It Will Be Busy Next Week!

Next week we will have two out-of-school activities. The first will be on Wednesday when we travel to Gulgong for the Eisteddfod. On Thursday the children will be travelling to Hill End school for a "Space & Beyond" day. Thank you to parents who have volunteered to drive. It is very much appreciated.

A meeting to organise catering for this year’s Field Days will be held on Wednesday 28th May at 7pm at the school.

Interested in getting your RSA?

A course will be held at Hargraves School on Sunday 29th June—Cost $160 per person.

Course runs from 9 am to 3.30 pm with a minimum of 10 people.

Contact Gai Rayner 6373 8518 or Julie Wilson 6373 8509

Kristie’s a Winner!

The children in Miss Wakely and Mrs Rae’s class entered the Mudgee Guardian’s “Design an Ad” competition. Children from eight local schools entered their artwork, designing ads for local businesses.

Our school was asked to design ads for Landmark. Everything from itchy sheep to farms for sale, our children created some colourful advertisements. Kristie Condren’s artwork impressed the judges. The school was presented with a laptop by sponsor Scott Latimore of Wicked IT.

Tickets for the "MIMOSA" Opera House concert on Thursday 26th June will go on sale on

THURSDAY 29th MAY—9 am

Tickets can be purchased online from sydneyoperahouse.com or phone 9550 7777.

In the past tickets have sold out very quickly.

A limit of 4 tickets per customer applies.

Standard ticket—$40
Concession—$33

A booking fee applies per transaction:

$8.50—Call Centre
$8.50—Internet
$5.00 Box Office Counter

The whole school will be attending a Musica Viva concert at Mudgee Public School on Monday 2nd June at 10 am.

The children will see the "Chambermaids".

This follows a very busy week of school activities for the children with them attending the Gulgong Eisteddfod and Hill End school.

We will be asking for help with transporting the children.

As far as we know at this stage, this will be the last out of school activity for this term.

Please help if you are able.

A permission note is attached to this newsletter.
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**Free**—We have some sets of encyclopaedias and non-fiction books that we no longer use and are giving away. First in, first served.

### Mental maths strategies

We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them.

School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: [www.bit.ly/JkiUJsY](http://www.bit.ly/JkiUJsY)

### Too sick for school?

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser [www.bit.ly/1hytn2E](http://www.bit.ly/1hytn2E)

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**Student of the Week**

- **Kelvin Thomlinson**
  - For always doing his best

- **Laylah O’Brien**
  - For a wonderful start to Term 2 with a great attitude

- **Ebony Roach**
  - For conscientious effort in all subjects

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The primary children created some fantastic entries for the Waste To Art competition. This year’s theme is eWaste.