Dear Parents and Carers

Music Programs
Music programs within the school have started on a high note. The choir has formed with students from CSC, DHS Outreaches and Henbury Campus. They are learning two songs, My Island Home and People Get Ready. The choir will perform during Youth Week at Brown’s Mart Saturday 21 April. The school band has begun rehearsals with new band members joining this year. There is also a drumming group with the B1 boys. The choir and the drumming group will be performing at the school assembly on Thursday 5 April. The assembly commences at 11am.

Harmony Day
Wednesday 21 March the school acknowledged Harmony Day and Epilepsy Day. Students and staff wore orange and purple, all students participated in a Harmony Day activity at Henbury Campus. Each student decorated a cut of their hand and we all stood as a school and waved our hands to celebrate our cultural diversity. All students and staff then had a BBQ lunch. Staff also had a fundraising morning tea for World Down Syndrome Day.

AFL Skills
The students at Henbury campus have had the opportunity to have Adam from AFL NT come to school on a Thursday and run skill sessions at lunchtime.

Dukes Mob
The Dukes Mob is off on another Adventurous Journey. Kerri, the Dukes coordinator has organised this Adventurous Journey camp as students are all working towards an award. They are going to Batchelor Outdoor Education Centre and using this as a base and going on various activities. Talking to Alex he said that “I am looking forward to going on the Jumping Crocodile Cruise”. Rebecca H said that she is “Looking forward to going on the Jumping Crocodile Cruise, to see how high the crocs can jump and to see how big they have got”. Rebecca M said “I am looking forward to seeing Fogg Dam”. In April at Government House, Amanda, James and Christos will receive their Gold Award and Rebecca H and Alex will receive their Silver Award. Congratulations to these students and ex student. Thanks to Kelly and Kathy from Red Cross who assist with this program.

iPads
The school has purchased 20 iPads from the 2011 Henbury Corporate Luncheon proceeds. These iPads are being used by students across the school; SMS Outreach, C2 and other individual students. Save the Date:
2012 Henbury Corporate Luncheon Friday 7 December 2012.

Carolyn Edwards
Principal
C1 class has hit the ground running with a busy round of programs both in and out of the school. We are gym fanatics working out twice a week and growing lots of muscles. At the Op Shop we do really useful jobs such as stacking the shelves, pricing items as well as hanging clothes on coat hangers ready for sales. Some of us also go bowling while others of us do the school Health Run supplying classrooms with necessities. All of us go horse riding and learn how to be brave and strong with Doug in the Rock and Water program. We are learning about science with Joan, about our bodies with Rosa, and art with Lee. And that’s not all! But we’ll save some for later and tell you more next time we write to you.

Have fun from C1.

Hi Fred, you’re like part of our class now.

The Op Shop is looking good.

Pushing weight uphill.

Floating at the pool is cool.

Anticipating a chemical reaction.

Up, up and away!
C2 would like to welcome Alex to our classroom, and we also welcome back Bol, Carrie, Ayesha, Jonathan and Sharna.
C2 have had a very busy start to term 1. Our class goes on weekly community access trips. We have been to the Airport, Pets Village, Botanical Gardens and we even had a trip down to the Waterfront to see the Queen Mary 2 when it visited Darwin.
Our weekly timetable is full of lots of different and interesting programs. We plan our weekly menu; we then go shopping for the ingredients. We cook twice a week and we prepare all our lunches ourselves. Other programs include AL, Numeracy, Rock and Water, science, boys business and girls group. Some of our class also get to participate in other activities such as Horse-riding, gym, gardening and the tea towel run.
One of our main focuses this year has been communication using the iPad. Each morning we all start the day in community circle where we enter the day, date, weather and daily timetable on our iPads. We also access numeracy and literacy programs daily on our iPads which has been a fun and interesting way of learning for us.
Hi! My name is Rosa Nardone and I am the School Counsellor for Henbury and Nemarluk Schools. I provide counselling to students and support to parents/carers and staff. If parents/carers require support and are not sure who to contact, I can assist with referrals to community/government organisations. Parents/carers can contact me by phone or email if they have any concerns about their children or issues that may impact on their children.

I am at Henbury School on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and can be contacted on 8927 5088 or you can email me rosa.nardone@ntschools.net

WANTED

We are looking for a steel plate suitable for making a wheelchair access ramp. 3-4 mm thick (or better) and roughly a metre square and chequer plate would be ideal. Please contact the school on 8927 5088 if you are able to help us.