

# The Golden Quill



Term 4 Week 5

14th November 2019

Hill End Public School



## Sydney Excursion

### Links to Learning

Based on our space and engineering themed studies throughout the year, our 2019 Sydney excursion over the past four days has been a great success. Traveling down to Sydney last Sunday our school met up with the students and staff from Glen Alice Public School on Monday to experience a wonderful and diverse range of learning experiences.

At 'The Big Dig' we learnt about the amazing history of the Rocks, from early Aboriginal settlement

through to convict life and European settlers arrival in Australia. We explored incredible engineered structures including the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sky Tower. We travelled back in time to learn about Australia's incredible maritime history at the Australian Maritime Museum. We then explored the history and future of space travel at the Powerhouse Museum. We travelled on trains, buses and ferries to explore the city and it was, quite simply, an incredible experience for our stu-

dents. Sydney was the perfect location to enrich and consolidate learning that has been taking place at school over the past year.

### Raising expectations, enriching student lives.

The Sydney excursion was also of further incredible value as it also enabled our children to enjoy, engage and experience activities that they simply never have had the opportunity to do. It bridged the gap between rural and city environments for our children and allowed the students to social-

ise and explore parts of Sydney together, safely. It allowed them to build social and learning connections between the schools, and to grow emotionally as individuals.

It was, as a teacher, a privilege to observe the children growing in confidence and experience throughout the excursion.

### CALENDAR

Little Diggers  
Fridays 1- 3

School Photos  
18th November

STEM Challenge  
26th November

Last Bathurst  
Library Van Visit  
27th November

## No Diggers Tomorrow

Please note, Little Diggers will not be held tomorrow. Next Diggers day is Friday 22nd November. Come along and join the fun.



# Engineering

Well, it was a short week with Mr G, Mrs Rayner, Mr English and all our students heading off on their Sydney Excursion. How exciting! But, before they left they tested their marble runs!



**"Nothing makes an engineer more productive, than the last minute"**

## Sydney Excursion

Just a few photos to whet your appetite for next weeks newsletter which will have lots more photos and stories from the four day Sydney Excursion. Our students visited Manly, joined an archaeological dig and then met up with Glen Alice PS. After that they visited both the Maritime and Powerhouse Museums, laser tag at Harbourside Kingpin. Not to mention all the wonderful meals!





# Little Diggers



Chelsea, Imogen and Ruby had a lovely afternoon last Friday. The girls played in the sandpit and built with Lego. They joined Edmond in some magic painting with Mrs Kimm, Rebecca and Glynis. Late in the afternoon they played on the equipment and enjoyed a game of Softee Hockey with HEPS students.



**"At it's heart engineering is about using science to find creative practical solutions"**  
**Queen Elizabeth II**



## EXCURSION AWARDS

*Each student received an individual award this week.*

*Well done!*

## Plants for Sale



If you're looking for some healthy seedlings for your garden, look no further. Hill End Public School students have everything you need. We're now in a new location outside the General Store. Come along and grab a bargain. Get your garden looking great for Christmas.



# Thank you

Thank you to Jeannie and the Hill End General Store staff for their kind donation of \$65.00 towards the Sydney excursion. This money was raised at their food stall at the Posey Hill clearing sale. Special thanks also to our brigade members who were on standby and patrol all day Tuesday during the extreme fire danger period and yesterday also with a total fire ban still in place. Thank you to NPWS staff who were also on patrol. Brigade members would like to thank Jeannie for providing a delicious lunch for them on Tuesday.



A well attended Remembrance Day service was held in Hill End on Monday. Thank you to Peter Sparks for raising the flag and laying the wreath on behalf of the War Memorial Committee.



Hill End Public School's  
150th Birthday!  
Saturday 7th November 2020



## Visitors

This week Rosalie came in to borrow some books, Julie and Myrtle visited to scan and email some documents and Bernie dropped by on some Brigade business.

The Bathurst Library Depot is open week days from 9-3. Come on in for all your books, DVD'S and magazines.



As always Hill End Public School is open to our community for all their computer, internet, printing, photocopying and faxing needs. Don't hesitate to pop in to use our facilities. Grab a cuppa too, you might just be lucky enough to score a bickie as well!

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