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Welcome back to the start of the new school year! I hope all the children have had a safe and relaxing break. A very special welcome to all the NEW children starting at Hillarys this year. The staff have been busy setting up classes and planning for the term and year ahead over the last week. They are all very keen on the start and all are looking forward to their time with your children.

STAFFING



All staff are required to clear their outstanding Long Service Leave (LSL) within a 2 year period, as mandated by the Education Department. As there are many teachers and EA's at this school who have not expended all their LSL there will be a number of them taking large portions throughout the year. We have

considered this and have put into place known relief teachers who are intimately aware of the school, the teachers and many of the children. This may appear to be disruptive to the class but the teachers all conduct comprehensive handover processes with the relieving teacher prior to their departure. We all appreciate your understanding in this matter.

CLASS MEETINGS

All classes will conduct class meetings with parents. This is a great opportunity to find out what the children will be doing, class organisations/schedules/rules etc and for parents to ask general questions. Specific questions related to individual children should be kept for private meetings. Please look out for this invitation to attend from your child's teacher in the coming weeks, all outlining times and location. They are scheduled for weeks 2 and 3.

CENSUS

The annual school Census will be conducted on Friday 12th February. To assist the school in completing this could I ask all parents to inform the school of any changes to your address, contact details, general details or living arrangements over the recent break?

SCHOOL LEADERS

Over the coming fortnight, the Year 6 students will be asked to present their speech for consideration, should they in fact nominate for the leadership role. Shortly after that, voting will take place and all will be informed at the very next assembly. Good luck to all that nominate!



SWIMMING LESSONS

All children will have the opportunity to participate in swimming lessons during the year. This year the Yr 5/6 children will have their lessons between 29^{th} February and 11^{th} March at Mullaloo Beach. The PP's - Yr 2 are scheduled for the first 2 weeks in Term 2 and the Yr 3/4 scheduled for weeks 5 and 6 in Term 3. More information will follow.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year the school will be engaged in a swimming carnival for Years 4-6 toward the end of Term 1, April 1st. Thank you to the parents who attended our swimming squad information session late last year. A note with all the relevant information will be given out this week to students who have



registered their interest and relevant details. If circumstances have changed and your child is no longer available, or your child hasn't yet registered an interest but would like to, please send an email to Karen Armstrong on <u>Karen.armstrong@gmail.com.au</u> today. Remember students involved should be from Year 4-6, have achieved Level 6 in Education Department swimming lessons and be able to swim 25 metres confidently. This is NOT a learn to swim opportunity. Training will commence after school next week with a session on Tuesday 9th February at Craigie Leisure Centre and Wednesday 10th February at Greenwood College.

YEAR 6 CAMP

This is scheduled for 27^{th} April to 28^{th} April inclusive (2 nights). The camp will take place at Ern Halliday Recreational Camp in Hillarys. This is always a great experience for the children and provides that additional bonding of the group in their last year of primary school. Details regarding the camp will be forwarded shortly.

SAFETY REMINDERS

- 1. Please remind your child not to walk through any of the carparks at the start or end of the school day, but to use the crosswalks.
- 2. Mobile phones are to be turned off as soon as the children are on school grounds and can then be switched on after they have left the school property. They are to be kept in their school bag or handed in to the front office for safe keeping.
- 3. Bikes, scooters and skateboards are to be kept in the bike racks and all students are to supply their own locks.



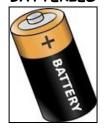
P&C MEETING

This meeting, along with the AGM has been scheduled for Wednesday 10^{th} February commencing at 7:00pm in the school library. Hope to see many new faces there.

SCHOOL BOARD

The first Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 10th February commencing at 6:00pm.

BATTERIES



As part of our Wastewise programme and under the direction of Mr Coufos, we will be establishing a battery collection system. Any old batteries from toys and the like can be brought to school by the children and placed in a special bin located in the library. Children can do this on any day of the week. At the end of each week we will weigh the collection and report back to the children their efforts. It is likely that once we have this established, a class competition will be run (potentially from Term

2). The last few days have already seen a large quantity brought to school!

ASSEMBLY

Our first assembly is scheduled for Friday 12th February and will be run by A2 (Year4).



SCHOOL BANKING

Starts again this Friday, before school in the Library.

Ron Chesny, Principal

KIDS MATTER

Kids Matter Primary is the first national mental health promotion,



prevention and early intervention initiative specifically developed for primary schools. It has been developed in collaboration with the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing, beyondblue: the national depression initiative, the Australian Psychological Society and Principals Australia with support from Australian Rotary Health.

Through Kids Matter Primary, schools implement evidence-based strategies to ensure students remain 'connected' to school and families and are equipped with the necessary social and emotional skills to manage ongoing challenges and to relate well to others. It also provides parents, carers and school staff with the necessary knowledge and skills to meet the mental health needs of the children in their care.

A comprehensive evaluation has been conducted by Flinders University, with findings showing that Kids Matter Primary has a positive impact on schools, children, parents and carers.

Hillarys has been actively implementing Kids Matter for the past eighteen months. The staff has completed professional development in Components 1 and 2, 'A Positive School Community' and 'Social and Emotional Learning'. A specific program targeting social and emotional learning will be trialled over the next two years. First term staff will be focussing on 'Working with Parents and Carers', Component 3. Regular updates will be published in the school newsletter to inform parents and carers of the development of this component.

When a student is absent from school

It is a requirement of the Department of Education that any student who is absent from school needs a *note*, *email or telephone call* to provide an explanation of why the student was away.

Parents are asked to provide a note, email or phone call covering an absence immediately the student returns to school or in the event of a pre-planned absence, before being away.

Parents can ring the school on 93076365 or email hillarys.ps@education.wa.edu.au

<u>School Banking</u>

WELCOME BACK DOLLARMITES 2016

Thank you all who have chosen to participate in the Dollarmite School Banking Program!

The Dollarmite School Banking Program was a great success in 2015 and is back for 2016.

School banking will resume on FRIDAY 5TH FEBUARY 2016. And every Friday

thereafter

IN THE ARTROOM - 8.15am - 8.45am

ALL NEW ACCOUNTS WE WELCOME YOU!

COME ON DOWN AND MEET OUR FRIENDLY TEAM

Siobhan: siobhanward1973@yahoo.com







CANTEEN ROSTER TERM Term 1 PHONE NUMBER 9307 8466

Monday 1 February	Monday 8 February	Monday 15 February	
Amanda Dwyer	Jill Jones	Rachael Mulavin & Amanda Dwyer	
Tuesday 2 February	Tuesday 9 February	Tuesday 16 February	
Tash Di Giovanni	Kimberly Bliss	HELP NEEDED	
Wednesday 3 February Wednesday 10 February		Wednesday 17 February	
Rachael Mulavin	Rachael Mulavin	HELP NEEDED	
Thursday 4 February	Thursday 11 February	Thursday 18 February	
Marni Leon & HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED	
Friday 5 February	Friday 12 February	Friday 19 February	
HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED	

^{***} Help is desperately needed throughout the term. Please volunteer if you can. Thanks.



VOLUNTEER SCHOOL BANKING TELLERS

The P&C are seeking volunteer School Banking Tellers to undertake this enjoyable and rewarding role.

The duties are fairly simple and only take 45 minutes each Friday morning (8:15am to 9:00am). No experience is required. Training will be provided

If you'd like to volunteer and help keep this valuable and much used service open for the students to participate in, please visit the Art Room on a Friday morning and speak with Siobhan. You are also welcome to contact Siobhan via email siobhanward1973@yahoo.com
P&C Membership fee is 20cents per year

John Fairchild's Tennis Edge

Kids Tennis
8 Week Course
Fee \$160
Commencing

SATURDAY 6th FEBRUARY

at

Featuring *Small Squads*Glengarry Tennis Courts

Arnisdale Road, Duncraig

ENROLMENTS: John Fairchild Tel: 0412124338





ARTY PANTS - AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

Della and Bee will be running another exciting 7 week Art course for children in the Art Room at Hillarys Primary school.

WHEN: Mondays 3.15 - 4.45 pm STARTING: Monday 8th February 2016 COST: \$175

Price includes all art materials.

Booking is essential!

For more details please phone:
Bee 9243 0213, 0415286206 or Della 0400232912
www.artypantsinperth.com

Ready Steady Go Kids - Term 1 is here!

Ready Steady Go Kids, Australia's largest and most reputable multi-sport and exercise program for pre-schoolers (aged 2.5-6 years), is now open for enrolments for Term 1. With indoor locations in Carine, City Beach, Craigie, Currambine, Floreat, Karrinyup and West Leederville, our high quality, physiodesigned program teaches children the fundamentals of 10 different sports in a fun team-based environment. To arrange a free trial or for more information about our great program, please visit www.readysteadygokids.com.au or call 1300 766 892.



TERM PLANNER - TERM 1 2016

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week One	1 Feb	2 Feb Newsletter	3 Feb	4 Feb	5 Feb
Week Two	8 Feb WCE visit 9:30-10:10	9 Feb Swimming training	10 Feb Swimming training P & C AGM 7 pm	11 Feb	12 Feb ASSEMBLY A2
Week Three	15 Feb	16 Feb Newsletter Swimming training	17 Feb	18 Feb Swimming training	19 Feb
Week Four	22 Feb	23 Feb Swimming training	24 Feb Swimming training	25 Feb	26 Feb ASSEMBLY C6/A1
Week Five	29 Feb Year 5/6 swimming at Mullaloo Beach	1 March Newsletter Swimming training	2 March	3 March Swimming training	4 March
Week Six	7 March Labour Day Holiday	8 March Year 5/6 swimming at Mullaloo Beach Yr 2 Cockman House a.m. Swimming training	9 March Swimming training	10 March Yr 2 Cockman House a.m.	11 March Yr 2 Cockman House a.m. ASSEMBLY A3
Week Seven	14 March	15 March Newsletter Swimming training	16 March	17 March Swimming training	18 March



Week Eight	21 March	22 March Swimming training	23 March Swimming training Easter Hat Parade (Jr)	24 March ASSEMBLY B1/B2	25 March EASTER
Week Nine	28 March EASTER MONDAY	29 March EASTER TUESDAY	30 March Newsletter	31 March Swimming training	1 April Interschool Swim
Week 10	4 April Photo Day	5 April	6 April Photo Day	7 April	8 April ANZAC ASSEMBLY C5/C2

