Yahoo! What a fantastic break in the weather on Wednesday. I am sure all of our farmers who received rain are thrilled; I myself will be very interested to see what the rain may have washed into the creeks. Time to get the pan out for the first time this year.

In Class Activities and Lessons
The term is already well underway with many engaging activities planned and taking place within the school for our students.

Writing
Informative Texts
We have been studying persuasive texts such as adverts and speeches as a part of our study into informative texts. The students wrote up a fun way to remember the structure of an exposition. It is called ‘the hand of persuasion’.

Imaginative Texts
For our lessons on imaginative texts we have been learning all about fairy tales. We have examined how fairy tales often use magic or supernatural themes and the use of mysterious creatures such as trolls, goblins or fairies as characters within the stories.

Human Society and Its Environment – HSIE
Our HSIE topic for the first term is ‘Workers in the Community’. So far we have learnt how some workers help our community and the differences between ‘needs and wants’ and ‘goods and services’.

Maths
All of the students have been working hard on reading time and on working with two-dimensional shapes. Allen and Grace have enjoyed learning about symmetry while our Stage 2 and 3 students have been accurately enlarging and reducing shapes.

Special Events
HillGraves Day
4th March
There are two exciting special events coming up this term. The first is a combined Hill End and Hargraves PS Day (HillGraves) on the 4th of March. The theme for the day is ‘green and gold’ to celebrate both Parks Week and the amazing history of Hill End. Hill End will be hosting students from Hargraves for lots of fun games, lessons and activities.

Variety Club Visit
25th March
As a part of the amazing 2014 Caves to Waves adventure the Variety Club will be visiting Hill End Public School on the 25th of March. We are all very excited about hosting the Variety Club at the school with all of their amazing vehicles. All members of the Hill End community are invited to come along to the school at around 12.30pm on the 25th of March for a fantastic lunch with the Variety Club. Please just give us a call if you want to join us all for lunch so we can cater for numbers.

Bathurst Library Depot
It has been wonderful to see people using the Bathurst Library Depot now located in the school. Please feel free to drop in, browse for a book and enjoy a cuppa and biscuit – if ’someone’ hasn’t eaten all the choicky ones first! Mr G
"Writing, Science & Maths"

To serve we put salad on plate, put some chicken on the salad, put toast, bacon, parmesan cheese and put a bit of dressing on plate.

Friday 14th February 2014
Needs and Wants

Many workers in our community provide for our needs and wants. Wants: toys, games...

Needs: shelter, food, water

Goods and Services

Most workers provide us with either goods and services.

Goods: Toyota, bread, milk
Services: taxi, doctor, waiter

Finding a Line of Symmetry

1. Copy each of these shapes. The line has been drawn for you.

2. Enlarge this shape. Make each side double the length.

3. Reduce this shape. Make each side half the length.

Copying, Enlarging and Reducing Shapes
We had a special visitor last Tuesday. Mr Peter Harvey, our District Public School Director came to Hill End to visit students and staff. He was impressed with our student’s achievements and also with the new Bathurst Library Depot at school. He said it was great to see the community involvement with HEPS.
A cricket match was held at Horse Park, Bathurst, on Sunday, 25th March, between Hill End and Bathurst Diggers’ Club. The match proved a successful one for our home team. Hill End won on the first innings by 56 runs—Diggers scoring 86 and Hill End 142.

On the batting side, "Snowy" seaman scored a sound 50 runs while Teddy Woolard managed a bright 27 and Jimmy Tunbridge 23.

"Snowy" once again showed his skill with the ball by dismissing 7 of the opposing team—Congratulations "Snowy".

A bright season’s cricket may be expected next year with, of course, the help of better weather.

By the way, the outing bore fruit—our bus driver seems to have a liking for CORN!