Busy week in class!
As the first term quickly comes to a close the children have all been busy in class publishing work, completing reading activities and working hard to master maths skills. For our studies into Hill End and persuasive texts the children all completed posters encouraging people to come and visit Hill End. Unfortunately the posters are too big to print in the newsletter, however here is a selection of some of the information the students put onto their posters.

“Climb the ladders at Bald Hill, it’s a fabulous experience” Harrison
“The Sunshine Tennis Court – an exciting place to play” William
“Artists – Remarkable paintings to see” Jinja
“Royal Hotel – Come to the pub, it’s a fantastic place for adults” Allen
“The General Store – Enjoyable drinks and lovely food at the store” Grace

What great ambassadors the children are for our village!

Fairy Tales
This term the children have also been studying fairy tales for their writing and they each have completed a character study from a fairy tale. Check them out!

Maths
All of the students have been working hard to master their times tables. We have a ‘Times Table Attack’ twice per day in class and the children really enjoy mastering their tables.

Our Year 4 & 5 students have also been adding and subtracting decimal numbers all week, Grace has an excellent understanding of four digit numbers and Allen has been doubling large numbers! Phew!

Bathurst Library Depot Opening
Yesterday was a very exciting afternoon for the school with the official opening of the Bathurst Library Depot. It was great to see so many of you from the village. Bathurst Mayor Gary Rush spent the afternoon at the school and from all accounts really enjoyed his visit to the village.

The library has a great selection of books and DVD’s and is open school days 9pm - 3pm, you don’t even have to be a member of the Bathurst Library! Come in, enjoy a cuppa and browse the shelves for a good book.

School Resources
Don’t forget that the school has a wide range of resources for community use, don’t hesitate to drop in if you need something faxed, laminated, printed or need to use a computer or access the internet. It really is a pleasure to help out.

A huge thank you
Finally I would like to thank everyone who has been involved with the school raffles recently. I’d especially like to thank Joan for organising the raffles and of course Stephen and Wendi for their generous prize donations, and to all of you who have bought tickets “Thank you”.

All of the money raised through the raffles is held separate from our operating budget, it is used for extracurricular resources for the children not funded by the Department of Education.

Enjoy the weekend!
Mr G
Welcome to the Hill End Library Depot!

Community members joined with Hill End Public School students and staff in welcoming Bathurst Regional Council Mayor Gary Rush and BRC Library Staff to formerly open the BRC Hill End Library Depot. Harrison Browne - School Leader welcomed everyone to HEPS. Beth Hall then welcomed everyone to Wiradjiri Country before HEPS students sang their school song. Principal Christopher Grossett thanked BRC for their support of the school and community in providing the Library Depot at HEPS. This is another facility that HEPS can provide to residents as part of it’s ongoing commitment to community engagement. Sherryl Welsh, on behalf of the Hill End & Tambaroora Progress Association also thanked BRC and HEPS for providing this facility to the community.

Mayor Gary Rush thanked everyone for attending and presented the school with a 1872 photograph from the Holtermann Collection of the first library in Hill End. A wonderful afternoon tea was provided by Bathurst Library staff.
‘Little Diggers’

We have been learning the nursery rhyme about Little Miss Muffet in transition. This week the girls made a spider using an egg carton, paint and wool. They acted the nursery rhyme out with the other students. Emily and Charlotte made excellent Miss Muffets. During recess time all the children played with bubbles. They took turns at blowing the bubbles, chasing and trying to catch them.

Next week will be our last week before the Easter holidays. We will be doing lots of fun Easter craft.

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Fairy Tales Character Study

Name: King Midas
Type: Human man
Personality: Greedy.
Action: King Midas wanted the golden touch and when he got it his daughter tried to hug him but she turned to gold. So King Midas learned his lesson and got his daughter back by putting water on his clothes.
Setting: In the palace gardens.
Message: Family is more important than gold.
William Drakeford 27/03/14

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Music with Mrs Groves

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Awards

Student of the Week
Jinja Turner
Positive attitude during the week.

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On Monday we picked corn, tomatoes, lettuce, spring onions, parsley and basil.

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“Vegies!”

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Weekly Raffle

Tonight’s raffle is on behalf of Hill End Public School
Prizes donated by the Royal Hotel Hill End.

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Fairy Tales Character Study

Name: The Queen – Rumplestiltskin
Type: Human Lady
Personality: Bright and clever and beautiful
Actions: She spins straw into gold for the King
Setting: A castle
Plot: The miller’s dad was bragging about his daughter. The King took the daughter into a room full of straw and she turned it into gold by morning.
Allen Drakeford

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Wednesday knitting with Mrs Auld.
INFLUENT CORNER.

I would like to welcome four new people to Kindergarten—they are Annette Carver, Ian Anderson and Garry Bennett and Violet Black. It is also pleasing to hear that the two boys whom I mentioned in the last paper as leaving the School, are now remaining with us.

It is pleasing to see the way the majority of the children are responding to my request lately for material and pictures for some of our work. The children, although not conscious of the fact, are learning a great deal in their looking for material on the topics we talk about.

The sandtray is ready for use now. Thanks to Dr. Hocking’s work and I hope to use that in the very near future.

With Education Week not so very far away the Infants will be commencing preparations very shortly for this most important date in the School Year. To have Mum and Dad watching them at work is a most exciting time for children and I would appreciate as many parents as possible to be there on that day.

There has been an improvement in dramatisation and reciting of Poetry in this section. The speech of many children here is very poor and it is my aim for the remainder of this year to eliminate many speech faults and encourage the children to speak correctly.