

HILLIARD STATE SCHOOL eNEWSLETTER

“ACCEPTANCE IN A CARING COMMUNITY”



Recall of Junior Musical DVD - Due to technical issues, the Junior Musical DVD that was distributed to parents per order, was incomplete. You may return to the school or destroy the item. An updated version will be distributed this week. Thank you.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

9 December 2014

Dear Parents

2014 school year will finish on Friday, 12 December 2014. While we are looking forward to a well-earned break, our staff and students are preparing for the end of year and all the challenges that come with it!

Report Cards will be emailed to families on Thursday, 11 December and will be sent to emails recorded on our OneSchool system. If you need to update an email address please do so urgently to avoid not receiving your child's report card.

All families will be notified of new **2015 classes** on Thursday, 11 December by a letter sent home with students. New Prep families and other newly enrolled students will be mailed home. While **parent requests** and **IPAD class expressions of interest** have been considered, our teachers have also considered and professionally allocated students to classes to effectively provide the best educational outcomes for your child.

Staffing:

We are sad to say goodbye to several staff members:

Mrs **Sonya Wilson** is our Head of Curriculum and is taking an acting Deputy Principal role at Stretton College in 2015.

Mrs **Karen Beath** will be retiring.

Mrs **Susan Surgenor** is transferred to Beenleigh SS.

Mrs **Angela Lloyd-Jones** is transferred to Loganholme SS.

We would like to thank these wonderful staff members for their exceptional service and enormous contributions to Hilliard SS over the years. We wish you all the best in your new roles and hope that you will take many memories with you as you leave.

Mrs Jodi Brown and **Mrs Ryanna Turley** will be finishing contracts at Hilliard SS on Friday, 12 December. Thank you and we wish you well in your new endeavours.

Ms Carly Franklin will be getting married during the holidays and we wish her all the very best for her nuptials.

We are also welcoming back to Hilliard SS after Long Service Leave, **Mrs Yvonne Stewart**, and several new transfer staff, **Ms Laura McGhee** and **Ms Jane Tognolini**. **Mrs Karen Moss** has been appointed as Hilliard State School's new MASTER TEACHER and we look forward to working with our new staff in 2015.

On Friday 5 December, we celebrated our [2014 Awards](#) and introduced our new **school leaders** for 2015 and honoured some people who have achieved special things at Hilliard State School this year. Thank you to the many parents who attended.

After the Awards Ceremony, we hosted a [Volunteers Morning tea](#) as a special thankyou to those wonderful people who volunteer their time throughout the year to help with the many tasks that help make the burden a lot lighter. If you have contributed – THANKYOU, you make Hilliard State School a better place!

Congratulations to Butler Sports House on winning the YCDI House Prize for Term 4, 2014. On Monday, 8 December, Butler House students were treated with Johnny the Jester Magic Show in the school Hall, between 12:30pm to 1:30pm. Well done!

On behalf of our staff and school community, I would personally like to wish you and your family a very **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**. Please enjoy the holidays and we look forward to a wonderful and successful school year.

[Dee-Anne Edwards \(for Andrew Walker- Principal\)](#)

[iLearn@HilliardSS BYO iPad Program Update](#)

Information relating to the 2015 BYO iPad Classes can be found on the [iLearn@HilliardSS](#) page on our school website www.hilliardss.eq.edu.au. Students will be notified of their 2015 class on Thursday, 11 December. Further information will be posted on our school website by that day.

[Farewell Year 6 and 7 students and Christmas Message](#)

For the outgoing students in Years 6 and 7 and their parents, congratulations on your efforts in 2014 and previous years at Hilliard SS, thank you for the support that you give to the school. I wish you every success in your future years of schooling.

I would like to wish all Hilliard SS students and their families a fun and safe Christmas holiday break.

[Jason Meijboom - Deputy Principal](#)

I have enjoyed my time as Acting Deputy Principal and getting to meet and know more of the parents in our school. Congratulations to our year 6 and year 7 students on their graduation and I trust High School will be a rewarding and enjoyable educational experience. I want to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas holiday break and I will see you all next year.

[Cynthia Mangakahia - Acting Deputy Principal](#)

OFFICE NEWS

Cash Collection - has now closed for 2014. Any Outstanding monies for 2014 will be carried forward to 2015. Thank you to our families who have finalised all payments.

Office Hours are: 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday Ph: 3820 1666

[Keep a watch on our school these holidays](#)

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on **Phone: 13 17 88**. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don't intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

2015 Hilliard State School Students

Parents/Guardians, if your child/ren (Classes Prep to Year 5 in 2014) is/are NOT returning to Hilliard State School in 2015, PLEASE inform the school office via email - admin@hilliardss.eq.edu.au or telephone 07-3820 1666 between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday. Thank you.

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

Please be aware that all hazards found within the school are to be reported using the green hazard form from the office. It is everyone's responsibility to report hazards. Thank you.

Workmen on campus - the school endeavours to keep disruption to our student learning to a minimum during school hours, however, from time to time workmen will require access to areas within the school during the school day. Children are reminded to stay away from work areas during this time. Thank you.

HILLIARD WPHS COMMITTEE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

For a 2014 Education Queensland School Calendar, please visit:
http://education.qld.gov.au/public_media/calendar/pdf/2014-school-calendar.pdf

December 2014

5	Awards Ceremony
5	Parent Volunteer Morning Tea
8-11	Uniform Shop Open 8:30am to 9:30am Mon-Thurs
9	P & C Sausage Sizzle
9	Year 6/7 Graduation Hilliard Hall
10	Report Cards emailed to parents
12	Last Day of Term

January 2014

23-24	Uniform Shop Open 9am - 12noon
26	Australia Day Public Holiday
27	School Commences for 2015

STUDENT NEWS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

You Can Do It Awards

Positive, individual student and House (Aston, Butler, Carlson and Rogers) attitudes and actions will be rewarded in Hilliard's new Responsible Behaviour Plan For Students. A feature of the new plan will be the You Can Do It End of Term Prize. The House scoring the highest average points each Term, based on You Can Do It criteria, will be rewarded with an afternoon celebration during the last week of each Term. The winning House Captains will be able to negotiate their House's prize with the school administration.

Each week, students who follow the "You Can Do It" philosophy of "Getting Along, Organisation, Resilience, Confidence and Persistence" are awarded a "You Can Do It" token which is placed into a rewards box in the school office. Each week, on assembly, four students, one from each sports house, are chosen from the many who have earned a "You Can Do It" token and are awarded a prize.

Congratulations to the following students:

WEEK	8
ASTON	Brody S 3B
BUTLER	Hannah B 4C
CARLSON	Ashli F 5/6D
ROGERS	Reanna D 3A

Hilliard Student Leader Awards - Week 8

Class	Child	Award
PA	Sam C	Be a Learner
PB	Annabelle R	Be a Learner
PB	Jack B	Be a Learner
PD	Ashlyn W	Be a Learner
P/1E	Sienna H	Being Respectful
1A	Caitlyn C	Be a Learner
1A	Adam S	Be Safe
1B	Shakiak E	Be a Learner
1C	Indiana H	Being Respectful
1D	Levi W	Be a Learner
2A	Kai H	Be a Learner
2B	Emily B	Being Respectful
2C	Maya F	Be a Learner
3A	Tyson C	Be a Learner

3B	Joshua V	Be a Learner
3C	Zack C	Being Respectful
3/4D	Jordaan M	Being Respectful
4A	Ollie N	Be a Learner
4B	Jesse M	Be a Learner
4C	Levi B	Be a Learner
5B	Chloe D	Being Respectful
5B	Callie T	Be a Learner
5/6D	Bree P	Be a Learner
6A	Braidyn McD	Being Respectful
6A	Rhys F	Be a Learner
6B	Jorja B	Being Respectful
6/7C	Joel C	Being Respectful

Library

It has been a wonderful year for our Hilliard students celebrating reading. We have received many new books and resources from our successful Book Fair, bought many special treasures throughout the year from bookclub (thank you to Mrs Wilson, Mrs Simpson and Mrs Maloney for coordinating) and shared many stories each week with our special guest readers on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings before school.

I would like to wish our Hilliard families a safe and happy Christmas, relaxing with a good book.

Jennifer Collie - Teacher Librarian

L.O.T.E.

I would like to congratulate our L.O.T.E students on another wonderful year of learning. I wish you and your families a Happy and Safe Christmas.

Alla Berg - L.O.T.E. Specialist.

SPORT

Well done to the interschool sport's children who recently participated in tee-ball and cricket. Well played.

Congratulations to Kyle Bennett on placing 3rd in the 11yrs boys 200m heat at the Australian School Sports National Championships recently held in Tasmania. This qualified Kyle to run in the 200m finals where he placed 7th.

Kyle also competed in the 200m/200m/100m/300m medley, running the first 200m leg, his team placing second. Kyle and his team received the silver medal for this event! An outstanding effort Kyle!

JANELLE MILLS - PHYSICAL EDUCATION SPECIALIS

Aerobics

Wishing our talented 2014 Hip Hop, Aerobics and Dance teams, a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holidays. See you in 2015!

Maria Carbone, Zoe Davis, Loryn Johnson - Coordinators

Music

Could all Instrumental Music order letters for 2015 please be returned to Mrs Skerritt by Tuesday, 9 December, including book pack order forms and book pack payment.

2015 Instrumental Music Levy and Instrumental Music Hire fees will be issued in February 2015.

We would like to thank Choirs, Percussion Ensembles and Instrumental Music families and students for their hard work and commitments throughout the year and we look forward to working with you again next year.

I would like to wish the Hilliard State School Music students and families a very happy and safe holiday.

Kirstie Skerritt - Music Specialist

Instrumental Music

Dear Parents and Students. I would like to congratulate everyone on a successful year once again with the Instrumental Music Program. We have had a busy year and I am so proud of what we have all achieved together. It is with great sadness that I farewell you all this year, as I will not be here next year. I will however, still be at the surrounding schools as my circuit has changed, so I know I will still see the students at joint workshop days and camps. I have enjoyed my time at Hilliard the past two years and I wish all of the students the best with continuing their instruments.

Students that have used a school instrument will need to return their instrument by Monday, 8 December please. Also, students that have their own instrument, don't forget to take it home over the holidays to practice! I wish you all a beautiful Christmas with your families and loved ones.

Kind Regards

Miss Jess Steffen

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking has now finished for 2014. Thank you for your wonderful saving efforts for 2014.

To the students leaving Hilliard next week, we wish you all the best with your new adventures and remember if you still have siblings banking at the school in 2015, you are welcome to send your bank book in with them to continue your saving journey.

Wishing you and your family a wonderful Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you back in 2015.

New Accounts: You may collect a new application form from the school office in the new year or you can apply online at netbank.com.au. Alternately, you may wish to visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank branch.

Rewards

Each week, we randomly draw 5 winners for Rug Rats Icy-poles on behalf of the school's P&C Association. Congratulations to our winners of the last two draws of the year.

Week 8: Makayla T. Prep C, Riley D. 2A, Isabella C. 3A, Caleb B. 3C and Zoe O. 4B

Week 9: Samuel C. Prep A, Kaitlyn H. Prep/1E, Akilah Mc. 1A, Allison J. 1A and Molly S. 4C

Sarah Stewart - Banking Coordinator

CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE

We have had a busy and fulfilling year in the Chappy room, and with all the small groups and lunch time programs that have been running in 2014.

Thank you to all our volunteer parents and friends who come regularly to help with lunch time groups and also to help with our ever present need to fundraise for our chaplaincy program to run smoothly here. There are so many who make the effort to selflessly help out, and we thank you for your awesome support. We also thank the families who have supported our fundraising activities, by buying chocolates, tubs of cookie dough, Friday icy poles. All this hard work makes the chappy program one that reaches out to many students when they have times of need.

Our Chaplaincy committee wish to express our Christmas greetings, and special message of holiday cheer as we near the end of another year. We hope every family enjoys a happy and safe Christmas and holiday time – a time for sharing fun, relaxation, adventure and making memories.

To those families who leave us this year, we wish you all the best for your future, and look forward to seeing the rest of you in the new year, ready for fresh challenges, lots of learning and growing together.

Happy Christmas, and all the best for 2015.

[Lyn Keen \(Chaplain\) and Jo Saul \(Treasurer/on behalf of the Chaplaincy committee\)](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS

[P & C News](#)

Wow! What a year 2014 has been. We have enjoyed enormous support and success this year.

We have continued great Hilliard traditions in the Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, two disco's, four sausage sizzles, ice cream days and under 8's day. We also started what we hope will be long standing traditions - Easter morning tea and raffle and World Teacher's Day.

And of course we held our Fete back in June. It was a huge day, and a very rewarding one. Our profit from the day was just over \$10 000 and the exposure and great community spirit that came from the day was astounding.

We increased our donation to \$2,500 to Mrs Keen and the Chaplaincy. We strongly support the work Mrs Keen does in our School and will continue to help in the future. We also provided Hilliard with \$10,000. This has been used to purchase 4 new shade shelters for sports days, all in house colours and with house names printed. These will be a great addition to our oval events. We have also started what will become a long term project with the School. We will slowly be replacing the wood benches located in our pergola areas with recycled plastic benches. These are maintenance free and extremely kind to our environment. The project will be under way in the Junior pergola areas soon.

We began the long process of supporting Hilliard and our groundsman, Mr Hedley by organising an extremely successful working bee. It was such a great event and we plan on holding these again in 2015.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all P&C members for their support of myself during my first year as President. It has been a huge year for me, and a very busy one! Our school community is so accepting and supportive and you have all provided me with such support, I am extremely grateful.

Thank you to the many volunteers that have helped along the way. We have seen many new P&C members this year which is fantastic. We all work so hard, with the same goal in mind. To support and help improve our school. A goal we will continue to work towards in 2015.

THANK YOU TO ALL PARENTS, STUDENTS, STAFF who have supported our fundraisers. Without you and the valuable work the P&C members and volunteers do, we wouldn't be able to contribute the way we do.

And lastly, thank you to the P&C committee members who continually work so hard. We hold a lot of events and without your help they wouldn't be possible.

Have a very safe and Merry Christmas.

[Storm Clark - P&C President](#)

[UNIFORM SHOP Ph: 3820 1637](#)

[Change to Hours:](#)

The Uniform Shop will be open next week (week 10) from 8:30am to 9:30am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

[The Uniform Shop will also be open Thursday, 22 January and Friday, 23 January from 9am to 12 noon \(week prior to school recommencing\).](#)

2014 Uniform Order Forms are available at the school office and also on the school website www.hilliardss.eq.edu.au or via the **Qschools** app.

The Uniform Shop normal operating hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 10am.

Kathy Oliver - Uniform Convenor

TUCKSHOP

Thank you to my wonderful volunteers! 2015 volunteers - if you can spare one day every two months to help, please contact me at the tuckshop 3820 1638.

Parents! Please note: due to the last day of sales, stock may be substituted for an original order. Children will be advised prior to the order being filled.

I would like to wish everybody a *Merry Christmas* and a *Happy New Year*. Tuckshop will re-open on Wednesday, 4th February 2015.

Michelle Mackenzie – Tuckshop Convenor 3820 1638

Mon 8 Dec	Tues 9 Dec	Wed 10 Dec	Thurs 11 Dec	Fri 12 Dec
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Please see details below for ordering online. If you have any queries about ordering, please see Mrs Mac at the tuckshop.

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Jabiru Kids Holiday Program at Hilliard State School!

Jabiru Kids has developed a fabulous Holiday Program for the upcoming December/January holidays!

The votes have been counted, our Jabiru Kids have spoken – we're going to Dreamworld! With additional excursions to see Penguins of Madagascar at the movies, funky fishy special guests 'Ocean Life Education' and amazing themed days featuring disco dancing, perfect pets, slip 'n slide water play and of course some Aussie Aussie Aussie fun, you'll definitely want to secure your spot so you don't miss out!

Jabiru Kids Hilliard is open from 6.30am to 6pm over the holidays. We even serve fabulous breakfast and late afternoon snack for no additional cost!

Please note, we will be closed from December 19th until January 5th. During the week of December 22nd – 24th, children from Hilliard are welcome at any of our other Jabiru Kids services (full list of services available on our website).

Try a day for free: if you haven't tried Jabiru before, join us for a free day of holiday fun. Just mention this article when you book.

The full program is available from Jabiru Hilliard or online at <http://www.jabiru.org.au/kids>

Jabiru vacation care is cheaper than you think, especially for people entitled to Child Care Benefit: call Jabiru for a quote on 3269 0044.

Victoria Point Magic Football Club will be hosting a Schools tournament which is free to all for players in Prep to Year 4. The tournament known as The Victoria Point Magic Football Club Schools Challenge 2014 will be held at Victoria Point State High School on Wednesday 3rd of December 4.30pm to 6.30pm. Players are invited to form a team or they can sign up as an individual and be placed in to a team. The community tournament is non competitive and no scores will be kept. Winning teams in each age group will be chosen by the clubs core principles: Team Work, Fair Play and Positive Attitude. Victoria Point Magic Football Club, will also be offering 6 Scholarships to players who excel in the tournament for the 2015 season *conditions apply. To join simply complete the registration form and return to Robbie Smith 0410 128 610 or sign up individually online at www.totalfootballacademy.com.au and select Schools Challenge South East Brisbane from the Tournaments menu. If registering a team please email robbie.magicunited@gmail.com.



The cricket season is upon us and Victoria Point Indoor Sports want new girls and boys involved as part of their new holiday program!

There is something for everyone!



Milo in2CRICKET is an entry level program designed for ages 5-10 years.

Kids attending this program will learn the basics of cricket through fun drills and modified games!

Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th December

9am – 1pm each day at Victoria Point Indoor Centre, Victoria Point

\$99.00 per participant incl. sessions and Milo in2CRICKET Pack!

Milo T20 Blast Community program is the next step in the entry level cricket pathway, designed for ages 7-12 years.

Once kids have learned the basics of cricket, attending this program will see participants getting to understand the concept of through action packed gameplay!

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