“‘How was school today?’ can be a frustrating question for both parents and kids,” notes Michael Thompson, Ph.D., author of “The Pressured Child.” “Parents never get the answer they want and often don’t understand how difficult this question really is. Whatever your child’s age, a specific question, or even a specific statement, may prompt more of a response than the more general “How was school today?” As you listen to your child’s answer, and (if the opening is there) ask another question, you’ll be on your way to a meaningful conversation.

**Ask kids about what interests them:**
- “What did you do that was fun today?”
- “Did anything funny happen?”

**Ask about specific people and events in your child’s life:**
- “Did Mrs. Stone go over that math test?”
- “What did Mr. Zeiner talk about in social studies?”
- “Who’d you sit next to on the bus?”

**Ask kids about what bugs them.**
- “Anybody get on your nerves today?”
- “Was there anything really hard for you?”


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**All course requests for next year can be reviewed on Student/ParentVue. There are course request change forms available on the Hornsby website under counseling.** Course requests are finalized on April 1.

With so much information being provided through email we are updating parent email addresses. On Monday, 3/7, students will take home letters asking for any changes that need to be made to your email address. Please send the letters back with any needed changes, Hornsby is a great place with wonderful students and we love your involvement!

**Monday, March 7, 2016: A Day**
- 7th Period

**Tuesday, March 8, 2016: B Day**
- Parent Conference Night: Hope to see you there!
- Project Phoenix
SHIP club Power up will take place in the Orchestra room from 3:30 to 4:30pm
SHIP Open Gym 6:45am-7:50am

Wednesday, March 9, 2016: A Day
Walk/run SHIP 3:15-4:15
Soccer SHIP 3:30-4:30
March 9-13 Jr. All-District Concert Band Assessment

Thursday, March 10, 2016: B Day
PTSA Meeting in the Cafeteria 6pm
Project Phoenix
7th Period
March 9-13 Jr. All-District Concert Band Assessment

Friday, March 11, 2016: A Day
Early Release Day: Students leave at 12:25pm
Bridge Club
You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown 7pm. Also 3/12 and 3/13 see below.
March 9-13 Jr. All-District Concert Band Assessment
Have a great weekend!

Saturday, March 12, 2016
March 12th Choral Assessment (6th Grade Choir performing)
All-District Concert Band Assessment
You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown
Baseball and Softball Tournament at Hornsby on Saturday March 12. First games begin at 10am. Rain Date is March 19th.

Announcements/Looking Ahead
Lois S. Hornsby Middle School Theatre

You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown
The Broadway Musical

Fri., March 11th @ 7 p.m.  Tickets  $10 for adults
Sat., March 12th @ 7 p.m.  $5 for children & students
Sun., March 13th @ 2 p.m.
Mandatory Football Parent and Player Meeting

Please plan to attend one of the following nights: Tuesday March 15 or Friday March 18 from 6:00-7:00PM in Hornsby’s Auditorium

Lacrosse Friday Free Clinics (11Mar, 18Mar):
• 5:30 – 7:00pm
• Must sign US Lacrosse waiver if not registered as part of MS Lacrosse
• Limited equipment available for new players (to determine interest); must have mouth guard
• Register at www.wmbglax.org

Information concerning 2016 Yearbook Orders for Hornsby Middle School.

- The deadline to MAIL IN a yearbook order is Friday, April 8, 2016. Orders must be received by April 8th. A copy of the MAIL IN order form is online.
- The deadline to order a yearbook ONLINE is Friday, April 22, 2016. For parents to order online, they would follow the instructions below:
  o Go to our website www.candidcolor.net
  o Click on Yearbook
  o Enter the school access code – HRMYBK16
  o Either Log In or Create An Account
  o Enter order and pay online.
- There will be some extra yearbooks available for purchase at the school after all pre-orders have been distributed.
- Yearbooks can be ordered in the summer, however, there will be a late fee and a shipping fee.

SHIP Program
Co-Ed Walk/Run – Ms. King and Mr. Winthrope
Wednesdays -Times: 3:15 – 4:15 PM,
Soccer – Mrs Susan Findlay
Wednesdays - Times: 3:30 – 4:30 PM,
Tuesday Morning Open Gym – Mr. Randall
Tuesdays - Times: 6:45am – 7:50am
Power Up – Mrs. Gaines
Tuesday – Times: 3:30 – 4:30
After School Study Hall for SHIP
Tuesdays- Mrs. Gaines
Wednesdays- Mrs. King and Mr. Winthrope

Our Hornsby Relay for Life Team is officially starting our fundraising activities for the 2015-16 school year. Effective immediately, Mondays will now be JEANS DAYS! For $2 per Monday, teachers will be allowed to wear JEANS. There will be a table set up outside the main office on Monday mornings to accept your $2 donations. Donations may also be given to Diana Delgado (Hornsby Relay for Life Sponsor) or Jessica Napier (Hornsby NJHS Adviser). Feel free to pay ahead! Example: $8 per month or even just $10 for the next 5 Mondays! Make checks payable to Relay for Life. Below is the link to join the Hornsby Hawks Relay for Life Team: http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY16SA?team_id=1957083&pg=team&fr_id=71232&ga=1.130568015.1329068842.1444667971
Please join our team even if you do not plan to donate or participate! We earn special recognition/rewards based on the number of people who join our team – feel free to share this link with your friends and family, too!

7th period (After School Study Hall) - 7th period is an opportunity to make up missing work, study for tests, or read. It is not mandatory nor is it a detention, just a chance for students to get caught up and have a quiet place to study. Tutors from William and Mary will also be available to help students. This is NOT a free time to socialize with friends. In addition, Monday attendees will need a pass from their teacher as Monday study hall is by appointment only.

Important Dates:
March 15 or March 18 Mandatory Football Parent and Player Meeting 6:00-7:00PM in Hornsby’s Auditorium
March 18th early release
March 22 8th grade Writing SOL multiple choice
March 23 Mooretown Road Chick fil A fundraiser from 5:00 to 8:00 pm
March 24 8th grade Writing SOL essay
March 25, 28, 29 6th grade field trip to the Yorktown Victory Center (1/3 of grade each day)
March 31 WJCC M.S. and H.S. Honor Band Performance
April 1st no school for students
April 4-8 Spring Break
April 8th The deadline to MAIL IN a yearbook. Orders must be received by April 8th
April 19 Stage Band Festival
April 22nd The deadline to order a yearbook ONLINE
May 5 Spring Band Concert
May 12 Chorus Concert
June 16 Stepping Up Ceremony 2pm at WHS

Thank you!!!

The counselors, Mrs. Spicer and Ms. Kuthy, did an excellent job with the Parent Night presentation. Thank you to the related arts teachers for putting together displays and answering questions. Thank you Mrs. Nowak for putting together the video presentation. We appreciate all the parents who took time to come out and meet the counselors and hear about next year’s courses and how to schedule.

Our students are wonderful! Students have been following the Hawk expectations. Our Hawks SOAR!

Hornsby Hawks SOAR

Safe
Organized
Accountable
Respectful