Dear Parents / Carers

We Need You!

We are seeking nominations for 2 parent representatives on the Hillvue Public School Connected Communities Reference Group. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to become actively involved in your school.

Purpose of the Reference Group: The Local Connected Communities School Reference group is to advise the Executive Principal on the implementation of the Connected Communities strategy.

Function of the Reference Group: The function of the Local Connected Communities School Reference group will be to work collaboratively with the Executive Principal in the development, planning and shared decision making of each school’s Connected Community strategy.

The Local Connected Communities Reference group operates within an overall governance structure for the Connected Communities Strategy, as well as a broader Department of Education and Communities governance structure committed to improving the educational, social and economic well-being of Aboriginal people in NSW.

Terms of reference for the Local Connected Communities School Reference Group:

The Local Connected Communities Reference Group is responsible for:

- advising the Executive Principal regards the implementation of the Connected Communities Strategy in their respective Connected Communities school, including
  - vision and direction
  - local goals and aspirations
  - student identified needs (socio/cultural; academic and well-being)
  - curriculum development and implementation and related extension programs including targeted use of resources
  - processes for Aboriginal community and wider community input
  - adaptation and application of integrated service delivery
  - Inter-agency linkages and support (both non-government and government)
  - contributing to the establishment of a framework for baseline community assessment and measurement of progress of the strategy
  - reviewing and discussing the progress of the implementation in order to make recommendations to the Executive Principal on future planning strategies that may impact on the success of the strategy
  - sharing feedback from respective representative bodies and agencies and addressing ways in which to streamline service delivery and input
  - advising the Executive Principal on ideas relating to whole of school/community communication strategies and messages in regards to informing (and promoting) the progress of the Connected Communities Strategy

Nomination forms are available from the school or give us a call and we will send a nomination form home for you.

Mr Chris Shaw
Executive Principal

Our school disco was creatively colourful
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL STUDENTS RECEIVING AWARDS THIS WEEK

Merit Awards

Social Skills Awards

Student of the Week Awards

Star Awards

Principal’s Award
Class 1/2D have been studying CELEBRATIONS. As part of this Unit they held a Birthday Party.
In 2012, the NSW Government announced its Local Schools, Local Decisions (LSLD) reform for NSW public schools. This reform places students at the centre of school decision making. It gives principals and school communities a greater say over how they allocate and use the available resources to best meet the needs of their students.

To enable the shift of resources to the school level, a new Resource Allocation Model (RAM) has been developed. The RAM is designed to achieve a simpler, fairer and more transparent distribution of government school funding and change the way resources (Staff and Finances) are managed in our school system.

The RAM provides many benefits to schools by:

- Allocating most funding on a per student basis
- The new RAM will ensure funding is provided to schools based on the characteristics of those schools and the students within them. This will result in additional schools receiving funding to support students with identified needs. In addition, schools identified as having students with the highest need will be funded at a higher rate.
- Reducing big changes in a school’s resources, e.g. losing a teacher or admin staff member, which can accompany small changes in the reduction in enrolments. Under the current system, a small change in circumstances can mean a school drops out of a program and loses a significant amount, or a whole teacher or school executive position.
- Providing increased funding that goes directly to schools. This will make school planning easier from year to year.
- Shifting from the current funding model where schools manage 10% of the total public school education budget to more than 70% being managed by schools.
- Allowing for more flexibility, innovation and decision-making in schools to meet student needs.

In 2014, all schools will receive funding based on the first two components of the RAM: the targeted (individual student) funding and the equity funding (Low level adjustment for disability, Aboriginal background, English language proficiency and socio-economic background).
Primary School Monday Touch Competition
Primary School Monday Touch continues this week. Please ensure all registrations are paid in full and up to date. Thank you to our wonderful coaches who help organise the teams each week. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

Junior Oztag Competition
Unfortunately due to lack of players the Senior team had to forfeit last week’s game. This was very disappointing especially for the four team members that did turn up. If for some reason you are unable to attend the game please let Mrs Kenniff or Mrs Coombes know before Wednesday so the opposition can be notified prior to the game.
DRAw for Wednesday 30th October 2013 was unavailable at time of printing. Mrs Kenniff will let you know times.

Draws will be advertised in the Edvue each week or they can be found at www.tamworthjunioroztag.com Click on the DRAW tab to access.
Registrations are now closed and no further players may enter the competition.

Basketball Draw
31/10/13
Court 2 7pm
Hillvue Shooting Stars vs St Nics Diamonds

DIARY DATES

Term 4
Week 4
Wed 30/10 Transition Parent Information Session
Fri 1/11 Transition Parent Information Session

Week 5
Wed 6/11 Free Health Checks for Transition Children
Fri 8/11 Free Health Checks for Transition Children

Week 7
Wed 20/11 Health Day for whole school at Coledale Community Centre

Week 9
Wed 4/12 Community Breakfast
Fri 6/12 Kindergarten Orientation

Annual Presentation Day

Week 10
Mon 9/12 Year 6 Farewell
Thurs 12/12 Students reports go home
Fri 13/12 Party Day

Jump Rope For Heart Challenge 2013

Dear Parents/Carers,
This year Hillvue Public School has taken on the Jump Rope For Heart Challenge. Our aim is to raise funds to help aid in the research for a cure for heart disease. Besides students donating a gold coin and seeking individual family and friends sponsorship we are inviting parents/carers, family members and friends to take part in a BBQ and skip-a-thon afternoon to help raise further funds.

WHEN: Friday 8th November 1pm BBQ Lunch
       1:30pm Skip-a-thon
WHERE: Hillvue shelter & oval
DRESS: Red clothes

We are asking that students and family members pre-order their sausage sandwiches and drinks by filling out the attached form and return it along with the money to their classroom teacher by Wednesday 6th November.

This will ensure that we order enough food and drinks to cater for those involved. Orders will not be catered for if money has not been paid by the above date.
Please help support this needy cause by sponsoring, donating a gold coin and taking part in the BBQ and skip-a-thon.
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