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DATES FOR YOUR
DIARY

SATURDAY 16 November (please note this was previously advertised as being on 9 November)	BUNNINGS BBQ Northmead
TUESDAY 12 November	Principal's Award Assembly
MONDAY 25 November	P&C MEETING 7 pm
THURSDAY 28 November	CELEBRATION OF LEARNING
FRIDAY 29 November	CAROLS NIGHT

LIVE LIFE WELL @ THE HILLS
SCHOOL CONCERT



Principal's Message

Student Achievement – The Hills School Concert

This week we celebrated the performing arts talents of our students through the Live Life Well Concert. I was so pleased to see great learning in action. Many thanks to Wanda and the staff for the efforts undertaken to pull the event together – it was brilliant.

Staff Professional Learning

This week we have sent Dishanka for a full week of professional learning to become a certified MAPA trainer. With a focus on prevention, the MAPA® (Management of Actual or Potential Aggression) programme teaches management and intervention techniques to help staff cope with escalating behaviour in a professional and safe manner. We are looking forward to Dishanka sharing the skills and strategies to the whole staff in the coming months.

So often staff comment on how great colleagues are and it's important we tap into that resource with clarity of purpose. In Week 2 Dishanka and Caroline participated in 2 days training in the development of Quality Teaching Rounds, a method of coaching for teaching staff to share skills and expertise across our classes. The team will use this learning to develop planning and professional support for the New Year.

Some minor works at The Hills

Parents may have noticed that we have made provision for the installation of two storage containers near the Connected Courtyard. We are hoping to make access to resources easier for staff and students and are currently working through enhancing teaching and learning spaces in addition to some small works in our administration area. Later in the term we will see the upgrade of kitchens to 5 classes, Orana AC, Orana KJ, Orana KG, Marlee DS and Orana MB. We are looking forward to the enhancement and the opportunities this might create for developing important life skills.



Kind regards,
Mark Gosbell
Relieving Principal

Adina BC

Brittany Clark (Teacher)

Vanessa Fahmy & Toni Ferrabetta (SLSOs)

Adina BC had a great day at the Athletics Carnival at the end of Term 3. We made our way through many events including running races, leaping over hurdles, throwing a javelin and beanbag relays. Since returning to school, we have been very busy practising for the Live Life Well concert and we are getting excited for the big performance!



Adina VW

Cheryl Williams (Teacher)

Ramona Bodnar (SLSO)

At the end of last term, Adina VW enjoyed a number of special events such as swimming lessons, the Athletics Carnival and a birthday celebration. Our lessons in the pool were very successful, with all of our class showing how confident and safe they are in the pool. Some students began learning freestyle and backstroke. When lessons concluded all students from Adina VW received a swimming certificate at assembly. Athletics Day gave the speedy runners in Adina VW a moment to shine. We proudly carried a class banner down to the oval and enjoyed seeing family members in the crowd. The students from Adina VW came away with a lot of ribbons for a number of events. Our class also received a number of awards at the Primary Assembly. We were all very proud to go up on the stage and receive our awards. And finally, we all headed off to the Park for a picnic lunch to celebrate Brady's lovely birthday!



Adina PS

Patricia Smith (Teacher)

Liz Langdon (SLSO)

The students of Adina PS have been working hard practising for our amazing concert throughout the term. We have been listening to the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and practising the song. Amruta was our beautiful butterfly in the concert. We joined in Superheros Week, dressing up in our favourite superhero costumes. Our superheroes only eat healthy fruit and vegetables. It was great fun as we paraded our costumes around the school.



Orana KG

Jessica Meoli (Teacher) Cheryl Rogerson & Eunice Yap (SLSOs)

The students of Orana KG have been busy each Friday of Term 4 enjoying Community Access. We have visited a number of parks and reserves where students are learning about the cultural significance of different sites. We also visited Flip Out where students enjoy a great physical work out. During each Community Access outing each of the students from Orana KG have proven themselves to be well-mannered and attentive young adults as they listen to instructions well and have been considerate of the public when on playground equipment.



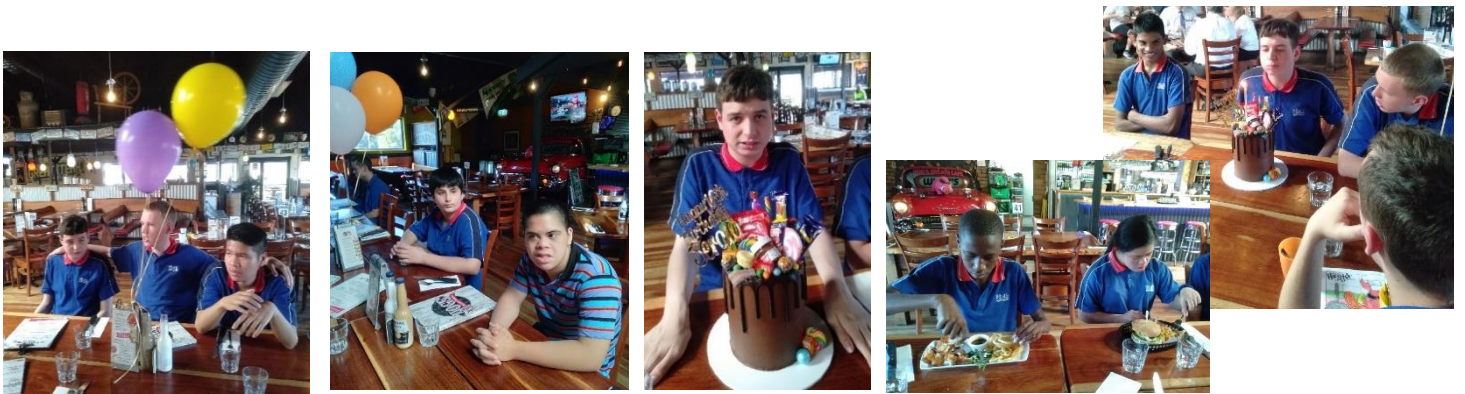
Marlee LW

Linda Weiss (Teacher) Lorraine Kirby (SLSO)

Welcome to Term Four. For Lexi, Shania, William, Eric and Keefer, this will be their last term at The Hills School. They will all be graduating at the end of the year.

We have been practising very hard for The Hills School Concert. Our performance group made their own costumes by tying white shirts to create a 'hippie' look.

We have celebrated Sergio's 16th birthday at the Hog's Steakhouse. Next week we will be celebrating Keefer's 18th birthday.



Orana AC

Fae Wong (Teacher) Janelle Poole (SLSO)

The students in Orana AC have continued their learning with a focus on exercising. We have been practising our throwing and catching, completing puzzles, engaging in water play at the park and doing some drawing. The students really enjoy being outside and making choices as they participate in various activities.



P&C News

As Term 4 begins, we reflect on the amazing efforts of our children over the past year. Information of The Hills School students achievements over this time will be available in their yearly reports. On behalf of the parent community, we would like to express our appreciation to all staff involved in producing reports. We cannot wait to read them.

A Bunnings BBQ was held on Saturday 12 October 2019 and around \$1200 was raised thanks to the efforts of Delma Parker, Coral Boyle and enthusiastic volunteers from our community. A second BBQ will be held on 9 November 2019 at Northmead Bunnings. Thank you to those who have offered to help with this event. We couldn't do it without you all. All funds raised go back into resources and projects which will directly benefit our children.

Our next P&C meeting will be on Monday 25 November 2019 at 7pm. To continue the work of the P&C, we need new members. Our efforts are essential in supporting and maintaining a number of important programs all children benefit from. We are small in number and look forward to welcoming interested members of our community.

Monique Fenech
President

Pratibha Bhanushali
Treasurer

Justine Stamatakis
Secretary



Dear Sailors with disABILITIES members and supporters,

Thank you for all you do for SWD, it is much appreciated.

We can't do what we do without your support, and as you know, what we do is create change in young people's lives through sailing.

The ASX Refinitiv Charity Foundation has delivered us a fantastic opportunity for us to raise a possible \$40,000 of much needed funds for our programs. That's the good news. The challenge is selling 8,000 raffle tickets in their art union lottery to get us to the finish line. And more good news...the prizes are FANTASTIC!

1st Prize: Lexus CT200H Luxury valued at \$45,631. [SEP]

2nd Prize: 3-night Murray River Cruise on PS Murray Princess valued at \$2,900. [SEP]

3rd Prize: Raymond Weil Parsifal Men's Quartz Classic Blue Dial Bracelet Watch valued at \$1,995. [SEP]

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Happy Birthday wishes go out to the following students from all your friends at The Hills School:

Eliza, Farzad, William,
Prince, Chelsea, Rebecca,
Sergio, Riley & George

Fight Cancer
FOOTY COLOURS DAY!

Footy Colours Day was great a success. Thank you to students, families, carers and staff for your support of the Fight Cancer Foundation, together we raised \$216.30 in donations.

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