



# Hornsby South K-2 Newspaper

## Let's talk PBL!

At Hornsby South Public School, we follow the PBL expectations of being Respectful, Responsible and Aspire to do your personal best. Being respectful means to treat others kindly and always use your manners. To be responsible means to take care of your belongings and look after the school playground. Lastly, to aspire you must always try to do your best and keep on trying.

If you want to be a good role model, you will need to keep your hands and feet to yourself. This expectation is very important to follow because it will help children to stay safe and at the same time, it is helping to set a great example for other students. Keeping your hands and feet to yourself may be difficult for some of us, but it is important that we aspire to do our best.

If everybody in the world would keep their hands and feet to themselves, it would be a much

safer place. If you kept your hands and feet to yourself, it would make people feel much happier knowing that they would not get hurt. Following this rule means you are being very responsible. It is extremely important not to touch other people, especially when they don't want to be touched.

The expectations are great for our school because it makes it a safe and enjoyable place to learn. So there you go! We have explained some easy ways to be respectful, responsible and aspire to be an amazing, awesome, wonderful, honest and caring role model. We really hope that you use these ideas in the future!

By Samantha and Cleo



## Harmony Day

Harmony day is celebrated on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March each year. It is a day celebrating everyone's different cultures and creating a place where everyone belongs. It reminds us that we are all different but we can all work as one together.

At Hornsby South, we celebrate Harmony Day by wearing orange clothes and giving out Harmony Day stickers. Our school has lots of kids from many different countries around the world so every day is like Harmony Day at Hornsby South.

To celebrate and learn more about Harmony Day your class might do some special activities, like art works and writing. I especially enjoy learning about my friends and their cultural differences. I think it's important to celebrate Harmony Day so that we can learn to appreci-

ate each other's differences and learn to work together as a country.

By Lily.



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## INTERVIEW WITH MRS CAMPBELL BY JETHRO

**Describe your favourite birthday party?**

*At my friend's house. Lots of people were dressed up in costumes that started with the letter 'R'. some people were dressed as robbers, in red and as robins. It was a great night!*

**What pets do you have? What are their names?**

*I have 2 dogs, their names are Riley and Tallulah. Riley is 11 years old and Tallulah is 5, she's a bit chubby because she steals Riley's food!*

**If you could do anything for a day, what would you do?**

*I'd love to look after some animals at the zoo, especially the meercats!*

**If you had superpowers, what would they be?**

*I'd love to have the power to make time go faster! That way I can do all my chores, the washing and the cleaning, in a flash!*

**What do you miss about teaching kindergarten?**

*I miss talking with the children and doing art. I loved saying 'hello' to them all in the morning and greeting their Mum's and Dad's.*

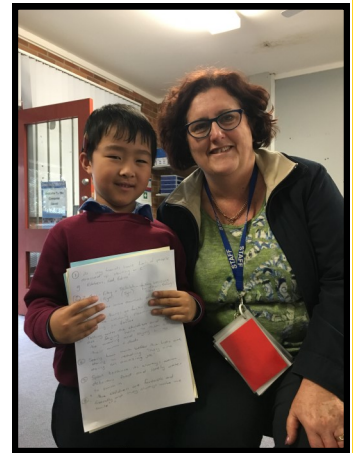
**What is special about your new job in the school?**

*Seeing all the improvements the children are making in their reading. They are doing an amazing job!*

**If you could fly anywhere in the world where would you go and why?**

*I would go to Spain because it is always warm, there is lots of delicious food and there is lovely water to swim in. Bliss!*

**Finish this sentence...I love being a teacher at HSPS because.....the children are fantastic and friendly and they always make me smile!**



## Better when I am dancing! Dance Group report by Sophie

At Hornsby South Public School we have a Stage One dance group which is a fun activity for Year 1 and Year 2 students. To become a member of the dance group, you will firstly need to audition. This involves making up your own dance and then performing it in front of the dance teachers. The dance teachers are Miss Short, Miss Madden and Miss Rowbotham. If you practise hard and are lucky enough to get in, you will get to come along every Monday and Wednesday at lunch time and learn a dance! We even get to audition to be a part of the Sydney North Dance Festival! This year we got in to the festival performing to a song called "Better When I'm Dancing". The dates of the performances were 27<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and the 28<sup>th</sup> of June.

When I asked some of the dancers about performing at the festival, they said they were nervous about performing in front of lots of people. It can be a little scary, but I was excited I got into the Sydney North Dance Festival because I like performing in front of a big audience and wearing colourful and bright costumes. We even wore makeup! In Years 3 and 4, there is a Stage Two Dance Group. The teachers for this group are Mrs Gilfillan and Miss Wong. They also entered the Sydney North Dance Festival and got in! Hornsby South Public School must have some wonderful dancers!

I like being a part of the Stage One Dance Group because we get to dance at lunch time with our friends and learn new dance routines. It is so much fun!



## Interview with Ms Morales by Aman

**If you were a lorikeet for a day where would you fly, and why?**

*If I was a lorikeet for a day I would fly into Kindy Lorikeets! Isn't that where lorikeets live?*

**Why did you decide to be a teacher?**

*I became a teacher because I love learning. I believe I learn from students just as much as they learn from me.*

**If you had one special power what would it be?**

*If I had a special power, it would be talking without moving my mouth! Just imagine all the things I would be able to say without people knowing it was me.*

**Do you have any pets at home if so what are they, and what are their names?**

*I don't have any pets at home...wait, I have a son. Does that count?!*

**When you were a little girl, what did you want to be when you grew up?**

*When I was little, I wanted to be a professional dancer because all I ever did was dance. I would dance anywhere and everywhere!*

**If you had a pet what would it be?**

*If I had a pet it would be a turtle, they're so cute! If I couldn't have a turtle, I would have a unicorn.*

**What food do you eat at lunch?**

*At lunch I enjoy eating leftover dinner, from the night before-obviously! It always tastes yummier the next day.*



## Fit Futures Report

*By Evie*



Fit Futures is a school sport program. It makes you fit and strong. Fit Futures is a really fun and active program because you get to play lots of outdoor games with your friends. Sometimes fit futures will prepare fun games like Ship Shark Shore and Octopus or maybe a different game. I asked the Fit Futures teachers why they think their program is so important for our school. Here is what they had to say..

"We love teaching Fit Futures at Hornsby South Public School. The students are always willing to try new things and give new activities a go, which is great to see. We enjoy experimenting with different games and using a range of equipment and watching the students not only having fun, but watching their confidence grow."

Throughout the year we learn a variety of different movement and sport skills, including dance, gymnastics and field athletics. Sometimes we even get to play games with our whole class, such as Octopus and Ship, Shark, Shore. Every class from Hornsby South Public School is able to go to Fit Futures and learn these new and exciting games and activities.

# THE DISAPPEARING ZEROS

By Ariane

One sunny morning, a girl had a one-hundred-dollar note. She was just about to use it to buy some delicious food when the two zeros disappeared! So, she tried to find the culprit of the problem but she could not. The girl was disappointed. She set some people off to look for the culprit but they did not have success either! The word passed on quickly and soon everyone was looking and looking for the mysterious zero thief.

Across town, a girl was buying hot chocolate that was fifty cents when suddenly the zero disappeared from the fifty cent coin. It appeared that the culprit was a man who had 1,000,000,000 dollars. He wanted to get all the zeros so he could have even more money. He loved zeros and called himself, the Number Taker. Later the next day the man got caught by the police, stealing zeros from a poor defenceless man buying an ice cream cone. At last, he was back in jail. The police took the zeros back and gave everybody what they wanted, the zeros.

The end.



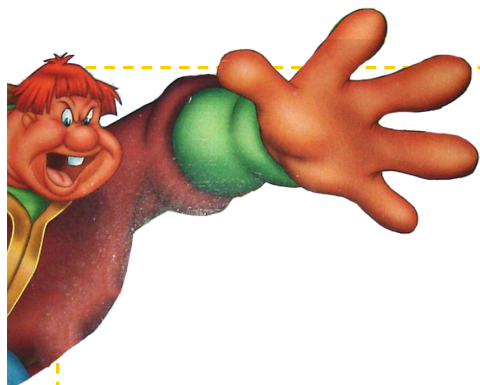
## The Mysterious Treasure Chest

By Riya

There once was a fish. Not just any old fish. This fish could talk. Her name was Grace and she was covered in rainbow colours. She had just one sister who lived in a castle which was hidden away past the seaweed jungle and over the coral mountains. Her name was Louisa. One day the two fish went to an old shipwreck to look for a treasure chest. At the shipwreck they saw a giant octopus protecting the chest. There was something unusual about this octopus. He was dancing around the chest and pulling funny faces! How will they ever get passed him? They looked around and found a large fisherman's net. Could this be the solution to their problem? They were only two tiny little fish in a wide open ocean! Could there be a larger fish that was strong enough to help capture the dancing octopus? And what was hidden within the treasure chest?







# GIANTS

By Gloria

Once upon a time, there was a giant called Boris. He was as tall as a tower and as scary as a lion. Boris has one long ear and one short ear. He has three lips and a spiky bottom. Ouch! Boris has a sticky back and a bird's nest on his head that has a bird on top. One day he ran into an evil witch which turned him into a giant. He was shocked that this could happen to him and terrified at what people might think! He was so sad that he decided to go for a walk into the forest to the funny tree! Next to the funny tree, there was a magic flower. The flower said "What's the matter with you?" and Boris replied "I am too big." "Well eat one of these fruits" said the flower. So he gobbled it down. He ate another piece, and another and another until he turned back to normal. Now no one thought he was scary anymore and Boris was one happy giant.

## VIDEO GAME REVIEW

By Santiago

### Game: Sky Landers Swap Force

Sky Landers Swap Force is a tricky game that requires a lot of problem solving. It takes you on mysterious and thrilling adventures to help protect the Sky Lands from the evil character, Kaos. The Sky Landers heroes have to solve a series of puzzles and challenges to stop Kaos from taking over their land.

One of my favourite characters is the Stealth Elf which is a girl ninja. She uses a Japanese sword when fighting off Kaos and wears a special ninja mask.

I recommend this video game to all kids who like to go on adventures and enjoy solving problems and puzzles! You will need good coordination skills to use the controllers to quickly move your character through each exciting stage of the game. This game can be funny at times, especially with characters like Alf, helping you reach your goal. Play this game and you will be taken on an amazing quest. A quest that takes you to mysterious caves where you will meet interesting characters!

I give this video game 5 out of 5 stars. Go and play it today!



## Movie: Zootopia

By Siena

Zootopia is a funny and clever movie about animals that live in a small town called Zootopia. There is a sheep that tries his hardest to make all the animals evil. He even puts poisonous berries in their food! How scary! Luckily there is Nick and Judy, Zootopia's own police officers, who work hard to try and save the town. Judy is a quick and brainy rabbit who enjoys solving mysteries. Nick is a sneaky fox who doesn't play by the rules. Can Judy and Nick learn to work together to Zootopia's animals safe?

I think everyone should watch Zootopia because it makes you laugh and cry, and want to solve the mystery along with Nick and Judy. It would be a perfect movie for anyone wanting to be police officer when they are older.

I would give this movie 4 out of 5 stars. Pack your favourite animal toy and go and see it today



## Movie: Sing

By Judy

The movie 'Sing' is a funny story about animals competing in a singing competition. The story starts with a mother pig called Rosita who loves to sing! She gets word that there is to be a singing competition for all the animals organised by the koala. All the animals are so excited and can't wait to perform, that they get busy practising their acts for the big show.

If you enjoy movies with lots of music and singing, then 'Sing' is the movie for you! I particularly enjoyed watching Rosita the pig's big performance. The movie 'Sing' has so many great characters it will be difficult for you to choose just one! My favourite is Rosita because her singing voice is truly amazing. When I watched the movie it made me want to sing and pretend I was one of the characters performing at the show.

If you haven't watched this movie, then you are in for a treat! Ask your parents if you can watch 'Sing' today!

# Rhythmic Gymnastics

By Emily

Rhythmic is the perfect combination of sport and art, linking expressive dance steps with skilful manipulations of the ball, rope, ribbon, hoop or club. Rhythmic Gymnastics is for women and girls of all ages. Experience Rhythmic gymnastics and watch your confidence and creative skills grow into leaps and bounds. Once you found and learned the basics, you can develop your skills for fun and fitness or challenge yourself further through competitions from local to national right through to international level.

With a lot of practise and hard work, people can even compete in the Olympics for Rythmic Gymnastics! Some gymnists even use ribbons and balls in their dances! Doesn't that sound exciting? There are a lot of people from all over the world that enjoy this sport. It keeps you happy and healthy as you are doing exercise every-day.

Information taken from: [https://www.gymnastics.org.au/ga/Gymsports/](https://www.gymnastics.org.au/ga/Gymsports/Rhythmic_Gymnastics/Shared_Content/Gymsports/RG/Rhythmic_Gymnastics.aspx)

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## How To Keep Healthy!

By Catherine

A great way to keep healthy is to try and eat healthy food as often as you can. When you are feeling hungry at home, ask your mum or dad if you can have some fruit or vegetables to eat as a snack. Talk to your parents about your favourite food that is healthy and you never know, you might just get it next time they go shopping! One way to keep healthy at school is to pack a delicious nutritious lunchbox! There is a huge variety of vegetables and fruit that you can choose from. Not only are they good for you, but they taste fantastic too! I'm getting hungry just thinking about it!

You can make your lunchbox irresistible by including mouth-watering food like cheese, carrots, grapes, strawberries, blueberries and pineapple. You can even treat yourself sometimes by packing something sweet like some dark chocolate or a juicy apple. Sometimes, when you eat too much junk food, such as lollies, chips, ice cream and cake, it can cause tummy aches. Occasionally, you can get so sick that you can't go to school and do the fun activities that your lovely teachers have set for you, and sometimes especially for you.

It is also important to do exercise every day. This can be something simple, such as taking a walk around a park or even going on a bushwalk. How fun! Some people even go to the gym when they are free or go to a sports carnival or athletics carnival that includes exercise. So you see, keeping fit and healthy is as easy as 1,2 and 3... all you have to do is remember these simple tips!



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## The Canteen

By Manas

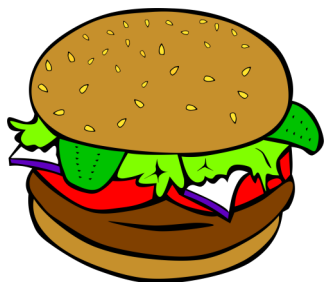
Do you enjoy healthy but delicious food? Do you sometimes forget your lunch? Do you like fresh fruit and vegetables? Well I've got the place for you! At HSPS we have a school canteen with irresistible food just for you! Our school canteen is located in front of the school hall.

I asked some of the students what they think of the food at the canteen. Catherine in year 2 said, "The food is quite yummy and you never know when new delicious food items will appear in the canteen. I like the plain smith's chips for a little treat after I've eaten my lunch!"

It would be impossible to get bored of the food at the school canteen, there is just so much selection. Even if you were eating it for one million years straight!

The lovely canteen staff are waiting to take you order. Why not try a sweet, cold ice-cream as a treat on a warm day? Or a frozen slushie as a tasty treat for recess.

So come on down and try the food at the school canteen, you won't be disappointed!



## The Library

By Aden

Do you enjoy reading books that take you into another world? Do you get bored watching television and want to do something else instead? Do you like learning about new characters and new places?

Hornsby South Public School library is a fantastic place to visit because there are interesting and creative books to read. You get to go to the school library every single week with your class! The librarian teacher reads books to all the children and we even get to do activities too! How fun!

The library is NOT just the students, but for the teachers too. There are shelves and shelves filled with books on travelling, animals, people, nature, biographies, history and geography. You could learn so much! I asked Jethro, a student in year 1, what they think about our school library. Here's what he had to say, "I enjoy the books that are funny and that take you into a different world."

So what are you waiting for? Come on in and open up a book to read today!



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the Canteen and the  
library at HSPS!**



# Spring Poems

By Lara

Sitting on the river bank with your feet in the water is calming.

Purple, blue and pink flowers sprouting everywhere.

Running around in the sun with a friend is tremendously fun.

In the afternoon you might like to sit down and let the wind blow on your face.

Next is gardening time!

Growing colourful flowers with a ray of sunshine dropping on my shoulders.

*I smell pollen floating through the air.*

*I taste honey pollenated from striped yellow and black bees.*

*I feel warm sand between my toes.*

*I hear bees buzzing as they fly from flower to flower.*

*I see the ocean as the waves jump up onto the shore.*



Happy and cheerful children everywhere

Outside there is children running and jumping

Respectful girls and boys playing

Nice teachers chatting on their way to class

Sounds of children dancing in the hall

Big bands playing funky music

Yummy canteen food for everyone to enjoy

Sports lessons are my favourite time

Outstanding artworks decorate classroom walls

Understanding new words to make our writing exciting

Terrific teachers teaching lessons

Honest children everywhere

By Hyvelli

