



HILL TOP PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal's desk:

I would like to congratulate 1/2 Cockatoos on their well organised and entertaining assembly last Friday. They performed an interesting reader's theatre on 'The Three Little Pigs', a rap and a dance from our up and coming Musica Viva performance.

Musica Viva

Just a reminder that our Musica Viva performance from the Hummingbirds is on in our school hall this Friday at 2pm. It promises to be an extremely entertaining performance and our students K-6 have been busy learning the music and songs to accompany it.

All students need to have paid \$6.50 for this performance no later than Wednesday, 16 Nov this week.

School Community Vegetable Garden

We have reignited our interest and drive to establish a vegetable garden in our school grounds for all of the students to tender and use as part of our intended cooking program. I met with Mark Farrell, our GA and an enthusiastic parent, Mrs Marie Campbell last Monday morning to look at the possibility of developing garden beds near the cooking room. We are awaiting the removal of a few trees in that area and as soon as that work is completed, we will be ready to form a gardening committee with any interested students, parents and staff. In the meantime, Mrs Campbell has made an extremely generous offer to begin raising money towards setting up this vegetable garden. Each week she is kindly going to donate seasonal produce from her own property including vegetables and fresh farm eggs. Each Monday afternoon between 2:30pm and 3:00pm, commencing next Monday, 21 November, we are going to sell this produce to any interested parents and staff. All proceeds from the sale of these items will go directly back to the school to fund the setting up of the vegetable garden. This is an extremely generous offer and a wonderful opportunity for us as staff and parents to purchase fresh produce on a weekly basis. To sustain this weekly market stall we would also be interested in hearing from other local community members who may also have some fresh produce to donate. The market stall will be set up each Monday afternoon near the gate in front of the school office. We would also like to hear from any parents that may be able to donate half an hour of their time each Monday afternoon to sell the produce as Mrs Campbell is unable to run the stall due to work commitments.



Year 6 – Lolly Guessing Competition

Year 6 will be running a lolly guessing competition over the next two weeks. Year 6 will have a table set up with the lolly jar before school, recess and at lunch. Each guess will cost 50 cents. All monies raised will go towards the Year 6 gift to the school. The winning guess wins the jar of lollies, another can of lollies and a plush toy dog. Good luck with your guess!

Bike Safety

We would like to thank Mr John Scott for donating his time and effort for coming along to school this morning to give all of our students an informative talk on bike riding and in particular, bike safety. This is an important issue for Hill Top P.S. as so many of our children ride bicycles in the local area. Can you please assist at home by reminding your children to wear a helmet and to follow the rules for riding a bicycle safely, particularly near or on shared roads.

Learn To Swim Scheme

A note from Mrs Doust (Learn To Swim Scheme Coordinator) has gone home to invite students to participate in the Learn To Swim Scheme at Mittagong Pool in week 9 of this term. It will focus initially on students in Stage 2 (Years 3/4) and in Year 2 who are unable to swim 25m unassisted. She may extend this invitation to Year 5 students later if places are left over. Allocation for students to attend will be on a first come, first served basis based on return of notes and money. N.B. Mrs Doust will be on long service leave for the next two weeks. Ms Hofman will be able to answer any questions you may have about this Learn to Swim scheme.

School website

You may have noticed some changes to our school website. This is due to the DEC merging the school website pages with a new technology 'Liferay'. This process has taken a number of weeks to complete and made it difficult for us to upload photos, information and newsletters. Some data was also lost on our website as part of this process including photos, dates and newsletters. I have now re-uploaded many of the newsletters and photos and more importantly, re-entered all key dates onto the calendar. I have also provided a link to the **NSW 2012 School Planner** from the NSW Teachers Credit Union if you would like to look ahead to gain information on next year's terms and dates for school holidays. Simply click on the last school day of the calendar you see on the website (16 December) and you should be able to open an attached file of the 2012 School Planner. To get to our website simply Google 'Hill Top Public School' or go to www.hilltop-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/

Kindergarten Orientation—2012

Foundations for Learning

Wednesday 16 November, 2011 10:00am—11:00am

Community and Partnerships

Wednesday 23 November, 2011 10:00am—11:30am

DIARY DATES		REMINDERS	
Wednesday 16 Nov		Musica Viva payment due	
Wednesday 16 Nov		Kindy Orientation 10.00 - 11.00am	
Friday 18 Nov		Musica Viva - 2pm	
Friday 18 Nov		Canteen Closed	

Plans for 2012

If you have any special requests regarding class placement for your child / children for next year, these need to be sent directly to me in writing in a sealed envelope. All requests will be kept confidential and will be considered where they are practical and achievable. Please send these to me as soon as possible and no later than Week 7 of this term. Thank you.

Talent Quest and End Of Year Concert

Mrs Kelly is organising a **Talent Quest** in Week 10 on Tuesday 13 December. Students are invited to audition for the talent quest. Auditions will take place in classrooms in the next few weeks. Students will need to organise their own practice times out of school hours as classes will already be busy rehearsing class item for our End of Year Concert which will be held the week before on the 9 December. Both of these events are simply for fun and we are trying to keep them low key. An invitation will come home soon about the End Of Year Concert which all parents, grandparents and community members are warmly welcomed to attend. Our theme for this year's concert is "Celebrations" and each class is doing an organised item.

SRC and Sport Captains for 2012

All Year 5 students were given the opportunity to take two special notes home last week. One was a yellow one which they require if they want to become an SRC Executive next year and the other, a blue one was for nominating themselves as a Sport Captain. They were allowed to take both, one or neither. If your Year 5 child was away last week and didn't have the opportunity to receive these notes please go the front office to receive a spare copy.

Toy recycling

With Christmas fast approaching, have you considered donating your youngest child's unwanted toys to charity? Many families feel the pinch over this time and donations to all charities are much appreciated. A new resource for quality used goods is Second Chance Toys. (www.secondchancetoys.com.au), an Australia-wide community initiative to rescue and recycle gently used plastic toys by donating them to children in need. Check out the website for more information, or donate at your local op shop, charity or drop off bin.

P&C Meeting and School Disco

Our P&C school disco is coming up soon on the 1 December. It will be a Christmas themed disco. Our next P&C meeting was scheduled on this same afternoon which leaves us a little short of time for discussion and preparation of the disco. We would therefore, like to suggest that a more conducive time for a P&C meeting might be the week before on Thursday 24 November. It will be held in the school library from 3:15-4:30pm. Parents who would like to attend are asked to return the slip attached to this newsletter if they require child/ren supervision.

It was wonderful that we encouraged two new members to our P&C meeting last time, Mrs Martin and Mrs Van Eck and we continue to hope to encourage more so please come along if you can.

Christmas Hampers

Once again this year, we are asking for donations for food to fill our Christmas hampers which we will be presenting to the Salvation Army at the end of term assembly. Each classroom should now have a hamper where students can put these donations. **All food donated needs to be in date** and preferably packaged to last over the Christmas period e.g. Canned or bottled foods are ideal.

SILENT AUCTION WILL BE ENDING SOON, DON'T MISS OUT ON MAKING YOUR BID FOR ONE OF THE MANY GREAT ITEMS ON DISPLAY IN THE FRONT OFFICE!

Head Lice

The school has been notified by a couple of parents that there is head lice in some children's hair. Please check your child's hair and treat accordingly.

Signs of head lice are: persistent scratching, particularly behind the ears and the nape of the neck accompanied by a red rash. There may be evidence of tiny silver white eggs at the base of the hair shaft and small pale brown lice.

Together for Humanity

Stage 2 and 3 and children will have the opportunity to participate in a workshop run by Together for Humanity on 1 December. Children will work through educational activities designed to help them look at their own behaviours and focus on understanding, respecting and accept cultural diversity. They will have the opportunity to interview and ask questions to four Australians with very different heritages and cultural backgrounds. A gold coin donation is requested to support the work Together for Humanity does in schools.

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

All Year 6 students have received a note inviting their parents to the Year 6 Dinner and informing families of the organisation for the evening. Please see Mrs. Griffiths if you did not receive one. If you are able to assist in the organisation for the evening please see Mrs. Griffiths.

Parent Helpers Thankyou Morning Tea

The Staff at Hill Top P.S. appreciate the help and support received from all parent and community helpers throughout 2011 in areas such as scripture, reading groups, classroom support, excursions, special events, sport, and transportation to events. All support given enhances the programs run at the school. The staff wish to thank all helpers by providing morning tea after the Christmas Scripture service on Monday 12 December. Invitations are being sent home this week. Please see your class teacher if you have missed out on your invitation.

Kind Regards
Mrs Leicester
Relieving Principal

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Silent Auction 2011

Items will be on display in the office until Friday 25th November. The last bids will be taken on Friday 25th November. Items will also be on display at the Year 6 Fair. All bids need to be placed in the book at the front office or by bidding slip. Any questions please see Mrs. Griffiths. Thank you for your support of our Year 6 Fair. All monies raised will be going towards a gift from Year 6 to the school.

Item Description	Business Details	Current Bid
1.Jenolan Caves family pass +50% off majority of caves for 12 months multiple times	Jenolan Caves Reserve Trust	\$61
2.Cockatoo Run family pass(valued at\$140)	3801 Limited	\$100
3.Hand turned wooden bowl	Linda Burgess	\$15
4.Men's cologne dress set		\$15
5.House Warehouse \$50 voucher	House Warehouse	\$30
6.Bowen Body Balance treatment(value \$50)	Christine Bird	\$25
7.\$50 voucher Classic Thai	Classic Thai Cravings Mittagong	\$25
8.Water colour painting(valued at \$95)	Ann Carney	\$45
9.Baking pack, Babuska measures, Silicone tongs	Cucina, Cucina	\$25
10.Shower pamper pack	Wild Food Health Market	\$35
11.'Knights' NRL team shorts size 12-14		\$10
12.Bath pamper pack		\$17
13.Necklace heart shaped stones	Estreich Jewellers	\$25
14.Beauty Basket	Blooms Chemist Mittagong	\$35
15.Pamper pack		\$25
16.Thermal food carrier pack & tongs	Cucina Cucina	\$21
17.\$50 Highlands stationary pack	Highlands Stationary	\$25
18.\$50 Highlands stationary pack	Highlands Stationary	\$25
19.Taronga or Dubbo Zoo double pass	Taronga Zoo	\$40
20.Wicked sister bag	John Tacey Pharmacy	\$20
21.Bowen Body Balance treatment(value \$50)	Christine Bird	\$25
22.Bowen Body Balance treatment(value \$50)	Christine Bird	\$25
23Bowen Body Balance treatment(value \$50)	Christine Bird	\$25
24.Mittagong Garden Centre voucher \$25	Mittagong Garden Centre	\$17
25.Hill Top Friendly Grocer voucher \$25	Hill Top Friendly Grocer	\$13
26.Hill Top Friendly Grocer voucher \$25	Hill Top Friendly Grocer	\$14
27.Hill Top Friendly Grocer voucher \$25	Hill Top Friendly Grocer	\$15
28.Hill Top Friendly Grocer voucher \$25	Hill Top Friendly Grocer	\$15
29.Hill Top Friendly Grocer voucher \$25	Hill Top Friendly Grocer	\$15
30.Hill Top Friendly Grocer voucher \$25	Hill Top Friendly Grocer	\$14
31.90 minute white water rafting pass(value \$89)	Penrith White Water	\$60
32.Wish gift card (value \$50)	Woolworths	\$32
33.Nutrimedics pamper pack		\$25
34.Thermal mug and hot chocolate	Gloria jean	\$17.50
35.Chocolates and recipe book		\$25
36.Rabbitohs size 6 hooded jacket		\$15
37.5x\$10 Red Dragon Vouchers	Red Dragon	\$25
38.BBQ pack, apron, tongs, bag		\$15

Scholastic Book Club

Book Club orders were sent home last week. Please return these order forms to the 'money mouth' by **Friday of THIS WEEK**. All order forms need to have your child's name and class on them even when a few forms are stapled together. We are always happy to keep orders for parents in the office for collection if they are for a surprise, just write instructions on the order form. If you have any problems with an order please ring or come to the library on a Wednesday as soon as possible after the orders come back.

Please note: Any late orders are very unlikely to be returned before the holidays.



Lollies for sale in the canteen on Wednesday 9th November

Visiting Artists –

The Hummingbirds will be performing at Hill Top School on Friday 18 November.

The cost is \$6.50 per student. To assist with organisation we request the last day for payment be Wednesday 16 November.



BRONZE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations and well done to the following students who received their Bronze Certificate recently.

Rosellas	Joshua Jackson
Cockatoos	Breanna Martin
Wrens	Jasmine Moscrop Jayden Winnel
Honeyeaters	Abbie Zwickl Samantha Ward Alex Martin
King Parrots	Jenny Kearnes Joshua Micallef

SILVER AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations, and well done to the following students who received their Silver Certificate recently.

Lorikeets	Haylee-Jean McKenzie
Kookaburras	Brody Gilkes
Honeyeaters	Lauren Beasley

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations and well done to the following students who received merit awards.



Lorikeets	Caleb Campbell Kaylee McDonald
Rosellas	Jack Varga Molly Main
Kookaburras	Brooke Maddock Angus Theyers
Cockatoos	Jayde McKell Heath Jackson
Wrens	Emily Van Althuis Jessica Howell
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Honeyeaters	Matthew Bates Erin Stephens Riley McKeown
King Parrots	Sam Johnson Jesse Francis
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P&C Meeting Childcare Registration Form

I will be attending the P&C Meeting on Thursday 24 November, 2011 between 3.15pm and 4.30pm.

Name of adult/s attending _____

I will require childcare for the P&C Meeting on Thursday 24 November, 2011 between 3.15pm and 4.30pm.

Child 1: _____ Age: _____ Child 2: _____ Age: _____

Child 3: _____ Age: _____

Please return immediately to the front office.