Hello Everyone,

This week Mr G has started leave for a few weeks. He will return to work in 2 weeks. Everything at school will run as normal whilst he is on leave. Feel free to drop in and have a chat if you have any questions.

What a busy week we have had! Monday was spent getting organised for our ‘Green & Gold’ themed ‘Hillgraves’ day.

Tuesday was the big day! Hargraves Public School joined us for a day to celebrate National Parks Week and the amazing golden history of Hill End.

The children all had a wonderful day with plenty of activities to participate in. A big thank you to Sandra from National Parks Hill End who came to the school and ran an activity making wattle and daub huts. The huts were designed to look like buildings from the old photographs that Sandra brought of Hill End. A big thankyou must also go to our parents and friends who came to help cook the BBQ. You did a wonderful job with the food.

Money collected from this lunch will be donated to the Glenn McGrath Foundation, in support of breast cancer care.

On Wednesday, Shannen who is the Manager at Woolworths in Mudgee, visited us at Hill End to bring us our Earn and Learn order. Well done to all the people who so kindly helped our little school with the Earn and Learn stickers last year. We received over 7000 stickers which earned us over 7000 points to be spent on equipment. I sat down with the students last year and they helped to decide on what we spent our points on. As you can see from the pictures in the newsletter, they really enjoyed the costumes and the cash register. We also received a car mat which will be great for rainy day fun. So thankyou to all those people from near and far who helped make this possible for the students and our ‘Little Diggers’

On Thursday, we all went on excursions to the Art Gallery in Bathurst. A Mount Panorama Coach picked us up and we headed off to pick up Sofala and Wattle Flat Schools. We had a great time at the gallery making houses out of cardboard and sticks to hang on the display. They worked in groups of two to design their sculptures and they all did an excellent job.

Next week will be another busy week with plenty of work and fun.

Mrs Rayner

ATTACHMENTS
Serrated Tussock Meeting Flyer

Hill End & Tambaroora Progress Association Annual General Meeting
The AGM will be held at 5pm on Tuesday 11th March in the Royal Hall Hill End. All Welcome
Firstly, Mr G welcomed students and teachers from Hargraves PS. He then introduced himself and HEPS staff and Sandra Thompson from Parks Service Division, Hill End. Our students then read out HEPS’s 5 core rules for the day.

**Dance!**

Our ‘Green and Gold’ themed day took us back to the 1800’s where we danced the Polka and the Galopede with Mr G. Students really enjoyed this, especially when the Polka got faster and faster.

**Wattle and Daub!**

The younger students first activity was wattle and daub with Sandra Thompson from the NPWS. Sandra’s family goes back to the pioneering days of Hill End and Sandra grew up here. She bought some wonderful old photographs of colonial cottages and explained how they had been constructed. Then it was into the mud! What fun! The children had a great time constructing their own little cottages, they used up all the mud, so we had to collect some more dirt to make mud for the next group!

**Games!**

With Mrs Rayner and Mrs Shanahan students learnt the history of marbles, hopscotch, quoits and skipping and then we played them all! Did you know that all of these activities go back to Roman times? Hopscotch was originally used by Roman soldiers as a training exercise to improve agility and dodging on a 100 yard (approximately 100 metres) court. They did this with all their armour and weapons on! All of these games were played during colonial times and we continue to play them today at HEPS.
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Awards

Student of the Week

Jinja Turner - Great Attitude!

“Dress Ups!”

Don’t forget ‘Little Diggers’ Wednesdays 10.00am - 1.00pm All Welcome

Bathurst Library Depot at HEPS 9.00am - 3.00pm Weekdays

Lunch

Luckily, we came back to 2014 for a wonderful hamburger, steak or sausage sandwich lunch. I think everyone had seconds! Thank you to Mrs Kimm, Mrs Drakeford, Mrs Browne and Mr Walpole.

Special Visitor & ‘Little Diggers’

‘Little Diggers’ had a lovely surprise when they arrived on Wednesday morning. Shannen, Manager of Woolworths in Mudgee had come with the delivery of “Earn and Learn” goodies that we had ordered last year.

Obviously the older students got to test the goodies first!

The girls had so much fun dressing up in the costumes. We also went outside to the vegetable garden and picked some cucumbers and cherry tomatoes. The girls enjoyed eating the tomatoes straight off the plant! It’s so good to see littlies enjoying their vegies!
**SCHOOL HISTORY SNIPPET**
*March 1956*

**SCOUT SCANDAL.**

It was decided to form a Scout Troop in the town and to date the attendance and keenness of those attending is a sure indication that this Troop is going to be a success.

So far the boys have had only two meetings but proof of their interest and willingness to learn is being seen by their Scoutmasters.

The boys have been divided into two patrols and competition is already high.

A uniform is, of course, a must for the Troop and the sooner you can purchase your uniform by us, the better. Remember we are not really Scouts until we have our unifo.

*SPECIAL THANKS TO TIM FITZGERALD AND JOHN ELLIS (ROGER SNAPE, EDITOR) WHO HAVE TAKEN ON THE LEADERSHIP OF THESE BOYS.*

R. SNAPE.

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**Cooking Class**

This week in cooking class, students made some healthy sausage rolls and pinwheels. These were served with a delicious salad from the garden.

**Weekly Raffle**

Tonight’s raffle will be conducted by Mrs Joan Auld on behalf of Hill End Public School.
Prizes donated by the Royal Hotel Hill End

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