

Parent Newsletter

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Parents & Carers Save the Date for Parent Teacher Interviews
- 360 Survey Tool
- Country Fair Winner

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CALENDAR

Please see below the link for the school calendar – www.hurlstone.com.au

June 2018

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Principals Message

What an amazing opening night for our Musical! The cast, crew and production team last night were energised and delivered an inspiring performance. Please come along to “Little Shop of Horrors”, the musical, it is truly spectacular and you will see a showcase of gifted and talented students bring to life the book and lyrics by Howard Ashman and music by Alan Menken.



Last Monday evening we hosted a Growth mindset and assessment evening for our parent body in the Hurlstone Agricultural High School library. Thank you to all families who attended the evening, your support is appreciated and valued. I would like to thank Ms Sharon Davis, Ms Jo Twomey, Mr Samir Seblani and Mr Sailash Krishan for the time they put into working on the parent evening underpinned by Growth Mindset- the night was a great way to connect with our parents and continue to work in learning partnerships that advance student wellbeing and success.

The Game Changer Challenge is a new initiative which will be showcased during Education Week, August 2018. The challenge was designed to empower teachers and students with insight into design thinking as a powerful tool for developing general capabilities such as critical thinking, collaboration, empathy, and creativity. The challenge also provides students with the opportunity to apply their knowledge and skills to solving a real-world problem, translating learning from the classroom into a real-life context. Today's schools - creating tomorrow's world. The theme communicates how NSW public schools are equipping young people with the skills and capabilities they need to thrive in a rapidly changing, globalised world.

I sent out an invitation to our school executive team to see who may like to co-ordinate this incredible challenge opportunity for your children. Ms Jo Ross, Head Teacher Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) and Mr Mitchell Gilmore set about to inspire a talented group of young people from our school to take up the challenge.

The synergy brought about by our game changer team Antriksh Dhand, Lameah Nayeem, Insha Siddiqui, Ella Colville, Zahra Huda and Chris Tan was incredible as was their energy and enthusiasm for deeply thinking about how they can change the future of education. I am very proud to announce, these students were successful in their entry and are one of

only 8 High Schools who will participate in the education week challenge. I would like to congratulate the teachers and students involved and share with you the challenge transcript.

The challenge transcript

We live in a rapidly changing world - an era of accelerated innovation and increasing uncertainty. This world requires students who are deep thinkers, critical and reflective, and empathetic and creative to solve the big challenges of today and adapt to an unknown future.

Flourishing in this complex world begins with a great education and to co-design that we need your help.

This Education Week the Department of Education is running the inaugural Game Changer Challenge. Sixteen teams from schools across NSW will be flown to Game Changer HQ in Sydney during Education Week to compete in a three-day, design-thinking program where, working alongside leading industry professionals, teams will go head-to-head to craft the school of the future.

What will the school of the future look like? What subjects will you study? Will you go on excursions to the moon? Will each student have a robot to help with their homework? Will homework even exist?

For your school's chance to be part of the first Education Week Game Changer Challenge, assemble a team of six students and two teachers, shoot a 60-second video showing us your vision for the school of the future.

School Plan 2018 - 2020—360 Reflection survey tool

As a part of our School Plan (2018-2020) our strategic directions, published in our last newsletter and available on the school website are **Differentiating, Engaging and Communicating**. As we reach milestones in our plan we would like to gather data to help us inform our practice. **Hurlstone Agricultural High School** has chosen to take part in the Excellence in School Customer Service 360 Reflection tool. This tool, developed by the NSW Department of Education, is a type of surveying tool which will help us gather feedback on customer service provided to all members of our school community. The tool will allow us to collect feedback from students, parents, teachers, other school staff, and community members. Research around the world demonstrates that effective schools have high levels of parental and community engagement. Guided by this knowledge, **Hurlstone Agricultural High School** is making the delivery of exceptional customer service a priority. We are looking for parents, and other members of our school community to fill out an online survey which will ask you to submit feedback on the customer service delivered by the school. Your responses will always be completely anonymous and confidential. The survey will take about 20 minutes to complete. We will then use the report to help further develop the customer service provided to all members of the school community.

If you would like to participate in completing a survey, please contact the school on **9829 9222** or christine.castle3@det.nsw.edu.au before **Monday 25 June, 2018**.

Looking forward to your response as your support and participation would be very much appreciated and valued.

Kind regards,
Christine Castle
Principal

Update's to Building Project

The schedule of work onsite at Hurlstone Agricultural High School Glenfield is well underway. Please check updates at the following link.

<https://schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/schools/hurlstone-agricultural-high-school/hurlstone-agricultural-high-school-glenfield>

From the Deputies Desks

Boarder Expo - Griffith & Wagga Wagga

I had the opportunity to attend the Boarder Expo at Griffith and Wagga Wagga with Christine Castle from Thursday 14 June to Saturday 16 June 2018. We spent one day in Griffith and two days in Wagga Wagga. This was my first experience for a boarder expo and it was a great opportunity to meet families from rural, regional and remote communities who are interested in a boarding school education for their children. There were at least twenty private, Catholic and state schools at the expo mainly from NSW and three schools from Victoria.



Christine and I spoke about the wonderful boarding opportunities at Hurlstone Agricultural High School and the fact the school is transitioning to Roys Watts High School and Hurlstone Agricultural High School (Hawkesbury). Overall, parents and the community showed overwhelming support in sending their children to Hurlstone (Glenfield) followed by transition to the Hawksbury campus. It was also wonderful to have time to connect with existing Hurlstone families from this region.

We had a closed weekend during the Queen's birthday long weekend with all boarders back on site. We are planning on some activities for all boarders leading up to the end of the term. Just a reminder to ensure leave and travel arrangements are in place for your child to travel home for the Term 2 school holidays.

Kind regards,
Sailash Krishan
Deputy Principal



Bell Times 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Roll Call	8:40 – 8:50	8:40 – 8:50	8:40 – 8:50	8:40 – 8:50	8:40 – 8:50
Period 1	8:50 – 9:41	8:50 – 9:41	8:50 – 9:32	8:50 – 9:41	8:50 – 9:41
Period 2	9:41 – 10:32	9:41 – 10:32	9:32 – 10:14	9:41 – 10:32	9:41 – 10:32
Recess	10:32 – 10:51	10:32 – 10:51	10:14 - 10:36	10:32 – 10:51	10:32 – 10:51
Period 3	10:51 – 11:42	10:51 – 11:42	10:36 – 11:18	10:51 – 11:42	10:51 – 11:42
Period 4	11:42 – 12:33	11:42 – 12:33	11:18 – 12:00	11:42 – 12:33	11:42 – 12:33
Lunch	12:33 – 1:13	12:33 – 1:13	12:00 – 12:40	12:33 – 1:13	12:33 – 1:13
Period 5	1:13 – 2:04	1:13 – 2:04	Sport – 12:40	1:13 – 2:04	1:13 – 2:04
Period 6	2:04 – 2:55	2:04 – 2:55	Sport – 2:30	Students Home	2:04 – 2:55

Assembly Day	
Roll Call	8:40 – 8:50
Period 1	8:50 – 9:31
Period 2	9:31 – 10:12
Recess	10:12 – 10:31
Assembly	10:31 – 11:31
Period 3	11:31 – 12:12
Period 4	12:12 – 12:53
Lunch	12:53 – 1:33
Period 5	1:33 – 2:14
Period 6	2:14 – 2:55

Administration

Enrolments for years 8 -11 2019 will be open from the 22 June 2018.

General information and application forms are now available on the Hurlstone website. Applications will close on Friday 27 July 2018 at 2.45pm. **No further applications will be accepted after this date.**

Methods of payment are:

A cheque by mail when returning application and identification form or EFTPOS payments can be made at the school's Administration Office - between 8.30 am and 2.45pm.

Lost Property

As we are fast approaching the end of term 2 the Admin staff have noted that there is a large collection of lost items in the lost property. If your child has misplaced an item, please encourage them to visit the Admin office to see if it has been handed in. If a clothing item is labelled it will be promptly returned to its owner, Please ensure all uniform items are clearly labelled.

Sue Pritchard
School Admin Manager

Head Teacher - Teaching & Learning

Teaching and Learning

Our parent information night on Growth Mindset and Assessment was well attended and there was some useful information exchanged that we will all benefit from. We have already enacted some of the suggestions made by parents that will make assessment processes smoother. The information from the night will be e-mailed out over the next few days with some additional links as requested.

We will be meeting with senior students who receive support through our office over the next few days to work with them regarding their post school plans. We will pass on the opportunities and resources we have come across that may support their plans.

Many students have completed their Gold level applications for semester 1 and we will publish a list once they are all processed. Students can begin collecting points for second semester at the start of term 3. Forms will be available at the Learning Support office.

Mrs Sharon Davis
Rel. Head Teacher - Teaching and Learning

Extra - Curriculum

CAPA

Sound Bites

Little Shop of Horrors

After months of rehearsal, students will be presenting the production of Little Shop of Horrors in the school hall as evening performances, at 7pm on Thursday 21 June, Friday 22 June and Saturday 23 June. The production looks great. Online bookings are available from Wednesday 23 May and are simple to purchase.

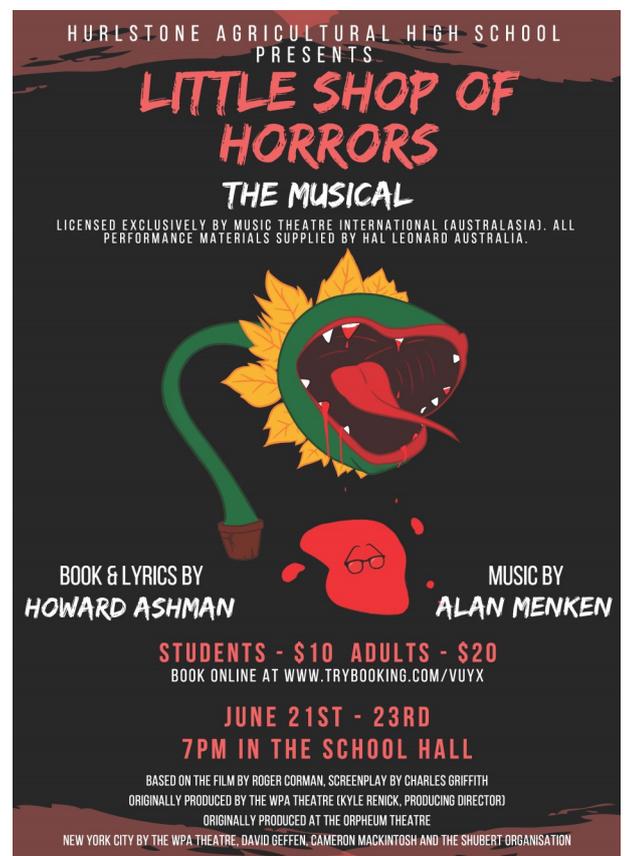
Click on the URL below and follow the instructions. Do not forget to print tickets to show at the door. The doors will open from 6.15pm.

<https://www.trybooking.com/VUYX>

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=383263>

Parents & Carers – Save the Date

Year 7-10 and/or
Boarder (Year 7-12)
Staff will be available on
Thursday 5th July from 3pm to 7pm



Extra - Curriculum

NSW Schools European Handball State Championship

Euro Handball State Team - Girls

On Monday 4th June, a group of determined young ladies represented Hurlstone at the NSW Schools European Handball State Championships at Blacktown Leisure Centre. Several students had played previously, but we sent a largely inexperienced team. The first game against Fairvale was tough and aggressive, and definitely an eye opener for our girls. Throughout the day the ladies showed a great deal of improvement and had some close games (and injuries) toward the end of the day. Goal scorers were: Jen Dœur, Angela Pidgeon & Shivanti Vinod. MVP was everyone!!!

SSW Touch Championships

Touch Football - Girls

On Friday 8th June, A group of young ladies represented our school at the Sydney South West Touch championships at Vale of Ah Reserve, Milperra. Our young team was smashed by the closed weekend and missing a few key members, however all players performed amazingly well and destroyed their pool games, winning every game 5-0, before meeting Picton High in the quarter final, were they continued to improve, also winning that 7-1, before facing Picnic Point High in the semi final for a potential place in the state finals. Unfortunately Picnic Point were too strong, winning 4-1. The future looks bright for our touch girls, as almost all of this years team will be back next year. Most touchdowns for the day to Tahlia King, well done ladies!!!



Extra - Curriculum

CAPA - WARNING! STAMPEDE

Hurlstonians have spotted some oddly familiar faces in the school office recently. These visitors are unlike our usual guests - 4 legged, cute noses, with horns. They are of course, Hurlstone's Archibull herd. They've made their annual migration back to visit their Hurlstone family!

Among them is Ms Haute Cowture, sporting her gorgeous red hand-felted cape and sparkling pearlescent skin. Joining her is High Steaks, just as eye catching with his get up, or to be more precise, the lack thereof. The two smaller cows,

Urban and Rural are the original members of the herd. Unfortunately, our famous Ni Cow was unable to join us as she has been off touring around the world! However, she is back home in Sydney and hopefully will come and join us soon.

The herd have come back to meet the fresh addition to the Hurlstone herd - Archie. Well, that's her name for now anyway. This year the Hurlstone Archibull team have been assigned the enterprise of 'Horticulture'.

We're asking you to help us! We're holding a contest to see who can come up with best name for our cow. So bring out those puns and submit an awesome and creative name for Hurlstone's 2018 Archibull! Submissions can be delivered to the Visual Arts staff room where there will be an envelope on the door, or passed on to one of the Archibull Team (AKA Yr10 Visual Arts Major) by the end of this term. The prize will be a chocolately one...in addition of course, to the prestige of naming the latest addition to the herd.

You can follow our progress and perhaps learn some interesting things about sustainability, horticulture, biosecurity and food security by following our blog: hahsarchibull2018.wordpress.com



WHAT'S ON IN THE LIBRARY?

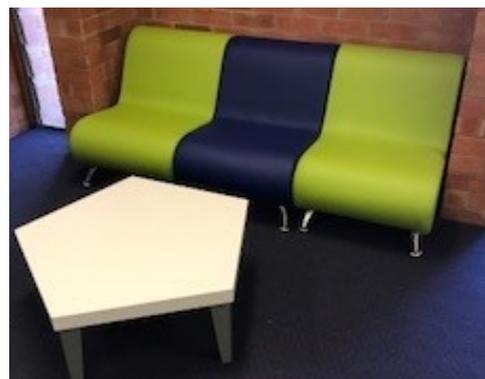
Oliver

Students who have logged into Oliver recently will have noticed that it has a new search interface making it easier to navigate. It now also recommends books for you based on your past loan history and shows you which books are most popular across the school. You can give the books you read a rating, to help others out.



Virtual Library

Don't forget you can also leave a book review on our virtual library. Click on book club, sign-in and tell us all about what you are reading. Whilst you are there, check out some of the resources we have added.



Ms Myles
Librarian

P&C

Executive members of the P&C for 2018

President	Rafay Siddique
Vice President	Greg Quirk
Treasure	Phil Lavers
Secretary	Johanna Leglise
Uniform Shop	Susan Hemsley
Country Fair Co-ordinator	Johanna Leglise



COUNTRY FAIR 2018

Country Fair 2018 is presently requesting donations of soaps, candles, chocolates, perfumes, beauty products, tea/coffee, biscuits, vouchers, men's and ladies products etc, for the Country Fair auction. All items can be brought to the front office and placed in the boxes provided. We are also accepting donations for white elephant which can be dropped into the white elephant box located in the front office area. Please note we do not need clothing or bedding. Country Fair is on Saturday 8th September 2018.

Joel Huang - Winner of the Country Fair Poster Competition

P&C Canteen

Reminder that the books are still closed to all students. If outstanding accounts are not settled the books will be closed permanently.

The Hurlstone Canteen has slowly introduced a wide variety of different healthy food options with great success. The students look forward to the weekly changes to the menu and often ask for favourites from the week/s before.

The canteen has introduced Greek feta and spinach triangles, homemade beef burgers, spinach and ricotta ravioli, veal tortellini, homemade lasagne, pasta with meatballs, crumbed chicken fingers, authentic Italian pizza's with a variety of toppings ranging from vegetarian to meatlovers, mi goreng noodles and delicious chicken burritos.

In addition, a wide selection of assorted affordable food selling at \$1.00 a piece has been introduced. Our latest introduction of bacon & egg rolls SOLD OUT.

These changes are all on top of our traditional staple foods of chicken tender rolls, chicken burgers, pork ribbet rolls, a variety of pies, sausage rolls, flaming chicken wings, hot dogs, spring rolls, garlic bread, fruit salad, salad boxes, cheesy bread and a variety of fresh sandwiches and wraps.

The canteen is committed to providing high quality, fresh, healthy, affordable food options. In coming weeks you may see some surprises such as a fish cocktail basket.

Come and see us at the canteen and give your taste buds a treat.

Your Canteen Team

Click Here
to view
HAHS Website
for Canteen
List

Uniform Shop

Dear Parents and caregivers

Please be aware that the Uniform Shop hours have changed on Monday to 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Term 2 - the Uniform Shop will be closed on Tuesdays.

Please see uniform opening hours below:

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS	
MONDAY	10.00am to 4.00pm
TUESDAY	10.00am to 3.30pm
WEDNESDAY	8.00am to 3.30pm
THURSDAY	CLOSED
FRIDAY	8.00am to 4.00pm





HURLSTONE
AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

Country Fair 2018

23 May 2018

Dear Parents and Students

We are pleased to inform you that Country Fair will be held on Saturday 8th September 2018.

Country Fair is a Hurlstone tradition which is held annually and this year it is our 79th anniversary!

The P&C raises funds which are donated to the school to assist in your child's learning by purchasing resources across all faculties.

We are seeking the support of our school community to provide items for the hampers to be sold at auction on Country Fair day.

It would be greatly appreciated if families could donate the following items:

Year 7	Soaps	Bath bombs	Bath salts
Year 8	Candles	Hand crèmes	Nail polish
Year 9	Face crèmes	Face masks	Perfume
Year 10	Chocolates	Baskets	Gift ribbons
Year 11	Tea	Coffee	Biscuits
Year 12	Coffee mugs	Men's grooming items	After shave
Additional Items	Shopping Vouchers	Movie tickets	Day Spa

Please don't feel limited to the above items. If you have any ideas, suggestions or you have items asked of another year group, please send them in to the front office. All donations are greatly appreciated and can be accepted at the front office between 8.30 – 3.00pm.

On behalf of the school and P&C committee, we wish to thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

Christine Castle
Principal

Johanna Leglise
P&C Secretary

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HURLSTONE
AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

31st May 2018

Donations of Goods or Services for the 2018 Hurlstone Country Fair

To Whom it May Concern,

Hurlstone Agricultural High School community hold a “Country Fair” to raise much-needed funds to support the education of the students. The school’s annual Country Fair this year will be held on Saturday 8th September 2018.

The P&C Association are constantly supporting the improvement of student resources at this school.

The P&C Association is asking for assistance from the Hurlstone business community in providing a donation of an item or service that can be used for a prize in our auction.

All donations will be acknowledged with a Certificate of Appreciation from Hurlstone Agricultural High School.

Thank you for considering this request in supporting The Hurlstone Community to help our students achieve the best learning outcomes possible.

Yours Faithfully

Mrs Christine Castle

Principal

Mrs Johanna Leglise

P&C Secretary

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**Hurlstone Agricultural High School
Country Fair and Farm Open Day
Saturday 8 September 2018**

You are invited to participate in our Country Fair and Farm Open Day being held in the school grounds from 10.00a.m. until 3.00 p.m. on Saturday 8th September 2018. The site fee is \$55. Each stall holder **must** have their own Public Liability Insurance and a copy must be provided with the application form and copy of internet banking receipt or cheque. We endeavour to have a range of stalls selling different items but complete exclusivity is not implied.

Please reply by 30 July 2018 to ensure your inclusion.

Please note that the school **will not allow** you to sell **silly string, swords or pistols** and stalls selling **food** or **drink** items including **ice-creams** or **slushies** will not be accepted.

Stall holders **MUST** use the gate entrance to our "school deliveries" roadway at the Glenfield rail station end. The set-up time is 7.00a.m. – 9.00a.m., the gate will close at 9.00 a.m You are requested to park your vehicles in a designated area until 3.00p.m. when you may dismantle your stalls.

Alcohol or smoking is not permitted on the school grounds

Stalls spaces will be under the COLA, just to the south of the main school buildings. This is a large undercover paved area. No electrical power will be available and you will need to supply your own tables, trestles, covers, chairs etc.

If you wish to attend this very popular event, located alongside Glenfield Railway Station, please complete the form attached below.



-----cut here-----

Stall Name: _____ Contact Person _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ @ _____

Mobile Ph: _____

Please list all goods for sale _____

Would you be willing to donate something from your stall to be auctioned for fund raising on the day of the fair Y/N?

Please email your **internet banking receipt for \$55.00, application form** and copy of **Public Liability Insurance Certificate of Currency** to fiona.quirk@eurang.com.au

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For more information contact Greg Quirk on 0419 263 514

A/c No. 00910682

Email: fiona.quirk@eurang.com.au

A/c Name Hurlstone Ag. H.S. P&C

Reference: **Stall Name**

Cheques or money orders with documents above to: Hurlstone Agricultural High School P&C, Attn; Fiona Quirk, Roy Watts Road, GLENFIELD NSW 2167