SCHOOL OF HOOPS came to Hillcrest Primary School last Friday. Michael Lay, U.S. Basketballer currently playing in the SBL for Perry Lakes Hawks popped in for a brief introduction to School Of Hoops—an innovative program that links physical drill and practice training, with school goals and personal home goals and its basketball so its fun! From the response it seems certain the students are looking forward to Michael commencing School Of Hoops next term.

ROOF REPLACEMENT dates are almost finalised. At this stage construction is likely to commence Friday 5th April. Arrangements are currently being made to ensure minimum disruption to normal classroom routine. Exact times and dates will be confirmed next week with some classes temporarily relocating to alternative venues such as the library and multipurpose room.

SABRINA HAHN will be our guest speaker at Hillcrest Primary School on Wednesday 3rd April. The ABC radio presenter and author of numerous gardening books will be setting out a possible vision for our school and our amazing grounds. Come along and enjoy an insight into this exciting proposal. Our P&C recently lodged a number of grant submissions aligned to our school becoming a more sustainable environment.

HARMONY DAY at Hillcrest Primary School was a celebration of the diversity of our very own community. Our Harmony Day Assembly last Friday was an opportunity to be entertained by the thunderous sound of the Japanese Taiko Drum musicians. The skill and talent of the musicians was impressive, however I was very proud of our talented students who spoke words of harmony in their traditional languages. A wonderful day and many thanks to Miss Liz Ford for her efforts in creating a wonderful assembly backdrop.

The HILLCREST SCHOOL CHOIR will be presenting a repertoire of their songs during our school assembly next Friday April 5th. Mrs Su-Wei Neo our specialist music teacher has again entered the Hillcrest Choir in the UWA Massed Choir Music Festival. I look forward to later in the year when our students join voice with the other school choirs and showcase their many hours of long practice. If your child is interested in joining our school choir, contact Mrs Neo through the front office.

EASTER HOLIDAY commences tomorrow. Monday and Tuesday are also holidays for most schools including Hillcrest Primary School where students will resume on Wednesday 3rd April.

MAKING TIME FOR KIDS is a publication produced by The Fathering Project. Here’s some helpful hints:

♥ When on breaks from school—invite them to visit your place of work
♥ Have dinner together at least 2-3 times per week
♥ Don’t take or make phone calls during meals
♥ Be flexible enough to stop work and do spontaneous things with the kids.

Have a safe and enjoyable Easter Holiday.

Dan Bralic
On Friday 22 March our school celebrated Harmony Day by having a very special assembly. Many students from Room 11 welcomed us in their home languages. It was a fantastic thing to hear so many children being able to speak fluently in a Language other than English. We then had a wonderful performance of Taiko drumming. Our school is learning Japanese this year so it was very informative for all of our students and parents.

Mr Michael Lay from School of Hoops Basketball presenting Merit Awards on Harmony Day

Ride to School Friday 22 March

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY AT HILLCREST - 2013

Thousands of school students across Western Australia took part in the annual national Ride2School Day on Friday 22 March as part of Bike Week. Organised by the Department of Transport’s Bike west, Ride2School Day aims to increase the level of cycling in primary school students in Years 5–7 and high school students in Years 8–12. It is an opportunity to encourage more Western Australian students, parents and teachers to cycle to school, improving their fitness, addressing climate change and congestion around schools and helping families with their household budget by reducing the number of car trips to school.

Riding a bike is a fun activity and a popular and convenient way for people of all ages and abilities to be active. It also has benefits for our community, environment, transport system, health and well-being.

There is a real potential for increase in the number of children cycling to school, especially for those who live within a 10-minute cycle (2-3km) and a 10-minute walk (less than a kilometre) from school. Parents and teachers are the best role models for students and it is important that we encourage all children to participate in physical activity.

Students under ten years of age should be supervised by parents or a guardian on their way to school. Only parents can decide whether their children are competent to cycle to school.

Mr Steve Fairs A/Principal
FRIENDLINESS IS OUR VIRTUE FOR WEEKS 9 & 10

Friendliness is being a friend. It is taking an interest in other people. It is going out of our way to make others feel welcome or to make an invited stranger in our school or house feel at home. When we are friendly, we happily share our belongings, time, ideas and feelings. We share the good times and the bad times together. Friendliness is the best cure for loneliness.

During the next few weeks think about what it is you do to be a friend. Notice the things you say and do with those that are your friends. Talk together about how it feels to both receive and give those gifts of friendship. You might like to tell each other what you see that shows FRIENDLINESS.

Remember: “The best way to have a friend is to be one.” Peggy Jenkins

CANTEEN ROOSTER - TERM 1

WEEKS 9&10

Monday 1 April  Wed 3 April  Fri 5 April
Easter Monday  Suzi Anderson  Cheryl Gallaher
Easter Holiday  Tina Pain

Mon 8 April  Wed 10 April  Fri 12 April
Sharon Poh  Anne Carrick  Janet Slabbert
Kristie Butters  Debora Waller  Sharon Poh

Recess Only  Warm Pikelets - 50¢
Wednesday 3 April & Friday 5 April

A very big thank you to all our parents for their generous donation of Easter Eggs for our Easter Raffle.
Good Luck!

The Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 11 April, 8.15am-9am. Order your winter jackets & faction tops now.
Many thanks to those who have donated second hand clothing. Greatly appreciated.

Important Message  ** Asthma Inhaler Recall** (Limited Batch Numbers)

Asthma Australia has been advised that several batches of Ventolin and Asmol inhaler medication for the treatment of asthma have been recalled by GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) and Alphapharm, in consultation with the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).

This recall has been initiated due to a fault in the delivery mechanism of a small number of inhalers within each affected batch. This can lead to less than the full dose being delivered for each puff. Asthma Australia has been advised that a medical assessment has determined that the overall risk to patients is low; people should still act to replace inhalers that could be affected.

The only batches affected are as follows:

- Ventolin Batch numbers KN7170, KN7173, KN7178 and KN7179.
- Asmol Batch numbers KL6790, KL6795, KL6796, KL6797, KL6798 and KL6799.

If these match any of the above batches, take the inhaler to your pharmacy and exchange it for a new one.

All school puffers have been checked.


Merit Award Winners - 22 March


Assembly Information - 22 March

Junior: Gold  George
Junior: Red  Hannah
Senior: Black  Elise
Senior: Gold  Edward
Senior: Red  Caitlyn
Winning Faction  Gold
Cupid Bear Winner: Room 3

Thank you to all who supported the Yr 7 Cake Stall last Thursday it raised $441.95 Fantastic!

Mr Glowacki  Y7 Teacher
Before and After School Care and Vacation Care at Hillcrest Primary School
Jacaranda OSHC provide out of school care at Hillcrest Primary School.
Children are offered a tasty and healthy afternoon tea from our additive aware menus. Childcare benefit and Govt rebates apply.
For more information please contact Kerri on 0419 907 565 or hillcrestoshc@jacaranda.net.au

Its simple to participate, from Monday 8 April when staff and parents shop at any Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points from the checkout operator and place them on a points sheet. There'll be one Woolworth Earm & Leam Point from every $10 spent. Once completed, they can place points sheet in the collection box, either at your school or at your local Woolworths. A box will be place in the foyer of Admin.

School Banking only a few weeks left for all students who have a Youthsaver account with the Commonwealth Bank to make deposits to be in the draw to win the $25 given away at the end of each term.

EASTER BILBY FAMILY FUN DAY
Bring your family for a fun-filled Aussie Easter in the Perth Hills! Get creative with some special Easter craft, listen to the Easter Bilby story and take part in a traditional Easter egg hunt!
The highlight? Meet a real live Bilby! Why not make a day of it and bring a picnic.
  Saturday 30 March. 10am-12pm or 12-2pm (select either session). The Perth Hills Discovery Centre.
  $16 per child (3-10years) adults free.
  Bookings essential, call 9259 2244

Schools Writing Competition 2013 short story and poetry writing competition!

Entries must be in before 31 March.
Get your writing hats on and send in your 16 line poem or 500 word story and you could be a winner!
What would you do with a $1000 CASH prize? Would you like a Kindle Fire E-Reader, and iPod Touch or an Xbox 360?
Enter today at www.write4fun.net

OLD BEADED NECKLACES
The Pre-Primary are asking for donations of old beaded necklaces. If you have something tucked away you no longer wear, please recycle it and drop it off at Pre-Primary or leave it at the office. Thank you.

Northern Saints Basketball Club
JUNIOR BASKETBALL Competition ages 7 to 17
New season starts on Saturday 11 May 2013.

Come down join a team learn to play basketball.
Registration Days: March 23 and April 6 from 9.00 to 2.30.
Girls and boys mixed competitions.
Altone Park Recreation Centre, Benara Road Beechboro.

Enquiries: Registrations Officer Ian on 0417 974 179 or Peter on 0417 924 514.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

| FRIDAY 29 MARCH | GOOD FRIDAY |
| MONDAY 1 APRIL | EASTER MONDAY HOLIDAY |
| TUESDAY 2 APRIL | EASTER TUESDAY HOLIDAY |
| THURSDAY 11 APRIL | UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 8.15AM - 9.00AM |
| FRIDAY 12 APRIL | Y6 - R11 STUDENTS ROLLERDROME 4.00PM - 6.00PM |
| MONDAY 15 APRIL | MYSTERY EXCURSION GREEN SLIP WINNERS |
| WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL | P & C MEETING ALL WELCOME |