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Tuesday 28 May 2019

Term 2, Week 5

Calendar

Term 2 Week 5

Monday African drumming K-6

Wednesday Scripture

Zone cross country

Thursday Chess

Term 2 Week 6

Monday Stage 3 Classes –

Author visit – “Oliver Phommavanh”

Tuesday Kinder 2020 open day

School hall 9:30-11am

Wednesday Scripture

Zone cross country (back up)

Thursday Chess

Stage 1 – Susannah Place Museum

Term 2 Week 7

Monday Public holiday

Wednesday Scripture

Movie night

Thursday Chess

K-2 Athletics carnival

Thought for the Week

Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new.

- Albert Einstein

Principal's Report

What a FABULOUS Day!

What a spectacular day last Sunday! It had everything you could ever ask for to ensure a successful day; wonderful organisation, outstanding volunteers, supportive community, brilliant weather and very excited children. The success of last Sunday's Fete is due to the tireless work of so many people that it is impossible for me to list them all without missing someone. You know who you are and as a school we very much appreciate everything you did, not just on the weekend but for the many months (probably 12) leading up to the magnificent day.

I would like to acknowledge the Fete Coordinator Dayan McLeod who was instrumental in bringing the whole show together. Thank you so much. Two other people which need to be recognized is Greg Hammond for his role prior to the weekend and over the weekend to ensure all the stalls had the necessary equipment and space to be successful. Thanks Greg! The last person is Andrew Passe-DaSilva, the P&C President. Andrew gives so much of his time to the school each and every week. His contribution to our school is enormous and was again evident over the weekend.

I was onsite for a few hours on Saturday and all of Sunday and the one thing that stood out to me was how seamless the event was for its entirety. It was amazing. Well done again to everyone involved, you did a fantastic job.

Thank you to our special guests who attended on the day. Our Fete was opened by the Minister for Energy and Environment – Member for Hornsby Mr Matt Keen. Mr Keen is a great supporter of Pennant Hills Public School and we thank him for his time.

The Federal Member for Berowra – Mr Julian Leeser MP attended later in the afternoon and was able to draw the raffle. Mr Leeser has been very busy in the past while due to the Federal election and we value his time on Sunday. Thank you Mr Leeser.

Mr Ross Warren – Principal of Pennant Hills High School also attended on Sunday. Mr Warren was able to attend and view many of his bands performing on Sunday. Mr Warren and I share a similar belief that it is imperative that local primary schools and high schools work together to ensure the best outcomes for our students and I thank Mr Warren for giving his time to support our school and its Fete.

Hornsby Mayor – Mr Phillip Ruddock was also able to attend on the day. Mr Ruddock is a former student of Pennant Hills PS and values the opportunity to return to his former school to see how it is progressing. Thank you Mr Ruddock.

Thank you to everyone who was able to support the P&C's Fete. It was a wonderful event that saw a magnificent community come together and have a great day.

And to those students, and parents, who took the opportunity to 'dunk' me I hope you got your money's worth. I do remember who you are! 😊 The photos provided will assist you in remembering!



Thanks to all the students involved with the Dunking Machine. It was a huge effort and the water was **FREEZING!!!!!!!**

NAPLaN Online

Today saw the culmination of NAPLaN 2019 at our school. NAPLaN this year has gained lots of media attention for several reasons. Our school was impacted to some degree and I must congratulate the students on how they dealt with the situation that was out of our hands. As I have said before NAPLaN provides the school with valuable data. It can provide families and teachers with valuable data about a child's performance if all things are equal. I would encourage all parents to congratulate their child on their efforts on NAPLaN and not focus on the result. The teaching staff will analyse the results and ensure any findings are acted upon. Please note that your child's teacher is always the best person to speak with in regards to their educational achievement.

Zone Cross Country

Good luck to all our competitors tomorrow who will be representing the school at the Beecroft Zone PSSA Cross Country. Tomorrow's carnival is being held at Fagan Park. Many thanks to all parents who will attend to support the children. Thanks also to Mr Bryant for his organisation of the school's Cross Country and preparation for tomorrow and Mrs Griffith for attending tomorrow.

My First 100 days as Principal of Pennant Hills Public School

Yesterday marked my 100th school day as Principal of this magnificent school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank every single person that has made me feel so welcome into this very special community. Joining this school has been the best professional decision I have made. During this time I have had the privilege of meeting so many wonderful students, parents and teachers who are committed to providing the students the best possible education. I look forward to driving this even further in to the future.

I have asked the staff at Pennant Hills PS to provide me with feedback on my performance on first 100 days and I have also begun asking the students. I encourage any parent wishing to provide me feedback, about me, I encourage you to do so now and into the future. I firmly believe that as a leader you need to seek feedback on your own performance to grow as a leader.

I feel that I have been able to achieve a huge amount in my first 100 days. The In2Out project has been delivered, many projects have received approval from Assets and will begin in the next little while, improved school to home communication, teaching staff are more visible in the afternoon, appointed a new General Assistant, School Administration Manager and Deputy Principal, strategically aligned professional development of teaching staff to the current school plan, visiting classrooms, playing handball and general getting to know the students whilst out on the playground.

I am thoroughly enjoying being a part of the PHPS community and very much looking forward to the next 100 days and beyond.

Kind regards,

Mr Matt Pinchbeck
Principal

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

K-2: Angela C

3-6: Lennox S, Alex P, Fin A, Oliver H, Emma C, Declan W, Evelyn M

MERIT AWARDS

6B – Amelia R, Tom S, Fiona L, Tim H, Maggie M, Zaia T

6G – Freya C, Alannah G, Mia V, Jacob P, Jacob H, Juno C, Tereza S

5A – Joel N, Orlando L, Mesa H, Karlos W, Sally W

5F – Zoe G, Sarah C, Charlotte E, Alex W, Oscar H, Anna D

5G – Morris W, Yuto A, Hadam L, Dehiru H, Gabby K, Stella H

4C – Kate A, Elijah L, Declan W

4M – Alma G, Tim K, Lizzie M, Mihira Y, Charlie W, Oscar L

4T – Malavika P, Akhash K, Manning J, Max L, Jacqui M, Isabelle K

3B – Anthony L, Charlotte P, Tristan T, Tahlia C, Nathan C, Louise M

3H – Vivian J, Allan Z, Callum D, Amy L, Munira G, Preston G, Leo J

3R – Shima A, Alex P, Mathieu C, Althea F, Kate H, Nekiah T

LIBRARY – Allan Z (3H), Zandre B (4M), Celine A (4M), Martha M (4T), Sally W (5A), Dhruv V (5A), Lily W (5G), Hannan G (6B)

COMPUTERS – Kate Z (3B), Preston G (3H), Abigail N (4C), Merrian L (4M), Mesa H (5A), Danish M (5F), Evelyn M (6B), Tereza S (6G)

MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**What a wonderful fete!**

I am truly astounded at the production and turn out for the School Fete. The organising committees should be very proud of the day, I thoroughly enjoyed walking around with my daughter and participating in all that there was to offer. Unfortunately I wasn't game enough to attempt to throw balls at the dunk tank, particularly while Mr Pinchbeck was sitting there! Maybe next year. Many others were much braver than me, bravo!

**Earn and Learn**

Thank you to everyone who has been collecting the Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers for our school. A reminder that we have collection boxes in the offices at both sites as well as at Woolworths Thornleigh and Woolworths Cherrybrook. We appreciate your continued support in gaining rewards for our school.

Kindergarten 2020 Open Day

Parents of children turning 5 before 31 July 2020 and who intend on starting their children at school next year, are invited to attend our Kindergarten 2020 Open Day.

When: Tuesday 4 June
Time: 9:30am
Where: School hall

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the school. Interested parents will be provided with an information pack

on the day which will include an Application to Enrol form. When the enrolment form is completed, please return it to the school along with their birth certificate, immunisation record and proof of residence documentation.
If you are unable to attend the Open Day, Please contact Ms Lee to request an information pack be sent to you.
We look forward to seeing you there!

Stage 1 Excursion

Stage 1 are off to Susannah Place Museum on Thursday 6 June to compliment their History unit. They are learning about the past and present gaining a look into the lives of Sydney immigrants from 1844. The 4 townhouses were home to 100 people over 150 years! Enjoy Stage 1, it should be a very interesting experience.

Kind Regards
Mrs Kate Wasson
Deputy Principal

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

This week is National Reconciliation Week

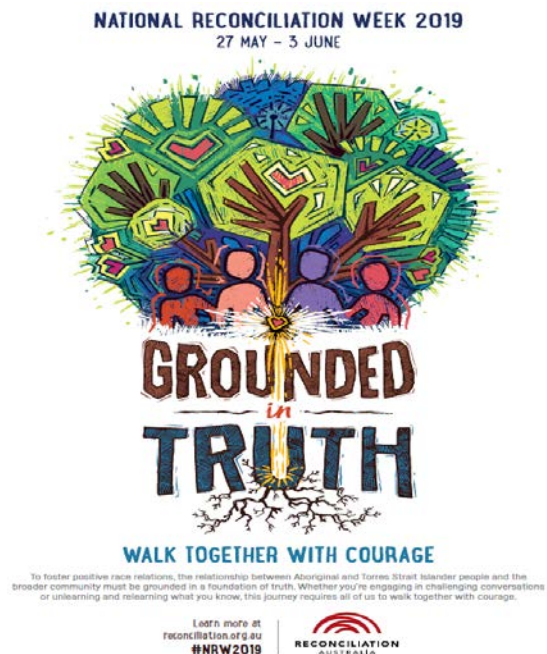
National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. This term the students will be attending a one hour Indigenous Cultural workshop which aims to develop a sense of acknowledgement and respect for the traditional custodians of our country through cultural awareness.

At its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians.

The dates for NRW remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

The 2019 NRW theme is [“Grounded in Truth – Walk Together with Courage.”](#)

Ms Davis
Teacher Librarian
Anti-Racism Contact Officer (ARCO)



LIBRARY NEWS

Monday 3 June – Stage 3 - Author Visit “Oliver Phommavanh”

Next Monday the author, Oliver Phommavanh, will be talking to the Stage 3 students about his books and the writing process.

Oliver Phommavanh is a young Thai-Australian writer of novels for children. He is a fresh, positive voice for cultural diversity in children’s literature and has featured on panels at the Sydney Writers’ Festival among many other appearances at festivals and writing events. He has worked as a primary school teacher and now spends his time writing, and sharing his writing passion with children and engaging them with humour.

His first book, “Thai-riffic!”, was published to critical acclaim, followed by “Con-nerd”, “Punchlines”, “Thai-no-mite”, “Ethan” in the *Stuff Happens* series, “Super Con-nerd”, “The other Christy” and “Natural born loser”. Oliver is currently

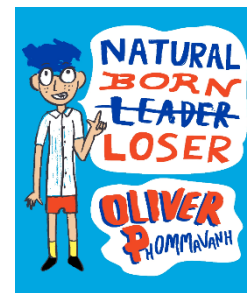
promoting his new novel "Don't follow Vee."

Meeting an author makes the writing process, books and the authors themselves accessible and real to the students. Students learn the "inside stories" behind their books and the struggles and joys of the writing process because they hear about it directly from the author. Author visits are a fabulous way to promote reading and writing.

Oliver will also do book signings at the end of each presentation so students are more than welcome to bring their own books along on the day to be signed.

As stated in the incursion note the cost for this visit has been included in the Term 2 activities payment. Permission notes will need to be returned to the class teachers by this Friday 31 May.

The Stage 3 teachers are currently reading the novel "Con-nerd" to their classes so everyone is looking forward to meeting Oliver.



Ms Davis
Teacher Librarian

PSSA SCOREBOARD

Last Friday's scores
Pennant Hills PS v Dural PS

Netball

A - D defeated PH 23-16
B - D defeated PH 23-4

Soccer

A - PH defeated D 5-2
B - PH defeated D 1-0

This week we play Thornleigh West PS.

Mr Mark Bryant
PSSA and Cross Country Coordinator

PARENT CAFÉ

Parent Café for Language Background Other Than English Parents and Carers at Pennant Hills Public School

This year at Pennant Hills Public School, there will be parent café meetings for parents with a language background other than English and all other parents.

What are parent café meetings and why are they happening?

- The parent café meetings will be informal and give parents who come from a language background other than English the opportunity to understand the Australian school system.
- Parents who come from a language background other than English can be involved in conversations addressing issues and concerns that they may have.

- Provide support and knowledge for our culturally diverse families.
- Further improve our already culturally inclusive school environment.

When are parent café meetings taking place?

On Tuesday mornings from 9:30am -11:15am at Bellthorn Cottage on the following dates throughout the year:

Term 2	- 21 May and 18 June
Term 3	- 13 August and 10 September
Term 4	- 5 November and 26 November

What are some of the topics we will discuss?

- Multicultural community services
- Understanding laws in Australia
- School in Australia/teaching styles
- Managing your child's behavior
- Raising independent and resilient children
- Homework/tutoring
- Cultural differences in Australia
- Entertaining in Australia

I am looking forward to seeing you at the parent café!

Mrs Angela Krivohlavy
EAL/D Teacher

PREMIER'S SPELLING BEE 2019

The Premier's Spelling Bee was introduced in 2004 as a fun and educational way for primary school students to engage in spelling. The program includes activities to encourage all students to improve their vocabulary and spelling and to promote literacy skills in combination with the English K-6 Syllabus. Our school will be participating in this year's Spelling Bee. The Spelling Bee is open to all students in Stage 2 and Stage 3. Every class will select two representatives to take part in a school final. Two students from Stage 2 and Stage 3 will then go on to represent the school at Regional Finals. The lists provided by the Arts Unit are password protected. If you or your child would like to access the lists please contact your class teacher for the password. The links to the lists are provided below:

Junior (Stage 2)

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/sites/default/files/desiree.lane2/2019%20PSB%20JUNIOR%20simple%20PW.pdf?572>

Senior (Stage 3)

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/sites/default/files/desiree.lane2/2019%20PSB%20SENIOR%20simple%20list%20PW.pdf?388>

The date for PHPS Spelling Bee will be confirmed in coming weeks.
If you have any questions please ask your child's teacher or Mrs Cox or Mrs Ford.

Mrs Jeanette Cox and Mrs Amy Ford
Organising Teachers

P&C PRESIDENT

Fete 2019

Words cannot capture the wonderful spirit of teamwork and community at Sunday's fabulous Fete! It was a fantastic, vibrant, fun-filled event which saw our entire school - staff, students and parents alike, come together to put on another

successful event. Congratulations to the Fete Coordination team, Dayan McLeod, Greg Hammond, Luke Whenman, Chris Muffett and Andrew Passe-de Silva and all the stall coordinators for putting together such a successful and enjoyable Fete.

We'd like to extend a huge thank you to all the families who helped with everything from running stalls, to selling raffle tickets, to the army of helpers at set up and pack down, to cooking, baking, sorting and bundling. In addition to those who worked hands on in the planning and execution of Fete Day, thanks must also go to all the partners and grandparents who helped with kids and family while our team was working hard to pull together the event! It was many, many weeks of hard work - and it certainly paid off!

I'd also really like to thank Mr Pinchbeck who was enormously supportive through the process, which greatly contributed to our success. He, along with Mrs Griffith, was there from Saturday morning and all the way through to pack up along. Thanks to all the teachers and staff who helped out, in the information booth, out on the grounds or in the counting room, your efforts were very much appreciated.



The Green Team

We must make special mention of our industrious PHPS Green Team - a dedicated group of parents who worked tirelessly during the Fete to minimise waste! As a testament to their hard work, the giant skip bin hired for the Fete (which is historically almost full at the end of Fete day) was barely *one third* full this year! Also saved from landfill:

- 3 Otto sized bags of drink containers
- 1 bag of soft plastics (thanks to bbq, lucky dip and gozleme stalls who separated waste)
- 1 huge bag of paper bags from the lucky dip



Special thanks must go to Katie S, Rachel J, Chris L, Felicity J, Sonya dB and their team of helpers. Thanks Green Team!



Entertainment Book

Fantastic savings can be gained on numerous items and deals. A truly great idea which supports our school as well. Purchase your Entertainment Book [here](#)

If you would like to subscribe to our P&C meeting emails (minutes and agendas), please subscribe at the following link: <http://eepurl.com/dIK3PD>

Visit the P&C website for P&C news, calendar dates & other helpful information <http://www.phpspandc.org.au/>

Andrew Passé-de Silva
P&C President
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BAND NEWS

Congratulations to all the bands for giving such an outstanding performance at the school fete. The audience were mesmerized with the beautiful music played by all our budding musicians!! Well done!!



Upcoming performance

SCB to perform at Kindy Open Day on June 4 at 9:15am.

Please check our website for more information <http://www.phpspandc.org.au/band>

The Band Committee
phpsband@gmail.com

STRINGS NEWS

Congratulations to the ensemble on a fantastic Fete day performance!

Our next performance is coming very soon - "Socially Strings"

Friday June 7	- Pennant Hills High School at 6:15pm
Performance attire	- Music polos and mufti bottoms
What to bring	- A plate of sweet food (no nuts!)

Parent Helpers

Our term 2 roster is full! Thanks to everyone that has already registered

To sign up, please follow this link: <https://phps.doodle.com/poll/cy68d5dkuw3bvufm>

The parent helper responsibilities are detailed here: <http://www.phpspandc.org.au/string-ensemble/parent-helpers/>

Next Rehearsal

Senior Ensemble	- Thursday 30 May at lunch time in the band room.
Full Ensemble	- Monday 3 June. Parent helper is Kim G

Registrations

Registrations for new members are open all year round.

You can register online here: <https://goo.gl/forms/qYT2tLYQhdUvusIF3>

If you would like more information about learning to play the violin, viola, cello or double bass, please contact us, via email, or come and chat to one of the committee members at one of our performances.

The Strings Committee
phpsstrings@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.phpspandc.org.au/string-ensemble/>

Feedback: <http://www.phpspandc.org.au/string-ensemble/contact-us/>

CANTEEN**Roster**

Here is the roster for this week. Please remember to sign in at the office of either site before starting your shift.

K -2 Site

Wednesday 29 May	– Tatiana, Charol.
Thursday 30 May	– Alicia. Need one more please.
Friday 31 May	– Bec S. Need one more please.

The K-2 Canteen only requires just over an hour of your time. It is a lovely and easy way to get involved in your child's school day. It is however a bit overwhelming if you are on your own!! Please contact me if you are willing to help out.

3-6 Site

Wednesday 29 May – Tatiana, Katie (11am-1pm).
If anyone can spare some time after drop off, to stick labels on bags, it would be a huge help.
Thursday 30 May – Vivian, Alicia.
Friday 31 May – Narelle, Brodie, Helena.

PSSA Lunch Orders

Please be aware that in Term 2 and 3, Stage 3 students that play PSSA sports, need an earlier lunch. If you are placing an order for one of these students you will need to click on the *PSSA ALERT*, so that we know to have their lunch ready early.

Please note that the Lemonade and Wildberry Juicy Tubes (apple sorbet and cost \$1.20) will now appear on Flexishools as “*Juicies*”. This is to ease confusion when serving at lunchtime.

Heather Tyler
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canteenphps@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP**Out Of Stock Winter Uniform Items**

Size 12 winter tunics and Velcro ties have sold out and top up orders have been placed with the relevant suppliers. Due to lengthy manufacture times, these garments will not be back in stock until the beginning of next term. I apologise for any inconvenience caused by these stock outages.

Lost Property

Please ensure that you label all uniform items, particularly hats and jackets, to ensure that if your child misplaces them any lost items can be returned to you. If your child has inadvertently brought home a hat or jacket that does not belong to them, kindly return it to the school office.

DR Shoe

Dr Shoe will NOT be attending the Uniform Shop for on-site sales this term. Alternatively, Dr Shoe can be contacted direct on 0414912838 to arrange a home fitting.

Ordering Uniforms

Uniforms can be ordered by attending the Uniform Shop during opening hours, or alternatively an order form can be completed and together with payment of cash, cheque or card details handed in at either office. Orders will be filled and then delivered to the children's classes. A combined pricelist and order form can be downloaded from the school website by following the links to Our School and What We Offer. Uniforms can also be ordered online through Flexishools, however prices will include the Flexishools' surcharge.

Please note that uniform orders cannot be paid via the school online payment service

Hours

Monday and Tuesday – 8:45am – 10:45am
Thursday – 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Order forms are available on the school website by following the link:
https://pennanthil-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/p/pennanthil-p/about-our-school/PricelistandorderformTerm2_2019.pdf

Alison Parker
Uniform Shop Manager
phpsuniformshop@gmail.com

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

JULY 8TH - 22ND

VACATION CARE

For more information contact:
vacationcare@pennanthillsbasc.org.au
 in-centre @Bellthorn Cottage
 (02) 9481 8696

Scott & Sam's 'The Hunt'; Canoelands orchard;
 Guringai Basin Tour; Koori Kinnection; STRIKE;
 DVDs & Devices Day; Rock Climbing & More



Pennant Hills Before & After Care
 Winter Community Food Drive



We are in urgent need of the Following items:

Over the past 3 years, BASC & the PPHS community have been donating items to North Ryde Community Aid (NRCA) during the Winter time.

This year we are joining forces with Thornleigh West OOSH to get as many donations as we can for NRCA.

From **Monday 27th May until Friday 14th June**, we will be collecting items to donate.

Items can be placed in the big white tubs on the bench next to the family sign in / out area from Monday inside our centre. Anyone is welcome to donate.

Anything, big or small, is much appreciated and will be dropped off to NRCA after the 14th of June.

If you would like to donate, there is a list here of what they need this coming winter.

Cereal
Long Life Milk
Pasta Sauce
Packet Pasta
Packet Meals
Tinned vegetables
Tinned soup
Packet soups
Tinned meals
Jam
Honey
Peanut Butter
Vegemite
Sugar
Coffee
Tea
Rice
2 minute noodles
Tinned tuna
Tinned spaghetti

Baked beans
Biscuits—sweet
Biscuits—savoury
Tinned fruit
Tinned salmon
Lunch box snacks
Washing Powder
Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Deodorant
Soap/Body wash
Shampoo & Conditioner
Razors
Feminine Hygiene
Cleaning products
Toilet Paper
Cat Food
Dog Food

Items in **Bold** are in very short supply
 We thank you greatly for your help!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Cancer Council
 Healthy Lunch Box Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to make vegies easy to eat.

Eating 5 serves of vegetables and 2 serves of fruit each day doesn't need to be a chore. It's easy to reach these targets if you spread your fruit and veg out throughout the day.

Breakfast: Start your vegie intake in the morning with avocado or baked beans or tomato on toast

Morning tea: try some [zucchini slice](#) or wholegrain crackers and hummus.

Lunch: Include some salad with lunch. Try our tasty [salad recipes](#).

Afternoon tea: have your favorite piece of fruit.

Dinner: Try our delicious vegie filled [recipes](#).

Dessert: Berries and yoghurt or [healthy apple crumble](#).

healthylunchbox.com.au

Sydney North Region Scouts and Guides present

TUNE IN

HGS 2019

5 - 13 JULY

Barker College, Leslie Theatre: 91 Pacific Hwy, Hornsby
 Tickets: Adult \$25, Child (under 16years) \$15, Concession \$20, Family (2 adult & 2 children) \$70 *Plus booking fee*
BOOKINGS: WWW.GANGSHOW.COM

120 local Scouts and Guides on stage in a musical variety show

MURRAY FARM PUBLIC SCHOOL
Tracey Ave, Carlingford



CRACKER CARNIVAL

SATURDAY 1 JUNE
2PM - 8PM
FIREWORKS @ 7PM

- Tombola
- Rides & Jumping Castle
- Games & Prizes
- White Elephant Stalls
- Market Stalls
- Laser Tag
- Cake Stall
- International Food & BBQ
- Lolly Stall & Fairy Floss
- Murraycinos Café

\$5 per Ride or \$20 for 5 Rides
\$30 Unlimited Ride Armband

Gold Coin Donation on Entry. No consumption of alcohol, smoking or drugs on school grounds.

Harcourts Carlingford **BING LEE**



THE LION KING

FUNDRAISER SCREENING
raising funds for lion conservation in Africa

Hornsby Odeon Cinema
Opening night! Thursday 18th July
Approx 7pm (TBC)
Tickets \$20. Must be pre-purchased from
africancatproject.org

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