Highton Primary School Vision
Our vision is to inspire our children to value; caring, respect, tolerance, honesty and positive attitudes through a curriculum aimed at individuals, fostering life long learning within an international perspective.

Highton Primary School is an International Baccalaureate World School for the Primary Years Programme

Building News
Over the holidays we have employed builders to do some renovations in the Lower Building. This will create some larger learning spaces with less cold/hot air rushing through the building. We are also getting some sky lights put in outside the toilets to brighten up the area and make it more inviting.

Pre-School Visits
Over the last week I have been visiting local preschools to catch up with the teachers and let them know about our transition process. We have lots of lovely children starting their schooling at Highton next year and it will be great to meet them all early next term.

End of Term Assembly
Our final assembly for Term Three will start at 2.00pm on Friday. This is to allow for the school day finishing at 2.30pm. Please come along and see the highlights of the term in our traditional end of term slide show. I would like to wish all our families a safe and relaxing holiday break and I look forward to seeing everyone back fresh and ready for a busy Term Four.

Have a great week
Tessa Calder

Congratulations
Highton Primary School was a hive of activity on Tuesday afternoon as our students lined up their coins for the Junior School Council Term Three Fundraiser. Well done to Junior P for donating the longest line of coins (28metres) to raise money for Thee Viqueque Project in East Timor. Every level in the school donated over 10 metres of coins which will all be counted and sent to help families in East Timor. Junior P has won the makings of a class party on the last day of school.
2009 Fathers Day Thank You

I would personally like to thank all those who offered their support and helped make our Father’s Day Stall so popular with the children including Melissa Haynes, Leesa Herrera, Gaylene Nicholls, Carolyn Blaney, Stacey Little, Helen Perry, Penny Leishman, Tania Kiddle, Jacqui Bennett, Kate Fletcher, Colleen Rowe, Melissa Will and Bernadette Stevenson. A special thank you also to those who supplied home baked goodies, the Green Club, Schick for their razors and gel, and Muzz Buzz in Newtown for supplying free coffee vouchers, your support of our stall and your contributions were greatly appreciated. A huge thank you especially to Nicole Griffin for keeping me on track and her continued support. Thank you also Lyn for your time and patience. A HUGE thank you to Maxine Eaton for all her hours and effort in making it all come together.

Green Club News

On Monday 7th September the Green Club made Lemon Marmalade. The children once again proved to be very good cooks and demonstrated fantastic culinary skills. Labels were designed for the many jars of preserve that was made. Look out for our Lemon Marmalade on our next produce stall. A big thank you to those who donated the Lemons and also the clean and de labelled jars. Fun was had by all.

Shopping Tour 2009

The famous Highton Primary School Shopping Trip is on again, and this year will be departing on Saturday October 31st. The cost for the day is $55 which includes, the bus trip (no searching for car parks, or costly parking) with access to many and varied factory outlets (a complete list of our stops will be out shortly), morning tea, a restaurant lunch with bottomless champagne and good company along the way. As well as having a great day out you are supporting the school, as we receive a 9% commission on all purchases made on the day. So come along have some fun, all welcome. Bring along your mum, sister, friends and neighbours.

Make your payment to the office as soon as possible to reserve your seat. We look forward to seeing you there.

Zone Athletics

Congratulations to all the students who competed at the Barwon Zone Athletic championships on Tuesday. All students should be proud of their performances and the way in which they represented our school. The 9/10 girls relay team came second in their heat, and competed in the final to be placed 8th, a great effort. Pierce Robinson competed in the Long Jump and finished in 1st place. Megan Rabie came 4th in the 100m final both of these students will go onto the Moneghetti Region track and field event on 9th Oct. Good Luck Megan and Pierce.

Student Awards

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**Community News**

See notice board for more details

- **South Barwon Little Athletics.** The 2009/10 Little Athletics season starts on Saturday 3rd October at Landy Field. South Barwon have a registration evening for all interested athletes on Wednesday 16th September from 4.30pm until 6.00pm or Saturday 19th September at Landy Field from 9am – 11am. www.southbarwonac.asn.au<http://www.southbarwonac.asn.au/>

- **St John’s Kids Holiday Program** Superheroes! “WHO’S YOUR SUPERHERO?” Tues 23rd. Sept– Thurs 1st Oct. 9-3.30 each day, Grades 1-6 Cost $50 (2nd. Child $40) or $20 per day, St John’s Anglican Church Highton 52433561 and speak to Steve or www.stjohnshighton.org.au

- **Wahu surfer groms comps** from under 9’s to under 15’s. More info at www.surfingaustralia.com

- **Barrabool Cricket Club at Ceres** Junior registration night Wednesday September 16th. 5 P.M.-6.30P.M for boys and girls under 11, under 13, under 15. New players most welcome to this family friendly club. Phone William Fisher 03 52656007 or 0414 413 246 for more details.

- **Milo in2 Cricket.** Cricket registration at Barrabool cricket club on October 16th at 5.00P.M. for season 2009/2010 suitable for children ages of 5-9 years the program will run on Friday nights at 5 P.M. for 1-1 ½ hours cost $55 per child.

- **School holiday Tennis Clinic** at Wandana Heights tennis club Sept 28th, 29th, 30th Telephone Tony Brushfield on 52440040 or 0408 524898

- **Alcoa Basketball Academy** Tues 22nd-Thurs 24th September 9.30A.M.—3.00P.M. cost $95.00 3 days of basketball with some of the best coaches. Geelong Arena Nth. Geelong.

- **Who wants to be a Trivia Champion** Friday Oct 9th. @ Drumcondra Bowling Club 7P.M. $10 per head. Contact Joyce Taylor @ Hope 52267269. bpbp@barwonhealth.org.au. This is a major fund-raiser for Hope Bereavement Care so be in it, let your hair down and bring your friends,

- **Highton Junior Cricket Training for U/13’s commences Wednesday September 30, Training for U/11’s commences Monday October 5, at McDonalds Reserve, Reynolds Road, Belmont., 4:30 – 6:00pm Competition commences early October Contact: David Wilson U/11 & 13 willos.5@bigpond.net.au 03 5243 5125 0425 865 250

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**EMA Cheques—Second Semester**

The second instalment of EMA cheques have arrived. If you are in receipt of EMA payments could you please see Lyn in the office and either sign your cheque to the school to pay for materials/requisites and/or excursions or collect your cheque if you have paid for all your requisites and excursions. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Active After School Sports**

Term 4 AASS is full on Monday for Basketball and there are only 10 spots left on Tuesday for year 3—6 students for Handball. If you are interested please collect a form from the office and hand it back in ASAP.

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### For your Calendar

**September**
- Wednesday 16th: Student Led Conferences
- Friday 18th: Last Day Term 3 School ends at 2.30 P.M.

**October**
- Monday 5th: First day Term 4
- Wednesday 7th: Parents Club meeting 7 pm

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

- Week commencing 5th October
  - Stacey Little 9 - 11.30

**SICKBAY ROSTER**

- Week commencing 5th October
  - Jocelyn Mackay
Lost
New size 12 Rugby top belonging to Felix Will in MDJ his name is sewn in under the label please return to Felix when found. Thank you.

School Council President’s report
A longer report than usual, as I’m playing catch-up after not writing following the School Council meeting in August. That meeting opened with Year 3/4 students explaining what they were learning in Money Maths; everything from banking, to selecting a viable business, to setting up shop, buying, selling and managing your money. I took lots of notes! The students continue to benefit from this wonderful Maths program that was developed within our school by a previous Principal (I’m guessing around 10 years ago). Our most recent meeting on Monday 7 September began in ‘closed session’ with a presentation from Robyn Jeffrey (our Regional Network Leader) who introduced School Council to the extremely important process of the recruitment of our Principal; a process in which School Council is intimately involved and responsible. More news on this will come during next term. Our normal meeting began with Year 6 students explaining their Program of Inquiry and their progress towards Exhibition at the end of year. The two issues presented were Battery Chickens and Renewable Energy, and it is fantastic to see such passion in the students for their chosen issue and for their commitment to taking action to make a difference. We discussed the progress being made on the IB post-authorisation recommendations, and we ratified the policies that were discussed at the Learning for Life meeting. School Council and the Staff have been working on new Vision and Mission statements which will give our community a common goal, encompassing IB and leveraging its intrinsic benefits. Regarding the school environment, work will be completed during the holidays to remodel the area occupied by Year 1/2, and the remainder of the School Pride funds are being allocated to various projects. We reflected on all the great work completed at the recent working bee, albeit with less people than we had at earlier working bees this year and I encourage you all to play your part in helping us keep the school in top shape. Parents’ Club reported on another highly appreciated and successful Fathers’ Day stall and other fundraising activities that will result in improvements around the school.

Mark Nicholls

KID’S HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Superheroes!

Tuesday 29th September – Thursday 1st October
9am-3:30pm each day

Age Groups: Grades 1-6

Craft, Games, Puppets, Songs, Bible Stories, Sport, Face Painting, Drama.

BONUS: Includes Cinema Trip to see “UP” on Thursday

Cost: $50 (2nd child $40) or $20 per day.
RSVP: 27th September (limit of 50 children, so be quick!)

Where: St.John’s Anglican Church, Crn Roslyn & South Valley Rds Highton.

ENROL: Get enrolment forms at www.stjohnshighton.org.au or at school office or call church on 5243 3561 to speak to Steve.