

# Hargraves Public School

*The school with a heart of gold*

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## Remembrance Day

The whole school joined with the community at the Court House to commemorate Remembrance Day.

The service was led by Jeff Bultitude with Year 6 student Rhees Hancock doing an excellent job of reading "A Pledge of Remembrance" by Rupert McCall. Flowers were laid on behalf of the school. Each child was given a Flanders poppy to lay at the Cenotaph.

The staff and students then enjoyed morning tea under the trees with members of the community.

Back at school, the primary children took part in a world record



breaking attempt with over 440,000 students to have the most number of students read together at the one time. As part of the Read to Remember project, the students read The Pledge of Remembrance, taking time to honour our brave servicemen and women while also helping to recognise their own courage and resilience.



## November is Picture Book Month!

Picture book month is an international initiative that celebrates the print picture book during the month of November. Each day during November, teachers will be reading a picture book to their class. Why not join in the celebrations and read a picture book together as a family each night. At Hargraves Public School we believe you are never too old to enjoy a picture book!

In celebration of Picture Book Month the staff thought they would share their favourites.



Miss Miles ...

"Where the Wild Things Are" written and illustrated by Maurice Sendak was Miss Miles favourite picture book as a child. She liked to have the story read over and over again to her.

A new picture book that she loves is "The Day the Crayons Quit" written by Drew Daywalt and illustrated by Oliver Jeffers. It is a very clever and funny book.

Miss Wakely ...

"The Paw" written by Natalie Jane Prior and illustrated by Terry Denton is Miss Wakely's favourite picture book. It was an Honour Book in the Children's Book Council Awards in 1994. It is the story of Leonie, a schoolgirl who spends her nights as a cat-burglar called "The Paw".



The Chickenpox virus is active at present. A Factsheet is attached to this newsletter for your information.

## TERM 4, 2014 CALENDAR

WK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7	17	18 P & C Meeting 2.30 pm at school	19	20 Final day for entries in the "My Country" photo competition	21 Canteen
8	24	24	26 Musica Viva 10 am Mudgee Public School Galloping Gumnuts	27	28
9	1 December Swimming lessons	2 Swimming lessons	3 Swimming lessons Library van	4 Swimming lessons	5 Swimming lessons
10	8	9	10 Galloping Gumnuts	11 Christmas Church service 10am	12 Presentation Evening Nugget News deadline
11	15 Life Skills Auction	16 Picnic	17	18	19

### Beach to Bush

On Monday three members of Surf Life Saving NSW visited the school to talk to the children about beach safety.

The Beach to Bush program is designed to teach people in regional, rural and remote communities about surf and water safety. People who live far away from the coast might not go there every week, but when they do, they need to understand how to stay safe and enjoy their holiday.

Below: Isabella and Lloyd hold the flags, Jaiden is dressed as a lifesaver while Rhees is being rescued from danger.



### Soil Never Tasted So Good!

In Science the primary students have been learning about the layers of soil and rocks and tested their knowledge with EDIBLE SOIL! The bedrock was vanilla wafers, subsoil was choc chips and nerds, top soil was finely crushed Oreos and the humus was chocolate pudding! Soil never tasted so good!



### P & C News

**A P & C Meeting** will be held on Tuesday 18th November starting at 2.30 pm at the school.

Items for discussion will include planning for the upcoming Village Christmas Tree and discussion on the strategic direction you would like to see Hargraves Public School take in the next three years. **It would be wonderful to have a few more parents/carers on board to ease the load on a few. Becoming involved in your child's school life is proven to have a beneficial effect on their education. It's never too late to join in!**

P & C are asking for donations of non-perishable grocery items which will be used for a Hamper Basket raffle. The raffle will be drawn on the night of the village Christmas Tree, to be held on Saturday 20th December. Donations may be left at school.

**A big thank you to Belinda Roach for selling raffle tickets in Mudgee on Tuesday for our Christmas raffle.**

### Student of the Week

**Gemma Colley**  
For good reading



**Michael Hurney-Butcher**  
For choosing a beautiful attitude for school all week



**Lloyd Roach**  
For consistent effort in class and in QuickSmart

