

Henry Fulton Public School Newsletter

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2025 TERM 4 WEEK 2

From the Principals Desk....

We've made a fantastic start to Term 4. Last week we had Peer Support Training where our Year 5 and 6 students prepared for the program that starts this week. We are really looking forward to our students leading some great activities.

We kicked off buddy reading, gardening group and on return to school last Tuesday, we all saw the beginning of the playground project that had commenced in the holidays. We had some lovely Spring colours still in bloom which was also lovely to see.

The Staff Development Day last Monday saw all of our teachers and office staff prepare for the busy term and our School Learning Support Officers attended a professional learning session. All in all, it was hugely busy for everyone but a very worthwhile day.

State Athletics Championships

This Wednesday and Thursday, Matthew B will be competing at the PSSA State Athletics Championships. Wow, we are so proud. He was amazing at the Sydney West carnival and will compete this week in a number of events. We wish him all the very best as he represents Sydney West and we know he will be absolutely inspiring as always. We are hoping for a successful day for him. Go Matthew, we can't wait to hear how it all goes.

Canteen Tender

The canteen tender is due for renewal and plans are proceeding with the approval of the P&C which was discussed at the last meeting. It is planned to be completed before by the 2026 school year. I will keep you posted.

Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations once again to the school finalists who will be giving their speech at the Stage 2 and 3 Penrith Valley Public Speaking Competition Cluster Finals on 30th October and on the 5th November. Good luck to Eden, Bodhi, Elise, Makayla, Trilby, Mia, Ava and Geneev. We know they will all be as impressive and amazing as they were when they gave their speeches at school.

Kindergarten 2026

Our program to transition our prospective Kinders for 2026, commences soon.

If you have a child who is turning 5 years old by 31st July 2026, they are eligible to commence Kindergarten in 2026.

We will have a series of orientation sessions in Term 4 which will be sent this week to all that we know are enrolling with us. So, we can add you to the list and let you know of all the plans, dates and events, please don't delay in getting your application to enrol completed. If you know of anyone still to do so, please urge them to come forward. Get those applications in and contact the office if you have any questions.

If you know someone who may be in our newly added intake area, please let them know they can enrol with us. This area is shared with Samuel Terry Public School. Parents can currently choose to come to Henry Fulton Public School. These are the newly assigned areas:

- *Reassignment of a residential area bordered by the Andromeda Playing Fields, Procyon Place and Sextans Place to the north*
- *The Northern Road to the east, Linden Crescent and Andromeda Drive to the west and Andromeda Drive to the south from Samuel Terry Public School to Henry Fulton Public School*
- *A residential dwelling on Kenilworth Crescent, is reassigned from Samuel Terry PS to Henry Fulton PS - aligning it with all other families on this street.*

Applying to enrol in a NSW Government school- Enrolment application forms

The Application to enrol form can be downloaded here [NSW Government schools form \(PDF 768.4KB\)](#)

Parents can also go online and use the Department's [online enrolment system](#).

Schools Spectacular-Remarkable! 2025

Rehearsals for Schools Spectacular commence this week and I wish them all well. It's a very demanding program, but I know the joy and excitement will be unforgettable for those participating. Thanks to Miss Peterson and Miss Antonelli who will be accompanying the students.

Support Class Establishment

The Department plans to establish a Support Class at Henry Fulton Public School to commence 2026. This means a Support Class Teacher and an SLSO will be added to our staffing, one of our classrooms will need to be dedicated and modifications will be required to parts of the school. The class will be MultiCategorical Class where a range of disability types with similar support needs including Severe intellectual disability, Autism or emotional disturbance, Physical disability or Moderate intellectual disability will be enrolled. No other details are available yet. I will keep the community informed of the progress of the establishment of this class.

2025, Term 4 dates for your calendar

Our end of year events which includes Year 6 Farewell, Class Party Day, Presentation Day Assembly, Swim School, Kindergarten Orientation, an excursion and other assemblies will keep us very busy.

Election of Student Leaders 2026

It is the time of the year when students in Year 5 have the opportunity to nominate their candidacy for a school student leadership position for 2026. A special school assembly will be held on Wednesday 19th November. More information will be added to the next newsletter.

Presentation Assembly - Friday 12th December, commencing at 9.15am

Our annual Presentation Assembly will take place on Friday 12th December commencing at 9.15am. More information in coming newsletters. Please save the date and we hope to see you there.

Year 6 Farewell REMINDER

The Year 6 Farewell has been booked for the evening of **Tuesday 10th December**. The event will be held at The Lakeside Restaurant, at the Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith. We will distribute information notes and details to year 6 in the coming weeks.

October

13th Oct - Staff Development Day
 14th Oct - First day for students in Term 4
 14th Oct - P&C Meeting
 22nd Oct - Schools Spec rehearsals begin
 23rd - Peer Support Program session
 24th Oct - K-6 Assembly
 27th-31st Oct - Swimming lessons @ Ripples, Penrith (One week program/2 lessons per day at 9.15am-10.45am)
 30th - Peer Support Program session

November

4th Nov - K-2 go to Australian Pioneer Village
 5th - Cranebrook HS Year Adviser visit to our Year 6 teachers
 6th Nov - Kindergarten Orientation program begins
 6th - Peer Support Program session
 7th Nov - K-6 Assembly
 10th Nov - Interrelate for Stage Three begins
 11th Nov - Remembrance Day acknowledgment
 13th - Peer Support Program session
 13th Nov - Kindergarten Orientation Session #2
 19th - Year 5 Captain Speeches
 20th - Peer Support Program session
 24th Nov - Schools Spec week

December

4th - 10th Dec - Kindergarten Orientation Parent Session/Session #3
 4th Dec - P&C Annual General Meeting and General Meeting
 9th - P&C Annual General Meeting and General Meeting
 10th Dec - Year 6 Farewell

12th Dec - Presentation Day Assembly

15th - Semester Two Report home to parents

17th Dec - Class Party Day

19th Dec - Year 6 Graduation Assembly and Arch

19th Dec - Last day of 2025 for both students and staff

*Summer School holidays commence

*Dates for 2026 holidays and Staff Development Days later in the newsletter

K-6 Assembly Friday 24th October

This weeks K-6 Assembly on Friday 24th October commencing at 1.45pm, is the first for Term 4.

We will be congratulating the students who have worked hard to achieve a Henry Fulton Award, a Principal's Medallion or Trophy, celebrating birthdays, give class awards, library awards, and positive behaviour awards. We will also hear from the SRC and our sports captains. We will be entertained by two dance groups, our Senior Girls and the Boys Dance Group. This will be very exciting for both groups and us. See you there.

NB: Our Junior Girls Dance Group and class 1/2M will perform at the next K-6 Assembly on Friday 7th November.

See you out and about and around school,

G Palamara
Principal

2026 dates for your Calendar

Term 1

- Staff Development Days (4): Tuesday 27 January to Friday 30 January
- **Students return on Monday 2nd February to Thursday 2nd April**
- **Last day of Term 1 is Thursday 2nd April**

*Autumn school holidays – Tuesday 7th April to Friday 17th April

Term 2

- Staff Development Days (2): Monday 20th April and Tuesday 21st April
- **Students return on Wednesday 22nd April to 3rd July**
- **Public Holiday - Monday 27th April for ANZAC DAY**
- **Public Holiday - Monday 8th June for King's Birthday**
- **Last day of Term 2 is Friday 3rd July**

*Winter school holidays – Monday 6th July to Friday 17th July

Term 3

- Staff Development Day (1): Monday 20th July
- **Students return on Tuesday 21st July to Friday 25th September**
- **Last day of Term 3 is Friday 25th September**

*Spring school holidays – Monday 28th September to Friday 9th October

Term 4

- Staff Development Day (1): Monday 12th October
- **Students return on Tuesday 13th October to Thursday 17th December**
- **Last day of 2026 is Thursday 17th December**

*Summer school holidays – Friday 18th December to Wednesday 27th January 2027

*Return date for students in 2027 - TBC

P&C News

Welcome Back for Term 4!

Welcome back to all our students, families and staff. We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful and safe holiday break, ready for an exciting final term of the year.

The P&C is thrilled to share that construction of our new playground has officially commenced. This has been a long-awaited project, and we can't wait to see it come to life. We'd love to extend a warm invitation to any past P&C members who helped bring this vision to fruition to please join us in celebrating and sharing the excitement as we watch this fantastic addition to our school take shape. We would like to keep you informed of the progress.

We're also delighted to announce our Christmas Raffle for Term 4. This year, 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Mama Lana's, a wonderful local charity supporting those in need, and the remaining 50% will go directly to the school to fund new resources that enhance our children's learning experiences. We believe that supporting our community not only makes a meaningful impact locally but also teaches our children the value of giving back. A note has been sent home with further details — we'd love your support!

Lastly, we'd like to invite all parents and carers to our next P&C meeting on Tuesday, 11 November at 7pm in the staff room. It's a great opportunity to connect, share ideas and be part of the positive things happening in our school community.

We look forward to a fun and rewarding Term 4 ahead.

Regards,
Mark Williams
P&C President



Reminders...

K-6 Assemblies in Term 3 and 4

Term 3

Week 10-Friday 26th September

Term 4

Week 2- Friday 24th Oct

Week 4- Friday 7th Nov (NEW DATE)

Week 6- Friday 21st Nov (NEW DATE)

*Week 9- Friday 12th Dec, PRESENTATION DAY ASSEMBLY

*** A celebration event and not a regular assembly as such**

Term Dates in 2025

Term 3

Monday 21 July - SDD

Tuesday 22 July - Students return for Term 3

Friday 26 September - Last day Term 3

Spring school holidays - Monday 29 September to Friday 10 October

Term 4

Monday 13 October - SDD

Tuesday 14 October - Students return for Term 4

Friday 19 December - Last day for students in Term 4

Summer school holidays - Monday 22 December to Monday 26 January 2026

Intake Area Adjustment

At times it is necessary for the department to adjust a school's local enrolment area. Intake area changes happen to better balance enrolments, utilise assets and capacity across schools, ensuring students continue to have access to high-quality public education.

For Henry Fulton Public School, our intake area has increased slightly as there has been movement of the boundary between Henry Fulton Public School and Samuel Terry Public School.

Parents, you may be wondering how this affects you if you live in the new intake area. I hope the following information is helpful, however please contact the school if you have any other questions.

This is the **mapping information** we have been given followed by some common questions and answers.

- *Reassignment of a residential area bordered by the Andromeda Playing Fields, Procyon Place and Sextans Place to the north*

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Q. I live in the area that is changing. What does this mean for me?

A. The revised intake area will be uploaded to School Finder and take effect immediately. A transition period will be in place for all affected families for a period of 12 months from the date of implementation. During this transition period families in the identified areas of change will be considered local to both schools with the option to enrol at either. At the conclusion of the transition period the option to enrol at the two schools will no longer apply and families will only be guaranteed enrolment at their new local school. The 12-month transition period is expected to end at the end on Term 2, 2026.

Q. I have a child already attending one of the above schools, can they stay there even if I am now in a new intake area?

A. Yes, they can. There is no change for students already attending a school. They can complete their education at the school they originally enrolled into.

Q. Will siblings have to attend different schools when the intake area changes?

A. If you have a child already attending a public school, you can apply to enrol siblings at the same school under the standard Department of Education enrolment policies. Please contact your school for more information if you have specific questions or concerns.

Q. I have already lodged my child's enrolment application form for kindergarten 2026. What do these changes mean for my child?

A. Applications that have been processed and accepted will not be affected, including kindergarten 2026 enrolments. For families residing in the area of change the option to apply to the alternate school is also available to you.

Q. My circumstances are challenging, and I think this school is best for my child. We live outside the school's intake area. What should I do?

A. We understand that not everyone's circumstances are the same, and that there are instances where exceptional and compelling circumstances will need to be considered. If this is the case, you should talk to the principal of your local school. Non-local enrolment applications for children living outside of the proposed intake areas will be considered on a case-by-case basis in line with the Department's enrolment policy.

School Awards

- Keep all your awards safe at home.
- When you have 5 **Good News Awards**, hand them to the teacher to get your **Special Award**.
- Collect 3 **Special Awards** and you can get a **Henry Fulton Award**.
- After three **Henry Fulton Awards** you can choose your **Principal Award**-medallion or trophy.
- **Henry Fulton Awards** and **Principal Awards** are handed out at K-6 Assemblies.
- **Positive Behaviour Awards (PBL)** awards are also very important. It means you are Aiming High, a Safe, Responsible and Respectful learner.



School Uniforms



Please note the updated trading hours for Midford (Previously Back to Basics)

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

Saturdays 9:00am to 12:00pm (Term 1 and 4 only)

First Saturday of each month 9:00am to 12:00 (Term 2 and 3 only)



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