the Schools will end up in Cudgery Street behind the Veterans Group near the bus shelter.

A feature of this years’ Service will be a re-enactment of a World War 1 Recruiting March with Dorrigo High School students taking part with vintage vehicles and horse drawn vehicles. Families and members of the public are invited to dress in period costume and line Cudgery Street and welcome these Marchers to the Monument. Dorrigo Dramatic Club has items of period clothing for hire. Parents are requested to complete the attached consent note and return to school, by Friday. Thank you.

At the conclusion of the march and wreath laying service students are invited to join other young marchers for refreshments (including a sausage sizzle) at the Dorrigo Recreation Pavilion. There will be tea and coffee available for parents who will need to accompany their child to this event.

Hernani Public School display for ANZAC Day 2015
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK -
WEEK 1

Congratulations to Oliver for an enthusiastic start to Term 2 – we love your sense of humour.

Congratulations to Chad for great thinking and total recall.

NAPLAN – Students in Yrs 3 & 5. NAPLAN is a national assessment for all students in the following learning areas:

Tuesday 12th May: NAPLAN Years 3 & 5: Language Conventions and Writing

Wednesday 13th May: NAPLAN Years 3 & 5: Reading

Thursday 14th May: NAPLAN Years 3 & 5: Numeracy

Friday 15th May: NAPLAN Years 3 & 5: Catch-up day for students who missed a section of a test or were absent on a particular day.

Please see Mrs Winkel if you require further information in relation to NAPLAN.

Combined Sports Afternoons during Term 2

Our regular Friday sports with Dundurrabin Public School will commence on Friday 1st May at Hernani Public School.

A consent note will be forwarded with the next newsletter for our first visit to Dundurrabin PS on Friday 15th May (week 4).

Stewart House Donation Drive 2015 – NSW Public Education’s Charity of Choice


Stewart House 2015 keyring with led torch available to purchase @ $3.00 each.
**Upcoming Dates**

**Term 2 2015 Week 1**

Monday 20th April – Staff Development Day
Tuesday 21st April – Students K-6 return
Wednesday 22nd April Cooking/ Sharing – Trish
5:15pm - Mixed Martial Arts with Sensei Dave

Thursday 23rd April – Excursion to Dorrigo Historical Museum, Sports Stadium and RSL Club

Friday 24th April

Saturday 25th April

DORRIGO ANZAC Day March and Wreath Laying Service – meet Mrs Winkel outside Dorrigo Memorial RSL Club 10:40am - March Commences 11:00am

**Week 2**

Wednesday 29th April – Cooking/ Sharing - Roxanne
5:15pm - Mixed Martial Arts with Sensei Dave

Thursday 30th April Mrs Winkel BDLC meeting – Mr K on class

Friday 1st May Combined Sports Afternoon with Dundurrabin at Hernani PS

**Week 3**

Monday 4th May – School photos 10:30am
Wednesday 6th May Gubi Gabun playgroup
Cooking and Sharing – Toni
P&C Meeting 3:00pm
5:15pm - Mixed Martial Arts with Sensei Dave

**Week 4**

Tuesday 12th May – NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Language Conventions and Writing

Wednesday 13th May NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Reading
Cooking and Sharing – tbc

5:15pm - Mixed Martial Arts with Sensei Dave

Thursday 14th May – NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Language

Friday 15th May - NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 Catch-up day for students who missed a section of the test or were absent on a particular day.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES:**

Kittens – free to cat loving homes – see noticeboard for information or phone 66573291

**Dorrigo Fuji Karate Club** invites you to discover the rewards of traditional **Japanese Shotokan Karate.** Increase your fitness, flexibility and coordination while learning self-defence. Studying a martial art promotes discipline and respect, focus, listening and memory skills. Dorrigo Public School Hall - Mondays Kids 5-6pm Adults 5:30-6:30pm Phone: Hazel 0458 572525

**Dorrigo Highlanders Football**

Games are now underway for all the Dorrigo Highlanders teams playing in the North Coast Football competition. The Dorrigo Club has fielded 6 junior teams and both a women’s team and men’s team in the senior divisions with play across the region from Urunga to Corindi.

All teams will play a mixture of home and away games for the season with plenty of chances to support our Dorrigo teams at home. Call in to cheer if you are out and about for an away game. Please note there are no games scheduled for Anzac Day.

Play for Dorrigo teams on 2 May will be:

8’s Girls Dorrigo Lyrebirds at Urunga; 8’s Boys Dorrigo Quolls at Bellingen; 9’s Dorrigo Dingoes at Dorrigo; 11’s Dorrigo Wallabies at Woolgoolga; 14 Girls Dorrigo Bluegums at Urunga; 16 Girls Dorrigo Waratahs at Urunga; Womens Dorrigo Cedars at Macksville and Mens Dorrigo Highlanders at Bellingen. This will also be the first game day for our upcoming stars, the Miniroos, who will play every Saturday morning in Dorrigo. There is no travel for our Miniroos. For draw details and field maps visit [www.northcoastfootball.com.au](http://www.northcoastfootball.com.au) and follow your team. Wet weather closures are also posted to this site. Go Highlanders!!