**Dates to Note:**

**TERM 3 2015**

- **Tues 18th August**
  P&C meeting 7pm
- **Thurs 13th August**
  2:30 Assembly
- **Wed 26th August**
  Book Week activities
- **Thurs 27th August**
  School Photos
  2:30 Assembly
- **31st Aug-4th Sep**
  National Literacy / Numeracy Week
- **Wed 2nd Sep**
  Shine A Light incursion
- **Thurs 10th Sep**
  Enviromentor's Workshop
- **Fri 18th Sep**
  Last day of school
- **Tues 6th October**
  School resumes for all students

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**Alice in Wonderland is 150 years old this year.** To acknowledge this we are celebrating our book week in "Alice Style." Students will be taking part in a story trail, completing tasks along the way that will assist them in a retelling of the story. They will also be involved in croquet games, outdoor chess, hat making and photo booth opportunities. This will conclude with a Mad Hatter’s Tea Party. Our activities will commence at 11:00am on Wednesday 26th August. We invite parents to join us for the Mad Hatter’s Tea Party (for lunch 12:30pm). If you can come, we ask that parents bring a plate and share in the fun with your children. Children will still be expected to bring their usual lunch on the day to eat at the Mad Hatter’s table. Further information closer to the event.

**Yuletide Dinner:** Such a great turn-out for a wonderful night. Thank you to our P&C for organizing this event. It was so lovely seeing our families being able to come together and share a delicious meal in a delightful setting. The meal we speak of was magnificent! Thank you Leila… you never let us down. And thank you to my three gorgeous daughters… Kirsty, Megan and Becky ..for providing a child-minding service so that our parents could enjoy themselves over the meal without worrying about their children.

**PSSA Term 3:** Our students have had two games so far and have come back in a very positive frame of mind. Amazing what a few wins will do to the confidence! Keep up the good work guys!

**Fundraiser:** Thank you to all of those who responded to the pie order. The delivery will be today. They will be ready to be collected from the front office after 2:45 today.

**Education Week:** I was so delighted to have our fabulous parents in attendance on this special afternoon. It was great to have our art on display in our freshly painted library… and what quality work was on show! I also believe our students handled themselves well when discussing their design tasks with visiting parents. Thank you all for coming along and making the afternoon so enjoyable!

**School Photos:** Our school photos will be taken on the morning of Thursday 27th August. Please remember students should be in their full school winter uniform… however, we ask that the boys please wear their new sports shirts for this photo as they really do look smart!

**Shine a Light Incursion:** Our school will be hosting this theatrical event in line with the Book Week theme "Books light up my World". We have invited Hillside Public School to join us in watching this production centred around the short-listed books. They will join us for morning tea, the show commencing at 11:00am and concluding with lunch before returning to their school. It should be a most enjoyable morning.

**Assembly:** Please remember that all parents and friends are welcome to attend our school assemblies held every 2nd Thursday at 2:30 in the senior classroom.
Days to note:

**Wednesdays** = Scripture and PDHPE (sports uniform)
**Thursdays** = Library day and Assembly every 2nd week 2:30pm
**Friday** = Sports day and Canteen day

*Crunch’n sip* = every day

Please only fruit or veg as a small snack!

**School Hours:**

**Teachers on duty** 8:35am

**Morning bell** ... 9:00am...

9:05 commence

**Recess** 11:05-11:25 ; **Lunch:** 12:40-1:30

**Afternoon Bell** ..3:05pm

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**Celebrating Book Week 2015**...

Happy 150th birthday **Alice**

Student activities and Mad Hatter’s Tea Party

**Wednesday 26th August**

12:30 Lunch (parents welcome... bring a plate)

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Our P&C will be meeting

**Tuesday 18th August at 7:00pm**

in the school library.

These meetings are short, fun and best of all ..... **PRODUCTIVE!!!**

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

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**If it is important to you, you will find a way.**

**If not, you will find an excuse!**

A small reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please speak to the class teacher to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 2 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

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**Ann Mills**

**Principal**

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