Wednesday 29th July: Education Week morning tea 10.45 / Bear Cottage Super Hero Day

Friday 31st July: PSSA Sport

This Weeks quote:

*The simple act of saying “thank you” is a demonstration of gratitude in response to an experience that was meaningful to someone. Simon Mainwaring.*

In a small school it is wonderful to have the support of parents who assist in so many ways. Whether it is transporting students or equipment, manning the BBQ, fundraising or helping with reading or in the classroom, the students and staff appreciate your help. It has been very encouraging for the staff to receive such positive feedback from the parent meeting last week, phone calls and parents chatting to staff. Last Thursday when we attended Galston High School’s Musical we were greeted by the current school captain Robert Barker (Year 6 Hillside 2009) and watched another of our former students Sean McCauley (Year 6 Hillside 2010) playing Billy, one of the leads. It is very exciting to see how well Hillside students are doing in high school and beyond.

Congratulations to our Soccer Team for their great performance, in freezing conditions, at Lithgow yesterday. Unfortunately the team was defeated 2 nil in a very evenly matched game. I am very proud of every player for their sportsmanship and determination in the cold conditions. A special thank you to the wonderful parents who transported the team members to and from Lithgow.

We were able to complete all races in our Athletics Carnival last Friday at Annangrove Park. It was the perfect day for the track events and ball games, not too hot. It was wonderful to see so many of our parents and grandparents supporting our school on the day by assisting with transporting of students or equipment or just enjoying watching the children participate in the races. Many of our students (8 years and older) will be progressing to the Zone Carnival at Cherrybrook on Wednesday 19 (Field events
and 800m heats) and 26 August (100m, 200m, 800m finals and relays). This week we will be holding field event eliminations for students 8 years and older in shot put, long jump, high jump and discus. Successful students will receive notes detailing all information for the Zone Carnivals.

Schools are allocated funds to be utilised for the implementation of programs, identified by the school, for the benefit of students. This year some of our funding has been used for Mrs Dawne Furze to come in on a Tuesday, to work with our students. Students from all three classes have participated in individual or small group sessions to consolidate or extend their learning in aspects of Literacy or Numeracy.

Tomorrow we invite you to join us for morning tea, assist in the making of Superhero masks and join in answering questions in our Superhero Trivia Quiz. Students are asked to come dressed as their favourite Superhero and bring in a gold coin for Bear Cottage.

There is great excitement at school with the arrival of chicken eggs in the 3/4 classroom yesterday. What a surprise when everyone arrived at school today to see three little chicks had hatched. The students are currently studying Life Cycles for Science and Technology this term.

Year 5 and 6 are collecting 2L and 3L empty and cleaned plastic milk bottles. So instead of placing them in the recycling bin, please send them into school.

Our Family Fun Day (Sunday 13 September) is coming up very quickly, so please start sending in any donations for the baskets and other stalls. Please see the separate flyer attached with this newsletter

Judy Eastman
Principal

**From the Office:**

**Money and notes now due:** Thank you all who have returned notes and payments promptly

- Text book and school contributions
- Aussie Bush Camp instalments
- PSSA sport bus

Please pay at the Office when convenient, EFTPOS is not available after 2.45.

If you are having any financial problems please speak with Lianne or Jenny.
**Education Week Morning Tea**

We will be having a morning tea for Parents, Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles and special friends, on Wednesday 29th July in conjunction with our Super Hero Day. Please come along have morning tea, help make a super hero mask and visit the classrooms. Commencing at 10.45.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn program:**

The Earn and Learn reward stickers are back again, when you make purchases from Woolworths they will give you stickers to stick into a chart. Once you complete the chart there is a box in the school office where they can be collected or at Woolworths Glenorie there is a Hillside School box in front of the checkouts. This is a great program which we receive points to purchase equipment for our school. Please encourage family and friends to collect the stickers for our little school also.

**Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016**

If your child is starting school next year please complete an enrolment form, available at the office or online and return to school as soon as possible.

**Early Bird Orientation Program**

During Term 4 we will be holding a 4 week orientation program for students starting Kindergarten in 2016. Forms are available from the office.

**Hillside Playgroup**

Hillside Playgroup is being held in the Library on Tuesday mornings, from 9 am to 11 am. If you or someone you know is interested in joining the group, please collect an application form from the school office. The group will be affiliated with the NSW Playgroup Association.

**Term 3 Uniform**

Winter uniform is to be worn Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. Sports uniform is to be worn on Mondays and Fridays.

**NEW ENROLMENTS FOR 2015 and 2016.**

We are still able to accept enrolments for this year so if you know of anyone interested in coming to Hillside Public School, please let them know they are welcome to visit our lovely school anytime. If you have a child or know of any children starting Kindergarten next year please come to the office and pick up an enrolment form.

**Dance with Mel**

Dance lessons on Wednesday, in the Library. Juniors commence at 3:30pm and intermediates at 4:30pm. Anybody interested please contact Mel on 0433524106.
Hillside Happenings via Email

If you would like to receive Hillside Happenings Newsletter via email and have not already let us know, please send an email or drop into the office to give us your details.

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Tennis lessons at school

If you are interested in doing tennis lessons in Term 2 please contact Glenn Gittens on 0404 600 460