

**Dear Parents/Carers** 

2015 has been an amazing year in the history of Hillvue Public School. A year of change! A year of Consolidation! A year that has seen the school and its achievements celebrated on the world stage.

At Hillvue Public School our focus is on innovation, opportunity and success. We work together to ensure our teachers, students and families are supported and recognised as important members of our school community. We work hard to provide a happy and safe environment where everyone is encouraged to be the best person they can be.

We really have had so many highlights this year and so many foundations continue to be put in place to improve outcomes and opportunities for our students.

I acknowledge and thank the amazing staff at this school that work so hard and give so much to provide our students with such a diverse and exciting curriculum.

Today is the last presentation day for Mrs Galvin. Mrs Galvin has cared for, taught and nurtured hundreds if not thousands of children throughout her years at Hillvue Public School. Mrs Galvin leaves Hillvue Public School at the end of the year. Enfys we wish you the best as you move into retirement, we thank you for years of care and dedication to so many students at Hillvue. We wish you a long and happy retirement with family and friends.

I also acknowledge and thank Mrs York for her friendship, guidance, support, compassion, care and leadership. Vicki has relieved for me during my absences this year and has done an outstanding job. Her knowledge, professionalism and advocacy for children is second to none.

I thank the entire executive team for their support and leadership. I thank the small but very dedicated members of the P&C led by Vickie Fisher who give so much. I thank our Reference Group for their guidance and support led by Mr Tom Flanders. I acknowledge the strong partnerships that continue to grow between Hillvue and the University of New England and University of Newcastle

2015 has been a wonderful year at Hillvue Public School and I urge and encourage parents and carers to get involved in your children's education. Be an active participant in school life and help us support your children to be the best person they can be. Congratulations to all students who received awards today

Thank you to everyone for coming today and for your continued support of our school. Have a safe and Happy Christmas and I look forward to working with you all again in 2016

Chris Shaw Executive Principal





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2016 Boy Captain & **2015 Principal's Award Tino Van Staden** 



**2016 Girl Captain** Kassidee Dawson



2016 **CAPTAIN'S** AND LEADERSHIP TEAM



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Dux: Alex McLeod



**Sport Encouragement** Award: **Tamyhas Jerrard** 



**Premier's Sporting Challenge: Emily Gardner** 



Outstanding **Student Award: Bianca Williams** 



Tamworth **Teacher's Assoc** Award: Hannah Towney





**Hillvue Teacher's** Award: Zachary Vidler

Citizenship Award: **Phoebe Moyses** 







Hillvue Public School P&C Awards:

Tamia Haines, Kobee Denniss, Kida Schlenert & Cody Brett

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## **NOTICEBOARD**

## PARTY DAY

## **FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER**

Party Day will be held on the school grounds this year. Children are welcome to come out of uniform.

Bring your swimmers, hats & rashies as there will be water activities happening.

A note will be sent home early this week with all of the details.

#### CHRISTMAS SCRIPTURE ASSEMBLY

We would like to invite Parents, Carers & Friends to our Christmas Assembly.

When: Wednesday 9th December

Where: School Hall

**Time:** Infants (Years K-2) Primary (Years 3-6) 9.35am— 10.05am 10.10am—10.40am

#### LIBRARY NEWS

All library books need to be returned this week

ready for stocktake.



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Skoolbag has arrived at Hillvue Public School. We will be trialling skoolbag for the remainder of 2015 and it will be fully implemented in 2016. Be one of the first to download the app and have a look at what will be available at your fingertips

Skoolbag provides us with an easy way to tell you everything you need to know. School newsletters, school notices and alerts will be communicated directly to your smartphone through the Skoolbag School Mobile App. Skoolbag is a school Mobile App that communicates directly with iPhone, iPad, Android, and Windows Phones devices.

# Skoolbag

### How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

#### For iPhone and iPad users:

- 1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
- 2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
- 3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
- 4. The app is FREE to download.
- 5. When installed click "Open"
- 6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
- 8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

#### For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

- 1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
- Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
- 3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
- 4. Click the "Install" button.
- Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
- 6. Click "Open" when installed.
- 7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
- 8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

#### For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:

- 1. Go to the Windows Store on your 81 Windows Phone or Windows 81/10 Device
- 2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
- 3. Install the Skoolbag app
- 4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
- 5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
- 6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
- 7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 81 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.

#### Find out more at www.skoolbag.com.au





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## **DIARY DATES**

TERM 4

WEEK 10	
Wed 9 December	Scripture Christmas Assembly
Thurs 10 December	Year 6 Formal Assembly 12.00pm
Thurs 10 December	Year 6 Graduation 6.30 till 9.00pm
Fri 11 December	Party Day
Wed 16 December	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
	TERM 1 2016
Friday 29 January	TERM 1 2016 School Starts for students Yrs 1-6
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#### FRONT OFFICE

All visitors must report to the Front Office upon arrival.

Office hours are from 8.30am to 4pm on school days. Please telephone 02 67657 446 during these hours.





#### DOWNLOAD THE NEW SKOOLBAG APP ONTO YOUR PHONE OR YOUR COMPUTER TO BE ABLE TO KEEP UPTO DATE WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING AT

**SCHOOL.** Instructions on how to download this app are on page 7 of the newsletter.

#### 2016 SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

School Photo Day will be held next year on Thursday 11th February 2016.

Envelopes will be handed out at the beginning of Term 1. Family Group Photo Packs will also be available. Please come to the front office for Family Photo envelopes.

Envelopes & full payment must be received before Photo Day. Packs range between \$23 and \$42. See Pack Details on the Skoolbag App.

Student are required to wear their full Summer school uniform.



