Dear Parents and Carers,

**Education Week Special Assembly – Thursday 1 August**
A special whole school assembly will be held in the school hall commencing at 9.15am on Thursday morning. The assembly will be followed by open classrooms until first break at 11.15am. Please feel free to visit classrooms and have a look at what your children are doing at school.

**Eat Well 2 Learn Well (breakfast club)** will provide a hot breakfast on Wednesday morning to celebrate education week. This is a wonderful initiative and we really appreciate the amazing job our volunteers do every morning. A healthy breakfast is a fantastic way to start each day.

**Connected Communities Strategy**
The Connected Community Strategy has been informed by advice from AECG, a broad consultation process with key stakeholders and research about extended service schools and place based approaches to service delivery and community development. The Strategy is designed to complement the work of the Ministerial Taskforce on Aboriginal Affairs. The strategy addresses each of the key issues raised by community during the Ministerial Taskforce on Aboriginal Affairs.

- There is a need for greater Aboriginal community engagement in schools, including the employment of elders and Aboriginal staff
- Early childhood education is critical in improving Aboriginal education outcomes
- Embed and celebrate Aboriginal culture in schools
- Build cultural understanding amongst teachers and link Aboriginal education outcomes to teacher performance
- Enhance support for Aboriginal children, including tutoring and homework support
- Improve the management of non-attendance and consider alternative options to address high suspension rates
- Support continuity of learning for Aboriginal children by supporting successful transition from pre-school to primary school, to secondary school and then tertiary education and training.

In next week’s Edvue I will provide details around the key features, the key deliverables and some of the new initiatives being implemented to support the Connected Community Strategy and improved outcomes for all students at Hillvue Public School.
Footballs
We have been having a few issues with children bringing footballs to school. We have asked children to keep their footballs at home. We will provide footballs for play and all students will play by the school rules at break times.

Personalised Learning and Support Tool (PLASST) 2013 Trial
During the next few weeks our school, along with other public schools in the area, will be participating in the trial of a new tool (PLASST) being developed by the Department of Education and Communities for teachers to identify the learning and support needs of their students.

This trial is focussed on the development of a sound and reliable online tool that, when finalised, can be used by teachers in collaboration with parents and carers to identify the strengths and educational needs of students with additional learning and support needs. This information will assist schools in planning and personalising learning and support for individual students who require adjustments in their day to day learning.

The trial will involve teachers completing an online questionnaire about the educational needs of some of their students. Students themselves will not be required to complete any additional work or be formally assessed as part of the trial. This trial will not impact on students’ education provisions.

Further information about the PLASST trial, including the collection and use of data in the trial, will be provided by the school in a letter to parents and carers.

If you have any questions about the PLASST trial, would like to discuss your child’s involvement or would prefer that your child does not participate, please phone the school on 67 657446.

Community Centre Visit
Today some of our students went to the Community Centre for Education Week activities. A great day was had by all and the students should be commended on their excellent behaviour. Having the opportunity to showcase our talented students to the community is always a pleasure.

Chris Shaw
Executive Principal

SALE BY TENDER
School RIDE ON MOWER
Cub Cadet. Aero turn 1050, wide 48’ cut.
“Where is, as is”
Tenders to be placed in an envelope, addressed to: The Principal
Hillvue Public School
Hillvue Road, TAMWORTH
Marked “Tender” and submitted by 1st August 2013
For inspections please ring 0417227083.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL STUDENTS RECEIVING AWARDS THIS WEEK

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

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PRIDE AND PRESENTATION AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARD
Miss Hayman from Peel High School has been visiting 5/6G every second Friday to teach us new music concepts.

The photos show us working on creating an item for the next assembly.

Here are a few thoughts on the program:

“I enjoy getting to do different things with different teachers, who I will see next year.” Georgia Galagher

“Magnificent! Miss Hayman has taught me how to play different beats on a drum”
Alex McKee

“It’s fun because I like music and we get to do different activities.”
Tia Davis

“We are learning new beats and sounds and it’s exciting.”
Mollie Carter

“The drums are cool to play and it’s challenging using the two sticks and keeping the beat.”
Steven Murray
Dog  Playful  Very fast  Sleeps sometimes  Lazy  Danny
Cat  Long tail  Big green eyes  Fury bodies  Soft  Tanesha
House  Cold pool  Quiet house  Nice warm cold pool  Bed  Tialas
Fox  Big eyes  Very big ears  A long fluffy tail  Teeth  Caleb
Dog  Loving  Play with me  I love my dogs  Fun  Georgia
Cat  Meowing  Eating food  Playing around  Purrrrr!  Talia

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Dog  Barking  Long tail  Nice and fluffy  Cute  Sharnai
Cow  Mooing  Walking slowly  Black and white hair  Fat  Breanna
Dog  Chewing  Night and day  Very fluffy  Cute  Tya

Car  On road  Burning wheels  It will go bang  Death  Mathieu
Swim  Water  Cool splashes  Sparkling droplet  Fun  Blake
Ball  Big ball  Coloured ball  I kick the ball  Fun  Michael C

Boats  Floating  Army boats  Big Fishing boats  Toot  Tyrone
Ball  Kick ball  Bouncing ball  Slippery red ball  Fun  Tyren
Dog  Lovely  Plays with me  Lovely and nice  Cute  Courtney

Cat  Fluffy  Purring loud  Cute and cuddly  Nice  Olivia
Drop  Water  Cold water  Nice fresh water  Good  Michael L
LANTERN POETRY
by 5C
**Basketball Thursday Night Competition**
The Hillvue Shooting Stars Year 5/6 girls’ team has been entered into the Thursday night competition. We do not have enough players to enter a Year 3/4 team or a 5/6 boy’s team. If you are interested in playing please see Mrs. McDonald for an information note. 5/6 girls have the BYE this week.

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**Zone Athletics Carnival**
The Tamworth Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival is scheduled to be held at the TRAC on Monday 19th August 2013. Final nominations and competitors are currently being organised. Those students that have qualified for the Zone Carnival will be notified in the coming weeks. Please be advised that competitors must make qualifying distances and times to be eligible for this carnival.

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**Girls / Boys Touch Knockout**
On Friday 2nd August the Hillvue PS boys and girls Touch teams will play Westdale PS in Round 2 of the PSSA Knockout competition. Games are to be played at Gipps St Touch Fields commencing with the boys game at 10am. The girls will play after the conclusion of this game at approximately 11am.

Notes and information have been to distributed to those students involved. All notes need to be returned to Mrs Kenniff no later than Thursday 1st August 2013.

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**Wednesday Night Rugby League Competition**
Games for Wednesday 31st July 2013 are as follows: Round 6:
Opens BYE
5.20pm – Under 10’s vs Nemingha PS
Please try and arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled game.
Just a reminder that all players must have a parent OR carer accompany them to the game.

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**North West Representatives**
Congratulations to Caleb Bergan who represented North West at the State Primary Touch Carnival at Coffs Harbour last week. North West finished in 12th place for the tournament. By all reports Caleb played extremely well and was unlucky to miss out on a place in the state team. Caleb is to be congratulated on his sportsmanship and dedication to his sport.

Our next North West representative will be Sharika Nean-Bell who will be part of the North West Girls Touch Team. The Girls Touch State Carnival is scheduled for the 13th to 15th August 2013 in Tamworth. We wish Sharika the best of luck at the tournament!
NOTICEBOARD

**Student medical forms**
During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child’s health.

If you have a child with a medical condition you will receive a copy of the new forms in the mail and will need to fill them out and return them to us as soon as you can.

The good news is we have already started collecting some of this information, which means less for you to do.

The new forms will help us collect your child’s important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we’ll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call.

**CArTEEN NEWS**
Now available in our canteen!
- Chilli Chicken wraps $4.00
- Fruit Cups $1.00
- Wednesdays - Lasagne $3.50
- Fridays - Hamburgers
  - Cheese, meat and sauce $3.50
  - Cheese, meat and salad $5.00
  - Burger with the works $6.50
    (meat, cheese, egg, bacon and salad)

**EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY**
This Thursday 1st August.
Education Week Assembly 9:15am
Open Classrooms until 11:15am.
Come along and visit your child / grandchild in their classroom.
All welcome!

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**
Joseph H-R 2/08

**Men's Health Expo**
**Saturday, August 31, 10 am to 4 pm**
Hosted by
Tamworth and District Prostate Cancer Support Group Incorporated

The proposed Expo will involve as many organizations in Tamworth that wish to be included. Each organization will have their own stall. **Your group is invited.**

Experts in various fields of men’s health, including prostate cancer will be visiting from Sydney and/or Newcastle to give talks during the Expo.

**For more information on the event and stall enquiries contact:** Ray - Convenor
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Email: raydart@bigpond.net.au
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