

As this is the last newsletter for the year, it is a good opportunity to reflect on what we have achieved and future directions. Despite the interruptions early in the year, we continued to build on our learning and

wellbeing priorities. Improving reading and numeracy outcomes for our students has been our ongoing focus and we have been working hard on using student achievement data to ensure that learning needs are met, and our students continue to grow.

Next year, in response to data collected from our parents, students and staff surveys, we will have an overarching focus on communication. This will allow us to work closely with you to achieve the best possible outcomes for your children.

Presentation Evening Tuesday 13th December

Congratulations to the many deserving students who will be the recipients of awards honouring their achievements and contributions during 2022. Parents and carers are invited to celebrate this great occasion with us at our annual Presentation Evening tonight commencing at 6pm in our Hall. Well done respectful, responsible, learners!

Semester 2 Reports

Students in Years K-10 will receive their Semester 2 Reports today. Any reports not sent home today will be held at the Office for collection. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you wish to discuss your child's learning progress.

Phone/smart watch

One final reminder that as of the first day of Term 1, Tuesday 7th February, HCS will be a 'phone-free' space for all students. This will allow our students to focus on their learning and have time to engage in physical activities or just sit with friends and talk during recess and lunch breaks.

Premier's Back to School NSW program.

Don't forget you can now apply for the Premier's Back to School NSW program, offering \$150 worth of vouchers to help pay for school supplies like school uniforms, shoes, bags, textbooks and stationery.

Every primary and secondary school student in NSW is eligible for the vouchers. You can apply through MyServiceNSW.

As this is the last newsletter for 2022, I would like to wish our school community all the best for a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year and thank you for your continued support.

Take care everyone!

Ms Sandy Ryan Principal



Upcoming Dates

Tues December 13th Presentation night 6pm B.N. Hall

Wed December 14th Year 6 Formal 6pm

Wed December 14th Secondary Rewards Day

Friday December 16th Whole School Pool Party

2023

Tuesday Feb 7th Yrs. 1-12 return

Thursday Feb 9th Kinder commence

Wed/ Thurs Feb 8th/9th RAP Yr. 11/12 Study Camp

Friday Feb 10th Whole Swimming Carnival

Hillston Central School acknowledges the Wiradjuri people who are the traditional custodians of the lands on which our school is located.

We pay our respects to Elders, past, present, and emerging. We extend our respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island students enrolled in our school. Hillston Central School is committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas.

STUDENTS RETURN DATES

Tuesday 7th February—Years 1-12

Thursday 9th February—Kinder

WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Friday 10th February

For Sale

Hillston Central
School Drink Bottles

\$8 each



School Hats

School hats are available from our Front Office for \$20 each. We have a variety of styles and sizes including bucket, wide-brim, caps and flat





Mobile Phone & Smart Watch Procedures Policy Changes 2023

K—12 will not be permitted to use digital mobile devices during school time.



Phones brought to school must be switched off & stored securely in the phone lockers during the school day

If used during the day the phone/watch may be confiscated and kept in the front office until collected by parent/carer

MOBILE LIBRARY

Returns on Wednesday 14th December. Please ensure that all books are returned before the holidays

No borrowing on this day.

Medications at School

Reminder that **no primary student should have ANY kind of medication in their school bag.**

All medication must be prescribed by a Dr (including Panadol) and be held at the front office.



The only exception to this rule is epi-pen for anaphylaxis.



BYOD SPECIFICATIONS



Hillston Central School Minimum Specifications

Take this sheet to the store







The BYOD Program requires all students in Years 7-12 to bring their own computing device to school each day. This personal computing device needs to meet the **Device Specifications** that are outlined by the school and listed below.

Device Type Windows Laptop
Operating System Windows 10

Wireless 5GHz 802.11 N or 802.11AC

Screen Size 10"+

Storage Capacity 128GB Hard drive

RAM 4GB

Battery Life 8 Hours

Software Devices must have software or apps that allow for:

- Internet browsing
- Note taking (OneNote recommended)
- Word processing
- Creating spreadsheets
- Creating presentations

Students can download free Microsoft & Adobe software for laptops at Students on the Hub Web Store

Suitable Device Examples



\$344

Acer Aspire A114-31-C014 14-inch Laptop



\$399

HP 14-BS020TU 14" Laptop



\$446

Acer Aspire A114-31-P438 14-inch Laptop

** Device models and prices are sourced from www.harveynorman.com.au (10/4/2018). We have no affiliation with Harvey Norman and products for example purposes only.

EQUIPMENT LIST

The Maths Department have requested that you specifically purchase the calculator pictured to the right. It is a **Casio-82AU Plus II**.

Students are required to bring:

All products listed will be available through the Hillston Newsagency.

All Students

- · 30cm ruler (Not metal)
- · Glue sticks
- · Scissors
- · Calculator (as pictured)
- Lead and coloured pencils
- Pens (red, blue, and black)
- Highlighters
- 8GB USB drive
- Headphones
- BYOD Device



All students are encouraged to use exercise books from 2022 into 2023 for the same subject

Subject Specific Requirements

YEARS 7 & 8

Subject	Books	Special Requirements
English	1x 128pg A4 book	
Mathematics	2x 96pg A4 books	Casio-82AU Plus II
Science	1x 48pg A4 book	
Geography	1x 64pg A4 book	
History	1x48pg A4 book 1xA4 Document Wallet	
PDHPE	1x96pg A4 book	
LOTE	1x 96pg A4 book	
Technology	1x Display Folder	
Music	1x 48pg A4 book	

EQUIPMENT LIST (continued)

YEARS 9 & 10

Subject	Books	Special Requirements
English	1x 128pg A4 book	
Mathematics	1x 120pg A4 books	Casio-82AU Plus II
Science	1x 48pg A4 books	
Geography	1 x 64 A4 books	
History	1x 48pg A4 book 1x A4 Document Wallet	
PDHPE	1x 96pg A4 book	
	ELECTIVE SUBJECTS	
Food Technology	1x 64pg book	
Agricultural Technology	1x 96pg A4 book	
PASS	1x 96pg A4 book	
Industrial Technology Metal & Industrial Technology Engineering	Display Folder	Optional: own safety glasses

YEARS 11 & 12

Subject	Books	Special Requirements
All subjects	1x 120pg A4 books PER SUBJECT	
Mathematics	2x 120pg A4 book (work) 1x 96pg A4 book (theory)	Casio-82AU Plus II Geometry Set

Secondary Uniform—Summer

All students K-Year 12 can be purchased from Lowes in Griffith or Online at the Lowes Website



Primary Uniform—Summer

All students K-Year 12 can be purchased from Lowes in Griffith or Online at the Lowes Website





SPORTS UNIFORM SUMMER AND WINTER Kinder—Yr 12







SALAD IN SANDWICHES SET STUDENTS UP FOR SUCCESS!







Nutrition Snippet

SILLY SEASON FUN

Get the kids to design their own festive season creation!





Have fun and get fruit and fibre into the day!

Our super easy <u>banana</u> <u>pikelet</u> recipe is perfect for the kids to get creative in the kitchen!



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380 Banna Avenue Griffith NSW 2680

LOWES WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE ...

NSW BACK TO SCHOOL VOUCHER PROGRAM

What is covered by NSW back to school program?

3 x \$50 Vouchers

Eligible purchases are limited to the following

School uniforms (K-12)

- Your complete school uniform
- Hats
- Socks
- Shoes
- Umbrellas
- Raincoats

Trade Schools (pathway program)

- High Vis Polo Tops and Shirts
- Industrial Pants and Shorts
- Steel Cap Boots
- Socks Protectors
- Safety Equipments

*T&Cs Apply. No returns, exchanges in accordance with our returns policy



STAY TUNED!

ONCE THE NSW SERVICES APP RELEASES THE PROGRAM, REDEEM YOUR VOUCHERS INSTORE OR ONLINE