Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back for what promises to be another extremely busy but rewarding term for us all. As I walked around the classrooms and playground last week it was nice to see our students back at school and very settled.

**Hillvue’s Got Talent**

What a fantastic way to finish last term. At the end of last term many Hillvue stars performed on stage. We had singers, dancers, acrobats and a wide variety of performers who kept us highly entertained. I was so impressed with the fact that so many students had the courage to perform in front of their peers, teachers and community members. **3 Hillvue claps to all our Hillvue Stars!**

**School Hats**

School hats have been ordered and should arrive very soon. All students will be supplied with a hat. A no hat, play under the cola or in the hall will be enforced when students are provided with hats.

**Transition to School**

Kindergarten transition continues this week on Wednesday and Friday! Last week was a wonderful start. We had 20 children attend ready for “big school”. Students are invited to attend either the Wednesday or Friday session. This is a fantastic opportunity to become familiar with the school surroundings and routines, allowing for a smooth transition to school in 2014. If you have any questions about transition or enrolment in 2014, please contact the school on 67657446 for details.

**Senior Leader Community Engagement**

Simon Taylor has been appointed to the position of Senior Leader Community Engagement at our school. Simon will enter on duty on Monday 11 November 2013. Simon comes to us with extensive experience working with Aboriginal communities in his role as Catchment Officer – Aboriginal Communities, Namoi Catchment Management Authority, Business Manager, Warra-li resource Unit and a mentor for male Aboriginal students at Quirindi High School as part of the Mooki Murris program. In these roles Simon has initiated and lead many programs, including the provision of cultural awareness training and the delivery of presentations to groups on local cultural heritage sites.

**PARENT CONCERNS**

If you have a concern about an issue at school please come and talk to us. It is never acceptable to confront a student in the playground about an incident. That is our job and it is our responsibility to follow up concerns and ensure they are addressed properly. From time to time we all get upset, we want to defend our children and we all want the best for them but we have to do it the right way. We treat all students, parents and visitors with respect and we expect the same in return. If you confront students or you are rude, abusive or swearing in the grounds you will be asked to leave. Abuse, bullying, threats or intimidation in any form will not be accepted at Hillvue Public School.

Mr Chris Shaw
Executive Principal
From the classroom... 2J

In 2J we have been reading the fable, ‘Androcles and the Lion’. The message we have learnt from this book is to be kind to others and they will be kind to you. We have made a lion mask to represent the kind and trusting lion from this fable.
Westpac Helicopter Charity Bike Ride participant, Jeremy, visited Hillvue students.

Student of the Week Awards

Principal’s Award

Social Skills Awards

Star Awards

Merit Awards
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL STUDENTS RECEIVING AWARDS TERM 3 ASSEMBLY
**NOTICEBOARD**

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### UNIFORMS

The canteen / clothing pool is in need of any uniforms that you no longer require. If you are able to assist please drop them into Raelene in the canteen. Thank you.

### SPORTSVUE

**Primary School Monday Touch Competition**

Primary School Monday Touch resumes this week. Please ensure all registrations are paid in full and up to date. Thank you to our wonderful coaches who help organize the teams each week. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

**Junior Oztag Competition**

The new Junior Oztag Competition commenced last Wednesday 9th October. Hillvue PS has nominated an Under 12’s team in the competition and Tristan Murphy is playing with Timbumburi PS. Last week was a round of friendly games to finalise grading. Round 1 of the competition begins this week. Please ensure you are on time for your game.

Draws will be distributed to players each week or they can be found at [www.tamworthjunioroztag.com](http://www.tamworthjunioroztag.com). Click on the DRAW tab to access.

Registrations are now closed and no further players may enter the competition.

Teams for the OzTag competition could not have nominated without the help of Athol Munro. Athol is a Youth Worker attached to the Coledale Community Centre and is keen to promote sport in the local area. Athol was kind enough to organize a funding grant from local sponsors to cover the cost of registrations and part payment of shorts so that Hillvue PS could participate in the competition at a minimal cost. This is the first side that Hillvue has nominated into the OzTag competition and without this funding we may never have been able to do this. Hillvue PS is very grateful for this contribution of funds and we thank Athol for his efforts.

We are very proud of our new school sign which is now fully operational. Keep an eye out for announcements!
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