



# The Golden Quill

TERM 4 WEEK 7

24TH NOVEMBER 2011



## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>November</b>	
Official BER Opening	25th
<b>December</b>	
P&C Meeting	7th
Presentation Night	7th
Mudgee Excursion	15th

# Visual Arts Camp

This week Hill End Public School invited other schools from within the Mudgee, Orange and Bathurst districts to attend our Visual Arts Camp which we hold as an annual event.

The children enjoyed 2 full days packed with a variety of art activities and creative tasks, taking home several art works including one framed piece of their choice. Their sketchbooks and art bags went home with them also to enable the good work to continue.

Despite the rather bleak weather the children enjoyed the range of activities and left Hill End with many happy memories and some new friends.



**Note**  
Please inform the school if you wish to receive our newsletter by email.

# K-1-2 at Work and Play

A new student, Cy joined us this week. K-1-2 enjoyed having him in their class and playground for the week.

K-1-2 enjoyed a great game of soccer.



The food was really good!

I made new friends.

Walking around Hill End and sketching.

I had fun!

Fun games.

Great teachers !

The shoes!

## Visual Arts Camp cont.....



# Live Life Well at School

Mrs Auld recently attended a course highlighting the importance of healthy eating habits and physical activity to long term health benefits. The course was delivered by representatives of NSW Health Services and the NSW Department of Education and Communities. Hill End Public School already implements programmes which place emphasis on these two areas; and will continue to involve the students in learning activities designed to promote a healthy lifestyle.



## PM Benchmarking

Miss Aparicio, Principal of Windeyer Public School visited us today. She was here to benchmark all our student's reading levels. It was great to get an independent benchmark and we were pleased to see that student's levels were at the level where we thought they were achieving.



All students are above regional benchmark level. This data has now been sent to our School Education Director.



## Newsletter Briefs

### Getting organised

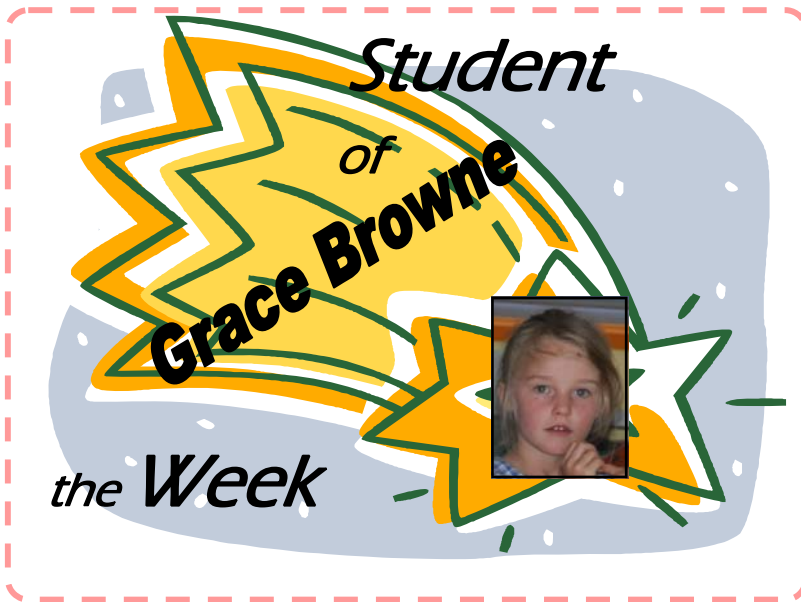
On the School A to Z website, listen to Shannon Lush's advice about how to organise your household in a way that will leave you with more time to enjoy your family.

Go to: [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/web/dec-schools-a-z/homework-and-study/homework-tips/organising-the-home-for-a-smooth-school-run](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/web/dec-schools-a-z/homework-and-study/homework-tips/organising-the-home-for-a-smooth-school-run)

### Toy recycling

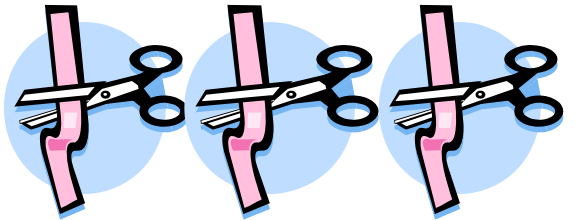
With Christmas fast approaching, have you considered donating your youngest child's unwanted toys to charity? Many families feel the pinch over this time and donations to all charities are much appreciated. A new resource for quality used goods is Second Chance Toys ([www.secondchancetoys.com.au](http://www.secondchancetoys.com.au)), an Australia-wide community initiative to rescue and recycle gently used plastic toys by donating them to children in need. Check out the website for more information, or donate at your local op shop, charity or drop off bin.





# BER Opening

Don't forget tomorrow is the official opening of our new BER building. Join us at 2.00 pm for afternoon tea and the official ribbon cutting by the Principal Winsome Price.



# Presentation Night

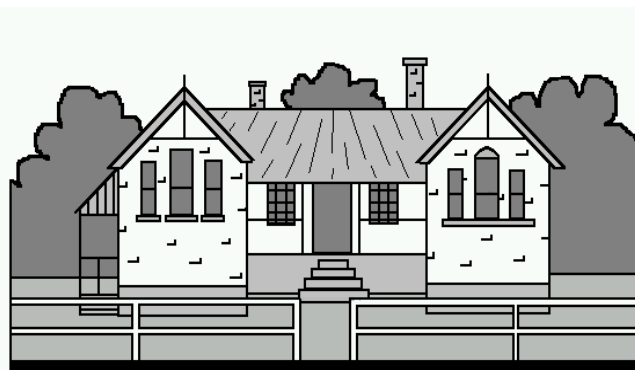
Presentation Night will be held at the Royal Hall on Wednesday 7th December at 7.00 pm. Supper will be provided by the P&C for a gold coin donation. Come along and enjoy the book presentation and some musical entertainment. There will also be a Christmas Hamper Raffle drawn on the night.

## School History Snippet



Mr Pauling's wife died of a stroke in august 1931, but her husband remained in charge of the school at Hill End until April the following year, when Mr Fizelle took over with an enrolment of 61, an assistant Miss E Barlow was appointed two months after him, but was moved again in October 1934. After a lapse of some months Miss G McDonald arrived as assistant to Hubert Fizelle. Again tragedy struck when Mr Fizelle was killed in a motor accident in April 1935, his funeral taking place on the 24th April.

The teacher sent to replace him was James Gamble, who complained about the state of the residence and the rental of 45 pounds which he considered excessive under the circumstances, as he claimed the cost of living in Hill end was 20% higher than in Bathurst or Mudgee. There was no electricity, gas or water supply as there were in larger country centres, where rents were higher. The rise in rental came at a time when salaries had been cut due to the depression and finally the new rental compared unfavourably with the average for private dwellings at Hill End which would rarely fetch 10 shillings a week in rent.



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