



HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



HAHS EUROPEAN CUP

TERM 1 CALENDAR

Week 7-A

Monday, 7 March

Year 12 Japanese Listening Task

Tuesday, 8 March

Year 12 Senior Science Assessment 1
Biology Field Trip- Royal National Park
RAS Preparation- Art Department
Prefect BBQ- COLA

Wednesday, 9 March

Year 11 Biology Practical Fieldwork
Report and Data Processing
Hall Set Up- Selective Schools Test
Musical Rehearsals

Thursday, 10 March

Camden Show
Zone Swimming Carnival
Selective Schools Test
RAS Preparation- Art Department
AFL 9s In School Competition

Friday, 11 March

Year 11 Economics Task 1
Year 11 Legal Studies Task 2
Camden Show
Volleyball KO- Edmondson Hall
Soccer Open Boys
Basketball Knockout
Peer Support

Over the recent weeks, Hurlstone has been preparing itself for one of the highlight events of the year, the Hurlstone European Cup. Run by the SRC, the Euro Cup is an annual soccer tournament hosted by the students for the students. Players of all ages and skill levels are free to enter, and previously as many as 12 teams have competed for glory and wonderful prizes. This year, there have been 26 teams entered, each under the name of their favourite European country, or an appropriate pun, with over 170 registered players. Starting on the 22nd of February, this competition will last several weeks, with a group stage, followed by Finals, all leading to the climax of the Grand Final. The winners will receive amazing prizes, and have their team name inscribed on the victory plaque. Further details of the competition can be found on the HAHS SRC Facebook page, as well as a video showing off the highlights of last year's tournament. Players are advised to join the Hurlstone Euro Cup 2016 group on Facebook to receive urgent updates, and check back on the SRC Noticeboard for any other announcements.

EURO CUP 2016

ALL INFO ON SRC
NOTICEBOARD

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STARTS 22/2/16



ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Hurlstone Environment Committee's main objective is to promote sustainability and environmental awareness within the school community and be a facilitator of change for Hurlstonians.

This means that Enviro will be holding a lot of events that help Hurlstone students to gain more knowledge and appreciation of the world around them. Throughout the past year, Enviro has done a lot of great things such as raising over \$600 for the Tasmanian Devil conservation organisation 'Devil Ark', leading an Environment-Leadership forum, and planting over 20 trees on the Hurlstone Farm.

This term, Enviro plans on expanding its scope and will be heavily involved in animal shelter volunteering, more fundraising stalls for animal welfare and conservation, natural environment preservation activities such as Clean Up Australia Day, and general workshops to engage students in making a positive impact.

Enviro will also be collaborating with other co-curricular groups such as the Prefect Team, Innovate, and Interact during the course of 2016 to educate and improve the school as well as to create connections between different social areas of the student body.

If you would like to help make the world a better place and are interested in supporting a great cause, join us in room 32 during Friday lunches for more information. We hope to see you there!



INTERACT REPORT

With the help of many hardworking students, INTERACT has started off the year with a big bang, raising over \$950 for the Heart Foundation by selling roses and singagrams. Thank you to all the volunteers as well as all the teachers and school staff that supported us the entire week leading up to the big event, without their help, it would've been impossible.

Later on this term, Yr 9 Interactors will be holding a Taco Stall so keep your eyes peeled for their delicious tacos. All the proceeds of this stall will go towards Interact's two sponsor children Duy and Jose. If you would like to join the Yr 9s and volunteer, please contact one of the INTERACT Executives as soon as possible!

INTERACT will also be holding a mufti day late March to raise funds to buy all the equipment needed for a birthing kit program. The birthing kits that we will construct will be sent to women living in third world countries so that they have access to clean and safer birthing practices. Remember to bring a gold coin donation when the day arrives to support this great cause. If you would like to get involved in this project, come to our Wednesday meetings during recess at the dance studio.

Next term will star our next two major events of the year, i.e. the World's Greatest Shave in conjunction with Crazy Hair Day as well as the Biggest Morning Tea. If you are considering shaving for the cause, please contact an executive member and we will help you fundraise! Regarding the Biggest Morning Tea, if you are in year 10 and you would like to participate in the organisation of this event, please also come to our meetings or contact an executive member.

-INTERACT Executives





HOST FAMILIES

Here at Hurlstone Agricultural High School students are lucky enough to regularly have Japanese assistants in their Japanese classes. This is of great benefit to their learning. This is only possible through the willingness of families to host these students. This term we have a young lady (age 20) called Naoko Yasuda. We have 2 families hosting her until the end of week 7 (Sunday 13th March) but we still need host families for the final 4 weeks of this term. This is a wonderful opportunity for your family to learn about another culture and it will definitely help students with their studies of Japanese. Host families are paid \$120 per week. If you are interested in hosting for anywhere between 2 and 4 weeks, please contact Mikala Hewett or Esther Eun in the LOTE staffroom or on 98299222.

PREFECT REPORT

Hurlstone vs. Macquarie Fields – Emerton-Reid Soccer Match

On the 17th of March, Hurlstone and Macquarie Fields High School will be taking part in a Community Shield Soccer match, named the “Emerton-Reid Cup”. Brett Emerton and Paul Reid are former Macquarie Fields and Hurlstone students, who have both represented Australia at a national level. The aim of this match, other than to enjoy ourselves and be entertained by two talented squads, is to raise money for Blue Ribbon foundation. This foundation is about raising awareness for Men’s Health, and we plan to raise funds by holding a Sausage Sizzle at the game. Sausages and Soccer, what more could you ask for!

The game is likely to occur during Lunch and Period 5 of the day, if weather permits. So come down for a fantastic and intense match, great food and let’s support the Blue Ribbon Foundation and Hurlstone to win the first of a hopefully annual Cup! Any enquiries or suggestions about the soccer match, feel free to contact Romith Manju or Harsh Pawar.

PREFECT REPORT CONTINUED...

Positivity Day

Positivity Day, held on Friday 19th February, was an initiative taken on by the Prefects which aimed to reach out to students, offer encouragement and support and further incite a shift in mindset onto the brighter side. In the lead up to Positivity Day, students were asked to search for envelopes hidden around the school. Those who returned the envelopes received a special surprise on the day - a rainbow rose. Prefects also stuck up colourful notes with positive messages around the school and hung a banner in the Main Quad where students were able to contribute and share inspirational messages.

A stall was run throughout recess and lunch where students could purchase various baked goods and drinks which kept them reenergised. At lunch, a massive game of Pass the Parcel was organised in the hall - the mix of friends, music, and presents was incredibly enjoyable for all.



Study Skills Checklist

Try the quiz below to work out what you could do to improve your approach to your studies and your results:

- 1 Have you set yourself goals to strive for over this year? YES / NO
- 2 Do you know what motivates you to do work? YES / NO
- 3 Do you try to take a positive approach to your studies? YES / NO
- 4 Do you make an effort to make the thoughts in your head positive ones? YES / NO
- 5 Are you making the most of class time, listening and focusing and completing all work? YES / NO
- 6 Have you been asking for help if you don't understand something? YES / NO
- 7 Have you been writing all your homework into your diary or online planner and getting it done? YES / NO
- 8 Have you been breaking down bigger tasks and scheduling the work in your diary/planner? YES / NO
- 9 Have you been keeping track of what you complete and rescheduling unfinished work? YES / NO
- 10 Have you organised your folders for papers and digital resources for school? YES / NO
- 11 Do you have folders or somewhere at home to file away all your work for your topics? YES / NO
- 12 Have you decided what you will keep or do your study notes in? YES / NO
- 13 Have you been working on study notes each time you finish a topic for a subject? YES / NO
- 14 Do you have a term planner above your desk where you can easily see the heavy weeks? YES / NO
- 15 Have you set up a good study environment at home, a place where you can focus and work? YES / NO
- 16 Are you doing around an hour and a half of schoolwork most nights (2-3 hrs for seniors)? YES / NO
- 17 Have you thought realistically about whether you have too many outside school activities? YES / NO
- 18 Have you allocated set periods of time for school work (eg at least 3 x half hour blocks)? YES / NO
- 19 Do you remove all distractions etc. when you are focusing on your schoolwork at home? YES / NO
- 20 Do you prioritise each afternoon what you will work on that night? YES / NO
- 21 When you make study notes, are you making them visual with mind maps, highlighting etc? YES / NO
- 22 When you study for a test, do you both 'learn' the content and 'practise' the skills? YES / NO
- 23 Do you try to do lots of the practise under examination conditions? YES / NO
- 24 Have you reviewed the different study techniques that you should use for your learning style? YES / NO
- 25 Are you doing more than 'just reading' when you study for an assessment? YES / NO
- 26 Have you thought about how you will overcome the obstacles you face in achieving your best? YES / NO
- 27 Have you set up some routines to try and create habits that will help you this year? YES / NO



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PUZZLES AND JOKES CORNER

RIDDLE ONE

A baseball bat and a ball cost \$1.10 total. The bat costs \$1 more than the ball. How much does the ball cost?

More than 50% of Harvard students got an incorrect answer to this problem. **The answer is not 10 cents.**

RIDDLE TWO

I am the beginning of the end, and the end of time and space. I am essential to creation, and I surround every place. What am I?

RIDDLE THREE

If it's information you seek, come and see me. If it's pairs of letters you need, I have consecutively three.

JOKES

A neutron walks into a bar and orders a drink. When the neutron gets his drink, he asks "how much?" The bartender says "for you, no charge".

Two atoms are walking along. One of them says:

"Oh, no, I think I lost an electron."

"Are you sure?"

"Yes, I'm positive."

An engineer and a physicist are in a hot-air balloon. After a few hours they lose track of where they are and descend to get directions. They yell to a jogger, "Hey, can you tell us where we're at?" After a few moments the jogger responds, "You're in a hot-air balloon." The engineer says, "You must be a mathematician." The jogger, shocked, responds, "yeah, how did you know I was a mathematician?" "Because, it took you far too long to come up with your answer, it was 100% correct, and it was completely useless."

Where did Nicholas Romanov II get his coffee?

Tsarbucks.

A Roman walks into a bar, holds up 2 fingers, and says "5 beers please".

There's no time for Stalin when you're Russian to industrialise.