Principals Message
Welcome back to Hillcrest Primary School for term two. I hope everyone had a well deserved break and returned fresh ready for the term ahead. We have plenty to look forward to this term as our school cycle turns to the assessment and reporting of students’ performance. One major contributor to our assessment cycle is the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) which is conducted simultaneously throughout Australian schools every year for all students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9. This year’s national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy will commence during week four.

Staff returned to school a few days prior to students. We used this opportunity to further our understanding of the Australian Curriculum and develop operational plans that reflect proposed targets for improvement. We also welcomed back Mrs Pauline Genovese who resumes her previous role as our Italian Language Specialist.

In-term swimming has begun with gusto. I have received many positive comments regarding our students’ conduct and level of enthusiasm for developing this important life skill. Swimming will continue until the end of next week. Please remember to label any additional clothing to provide ease of return in the event of loss of any item.

Our school security system alerted security guards recently to an intruder on the school premises. Upon investigation an individual was discovered on site attempting to access the school undercover area. Security apprehended the individual and police were able to collect forensic evidence to support their case. If you are aware of any suspicious behaviour around our school please phone Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

The next meeting of our school parent body will be held Wednesday 16th May 7.00pm in the staffroom. I encourage all parents and carers to take an active role in their child’s educational journey and come along to share in this core decision making group. Events to look forward to this term include our Mother’s Day Stall, Big Morning Tea, Spell-a-thon, International Feast Day just to name a few.

It has been pleasing to note the level of compliance that has recently been demonstrated by everyone who accesses our school parking during peak drop off and pick up times. Thank you all for your patience and commitment to providing our students with a safe schooling environment.

I have had one reminder from the crosswalk attendants regarding waiting for the flag to be raised and whistle to blow before crossing. If you are using this service please wait until directed by the attendant before crossing.

Looking forward to sharing in what is expected to be a busy yet rewarding term.

Dan Bralic
Principal
Consideration is being thoughtful about other people and their feelings. It is thinking about how our actions affect others and caring about how they feel. It is paying attention to what other people like and don’t like, and doing things that give them happiness.

At home and as a family each person could choose a ‘secret pal’ and spend a day being considerate of that person. The next day, during a family sharing time, each person would share the experience – what it felt like and the effect it had.

Woolworths earn & learn
For every $10 spent at Woolworths you receive a sticker. Attach sticker to “My Sticker Card” (distributed with newsletter) drop completed cards into box in office foyer. Additional “My Sticker Cards” are available from office. Promotion runs from May 9 to July 1, 2012.

John Forrest Secondary College Independent Public School
Information Evening
Tuesday 8 May 2012, commencing at 6.15pm
An opportunity for parents of children in Year 5,6 and 7 to find out about our Year 8-12 Curriculum, Academic Excellence program, Specialist Programs (Music, Cricket, Netball & Tennis), Scholarships, Career, Values and learning skills Programs and Student Support Services
For further information contact Brad Walsh on 9473 4000 or email:

Woodvale Secondary College Independent Public School
Is one of 6 school offering a specialised soccer course, catering for students Years 8 to 12. Applicants should have an interest in soccer and a desire to improve their skills. Application forms available from the school office or via the web. Email: Soccer@woodvale.wa.edu.au. Applications are due by Friday June 8, 2012 and trials will commence on Wednesday June 12, 2012. For further information Tel: 9309 0808.

Balcatta Senior High School - Special programs in Dance and Multimedia Graphics.
There are limited places in each course and although some experience is useful a willingness to learn is extremely important in selecting suitable students. Application forms can be downloaded from the web at www.balcattashs.wa.edu.au. Alison Martin (Dance Coordinator) 9345 8256 or Jamie Arkeveld HOLA Arts (Multimedia Graphics) 9345 8237.

Auditions – The Graduate College of Dance
Annual Auditions are being held soon. The college offers comprehensive eight year curriculum for students in years 5 to 12 considering a career in dance and related vocations. An introductory Dance Performance Course is also available for younger students aged 5 to 9 years. Please contact our office administrator on Tel: 9380 0551 Fax 9381 3500 or email: gradcollege@perthmodern.wa.edu.au
Congratulations to Awards Winners - 4 May

**Merit Award Winners Friday - 4 May**

- R3 Lyrad
- R4 Cassandra
- R5 Kyeson
- R6 Safia
- R7 Monique
- R8 Nuha
- R9 Erin
- R10 Sayon
- R11 River
- R12 Lucy
- R16 Annabelle
- R18 Jaspa
- R19 Myles
- R20 Nafis
- R20 Alizeh

Music Namasvi, Davinh Art Reginald, Roger

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**Canteen Roster**

**Weeks 3 & 4**

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**The Crest** is open each Monday, Wednesday, Friday

New Winter Menu

Hot Dogs on Wednesday only $3.00

Phone Melissa Emanuele on 041 341 8037 If you can help in the canteen

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**Assembly Information - 4 May**

- **Junior: Black**  Lily
- **Junior: Gold**  Lily
- **Junior: Red**  Holly
- **Senior: Black**  Nicholas
- **Senior: Gold**  Charlotte
- **Senior: Red**  Isaac

**Winning Faction**  Gold

**Cupid Bear Winner**  Room 20

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**City of Bayswater 2012 Scholarships**

The City of Bayswater is once again awarding scholarships to residents who have achieved outstanding results in their chosen field.

* Three Scholarship will be awarded to successful applicants of up to $1,500 in the following fields:
  - Music
  - Sports / Sports Official
  - Local Sports Representation
  - Visual Art

Applications Available now!

Application close Friday 25 May, 2012

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Student Update Forms
Student updates have been sent home this week, with a return date of **Friday 11 May, 2012**. It would be appreciated if you could return them to admin by this date. It is important to have correct phone numbers, especially if your child becomes sick while at school. It is essential to have up to date medical information. **Please don’t forget to sign any changes.**

Early Arrival
Parents and caregivers are reminded that adequate supervision of children can not be guaranteed until 8.30am.

Late Pick ups
There have been a number of children who have not been collected in a timely manner. Please ensure your children are aware of who will be collecting them and where this will occur. If you are running late, please ring the school on 9370 2330.

Entertainment Books
Now selling from admin for only **$65**. Please see the ladies in the office if you would like to buy one for a Mothers Day present.

Scholastic Book Club News
**Issue 3 orders are due back at school by Friday, 4th May. Please get your orders in on time, flyers are placed around the school to notify you of the closing date. Do not place late orders in the P&C box after this time!** Thankyou for supporting book club, every dollar spent helps buy books for our library.

Free Mulch
Our Gardener Ross Watkins would like to offer parents at Hillcrest a chance to have a trailer load of **Free Mulch - enquire at the school office.** Mulched street tree pruning’s are a particularly good combination of nitrogen and carbon. The leaves, seed, flower, bark and wood all combine to make a wonderful brew that breaks down slowly and feeds the soil as it does.

Buzz dance theatre  July School Holiday 2012
**Places are limited please book early to ensure your place. Workshops held at the King Street Art Centre 357-365 Murray Street Perth. Book your spot online via www.trybookong.com/TJTC.** Questions! Please ring Mary in the Buzz office on 9226 2333 or email: admin@buzzdance.com.au

The Uniform Shop  will be opened on Friday 11 May, from 8.15 - 9.00am. If you would to have a look at second hand clothing or buy your Red Hooded Jacket for winter. This is your opportunity to pop in and have a look.

There will not be any Interschool Sport on **Friday May 11, 2012.** It has been cancelled because of swimming. A make up day to play Bayswater Primary School has been organised for July 6.

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A letter from Colin Barnett MLA, Premier of Western Australia was sent to Mr Bralic to inform him that 3 students from Hillcrest Primary completed the **Premiers Summer Reading Challenge** (in support of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of WA) **Congratulations to Eleanor & James & Ziyi.**