

Wednesday, 22nd March
Issue No 8

Dear Parents / Guardians,

What a fantastic week we have had at Hillsmeade.

Casey Student Leaders Reception

On Thursday the 16th of March our School Captains Annabel and Tom attended the City of Casey Leaders Reception with Mrs Bray and Mr Moore. Below is their report on the event.

On Thursday we went to the Casey Leaders Reception. When we got there all the student leaders of the Casey community were eating the best food. Once we had eaten all of our food we sat down, Tom went for seconds. We had the opportunity to listen to a variety of leaders at the event. They each spoke about the important responsibility we have as leaders. We received booklets about identifying our core values and characteristics that help leaders lead. We were encouraged to continue to try and never give up. There was a lot of inspiring youth leaders who shared with us how they achieved their goals. We would like to thank Mr Moore and Mrs Bray for taking us.

*Annabel Christian and Tom James-Medhurst
School Captains*



Survivor Day

On Friday the 17th of March Year 5 and 6 students took part in the Hillsmeade Survivor Day tradition. It was fantastic weather and a day full of fun, excitement, persistence, strategy and teamwork. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and such great participation of the year 5/6 students and their teachers.

Bullying No Way.

On Friday the 17th of March John Cardamone, Sally Wu and Maria Liu supported the Hillsmeade community to be involved in the International Day of Action Against Bullying. Students were involved in activities and events to promote inclusivity and positive relationship strategies. To find out more information about this initiative, visit <https://bullyingnoway.gov.au/>

Harmony Day

On Tuesday the 21st of March our school community participated in a special Harmony Day assembly and various activities within classes. It was wonderful to see so many students dressed in cultural wear that represented their cultures and family heritage. A big thank you to the Harmony Day organisers Bonnie Arbuckle, Brent Rafferty, Amelia Petersen and Jess Ellis.



Staff car park

A reminder that there is to be no parent parking in the staff car park, with the exception of parents utilising the disabled car park with current permits. As a school we understand the frustration with limited available parking and will continue to discuss this with the local council. We please ask for your support in parking in the appropriate spaces provided.

Parent Teacher Interviews

A reminder that next week is our school-wide parent teacher interviews. It is important that all parents please take the time to meet with their child's teacher to discuss and celebrate student achievement. These interviews are also a great opportunity to partner with the teacher to set achievable goals for your child.

Jodie Bray
Acting Principal



23rd

Free Dress for a Donation
Day

24th

Grade 5/6 Grand Prix
Excursion

School Elective Program

27th-29th

Parent Teacher Interviews

31st

Easter Raffle - Morning
Assembly

Last Day Term 1

2:30 Finish



TERM DATES 2017

Term One

31st January— 31st March

Term Two

18th April—30th June

Term Three

17th July—22nd September

Term Four

9th October—22nd December

**IT'S COOL TO
BE AT SCHOOL**

THINK BIG DREAM BIG

Remember tomorrow is our Free Dress for a Raffle Donation. Also you have one week to hand in your raffle tickets to win an amazing prize!!

First prize is valued at over \$300 so be in it to win it.

Next Friday we shall be announcing all the winners of the raffle in a fun-filled morning assembly, all welcome.

Remember to wear your bunny ears!

Have an amazing week.

Inez - HFC President 2017



Elective Program

Hillsmeade students attend electives on Friday afternoons. If parents could avoid picking students up during the elective time after lunch on Fridays, as they will all be in different classrooms.

NOTICES DUE BACK

- Casey Manor elective Due 22nd March Selected students
- Grade 4 Camp Parent consent Due 26th March
- Grade 4 Camp Parent expression of interest Due 26th March

Grade 6 Canberra Camp

Please remember these are the suggested Canberra Camp instalments

Camp Deposit of \$80 is due
Second instalment of \$100 is due on the 17th March.

The total amount (\$580) must be paid in full before Friday 11th of August

Any concerns please contact Laura Black or Julie Hale regarding payment options.

Bakers Delight
We're for real.




Please Note
- hot cross bun orders will be delivered to classrooms in lunch order baskets at lunch time on each year level's specified day.

Hillsmeade Heroes

Teagan Jenkins
Samuel Lappin
Annabella Woo
Elgin Yong
Athini Athavan
Sade Tuapepe
Genesis Ioane
Mezghaan Shifaie
Emilee Kelly
Rahni Paul
Ali Jabir
Eleni Mavraginis
Anu Sundeep Menon
Lucas Peluso
Brody Goodall

Nancy Ela Alo
Dabir Nota
Selena Aratangi
Madiha Aliffi
Owen Hicklin
Heba Majid
Maka Munemo
Imogen Ware
Mortaza Abassi
Matthew Cobden
Emilia Honey
Aidan Kenward
Olivia Bery
Tushar Chintaram
Tyren Faoliu

Sohrab Dhillon
Natasha Keily
Travis Perry
Neeraja Rajesh
Eliana Sidiqi
Cooper Savage
Gumal Singh-Mundi
Rosie Mckenzie
Julianna Reatero
Mia Lincoln
Ali Saeedi
Navid Rezaye
Mariska Paltridge
Alaia Choudhury
Kingston Davida



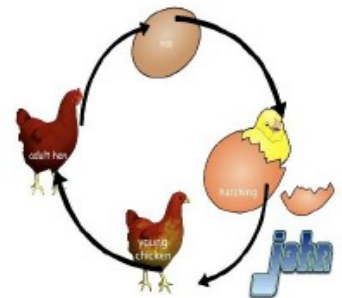
Archer Swinburne
John Bartuccio
Ryan Suhr
Charli Hill
Joshua Quinn
Jasmin Bailey
Mereana Barnes
Dakota Mayworm
Jordan Coldebella
Kira emery
Brianna Ware
Ondai Ganegoda

CHICKENS IN GRADE ONE

As a part of our Science Unit of study on Life Cycles, the Grade 1 classes were lucky enough to have eggs delivered to our rooms and got to see the chicks hatch in front of our eyes and then grow, feed and play.

There has been a real hum of excitement amongst the grade ones, the parents and even the winder school – with lots of other classes coming to see the action including the kinder kids from the ELC.

Here are a few pictures of our chicken adventures!



MOTTO Growing & Learning Together

MISSION To provide a caring, safe and supportive learning environment for children to grow.

VISION: At Hillsmeade Primary School, we aim to continually grow and learn together by: supporting individual abilities and excellence in academic achievement, celebrating diverse backgrounds and cultures, and becoming global citizens prepared for the needs and expectations of our ever changing society.

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Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10km's of the school, or search for our school by name.

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When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

Search for our school name

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

NEW WINTER SEASON STARTING SOON!

BASKETBALL · INDOOR SOCCER · NETBALL

JUNIOR & SENIOR

BASKETBALL AND INDOOR SOCCER CAMPS THESE COMING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

CALL - (03)8786 7892 - OR VISIT - WWW.BERWICKINDOORSPORTS.COM

Breakfast Club

No Breakfast club next week!
Breakfast club will start back week 2 Term 2.

Picking up Students during recess, lunch & afterschool

If you are planning on picking your child up from school in between 11-11:30am or 1:30-2:30pm, please let the office staff or teacher know so we can have your child and their bags waiting in the office. While the kids are outside, it is hard for them to hear all of the announcements and our teachers lock the classrooms during recess and lunch so it can make collecting school bags difficult. After school if you are running late please call the office before 3:20pm so we can call your child to the office and have them wait with us. **Please remember school finishes at 3:30pm each day and your child is required to be picked up no later than 3:45pm.**

HILLSMEADE'S RUNNING CLUB!

Do you want to run off some extra energy, be healthy, have fun, and meet new people? Then Hillsmeade's Running Club is the place for you.

Come and meet us at the school oval outside Mr. Cardamone's room to sign in, run some laps around the track and enjoy!

Don't forget to wear your runners!
Mrs Kett and Mrs Pilarinos

WHY?

- BE HEALTHY
- RUN OFF THAT EXTRA ENERGY
- MEET NEW PEOPLE
- CHALLENGE YOURSELF
- SET AND ACHIEVE GOALS

When: Wednesdays and Fridays
Time: 8:15-8:45am

NO DOGS ALLOWED

We ask parents not to bring dogs onto the school grounds before 4:30pm during school days. There have been a growing number of dogs being brought onto school grounds during school hours and there have been reports of students being harassed and injured as a result of contact with dogs.

We ask that you respect this request and regard the safety of Hillsmeade students.

HILLSMEADE READING CLUB!

Where The Library
When Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:15am to 8:45am

An opportunity for you to come to a comfortable place to read before school with friends, buddies and teachers.

We hope to see you there!

Kind regards,
Mrs Ahlgren, Mrs Porter and Miss Petersen

Why

to take a chance to practice and enjoy reading in a supportive and encouraging environment.

entertainment

Entertainment Books 2017.

The 2017 Entertainment Book is coming!! Pre order before March 27th and get bonus coupons!

Delivery at beginning of Term 2 and you can start using your book immediately. Cost \$70

<http://www.entbook.com.au/189q056>

CANTEEN

Preferred Payment Method

Monday/Wednesday Special

In addition to the specials on the menu, we are also offering the following:

Pizza or Pasta and a drink (please specify) \$6.00

Canteen Reminders

All frozen fruit, ice-creams & slushies need to be collected from the canteen at lunch time (they will not be delivered to the classroom).