

Hill Top Public School

Honour 1884 Trust



Term 1—Week 4

Wednesday 15 February 2012



From the Principal's Desk

It is hard to believe we are in Week 4 of our new school year already! All of the students have settled into their new classes and class routines well. Most of the students have purchased their books packs, have covered their new exercise books and have commenced work in their Maths textbooks. Each teacher will be holding a "meet the teacher" afternoon to provide information to parents on class routines, expectations and on planned Learning Units for this term. A letter from each class outlining these arrangements and routines will also go home to parents for anyone unable to attend these meetings. If you require a more specific meeting regarding your child's individual needs, please arrange a meeting time with your child / children's teacher. The more information teachers receive about individual student needs and interests, the more they are able to cater for individual students.

School Representative Council

Last Friday, we had our first school assembly for 2012. It was a pleasure at this assembly to announce and to introduce our new SRC representatives from K-6. Our 2012 SRC will meet regularly throughout the year to assist in making student based decisions for our school, to organise and implement fund raising activities and organise and run SRC assemblies throughout the year.



SRC President Matthew Bates
SRC Vice President Chelsea Alcorn and our
SRC Executives Zoe Bird and Brittany Kelly.

They will be led by our SRC President Matthew Bates, SRC Vice President Chelsea Alcorn and our SRC Executive Zoe Bird and Brittany Kelly. These four students will soon be invited to attend a special leadership day with school leaders from another Highland schools.

Swimming Carnival

We will endeavour to hold our Hill Top P.S. Swimming Carnival this Friday 17 February at Mittagong Pool. In the event of unsuitable weather, Mrs Griffiths, our Swimming Carnival co-ordinator, will communicate any alternative arrangements.

An announcement will be on 2ST at 7am, only if the Carnival is cancelled. The Carnival will be cancelled if there are thunder storms, otherwise we will try and go ahead with the current arrangements. Our back up day is Tuesday 21 February. Please see Mrs Griffiths promptly if you are available to assist on this day.

Diary Dates – Term 1	Week 4
Thursday, February 16	Country Rugby League visit 9am -10.30am
	P & C meeting 3.15pm - 4pm
Friday, February 17	Hill Top P.S. Swimming Carnival @ Mittagong Pool. All day for competitors and Stage 3 students 11am onwards for students aged 8 and upwards
	Week 5
Monday, February 20	Yr 1/2 Meet the Teacher 3pm
Tuesday, February 21	Yr 3/4 & Yr 4 Meet the Teacher 3pm
Thursday, February 23	Yr K/1 Meet the Teacher 3pm
Thursday, February 23	Yr 5/6 Meet the Teacher 3.30pm

School Clean Up Day

Clean Up Australia Day is on Sunday, 4 March. Hill Top Public School have registered to participate in the School Clean Up Day which is Friday 2 March. We will be starting at approximately 2.30pm.

Please supply your child with gloves on the day. There will be some spare plastic gloves available for those who don't have gloves.

Lexile Books

Last year we purchased a lot of new Lexile reading books to support our Lexile reading scheme. Lexile is a reading and comprehension program that we use at Hill Top Public School for students who are independent readers. Students initially sit a Lexile Test that determines their Lexile Reading level. They then choose a book from the Library with the corresponding Lexile level. After they have finished reading the book they complete a book quiz online. Lexile readers are high interest books that you would find in most Libraries. The students can choose from books such as Harry Potter, Captain Underpants, Too Cool, My Story series and other fantastic books. Teachers monitor the progress of the students online. If you have any questions about Lexile please see Mrs Gee or Mrs Griffiths.

P & C

Our first P & C meeting for 2012 will be held this Thursday 16 February in our Library between 3.15pm and 4.00pm. I would like to warmly welcome all parents to come along. We would really appreciate some new P & C members. Our P & C meetings are relaxed and friendly and it is a wonderful opportunity for all parents to contribute in decision making processes for our school. We are prepared to pay for child care at the school for this hour on the return of written slip put in last week's newsletter.

Country Rugby League

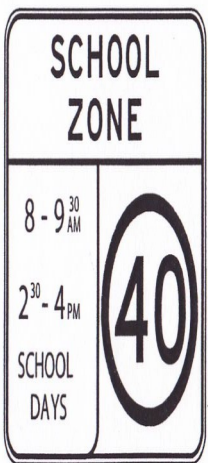
The CRL development unit is visiting our school on 11 February. They will be doing a number of running, passing, kicking and catching drills. They will also be promoting living a healthy life style.

School Counsellor

We would like to welcome a new staff member to Hill Top Public School Mrs Melanie Brindley, a new School Counsellor has commenced work this term. She will be working with students, parents and staff at Hill Top Public School every Monday and Thursday this term. Please see your child's class teacher if you would like to make an appointment to see Mrs Brindley on one of these days or if you have any concerns regarding your child's learning or behavioural needs.

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.

GAZETTED SCHOOL TERM DATES			
2011 28 January to 8 April 26 April to 1 July 18 July to 23 September 10 October to 20 December	Minimum fines and loss of demerit points for exceeding the 40km/h speed limit in an operating school zone		
	If you exceed 40km/h in an operating school zone in a light vehicle by:	Minimum fine	Minimum loss of demerit points
	• 10 km/h and under	\$141	2*
	• More than 10km/h but less than 20 km/h	\$253	4*
	• More than 20km/h but less than 30 km/h	\$422	5*
2012 27 January to 5 April 23 April to 29 June 16 July to 21 September 8 October to 21 December	• More than 30km/h but less than 45 km/h	\$816	6*
	• More than 45 km/h	\$1,859	7*
	*These values are higher for commercial vehicles and are doubled for vehicles exceeding 100km/h.		
			

PLAYING FAIRLY

Fair players get to play more games.

Dos'

Comment on the other players' good moves.
Wait your turn.
Get started and play attention.
Have your go reasonably quickly when it's your turn.
Allow other players to have a reasonable amount of time for their turn.
Play by the rules.
If you have bad luck just accept it, e.g. If you keep getting a "one" on the dice or if the ball bounces unevenly.



Don'ts

Don't comment on other people's bad moves or bad luck.
Don't play when it's not your turn.
Don't muck around before you start.
Don't take too long and hold up the game.
Don't put unfair pressure on people to hurry when it's their turn.
Don't cheat.
Don't grizzle or complain if you have bad luck.

BRONZE AWARD WINNERS WEEK 4

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

Brooke McKeown
Brent McKeown
Riley McKeown
Chloe Berriman
Matthew Bates
Kiara Berriman
Jakob Simpson
Makayla Davis
Ashleigh Willebrand
Samantha Ward
Dominic Guido
Tyler Platten
Katie Maddock
Lilly Lacava x 2
Billy Grose
Jenny Kearnes
Kaleb Bell x 4
Tyisha Arthur
Michael Shute x 2
Haylee-Jean McKenzie
Hayden Willebrand

SILVER AWARD WINNERS WEEK 4

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

Beau Haskins
Damon Borg
Kyle Johnson
Luke Johnson
Alicia Borg
Seamus Champion
Celeste Moscrop

Hill Top Soccer Club

Registration Date 2012

Saturday 18 February—10.00am –2.00pm

Boronia park

Minimal Bursary available—

Rego.Assistance

Contact Nicole Speakman 0457844808

Enquiries please contact

Mark Johnson 0418117824 or 48899042

WOLLONDILLY JUNIOR AFL

On the road to victory

Wollondilly Junior Australian football club

Registration Days 2012

When: Saturday 11 and 18 Feb

Where: Bargo Sports Ground,
Remembrance Drive, Bargo

Registration costs: Under 8's \$60.00/up to
under 16's \$95.00

For more info phone Dave 0408 492 144

Martial Arts for life



Kung Fu, Tai Chi, Yoga,
Self-defence, Weapons Training

Now enrolling Little Dragon and General Classes

Classes to suit all ages Monday to Saturday

Fun, Fitness and Life Skills for all ages

4871 2818
0417 201 186

Unit 1, Lot 5 Davy St, Mittagong

MITTAGONG LIONS

Come & Try Day 2012

Where: Mittagong Sports Ground

When: Sunday 19 February

Time: 10am - 12pm

For further information please call CRL & ARL
Development Officers

Scott Borg: 0409 814 873

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Michael Griffiths

CERT. MUS., ADV. MUS., B. MUS. A.T.M.

Drummer

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Hill Top Church

Sunday School

9.00am to 10.00am

Bus pick up

Ring Vicki Aitken

48898761



Education
& Communities





Learning to work cooperatively in groups.



Adding numbers and playing Bingo.



Maths - putting numbers in order.



Playing 'Build 'Em Up' Maths Game.



Learning about the 'am' family.



Fitness

1/2



We are learning about Workers
in Our Community and how they
help us.

We used the computer to make
funny photos of ourselves. Can
you guess who we are?



We are learning about how
things grow.

Gallery – SRC REPRESENTATIVES 2012



Years K/1



Years 1/2



Years 2/3



Years 3/4



Year 4



Year 5