Hill End students have the ‘right stuff’

For over one hundred and forty years now Hill End Public School staff members have strived to encourage and support the academic and social growth of their students. As educators we take pride in seeing our students develop skills and ‘blossom’ as young learners. With that in mind, this week both of the student of the week awards are going to two students who come to school every day with the right attitude towards learning. The senior student of the week award goes to Liam English. Since starting at Hill End Public School Liam has shown a great attitude to learning and pride in his abilities. Well done. This week Claire English earns our junior student of the week award. Claire enjoys reading in class and has written some excellent sentences during ‘word work’ lessons. Keep it up Claire. The ‘right stuff’ starts at home!

School Uniforms

We have recently updated our supply of school uniforms with some high quality embroidered shirts and warm fleecy jumpers. The new uniform items are very special and very reasonably priced. I am sure our students will stand out proudly when wearing their uniforms representing Hill End Public School. In addition to the embroidered items, we have fleece pants and gold skivvies for the cold mornings along with a selection of NOS (new old stock) uniform items at reduced prices.

The Hill End Public School winter uniform is blue fleece pants, school shirt, blue fleece jumper and a gold skivvy for cold days! Please contact the school to purchase.

Absent from school - Contact the office

If your child is to be away from school please contact the office before 10am. The school policy is for me to make a ‘care call’ if a child is away and I have not heard from parents by 11am.

Enjoy your weekend.
Mr G
My Mother

My mother’s name is Rebecca. She has brown and red hair, blue eyes, she is tall and is very pretty.

My mother is special because she loves me and she cares about me. If I have a problem, she is always there to help me. She is never mean to me and is very funny. She has warm hugs and is a nice person. She spoils me and my brothers and sisters, except for Edmund, who is a baby. My mother loves me, she is the best mum in the world.

By Liam English 11th June 2014

My Special Family Member

My special family member is my great grandfather, William Drakeford.

I think he is special because he changed the course of the Tambaroora Creek. When he changed the creek they had no diggers and no machines. They only had shovels and picks to dig the ground.

Once, he found gold by using a shovel. He was digging gravel beside the creek. He had a wife and 7 kids. Also 1 of the 7 kids is my grandfather, Allen Drakeford.

By William Drakeford 11th June 2014

Mental maths strategies

Students are taught many 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. Our goal is that they will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes sense to them. Check out School A to Z  www.bit.ly/JkiUsY

Library Lesson

On Fridays, students have library lessons. It’s all about using the library, learning how to choose books appropriate to their reading age and how to use reference books and atlases.
**Term 2 Week 7**

**Fun & Games on Wednesday!**

Beth and Toby came to transition on Wednesday and had a wonderful time listening to stories, playing in the kitchen and acting out the 3 Billy Goats Gruff with the older children. Baby brother, Edmund was enthralled with the show! After recess the older children set up some educational games to play with the ‘Little Diggers’ Beth and Toby stayed and joined students for lunch.

**Cooking up a Storm with Mrs Rayner!**

This week’s cooking lesson with Mrs Rayner was making lasagne. Over the past weeks, students have been asking to make this dish, as everyone loves it.

**Awards**

**Senior Student of the Week**
Liam English - Great Attitude!

**Junior Student of the Week**
Claire English - ‘Word Work’

**Merit Certificate from Mrs Rayner**
Claire English - being helpful in class.

**Journey stick created by Cloie**

Karin Ramsden was at school this week carrying out community work for the Hill End & Tambaroora Common Trust.
A MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT INSPECTOR

I desire to express my appreciation for being given the opportunity to make a contribution to the special Education Week issue of the Hill End Primary School paper– “New Prospects”.

We have the position where parents are naturally anxious to promote the welfare of their children; teachers, too, wish to render every assistance to those children who are their pupils. If parents and teachers can unite in close co-operation then it follows that the progress of the child is assured.

It is obviously difficult for the school to go to the home. However, Education Week provides parents with the opportunity to visit the school, to gain knowledge of how the school functions and to meet those who teach their children. It should do more than this. It should encourage parents to maintain contact with teachers so that both can co-operate, rather than attempt independently, to assist the children concerned. It is hoped too, that more parents will be encouraged to give that necessary and important active support and help to the school which their children attend.

I extend best wishes to Hill End for a successful Education Week and express the wish that the benefits secured will be lasting.

Alan C. Scott, B.A., A.Kd.

In class with Mrs Rayner and Mrs Kimm, students created some wonderful ‘Get Well’ cards for Aiden. Poor Aiden was bitten by a dog. We hope he will be back at school soon. We’re also looking forward to Mrs Auld’s return. We have a card and some chocolates for you!