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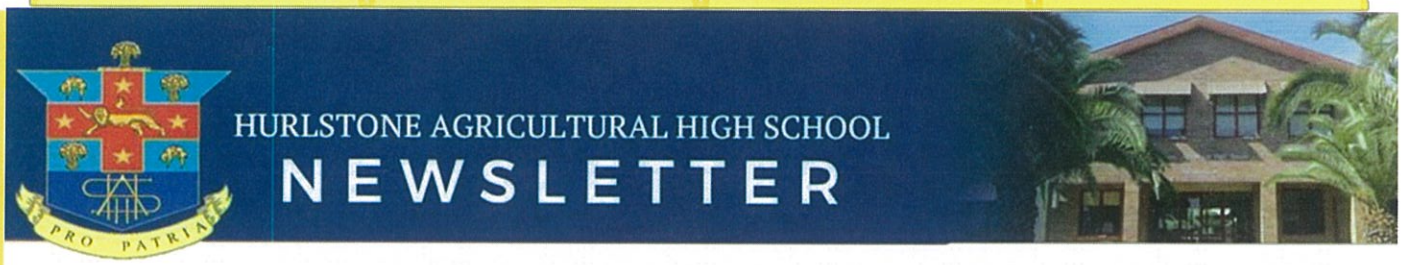


HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

Term 3, Week 6A

→ Calendar update

Monday, 22nd Aug

Brainbee State Finals @WSU

Students vs Teachers Basketball

SRC induction

Tuesday, 23rd Aug

School Assembly

Wednesday, 24th Aug

Mandy Perrin Presentation

Thursday, 25th Aug

Urban Challenge Yr 11

First Aid Training Yr 7

Friday, 26th Aug

Perfect Planning Day

Student vs Teachers Netball

Study Skills Yr 11

SRC UPDATE

On September 3rd, Hurlstone is holding its 77th Country Fair with stalls, farm shows and our very own SRC stall. Our stall will consist of two different sections; the first being one where you can compete against an SRC member in a mini-game and win some prizes. The other section is a food stall where we will be selling different items such as brownies, cupcakes, drinks and chocolate crackles. Come visit us on September 3rd for your chance to beat one of our members, win a prize, and buy some delicious snacks!

→ Jeans for Genes

Friday August 12th was Hurlstone's annual Jeans for Genes Day. There were fun minigames and an Instagram frame walking around the school for students to take photos with. The minigames included the No-Hands challenge and bottle flipping. Students supported the cause by wearing jeans with their uniform and bringing a gold coin donation.

SRC UPDATE

→ Jump Rope for Heart

Last term, the SRC held the annual Jump Rope for Heart, for years 7-10, on June 28. Jump Rope is an important cause that aims to encourage young people to exercise and get their hearts pumping while raising money for the Heart Foundation.

This year, Jump Rope was run with a twist; 5 stations, along with a healthy food stall, were set up, and students and teachers participated in races, obstacle courses, free skipping and helicopter and teddy bear games. In keeping with the competitive spirit at Hurlstone, a skipping skills competition was held at the end of the day, where students and teachers alike vied for a prize.

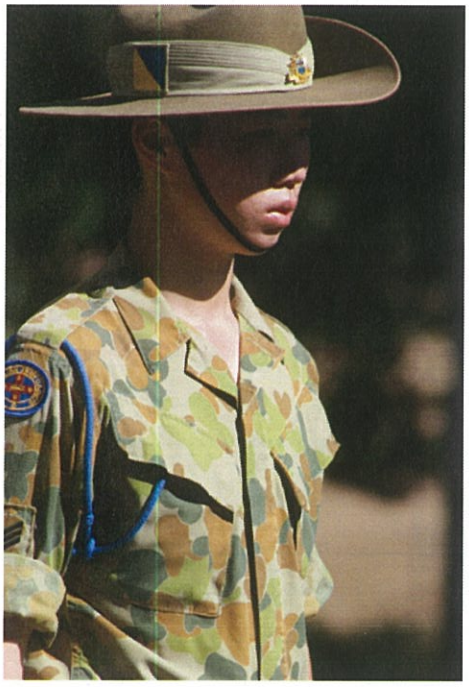
The day was incredibly successful; music was played and participation and enthusiasm levels were high!

The SRC are currently planning more fun events for the school, facing a busy upcoming term with many events in store; these include Jeans 4 Genes, Country Fair and Talent Quest.

Hurlstone's annual Talent Quest is coming up late this term. If you can sing, dance, flip water bottles or have any other talents you want to showcase, get your act ready to perform and look out for sign-up sheets in the upcoming weeks to book your spot at Talent Quest!

CADETS UPDATE

HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL ARMY CADETS
COURAGE ~ INITIATIVE ~ TEAMWORK ~ RESPECT



The Hurlstone Army Cadet Unit (HAHSACU) is a youth development program which is offering students of the school the chance to gain valuable life skills such as teamwork, leadership, self-discipline and self-confidence.

During our weekly parades, cadets are taught by senior cadet instructors on both the theoretical and practical aspects of subjects such as drill, first aid, navigation, RATEL (radio telecommunications) and field craft. Also offered is adventure training in the form of abseiling, which is conducted regularly at the school.

→ ANZAC Day

For the past years, Cadets has taken part in ceremonial occasions held both in and outside of the school. This year was no different, with the school holding its annual ANZAC Day Service at the Memorial Forest. Our unit took on the tradition of providing a catafalque party, led by Hubert Zhang (Year 10) to further the gravitas and significance of the solemn occasion. We also had the honour of meeting Regimental Sergeant Major (WO1) Peter Sheehy, who gave a well-delivered commemorative speech on the day.

CADETS UPDATE

→ Interested in Joining?

Recruitment into the unit is currently open for all students aged 13 or over. If you or your friends are interested in joining, simply come during our weekly parades, which are held every Friday from 1500 – 1730 in the Main Quad.

For further information or if you have any questions, contact us via hahsacu@gmail.com or visit the official Australian Army Cadets website http://www.armycadets.gov.au

"Cadets requires commitment, dedication and effort however it is a worthwhile and rewarding experience which provides valuable skills for life."

- Kylie Chen, Year 11

INTERACT

→ Birthing Kits

Term Two has brought about an exciting event that has never before been seen at Hurlstone. Interact had the opportunity of holding their very first Birthing Kit assembly day in week four of term two. The Birthing Kit Foundation is an organisation that aims to provide a clean and safe birthing environment for women in developing countries to prevent infant and maternal mortality. Interact, as well as the broader Hurlstone community came together to assemble a total of 200 birthing kits for the ZONTA Foundation. An estimated number of 385 000 women die annually in childbirth, many from preventable infections. With the birthing kits assembled by students of Hurlstone, mothers may deliver their children with a significantly reduced risk of contracting such infections.

INTERACT

If you are interested in any of Interact's events or you are passionate about a particular cause, please come to our weekly meetings in the Dance Studio at Wednesday recess. We hope to see you there!

- Interact Executive

REGIONAL ALL SCHOOLS 9/10 TOUCH FOOTBALL

Three Hurlstone Touch Teams headed to Paciullo Park Liverpool during Term 1 to compete in the 9/10 Regional All Schools Touch Football Competition.
All teams participated with enthusiasm and played in the correct spirit of the game, proudly upholding the Hurlstone school name.

Hurlstone Girls A Team Co Captained by Elizabeth Cowden and Tahlia King, placed 3rd overall.

Hurlstone Girls B Team Co Captained by Rebecca Phillips and Jaskiran Kaur, placed 7th overall.

Hurlstone Boys Team Co Captained by Oscar Cole and Sadaf Musfique, placed 4th overall.

Well Done All Teams!

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR STUDENT REFEREES -

MATT GREGORY, DARCY RYAN & ANTHONY DONOGHOE

Mrs M Barry, Mr D Coombes, Mr R Mackinder

THE SCHOOL MUSICAL – THE WIZARD OF OZ

Hurlstone held a musical once again this year, with performances late last term. As I'm sure you're all aware, this year's musical was the Wizard of Oz. It was a joy producing this musical and everyone involved in the production – whether it be cast, crew, orchestra, directors or teachers – thoroughly enjoyed the process and are proud of the final performance. For us, as a musical team, it was an experience that we will never forget and we are so grateful to the school for allowing us to have these opportunities.

It was also the honour of the musical cast and technical crew to accompany the Orchestra on their annual Tour this year. We travelled to Dubbo, and performed for various Dubbo primary and high schools, as well as the orchestra giving some students the experience of playing in a large orchestra. Overall, it was an incredibly informative and fun experience, especially seeing the primary school children's small faces light up in amazement at the sound of the orchestra and the playing of songs from the musical. It was also a fun way to end the musical and experience something new – for the majority of the cast, they had never attended an orchestra Tour before, and we were blessed to be able to share this experience with the orchestra.

Thank you to everyone who supported the musical, from its first legs until the final product. It is wonderful that our school can provide us with such amazing opportunities, and we as a musical body are very grateful. Never forget, there's no place like home!

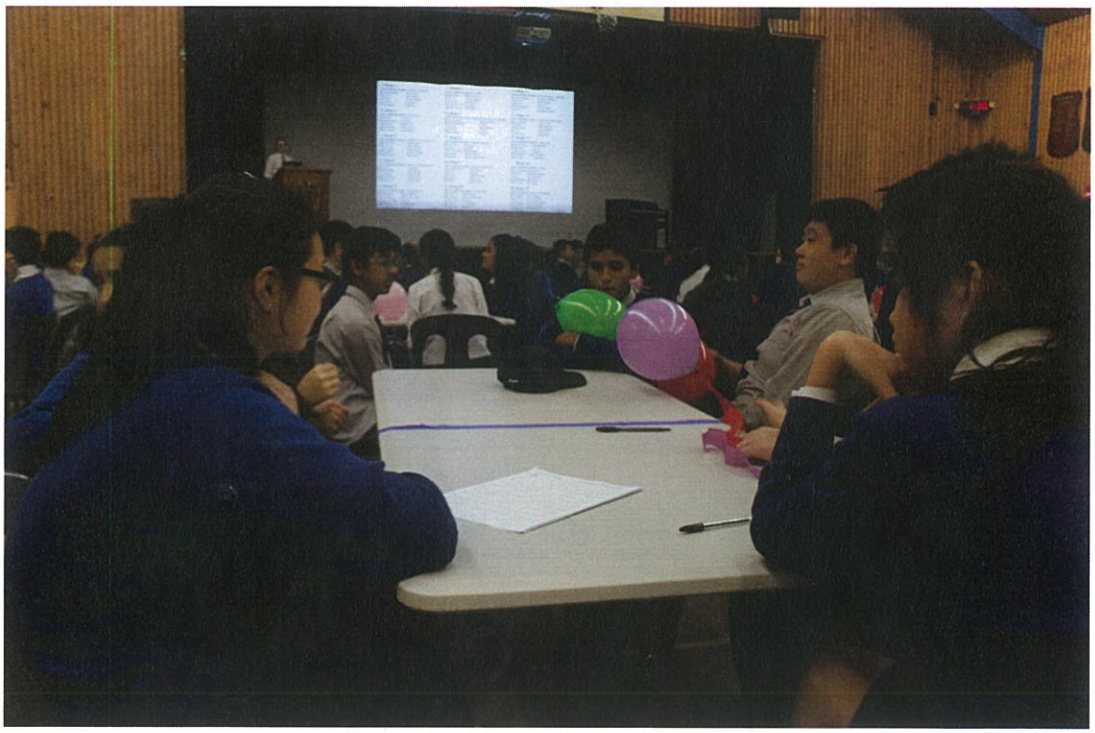
YEAR 9 – TRIVIA

Year 9 students recently had a Year Assembly and a subsequent game of trivia, all organised by the Year 9 Social Committee and the Year 9 Advisors, Mr Coombes and Ms Chapman.

The year assembly promoted the variety of extra-curricular groups and opportunities available at Hurlstone. The assembly allowed speakers from each extra-curricular group to speak about their activities and achievements. This provided an opportunity for the year to get to know each extra-curricular group and become more involved in initiatives that appeal to them and add to their education at Hurlstone.

We also had a fun game of trivia, which was based on several different topics, ranging from music to memes. Each team was randomly selected, allowing students to connect through conversation and teamwork and allowing us to form new friendships with others. There was plenty of laughter, excitement, adrenaline and fun memories. Everyone had a wonderful time, making it a huge success!

- Anita Nguyen 9S



BUS BAY

Parents please note the school has implemented procedures to promote the safety of students and visitors, especially concerning drop – off and pick up.

Parents are asked to respect these procedures and ensure they stay out of the bus bay, which has been freshly marked and painted so it is very obvious. Ample area is available towards Roy Watts gate for people to safely park, drop – off or pick up and students only have a short walk in to school.