



# Hill Top Public School

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Term 3 – Week 9

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## From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents, Carers and Hill Top Community members,

With only one and a half weeks before the school holidays, I can say that it has been a busy and rewarding term to date, with children working hard in class and playing more responsibly each day.

Also pleasing was to see our entire school student population back together following the senior class excursion last week. I have been told by many people that the excursion was a wonderful experience for children, parent helpers and staff. I know that the students who attended will remember all the aspects of camp for many years to come.

Last week we were lucky enough to receive a visit from our local Police. They came to talk to children about safety in the community. At the assembly after recess, they addressed all students and then made time to talk directly to children in kKndergarten, Year 1 and 2.

The key message was for children to be aware of strangers in the community and to not engage with them. As a general reminder for families as well, please consider where your children are at all times so that we as a community can keep all our children and students safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Gardiner

## Skoolbag app available on our webpage

To date we have 121 downloads of our skoolbag app. Thanks for your continued support. If you don't have a smart phone but would like to keep up to date via our school webpage, simply enter the URL below, click the schoolbag tab on the home page, then click the button (shown below as well) so that you can check alerts, notify the school and access all the apps features from your computer.



## TERM 3 CALENDAR

### Week 9

Thursday 12 September  
Friday 13 September

EXPO DAY 1.00pm in hall  
League Tag @ Moss Vale

### Week 10

Wednesday 18 September  
Thursday 19 September  
Friday 20 September

Pancake Day  
P & C Meeting 3.15pm in Library  
Last day of term

## Positive Behaviours Feedback Forum #2

Following the successful discussion at last week's parent feedback forum on our school's draft Positive Behaviour Strategy, I would like to invite any parents who couldn't attend on account of the time of the meeting to attend a session tomorrow night from 6.00pm - 7.00pm in our school's computer lab. I apologise for the short notice of this meeting, but I wanted to give parents the chance for more discussion prior to our P&C meeting on Thursday 19 September. If you cannot make the meeting but would like to email any changes or ask questions, please feel free to do so.

Looking forward to seeing you there.



## Southern Highlands Academically Gifted Class 2014

For the past three years Bowral Public School has hosted the Southern Highlands Academically Gifted Class. This class operates one day per week and aims to provide enrichment for academically gifted students. Nomination forms are now available for students considering entry into the 2014 class. If your child is entering Year 5 or 6 in 2014, they are eligible to apply. Nomination forms are available from Mr Egan. If you would like more information about this class, please speak to your child's teacher or make an appointment to speak with Mr Egan. Please note, completed forms MUST be returned to school by 25 October 2013.

Respect  
Responsibility  
Cooperation

# Year 6 Fair

Our annual Year 6 Fair will be held on

**Friday 8 November.**

We are running a White Elephant Stall on the day and are asking for donations of second hand goods for the stall. We are looking for books, toys, games, DVDs, homewares, puzzles etc.



## Community News

### Breakfast with Santa

The 'Friends of Hill Top War Memorials' are planning on a 'Breakfast with Santa'. On Saturday 7 December, from 8.30am - 12.00 noon Breakfast, photo with Santa, a Christmas craft, clown and face painting etc. The cost, per child is \$10.00

Sausage sandwich (\$2.00) tea/coffee (\$1.00) available for adults. Contact Ian & Mary on 4889 8549

### Hill Top War Memorial Hall

#### Kids Trivia

**Wednesday 25 September 2.30pm - 4.30pm**

#### Kids Karaoke

**Wednesday 2 October 2.30pm - 4.30pm**

Gold Coin Admission - Primary/Lower Sec School Age

## Bronze Award Winners

Congratulations and well done to the following students who will be receiving Bronze Awards.

### Week 8

Bradley Malcolm  
Alex Savin

Jacob Simpson x 2  
Georgia Simpson x 3

### Week 9

Kady Curtain-Wray  
Kemal Beyaz  
Zane Cassidy  
Calum Fraser x 2  
Bella Van Eck  
Dominic Guido

Amy Winnel  
Abbie Zwickl  
Jade Grose  
Alicia Borg  
Nyah Cox

## Silver Award Winners

Congratulations and well done to the following students who will be receiving Silver Awards.

### Week 8

Olwyn Schluter  
Kyle Johnson  
Jayde McKell

Makayla Irwin  
Adam Ward  
Emily Crawford

### Week 9

Calum Fraser

## Gold Award Winners

Congratulations and well done to the following students who will be receiving Gold Awards.

### Week 9

Kyle Johnson

Dominic Guido

# PANCAKE DAY

WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> September 2013

When ordering can you please place on your order form what toppings you would like. The topping's will include ice cream, maple syrup, lemon, sugar, icing sugar, jam, chocolate topping, strawberry topping, 100's and 1000's and butter. The drinks that will be available will be chocolate, strawberry and vanilla malt milk, apple and orange juice and water. So make sure you get your orders in by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September and join in on having yummy pancakes for lunch!! **Please note that I will not be excepting any orders after the 16<sup>th</sup> September..**

Deal 1 - 1 Pancake with choice of 2 topping's \$2.00

Deal 2 - 1 Pancake with choice of 2 topping, Drink \$3.50

Deal 3 - 2 Pancakes with choice of 2 topping's \$4.00

Deal 4 - 2 Pancakes with choice of 2 topping's plus Drink \$5.50

## HILL TOP PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN

### PANCAKE DAY ORDER FORM

WEDNESDAY 18th September 2013

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

DEAL : \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_

DRINK: \_\_\_\_\_ TOPPING'S: \_\_\_\_\_

Orders need to be returned to Therese in the canteen by 16th September 2013. Please note the pancakes must be ordered as there will be no extra pancakes on the day.

## K Possums

This week KP have been learning about compound words. We're having fun thinking of new compound words every day!

In Science we classified animals into groups depending on how they move.

KP did some spring time paintings, so please come and see them in the hall tomorrow!

## K/1 Bilbies

This week we learnt about Koalas. We read non fiction books about Koalas, drew and painted pictures of Koalas and wrote information about Koalas.

In Mathematics we are learning to use number lines to help us with subtraction.

We are looking forward to our class fun day next Wednesday.

Please bring any G rated movies you may like to share on this day.

## Year 1 Penguins

1L are enjoying reading the book 'James And The Giant Peach' by Roald Dahl. This story has minibeasts in it as characters including an earthworm, a centipede, a spider, a glow worm and a grasshopper.

Next Friday, on the last day of term, our buddy class 1B from Bowral P. S. will be coming to our school to start our combined minibeast projects.

Last Friday, 1L went to the cooking room and made minibeasts from bread dough. It was hard work with all that 'kneading'. The photos from this fun afternoon are up on the photo gallery on our website.

# This week

## 2H

Congratulations to the students who have already presented their speeches. We look forward to hearing more over the next week.

Our Crazy bug artworks look fantastic on our walls. We have learnt a lot about worms and mosquitos this week.

There will not be homework in week 10 of this term or Week 1 of term 4.

## 2/3D

2/3D are writing reports about animals this week and we are learning a lot of interesting facts. Did you know that a dingo does not bark and an echidna lays a soft shelled egg, once a year.

In Mathematics we had a visit from Miss Steele from the Tens Program and she showed us some fun activities with the tens chart. These activities help us with addition and subtraction.

In art, we are going to do some potato printing to create some animals.

## 3/4W

3/4W is looking forward to both the Flora House Helpers Day today and the League Tag Gala Day on Friday.

We have continued our work on 2 Dimensional Shapes. Students are able to identify all polygons, acute, straight, obtuse and reflex angles and can locate parallel and perpendicular lines.

3/4W will complete their work on this topic by going on an 'Angle Walk' and using an 'angle-tester' to find these angles.

## P & C News

I would just like to thank all the parents who helped at the Election BBQ last Saturday. Your help was greatly appreciated.

Thank you also to all the kind donations of cakes, cup cakes, slices etc.

The day was a great success.

All money raised will go to our students learning.

Thank you Barb Van Eck

P & C President





On Thursday we did a few laps of the oval which was extremely exhausting! Then we had breakfast which was cereal and toast. After that we went down to the ropes course. My partner for ropes was Kemal. He went around the whole course and wasn't even scared. Then he went down the Flying Fox and it was my turn. I did half the course because I was too scared to do the other half. Then I flew down the Flying Fox and it was awesome! After lunch we went abseiling. I went straight up to 10 metres but then Alex went down and I was too scared so I went down to the 5 metre platform. When I first got off I asked them to put me back on but they wouldn't let me so I slowly abseiled down the tower and it was epic!! Then we rock climbed up but I didn't go up too far because I was scared!

By Bailey Whitton



## Year 5/6 Camp 2013



On Wednesday when we arrived we went down to the bunker which was under the building. While we were down there we got locations as well as who was in our cabin. After our welcome in the bunker we went to lunch, the food was great! That afternoon we went abseiling and you could abseil off a 5m drop or 10m drop. I only abseiled off the 5m platform though. When we finished our first activity we went searching for some fire wood for our cook out. At about 6:00pm Abe showed us how to cook damper so that we would know how to when it was our turn. Cooking damper was a lot of fun and the damper tasted great with butter and syrup! I made two damper sticks. That night after the fire and damper we settled down into our cabins which were beautiful. They were clean and cozy!



By Violet Jenkins