Starting next year, a new way of funding schools will begin. The new student-centred funding model is fair, responsive, flexible and transparent. School communities will know exactly what is being funded and how it is being funded. This is quite different from what happens now where funding is mainly directed at school types and education programs through numerous funding lines and complex formulas.

The new model includes funding for:

1) Each student enrolled in a school with different amounts depending on the year level of the student
2) Aboriginal students, students from the most socially disadvantaged backgrounds, students with English as an additional language and students with disability to address their specific learning needs
3) School characteristics such as where a school is located
4) Targeted initiatives in schools providing specific services and programs.

The model also recognises the importance of the early years of schooling. This is because we know from national and international research that investment in young children has the greatest long term benefits for them, their families and their communities – and indeed our economy.

In 2015 every school will receive its funding as a dollar amount through a one line budget. Principals will determine the portion for salaries for teachers and other school staff, and the portion for cash for buying goods and services.

This flexibility will give the principal far more control over available resources so they can make the best decisions for their students and be more accountable for how their school performs. A funding model that supports greater control at the school level is essential for our contemporary education system.

- extracted from Department of Education promotional materials.

Bendigo Bank Community Grant

Hillcrest Primary School is fortunate to benefit from the generosity of many local community groups and businesses. This year we have sought to continue our funding relationship with the Bayswater Bendigo Bank through their Local Community Grants for the continuation of our whole school Sustainability initiatives. I look forward to sharing any news regarding the outcome of this submission.

Dan Bralich
Principal

REMINDER!
Pupil Free Day
Friday 22nd August
Library News—Children’s Book Week 18 – 22 August
“Get Connected” is this year’s book theme.

Book week is next week. For the first time in 6 years the Library is having a Scholastic Book Fair. We will have 4 displays cabinet of children’s books and other small stationary items available for purchase. Prices range from $1.00 to $16.00. Parents are welcome to pop in for tea/coffee and biscuit on Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 from 8.30am till 12.45pm and choose a book for their children, maybe put away for a Christmas present, or donate a book to the library and we will put an inscription on the inside cover, donated to the Library with children’s name on it. The Library will be open at recess and lunch time for children to purchase a book.

Don’t forget that next Thursday the 21 August is also dress up as your favourite book character day. A parade will be held after recess. Prizes will be awarded for best dressed. The children’s book Council of Australia short-listed books will be on display in the library as well as competitions to enter.

Any Parents available to help on Wednesday 20 0t Thursday 21 of August it would be very much appreciated. Come into the Library and see Suzie. See you there! Mrs Suzie Waldram - Library Officer

The 2014 school Writing competition is now open!
Calling all Australian school Students from Yr 1 to Yr 7
Write a story or poem for your chance to win $1000.00 ($500 for you and $500 for your school)
And an iPod Touch 16GB + an Xbox 360 or an Xbox one or Playstation 4
There is NO THEME so you can write about whatever your heart desires!
*Stories no more than 500 words, poems no longer than 16 lines * Entries must be in by Sunday 31 August.
Enter online, via email, via post (P.O Box 2734 Nerang DC QLD 4211) or via Fax (07 5574 3644).
**Canteen Roster**

**Term 3 - Weeks 5 & 6**

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The Crest Canteen is open each Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
If you would like to be a parent helper, Phone Melissa Emanuele on 0413 418 037

**What's Happening………………………**

- **Monday 18 August**
  - Book Week at Hillcrest

- **Wednesday 20 August**
  - Interschool Cross Country at Coolbinia P/S

- **Tuesday 26 August**
  - Yr 6/7 Fundraiser Pizza Day

- **Friday 22 August**
  - School Development Day Children do not attend

- **Friday 29 August**
  - Uniform Shop Open 8.15am – 9.00am

- **Monday 8 September**
  - Interschool Sports Jumps & Throws

- **Wednesday 10 September**
  - Faction Athletics Carnival

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**Merit Award Winners - Term 3 15 August 2014**

- R4 Tahlia Russo
- R5 Zaylia Cunningham
- R6 Amy Morris
- R8 Dani White
- R9 Joshua Elliott-Oldfield
- R10 Roje Nakshandi
- R11 Henry Jiang
- R12 Maria Cerrero
- R18 James Vuong
- R19 Miranda Blanchard
- R20 Nuha Islam
- Music Ruby Harrington
- Music Isabella Baker
- Art Leila Tucker
- Art Sylvia Tan
- Art Jorjia Fianagan

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**Merit Award Winners - Term 3**

- R3 Charlie Roberts
- R4 Jeanette Lyndon
- R5 Cooper Arnold
- R6 Asher Law
- R7 Shylah Morgan
- R8 Cooper Ilich-King
- R9 Mavis Lyndon
- R10 Temika Zoller
- R11 Deacon French
- R12 Sophie Roberts
- R18 Shannon Stobie
- R19 Mirko Petrusich
- R20 Trung Pham
- Music Joshua Sta-Ana
- Music Aidan Serdar
- Art Lauren McPhee

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**GREEN SLIP WINNERS - 8 AUGUST 2014**

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**Early Childhood payments and Voluntary Contributions**

Pay by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).
Account name: Hillcrest Primary School
BSB: 016-363 Account no: 3408 72956
Reference: Student name
Payments can still be made at administration by cash or cheque.
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 Howe on 0419 907 565

Bayswater@jacaranda.net.au

VIRTUE - for weeks 5 & 6 Enthusiasm

Enthusiasm is being inspired. It is doing something wholeheartedly, with zeal and eagerness – giving 100% to what we do. Being enthusiastic is being excited about something, looking forward to it. It comes from having a positive attitude. At home, work and school acknowledge ENTHUSIASM in family, friends and colleagues by noticing when they …

- Enjoy looking forward to something
- Think of imaginative ways to get things done
- Do things wholeheartedly
- Smile, laugh and enjoy what they do
- Enjoy the wonders of life
- Are full of positive spirit

Remember – “To be successful, the first thing to do is fall in love with your work.”

Sister Mary Lauretta Mr Steve Fairs - Associate Principal

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS DATE SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2014

Hillcrest School Fete will be held on Sunday 9 November, and the P&C would like to welcome all students and former students with their families and friends to come and enjoy a great fun day out. More details will be published in upcoming newsletters. For any parents or friends wishing to hold a stall at the fete please liaise with Greg Plumb greg@barclaywells.com. There is limited space so it will be on a first in best dressed basis. The next Fete meeting will be held at the Bayswater Hotel on 27 August, and any interested parents are welcome to attend. This is the major fundraising event for the P&C for this year and any assistance on the day would be hugely appreciated. Mr Greg Plumb - Fundraising Committee

A note from Nurse Lily - Children are as individual and as different as their parents and making decisions about what’s best for raising children is very personal. The Raising Children website offers up-to-date, research-based material on more than 800 topics spanning child development, behaviour, health, nutrition and fitness, play and learning, connecting and communicating school and education, entertainment and technology, sleep and safety. It covers Grown-ups, newborns, (0-3months), babies (3-12 months), toddlers (1-3 years), pre-schoolers (3-5 years), school-age children (5-9 years), pre-teens (9-11 years), and early teens (12-15 years) There are tips, videos and other useful resources.

The Raising of Children Network provides information that can help parents with the day to day decisions of raising children. It also provides information to help parents and carers look after their own needs. The information is based on the best science in parenting, child health and development, presented in language we can all understand.

This is a website for Australian mothers, father, grandparents and anyone else who has responsibility for the care of children. www.raisingchildren.com.au

A message from The Crest, our wonderful Canteen
Many thanks to Stainless Fabrication for the Canteen’s new sink and bench. It looks FANTASTIC!

Melissa

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photos are scheduled for Monday 15 September and Tuesday 16 September. The Uniform Shop will be open on Friday 29 August 8.15am-9.00am if you need to purchase a school top. All pre-paid orders can be left at the office. More Information later.