Friday Assembly
Assembly will commence at 2.20pm this Friday, Class 1\2 will present an item.

Bush Walk – Friday Sport – Walking
As the ground is very wet, instead of having a bush walk near Glenrock we will now go to Nobbys. If any parents are able to help, whether your child is in the walking group or not, and would like to enjoy a pleasant afternoon at the beach, please see Mrs Novak or Mrs Bradley.

FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST
We are holding our Father’s Day Breakfast on Friday 5th September. All dads, grandads, carers are invited to come along with their child/children to share a fabulous breakfast together.

Breakfast will commence at 7.00am in the parents retreat. On the menu are bacon and egg rolls and tea and coffee. Please return your RSVP as soon as possible for catering numbers.

Thankyou
Joshua Sparke

Cluster Choir
Our next Cluster Choir Rehearsal will be next Thursday, 4th September 2014. We will be leaving school at 9:10am and walking over to Waratah Campus and returning to school by 1:30pm. Students have been asked to bring an umbrella and raincoat in case of rain and their normal packed lunch and recess. Students will be asked to meet back at Waratah Campus by 5:45pm that night for the performance.

Cluster Choir Sausage Sizzle
Our wonderful P&C have organised a sausage sizzle before this year’s Cluster Choir Concert. Please see details in next column.

K-6 Leaders’ Disco – Tomorrow
Don’t forget to bring your $2 for the Leaders’ ‘Superstar’ disco tomorrow, Thursday 28 August 2014. Children can bring their superstar clothes to change into at recess. The disco will start at 2pm and finish at 3pm. Students will meet parents at the Parent Retreat as usual at the end of the day. There will be food and drinks available. Cans of lemonade, Solo and Fanta ($2), Chips ($1), Lolly Bags (50c and $1), ice blocks (50c) and Tim Tams (50c).

Money raised goes towards Yr 6 end of year activities.
School is a No-Smoking Zone
As most people would be aware, our school is a non-smoking area. This also includes outside of our school boundaries. Please take care not to smoke outside of our school along our fence lines or near the school entrance.
Cigarette smoke can be inhaled passively and we do not want our children to breathe in smoke as they are walking into our school grounds or are playing near the fences in our playground.
The law states that people cannot be within 4 metres of school boundaries when smoking. It would be appreciated if people would comply with this to protect the health of our children and families.

Parking in the lane
A very sensible request has been made by a concerned parent about parking in the lane. Could parents please reverse park into spaces when arriving to pick up your children? This means that when you leave you will be able to clearly see children and families who are in the lane.
Currently, most people are having to reverse when they are pulling out of their car space and consequently it’s difficult to see small children. I think that this simple suggestion will make using the lane much safer for children and families.

Touch Football Gala Day – 11 September 2014
Just a reminder all notes should be in for students wanting to participate in the gala day. This is for students in Yrs 3-6 and is a one day school event. Training will be on the next two Tuesdays across in Smith Park at lunch. Students are able to wear their joggers for training days.

Wallsend Touch Football Junior Competitions
Thank you to all of those students who have registered to play. There are two more opportunities to register at the grounds - tonight and Friday night. Although, this depends on whether or not games are cancelled due to the weather. Contact numbers and information are available on Wallsend Touch Football’s website. Junior competition games are set to begin next week: Tuesday night for 11s and 13s, and Thursday night for 7s and 9s. Please look online for information about your child’s team and the draw.

Overnight Sydney Excursion
Final payments for the overnight Sydney excursion are due by Tuesday 2/9/14. Individual reminders will be sent home this week.

P & C NEWS

FATHERS DAY STALL
Fathers Day is on Sunday September 7 and as usual we would like donations towards our Fathers Day Stall.
If you could please donate some item that a dad would like to receive on Fathers Day it would be appreciated. **Items may be left in your child’s classroom.** We hope to have enough donations for each child to be able to purchase at least one item.

AIM High
Congratulations to the following Year 5 students who will be taking part in the Aim High Active Maths program at Waratah Technology Campus tomorrow:

Brodie Thompson, Kobi Lyle, Jay Leota and Jake Hainsworth.

Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition
All year 5 and 6 students participated in the annual Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition. Certificates of participation will be handed out later this term.

Library News
Congratulations to the 41 students from Hamilton North School who have completed the Premiers Reading Challenge. Certificates will be forwarded to the school in late November.

Please read the last page of the Chalkboard “Why Can’t I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?” about the benefits of reading. They cannot be over emphasised.

BOOK WEEK
I hope Book Week costumes are being thought about. I’m all set—a prize for the first to guess who I am—teachers and parents excepted.

Our Book Week Parade will be held at 2pm on Tuesday, 9th September. Students change into their costumes at school before the parade. All parents, friends, carers, preschoolers are invited to attend.

Our second hand book sale will commence at recess, 1.35pm, and will be open again once the parade has finished. The books range in price from 20c to $5. All money raised will go back to the library to purchase new books for the students.
COMMUNITY NEWS

TOPSPIN TENNIS
Our Hot Shots US Open Tournament is on this Sunday 31st August at District Park Tennis Centre, Broadmeadow.
Please phone the Pro Shop on 49 61 0806 or email info@topspintennis.com.au if you would like more information or would like to enter your child.
Hope you can make it!!!

GEORGETOWN GIRL GUIDES
are having their annual Trash and Treasure Day on Saturday 6th September 7am to 1pm at Cnr Young Street & Lake Road Georgetown.
Donations of Goods Welcome.
For collection or donations call:
Sue 4961 1943

PCYC – KIDZCARE
Vacation Care for the school holidays is $38 per day (plus excursions) *CCB Approved.
Opening Hours are 8.00am – 6.00pm
Bookings for the school holidays open four weeks prior to the holiday period. A copy of current holiday program can be found on the Newcastle PCYC website: www.pcycnsw.org/newcastle.
For enquiries please contact the club on 49614493 or via email at newcastle@pcycnsw.org.au

WEEKLY WOOL FACTS
Week 7 - Australia has only 6% land that can grow crops which is why grazing sheep are really important.

GUITAR LESSONS
Friday guitar groups will not have guitar on Friday, 5th September as Paul is unable to make that day. Catch up lessons for both groups will be on Wednesday 3rd September in the hall.

CANTEEN NEWS
To aid the canteen volunteer workers, please write your child’s name, class and lunch order on a paper bag with the correct money inside. This paper bag is then used to put your child’s lunch in; it is no use writing the information on an envelope, plastic clip lock bags or a piece of paper.
Please note that the office does not have paper bags for canteen lunches.

CLASSROOM REMINDERS

CLASS KB
Father’s Day is fast approaching and KB are planning on “cooking up a storm” for their dads. To cover the cost of ingredients, could each child in KB give Mrs Bradley $2.

Archibull Blog Going Global
Thank you to all of those people who have contributed so far. Look how far our blog has travelled. Have you been on our blog yet?
We only have 3 weeks left to get as many visits and posts as we can.
Please visit our blog at www.hamiltonnorthsarchibull2014.wordpress.com
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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TOPS NEEDED BY CLASS KB
Mrs Bradley is collecting the tiny lids on the top of the squeezy food containers such as baby foods and yogurts (pictured). Can you please bring any to Mrs Bradley’s room.
We are planning on making something special for the garden when we get enough.

Perhaps parents could ask their pre school or day care centre etc, if they would be willing to save the tops for us.
### Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

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1,800,000 words

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282,000 words

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8,000 words

90th percentile

50th percentile

10th percentile

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By the end of 6th grade Student “A” will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student “B” will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy & Herman, 1987)