

Hilltop Road Public School Newsletter

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Mother's Day High Tea



On Friday 12th May, 255 mothers, grandmothers and aunties attended our inaugural Mother's Day High Tea. Our mums enjoyed a fun obstacle run, were pampered and played bingo, enjoyed a beautiful high tea and lucky door prize raffles.

It was wonderful to see so many mums enjoying themselves and winning some fantastic prizes.

A big thank you to our Year 6 students, who painted nails and provided hand massages.

Thank you to Mrs Kerry Zammit for being the Bingo caller.

A huge thank you to the following people, who worked tirelessly to ensure our very first Mother's Day High Tea was a complete success.



Our thanks to Kim, Ronya, Stella, Aggie, Lianne, Rachele, Leyann, Rahera Tammy, Janelle, Donna, Sylvia, Sarah, Yanina, Tiegan, Nancy, Therese, Brenda, Trish, Christie, Erin and Martin. Thank you Sevil and the Hilltop Road Canteen for sponsoring our Mother's Day Race and Hilltop Road P&C Association for sponsoring the High Tea.

Stall Holders

Janice Adams – Nutrimetics
Lorraine Pauldo - Ability Links
Lovinda- Hair Hilltop Road
Faran & Rosa - Tupperware

A special Thanks to Vivvienne Schell and Tomas Gregory for baking a record 250 mini quiches for the High Tea.



Starlight Fundraising Day at Club Merrylands



On Friday 5th May, Leyann Te Ruki, Lianne Andrews, Maryam Behrooz and Sylvia Phillips, attended the **Starlight Foundation Corporate Charity Bowls Day at Club Merrylands**. The valuable funds raised through the day will go to the Starlight Children's Foundation. Club Merrylands were pleased to see our school represented. Thank you to our amazing community members who attended this event.

Reconciliation Day

On Wednesday 3rd May 2017, the Indigenous Dance Group were invited to attend and perform at an event commemorating the Anniversary of Reconciliation. Thank you to Mrs Lavery for coordinating this valuable experience for our students. Please see below photos, which were excluded from our last newsletter.



Mother's Day Stall

On Thursday 11th May, our annual Mother's Day stall was held in the new Community Resource Centre. Students visited the stall throughout the day and purchased beautifully wrapped gifts for mums, nans and aunties. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the P&C for their effort every year, buying, wrapping and selling the gifts at the stall. We really appreciate your time and dedication.



Year 6 PBL exhibition – CAINE’S Arcade

On Friday 12th May, Year 6 held their exhibition event for the PBL unit titled, Caine’s Arcade. The students worked in groups and designed, developed and constructed arcade style games out of cardboard that included an electronic component. The games were then set up and displayed in an arcade style, for an authentic audience, their Kinder buddies. All of the Kinder classes came to the Year 6 classrooms and played the games together with their buddies and had lots of fun.



Cube Rider

On Monday 8th May, Mr Kent accompanied four stage 3 students to Casula High School for the first day of a new STEAM project called Cube Rider. The project is an ongoing 3 month collaboration amongst a group of primary and high schools including Hilltop Road PS, Elderslie PS, Granville East PS, Blairmount PS and Casula HS. The students will work together for a total of 6 visits, to devise an experiment that will be conducted at the International Space Station. The experiment has a technology based focus and students need to take into consideration, limited gravity and altitude. We are very excited to be part of the Cube Rider project as it is the first time that primary schools have ever been involved.



Debating

On Thursday 18th May, Hilltop Road debaters participated in round 2 of the regional debating competition against Sherwood Grange PS. Hilltop Road was the affirmative team in the debate "Graffiti Is Art".

Although Sherwood Grange were the winners of this round, the Hilltop Road team were strong performers who debated with increased confidence and skill. Congratulations to Sherwood Grange but well done also to Hilltop Road.

Boot Camp



On Wednesday 3rd May, Cumberland Women's Health Centre commenced Boot Camp, run by a qualified personal trainer, here at Hilltop Road PS. We have 27 women participating in the program. The sessions are free and are held **every Wednesday from 9.30-11.30am until the 7th June**. Child minding is available in new community room. If you are interested in attending, meet at the new community room or contact Miss Catherine on 0401 155 576. Bookings are essential for child minding.

Innovation Unit Australian Launch

On Wednesday 3rd May, I had the pleasure of attending the Innovation Unit Australia launch. Our school has worked with the Innovation Unit through the **Learning Frontiers** and **ELEVATE** initiative. Our work with the Innovation Unit has shaped our thinking about student engagement, student agency and the case for change. The Innovation Unit is a world leader in innovation in education and our school is delighted they will be working more closely with schools in Australia, inspiring and leading innovation in education.



Community Driving Lessons



Driving Your Future is a community initiative funded through NSW Club Grants. Five members of our community are currently learning to drive through **Deez Driving School**. Our community members are doing really well and it will not be long before driving tests are booked. The confidence, pride and empowerment in the parents is great to see. Two more participants are getting ready to sit their learners test.

This life changing opportunity commenced on 11th May and will really make a difference in our family's lives.

Winter Uniform

Please support our full school uniform policy by ensuring your child is wearing the correct school uniform. A number of warmer options including a fleecy zip jacket and long sleeve polo have been added to the winter range as a direct result of parent feedback.

Below is a list of the winter uniform for boys and girls.

Boys Winter Uniform	Girls Winter Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long black cargo pants • Long/ short gold school polo shirt • Black school jumper with logo • Zip up fleecy jacket with school logo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long black pants – NO tights or pants with embellishments • Long/ short gold school polo shirt • Black school jumper with logo

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School tracksuit jacket with school logo • School hat with logo • White or black socks • Black school shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zip up fleecy jacket with school logo • School tracksuit jacket with school logo • School hat with logo • White or black socks • Black school shoes
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Diary Dates

Term 2		
Students	Event	Date
Selected students	PULSE rehearsal	Wednesday 31 st May
Selected students	Zone cross country carnival	Tuesday 30 th May
Year 4 students	Western Sydney Parklands excursion	Wed 31 st May & Thurs 1 st June
Year 3 students	Art Gallery excursion	Tuesday 6 th June
Selected students	Synergy Dance Festival at Penrith	Tuesday 6 th June
Selected students	Celebrating the Arts rehearsal	Wednesday 7 th June
Selected students	Synergy Dance Festival at Penrith	Tuesday 13 th June
Year 3-6 students	Athletics carnival	Thursday 15 th June
Year 1	Parent Teacher Interviews	Monday 9 th June
Year 2 and Yr 4	Parent Teacher Interviews	Tuesday 20 th June
Year 4 students	Hyde Parks Barracks excursion	Thursday 29 th June
Year 3	Parent Teacher Interviews	Wednesday 21 st June