



# Hill Top Public School

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all students in a caring environment

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Term 4 - Week 9

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Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2012



Our 2013 SRC Nominees.



## From the Principal's desk

Firstly, I'd like to congratulate seven of our Year 5 students who each gave outstanding speeches on Monday morning to convince all of us why they should individually be voted in as our SRC Executive next year. These students are Rebecca Risteska, Dylan Errington, Zoe Cole-Gee, Samantha Ward, Amy Winnel, Lachlan McKenzie and Violet Jenkins. Each of these students would equally be excellent ambassadors for our school. Their well prepared speeches and citizenship qualities throughout all of their time here at Hill Top P.S. reflect this. Unfortunately we can only vote for four students. Each of the students and staff members voted after the speeches. These votes will be tallied soon and the successful nominees will be announced at our end of term assembly on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

## Christmas Scripture Service

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December Hill Top P.S. students attended a Christmas service in the hall. Some of the Kindergarten and Year 1 students performed a nativity play. There were beautiful angels, the wise men, Shepherds with their sheep, King Herod, Mary and Joseph. It was a great performance that was enjoyed by all. We thanked all the scripture teachers for their hard work during 2012 and wished them all a Merry Christmas. They attended a morning tea supplied by staff as a thank you for their support during the year. We hope to see them all return in 2013 as we value highly their contribution to our school.

## Year Six Farewell Dinner

This year we will farewell our Year 6 students at a dinner at the Highlands Golf Club on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December between 6.00pm – 9.00pm. All notes and payments should have already been returned to the office.

## TERM 4 CALENDAR

### WEEK 9

Friday, December 7th Swimming 12:45pm – 1:30pm

### WEEK 10

Tuesday, December 11th Skipathon

Wednesday, December 12th Year 6 Farewell Dinner  
6:00pm - 9:00pm  
Highlands Golf Club

Thursday, December 13th End of Term Assembly 9:00am

Friday, December 14th End of Term Breakfast and  
Talent Quest

### WEEK 11

Wednesday, December 19th Last Day for students

## Visiting Artist - MUSICA VIVA

This Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December Musica Viva's 'OUTTA AFRICA' is visiting our school. The cost is \$7.50 per student. If you have not already done so, payment and permission note must be paid at the office by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

## End of Term Big Breakfast/Peer Support Fun Day/Talent Quest

As mentioned in last week's newsletter we are introducing this exciting new event this year. The aim of such a day is to have a social and fun day with the students and parents to celebrate a successful school year.

This free breakfast will replace our Parent Helper morning teas as in previous years as we appreciate that all parents help in one way or another.

As part of an extra opportunity for our Peer Support leaders to organise an event and also celebrate their year in leadership, they would like to invite all students and parents to our school on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December to:

- A free breakfast from 9:00am – 10:00am
- Organised fun games/activities in Peer Support groups run by our Peer Support leaders
- Afternoon Talent Quest in our school hall

## Salvation Army Hampers

Once again, we would like to support the Salvation Army in providing for local families in need at Christmas time. This year however, we are taking on a different theme to support the Salvation Army. Instead of food hampers as in previous years, the Salvation Army has requested we support mothers and their babies in need at Christmas time. Each class now has a hamper / box in their room to collect donated items for 'Mothers and Bubs'. Items may include clothing, utensils, new nappies, etc. We will be presenting these hampers to the Salvation Army representatives at our end of term assembly on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

## Library Stocktake

All library books need to be returned to the library in preparation for stocktake, which will occur in Weeks 10 and 11. Could parents please ensure that their child's library books have been returned as soon as possible.



### BRONZE AWARD WINNERS

#### TERM 4 WEEK 9

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

Chelsea Alcorn x 5  
Finn Campion  
Eryn O'Connor  
Andrea Ayoub  
Riley Smith  
Riley Jackson x 2  
Matthew Bates x 3  
Brody Finch x 3

### SILVER AWARD WINNERS

#### TERM 4 WEEK 9

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

Seamus Campion  
Emma Sharp  
Rachel Moppett  
Brody Finch  
Violet Jenkins  
Dominic Guido  
Matthew Bates  
Lachlan Davies  
Brittney Kelly  
Chelsea Alcorn  
Zoe Bird  
Makayla Irwin



Our Recycled Christmas Tree entry for Bunnings.

## Garden Club

This week the Garden Club completed a recycled popper Christmas Tree. A photo of it will be displayed at Bunnings for judging on Thursday night 6<sup>th</sup> December at the Family Christmas Night.

Mrs Van der Meer

## Skipathon

On Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> December all students will be participating in the school Skipathon. Students will rotate among seven fitness stations including a stop at the canteen for a free ice block. If your child has allergies please check with the canteen to see if your child can have an ice block.

On the day we will also build a fundraising coin trail. Funds raised will go towards buying resources for the school.

Please send a gold coin donation with your child on the day.

## End of Term Assembly

We would like to warmly welcome all parents to our End of Term assembly on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December in our school hall at 9:10am. Pru Goward, Member for Goulburn will be attending to help present some special awards.

Kind regards Mrs S Leicester.

## Canteen News

We would like to thank Sean Martin for his kind donation of frankfurts for our Hotdog Day. The last day for the canteen will be next Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> December. A huge thank you to all of our parent helpers who have assisted our wonderful canteen manager, Therese, in the canteen this year. We appreciate the time you give to serve our students.



Killer Pythons

Fruca's

Fizzy Worms

Clouds

Wizz Fizz

**Canteen Lolly Day**  
**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Lunch Time Only. Will remain open for swimmers**

Sour Straps Chocolate

Plus many more....





WELCOME TO HILLTOP P.S.

Thank You



We like to say a huge thank you to our local SES who once again visited our school to chainsaw a tree damaged in the severe winds yesterday. We really appreciate the valued contribution the SES makes to our community. They went above and beyond to remove the branches and cut the remaining part of the tree down.



K/1 are busy this week making Christmas craft. We have been printing, curling, cutting and assembling. We are keeping a calendar and counting backwards to the end of the year. We have been learning the seasons and months of the year. Kindergarten have been learning to count money and Year 1 have been learning to give change.



This week we made Christmas trees out of old magazines. In writing we wrote an acrostic poem about Christmas and an informative report on water. In Science we are investigating what happens when water falls on different surfaces and recording results. In mathematics we are weighing and measuring objects in kilograms and grams using balance scales.



This week Year 4 have been focusing on probability, predicting outcomes and deciding on the certainty of events. Year 4 are also very excited about visiting K/1 to share the storybooks they have created.

# This week



This week we are busy learning about Fairy Tales and Christmas. We have created Fairy Tale posters while half of our class are at swimming. We have started Christmas cooking and craft and would like to thank all of the parents for their help in our classroom.



This week in English we have been publishing our book reviews. In Maths we have revised addition and subtraction involving trading. We have also been solving problems involving money. In theme work we are adding the finishing touches to our shop front paintings. We are excited about starting Christmas activities next week. This week we say goodbye to Miss Hall. We thank her for all her wonderful help over the last 4 weeks.



This week we are looking forward to more hands on measurement activities about volume and capacity. Year 6 have also been working on pie graphs and scaled drawing while Year 5 are looking at patterns. As a part of our Globalisation unit we have been learning about the Rights of the Child as described by the United Nations. Many of these rights are also reflected in the Rights and Responsibilities we adhere to here at Hill Top P. S.

## Splish n Splash Aquatic Training

Week 1	7 <sup>th</sup> January 2013 - 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2013
Week 2	14 <sup>th</sup> January 2013 - 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2013

School Holiday Intensive Learn to Swim program  
 Beginners, Stroke Correction, Squad  
 Adults and Children of all ages  
 Individual lessons in a heated pool  
 For information Phone 4889 9494 Mobile 0416 015 415

## Year 6 Christmas Raffle

Prizes for the End of Year Christmas Raffle are on display in the front office. All monies raised will go towards purchasing technology products for children to use at school.  
 Great prizes, so please hand tickets back soon

