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Principal's Message

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[Dear Helensvale community,](#)

School Vision 2015 – 2018

To support our new 4-year improvement plan as a school we have been working with our teaching staff to develop a new vision for our school. We are now seeking your feedback in the development of this vision. As parents of our school, your feedback is vital in ensuring our school vision reflects the type of school you would like for your children. Your feedback is very important to us and we hope you will be able to take 5 minutes to complete this online survey to share your ideas with us. Please access the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3ZTW2VT>

The survey will close **Friday 12 June 2015**.

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Spelling Extravaganza

This week our students have participated in a Spelling Workshop with Chris Killey, the Director of *Learning Made Easier*. Chris has been sharing her knowledge of spelling with our students, supporting our whole school implementation of a developmental approach to the teaching of Spelling. I would like to thank our school community for supporting this incursion opportunity. Students will be able to use the resources shared by Chris in their classes to continue developing their knowledge of spelling strategies. On Wednesday afternoon, our staff also worked with Chris to continue developing our knowledge and expertise. Chris worked with all staff in January and was thrilled to see the growth in student ability from our teachers

working with them over the last 6 months. A special thank you to Chris Killey for her ongoing support of our school in helping our students improve their Spelling abilities.



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Year 6 Camp

As this newsletter arrives in your inbox our Year 6 students and staff will be returning from an exciting 3 days in camp. I look forward to the team sharing an overview of this experience with you next week.

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Thinking and Learning Conference

On Saturday and Sunday, members of our Executive Leadership and Great Results Guaranteed Teams attended the Thinking and Learning Conference in Brisbane. This conference is a condensed version of the larger conference held in Melbourne each year and is one of the largest education conferences held in Australia. Our team had the opportunity to listen to internationally renowned speakers including:

Dr Anthony Muhammad who spoke about transformational leadership and creating high-performing

professional learning communities

Dr Janelle Wills who spoke about the importance of feedback and gifted education

Gavin Grift who spoke about explicit instruction and the power of coaching in schools

Carolyn Coil who spoke about successful student achievement and intervention

We look forward to sharing our knowledge gained from this conference to support our continued improvement in 2015.

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Prep and Year One Sector Deputy Update

From next week, Ms Terry Welch will be taking long service leave until the end of the term and will be replaced by Jessica Poh for one week. Ellen McNamara will be taking Ms Poh's class while she is Acting Deputy Principal.

In the last two weeks of this term we will welcome Ms Nancie Brown to this position. Nancie has been A/Deputy Principal at Bellevue Park State School for 3 years and a Regional Project Officer – Assessment prior to this. Nancie brings a wealth of experience to this position and I look forward to welcoming her to our team.

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World Environment Day

World Environment Day (WED) is the biggest, most celebrated global day for positive environmental action. Established by the UN General Assembly in 1972, WED is celebrated every year on 5 June. WED is the principal vehicle through which the UN stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment, and encourage political attention and action. WED gives a human perspective to environmental issues, empowers people to become active agents of sustainable development and advocates multi-stakeholder partnerships in support of the environment. The theme of this year's World Environment Day is resource efficiency and sustainable consumption and production in the context of the planet's regenerative capacity, as captured in the slogan 'Seven Billion Dreams. One Planet. Consume with Care'. Affirming WED as a global public outreach platform, this slogan emerged as the top choice by the global community through social media voting. The 2015 global WED celebrations will be organized at the world famous Universal Exhibition, which attracts over 20 million visitors. Expo Milano 2015 will run from May 1 to October 31 and is expected to include over 140 countries plus a significant number of international organizations. One of three UN Days that the UN Expo Team has chosen to mark at the Milan Expo this year, WED will support and complement the Expo theme of 'Feeding the Planet - Energy for Life', which showcases state-of-the-art technology, ideas and solutions that can help guarantee healthy, safe and sufficient food for everyone, while respecting the planet and its equilibrium.

See more at:

<http://www.unep.org/wed/news/wed-2015-to-take-centre-stage-at-milan-expo.asp#sthash.aApply8l.dpuf>

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Quote of the Week



'A little spark of kindness can put a colossal burst of sunshine into someone's day.'

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National Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Collecting data on school students with a disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with a disability in schooling on the same basis as students without a disability. All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability. All Australian schools participate in this annual data collection.

The data provided to the Australian Government is aggregated data only. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you. While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child's details to be included, please let me know. Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:

Department's website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html>

Australian Government Department of Education website: <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.

Samantha Donovan

A/Prinicpal

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From Mrs Donovan's Desk

Thank you to Daniel and Juvarnji-Lee for leading our Sector Assembly this week. Congratulations to 3F and 3G for their presentation of 'The Respect Rap' which reminded all of us of the importance of being respectful.

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Reading Dogs

Many thanks to Jennie and Pookie who have been supporting our students for reading.



Jennie, Pookie, Noah and Mrs Kelly

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From Ms Welch's Desk



Twilight Tunes

4th June 2015

Choir and Band Students – Teachers Nina Hoile and Sue Purton

Due to changes in string teachers, Strings Students will be performing in a similar afternoon later this year.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to acknowledge all the hard work the children have put into their music making in Semester 1 and celebrate their success with an afternoon of music. 'Twilight Tunes' will be an excellent opportunity for us to share with you what the choir and band program have been doing. At this stage the String students will not be performing and we hope to have a similar event for them in the near future.

Details for the afternoon are as follows:

Date: Thursday June 4, 2015

Time: Students will stay at school at 3pm and be given time to have some afternoon tea. Please bring an extra snack to school for this.

Choir students to meet in the music room.

Band students to meet in the PAC with their instruments.

Parents will be asked to wait outside in the foyer until 3:25. The concert will commence at 3.30pm and the afternoon will conclude by 4.30pm. There will be tea and coffee available for parents after school if they would like to stay with their child and other siblings without having to go home and return. This could be a great time for parents to meet and mingle with other parents and provide valuable feedback to us via our 'Suggestions Box' that will be available for you to add your ideas to!

Venue: Performing Arts Centre (School Hall)

Uniform: All performing students are to wear their full school uniform including black shoes. They do not need to change – simply wear this uniform all day!

Please let your child's teacher know ASAP if they cannot attend this afternoon.

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The Zoo-2015 Helensvale State School Musical

Have you got a special talent?

Could you entertain a group of people for 5 to 10 minutes?

Would you like to help raise money for the school?

Would you like to be a busker?

As we continue to prepare for the musical later this year we are looking for anyone who would like to be part of the busking that will happen before the main show. All money raised would go to the school

Any parent/child who is not in the musical who might like to do some busking from 5-6.30pm on the musical nights 22nd/23rd October please contact Ros Melrose for more information at the following email

rmelr5@eq.edu.au

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Incursions

There are a couple of incursion notes out at the moment. Please remember to get payments in as soon as possible. Any concerns over payment please contact Tracey Smith on 55561333.

Prep

23rd June - Shake and Stir \$6

Payment Due 16th June

Year 5

22nd June - Star lab \$6

Payment Due 16th June

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Assembly

There have been some changes to our assembly dates due to NAPLAN.

The junior (Prep and Year 1) Assemblies for the rest of the term are as follows.


1CD will be performing in Week 9

Hope to see you there!


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Payment Days
 Tuesday / Wednesday / Thursday
 8.15am to 9.30am ONLY



Ask us for your child's
student ID number

Internet Banking Details:
 A/C Name: Helensvale State School
 BSB: 064-430
 A/C Number: 00090884
 Reference No: Student ID & Activity
 Reference Code

**INTERNET BANKING IS OUR
PREFERRED PAYMENT METHOD**

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<h3 style="color: red; margin: 0;">Student Absence Line</h3> <h2 style="color: red; margin: 0;">55561370</h2>	
<p>Don't forget we have a convenient absence line for parents/carers to access 24/7. Parents can leave a message in relation to student absence for the class teacher on this line. Please phone and leave the following information:</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child/Childrens Name 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child/childrens class
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of absence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reason for absence

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Photography Schedule Thursday 11th June 2015

TIME	CLASS	TEACHERS NAME	TIME	CLASS	TEACHERS NAME
8:55	1A	BELINDA WRIGHT	12:25	1/2G	JANICE RUTHERFORD
9:10	1B	JENNIFER TOBITT	12:40	2A	MARISSA-LEE GILLIES
9:25	PC	VICKI REINEKER	12:50	2D	WENDY PROUD
9:40	PD	CATHY BRIDGE	1:00	2E	LEE MILLARD
9:55	2B	LOUISE ALLWOOD	1:10	3A	SALLY BOURKE
10:05	2C	JANELLE TURPIN	1:20	3B	JENNIFER BROWN
10:25	PB	SHELAGH STRONG			BREAK
10:40	1C	GAIL KENT	2:20	3C	BEN CLEGG
		BREAK	2:30	3D	JULIE SEALEY
11:40	1D	LEE MARONEY			
11:55	1E	CHLOE SULLIVAN			
12:10	1F	CARLY EDWARDS			

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Photography Schedule Friday 12th June 2015

TIME	CLASS	TEACHERS NAME	TIME	CLASS	TEACHERS NAME
8:55	PA	MAREE KLEIN			BREAK
9:05	3F	SAFFYRE BLUME	11:40	5D	JANE BARKER
9:15	3G	KYLIE BALDOCK	11:50	5B	PATSY FINGER

9:25	4E	RAELENE PETTIGREW	12:00	5C	MAREA TYNAN
9:35	4/5F	KATHY ISE	12:10	6B	KAREN PYNE
9:45	4C	GINA CONNOLLY	12:20	6C	LISA MACLEAN
9:55	4D	LEAH HILLS	12:30	6D	MELISSA BRANNOLTE
10:05	4A	ANDREA LOWATER	12:40	6E	JO IRVING
10:15	4B	TAREN KIRWAN	12:50	6A	SUJI PONNUSAMY
10:25	5A	LUCY REYNOLDS	1:00	3E	KELLY BUCKLEY
10:35	5E	AVETA ELLIOT			
10:45	PE	JESSICA POH			

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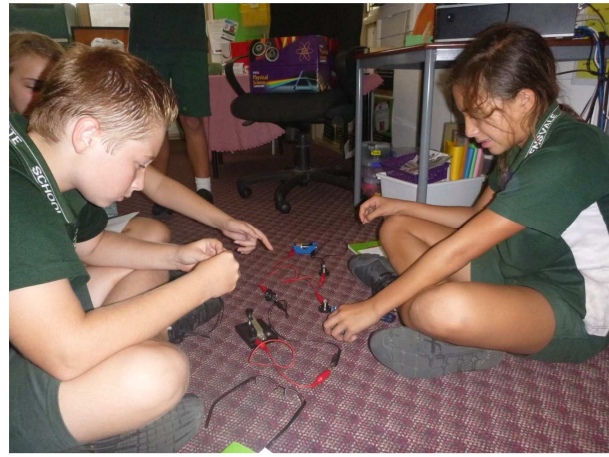
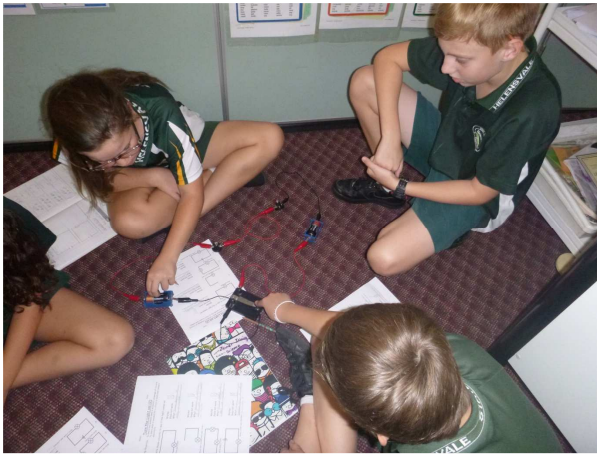
News from 6C

This term year 6 have been learning about circuits, electricity and energy. We learnt how to draw a circuit diagram, how they work and we learnt that a circuit is path that allows electricity to pass through it. For electricity to pass through the circuit it must be a complete loop.

6C discovered a website where we learnt how to construct circuits and to understand about conductors before we used the real materials. Then we were able to build our own circuits during class with the tools of wire, a cell(battery), a switch, and a light bulb. We followed some circuit diagrams and then investigated some of our own ideas to see if they would work.

Here is the website: <http://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/circuit-construction-kit-dc>

Kasidy, Lolliesha and Jessie



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YMCA

YMCA Helensvale OSHC

Phone 07 56659216

Mobile: 0438166533

ahv@ymcabrisbane.org

Important Notices from your Coordinator:

2 June 2015

Our Winter Holiday Club / Vacation Care program is certain to be filled with fun and excitement as we explore different adventures and activities. Starting off with Week 1 our Green Day, then Life on the Farm, our Incursion is Professor Jellybean where children will explore the love of science, creating Freaky Goo Jellyfish, Stretchy Sand and Luminescence Slime.

We have a Messy As day planned where children will be introduced to messy art and share their favourite 'Messy Moment' then on to Freaky Friday.

Week 2 is Indigenous Australia where we will be exploring Individuality, Culture, Diversity, and Equity, then on to What's the Weather. Our excursion on Wednesday is to Timezone, Cavell Mall, then onto Cook off day and the last day is Pyjama Party Day.

Winter Holiday Club booking forms are out, these have been distributed throughout the classes if you require care during Vacation Care, please return your forms to avoid disappointment, or call into our service to complete a booking form. Please come and join us this is going to be a wonderful two weeks!

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P&C News

Upcoming Events

Disco – 11th June

The P&C will be running the canteen and would love some volunteers to come along and help us. We will be having a Sausage Sizzle and have coffee and other refreshments and Glow products available.

School Sports Day – 18th & 19th June

The P&C will be running a canteen from down near the oval and will also be selling Sausage Sizzle, coffee and cakes etc. As this is being held on a Friday our busiest day in the Tuckshop we will desperately need volunteers to man the stall and in the Tuckshop itself.

If you are able to help at any of these events please contact Tracy in the Tuckshop or email pandc@helensvaless.eq.edu.au

Christmas in July Trivia Night

Stay tuned for this amazing Christmas themed night of trivia and fun, it will be on Saturday 25th July from 6pm in the PAC, there will be prizes and raffles and lots of fun. more details to follow.

Leanne Watt's Life Membership Celebration Dinner

Friday 19th June we will be having a dinner to celebrate Leanne Watt becoming a Life Member of the Helensvale State School P&C, to enable us to confirm a venue etc we would love to hear from anyone that would like to join in this special occasion. This is our way to say Thank You to Leanne for her many years of timeless effort at our school. It is going to be a dinner out with everyone purchasing their own meal. Please see Tracy in the Tuckshop or email pandc@helensvaless.eq.edu.au as we require numbers asap please.

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Host Families Required

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED FOR JAPANESE STUDENTS

Helensvale State School will be welcoming students from the Kokuren Study Tour from
27 July – 4 August. Students are between the ages of 10-14.

The programme provides both the visiting students and the hosting families with a wonderful opportunity to share experiences and cultures and to develop lifelong friendships.

Host families will be subsidised by \$80 a night for 2 students. You will be required to supply 3 meals a day transport to and from school and a warm, friendly home.

If you are interested in hosting a student or you would like any additional information, please contact Naom or Judy on the following number

The Japanese Advisory Service (07) 5592 0575

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Advertising in our Newsletter

Advertising Space is now available within our newsletter

Please phone Michelle on 0409992479 or send an email to michelle.m@austnews.com.au if you are interested in advertising your business.

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SENSORY SCREENING FOR FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Big Hero 6

Penguins Of
Madagascar

Home
(In Cinemas 19 Mar)

Tinkerbell:
Legend Of
The Neverbeast
(In Cinemas 2 Apr)

Minions
(In Cinemas 18 Jun)



SUN 15 FEB



SUN 15 MAR



SUN 26 APR



SUN 24 MAY



SUN 28 JUN

Sensory Movie Day is an inclusive event for families with special needs

- Lighting is on dim, sound lowered, volunteers monitoring fire exit doors.
- Sensory Movie Day run once a month on a Sunday at 11am
- Tickets are \$8 each (Except Ipswich \$6 each). Children 2yrs and under are free
- Companion I.D. Cards are accepted

Sensory Movie Day is running at the following Locations:

Morayfield, Maroochydore, Mackay, Capalaba, Browns Plains, Ipswich,
Toowoomba, Lismore, Tuggerah and Cronulla

Any questions email sensorymoveday@hotmail.com

BUY TICKETS NOW AT THE BOX OFFICE

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Positives for Paul Family Fun Day

**Raising money for Paul Downham who has been
diagnosed with a brain tumour**

Saturday 27 June

11.30am - 3.00pm

**Location - Coomera State School Oval, Dreamworld Parkway,
Coomera**

Sausage sizzle and drinks, muffins, slices, etc available

Coffee van on site

Cent Auction for donated prizes from sponsors

RSVP 12 June - for catering purposes

adrienne.english@dete.qld.gov.au

BYO chairs and rugs



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**Helensvale State High's
Production of**



Tickets \$25

**Tuesday 21 & Wednesday 22 July 2015
7PM**

Arts Centre Gold Coast

Tickets on sale from Thursday 28 May 2015

Available from the Arts Centre Booking Office

Phone: 07 5588 4000 Email: www.theartscentregc.com.au

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