Library Van

Rain, hail or shine! The Bathurst Library Van always makes its way to Hill End. Students were able to borrow on Wednesday. They now have some more reading material for the holidays. Please don’t forget to encourage children to keep their library books together in a safe place so they can be returned on time. Students who return regularly also receive prizes for their effort. Thanks Bathurst Regional Council.

Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews
Student reports will be sent home next week. Book a date for one afternoon next week to come in and talk about your child or children’s academic progress.

Lions Club Fundraising
Last Saturday Jinja, Allen and William accompanied me to Mudgee to help sell raffle tickets with the Mudgee Lions Club. The club had organised a trailer load of firewood to raffle off and donate all of the proceedings to Hill End Public School. We talked to lots of people about our amazing school and village and collected over $300 dollars towards the Hill End Public School Sydney excursion. Thanks to the children and also a big thanks to Mandy who joined us as well and helped out for the morning.
In the Garden

This week cleaned up around the gardens as Mr Shanahan had pulled our tomatoes plants out. We harvested beetroot, kohlrabi and rhubarb to take home for our families to try, as many have not tried kohlrabi before. The rhubarb leaves were huge! Mr Shanahan picked up our new garden beds and soil. We will erect and fill them shortly after the beautiful rain stops.

In Class & ‘Little Diggers’

PJ Day & Movie Night Fun
On Wednesday the students enjoyed a fun movie night at school. We watched the very funny Pixar movie Ratatouille and everyone enjoyed sharing popcorn and some tasty Milo. The movie night followed on from our PJ day at school to help raise money for asthma research and a BBQ dinner at the Hill End Courthouse. Thanks Will and Rebecca! What a life the kids have, wearing PJ’s all day!

Sydney Excursion Payments
Payments and part payments for the Sydney excursion can be made at the school office. Final payment needs to be made before the end of Term 3. Thank you to those people who have made donations towards this excursion.

Student Writing - More Science Fiction!

Students were asked to think about what life would be like fifty years from now.

My Day In The Future 2065
It was Monday and I was at school when it happened. I was sitting in my chair when it started to rumble and to my surprise it took off with me still sitting on it. I saw lots of fog and when it cleared I realised I was in the year 2065. When my rocket propelled chair landed I met a Clone Shock Trooper. It asked me “Who are you?” I replied, “I’m Liam I came from the past.”

“Nice to meet you. I’m Wax. I am a Clone Shock Trooper of the Republic.”

As I looked around me I realised all the technology surrounding me was based on Star Wars, including holograms. Wax gave me a DC5-Blaster, I knew what it was because I am a fan of Star Wars. “Just in case space pirates attack you,” he said. I replied, “Great, I’ll just take a look around.” I saw lots of cool stuff including spacecraft, speeders and robotic builders. As I walked along I had a great idea. “My family is very poor but nobody is poor here. Maybe we could live here”. So I brought my family to the year 2065 to live there forever. 18 years later I’m a Trooper of the Republic.

Liam Y5
**Student Writing - More Science Fiction!**

**MY LIFE IN THE FUTURE**

One day I was walking on the footpath when I found a book on the ground. I picked it up and I started to read the book which looked quite old.

I got sucked into the book.

I was scared when I went into the book. I saw lights and colours and pictures. After some time I popped out of the book but I did not come back to the past.

When I put the book down a woman came up to me and said, “Hello, my name is Ruby.”

She was small, had blonde hair and blue eyes. She was an owner of the candy shop on Swan Street.

“Hi, my name is Grace and I’m from the past.”

“Hi Grace. What are you doing here anyway?” She quizzed me.

“I read a book which had an old cover and it sucked me into it.”

“Oh,” said Ruby. “Well, I will show you around”

“OK,” I said. “This is the police station, super market, and the pet shop and a school that was built in 1872. We take good care of it. That is why it is still here” Ruby said.

“Wow!” I said amazed.

Then, when I turned around, I saw a pink pig.

“It is so cute” I said

Then the pig talked. It said “Hello. Welcome to the future, my name is Hamlet”

“How can the pig talk?” I asked Ruby

“It has an animal translator on its neck,” Ruby said

“Awesome!” I said, “Well, what other cool things are there in the future?”

“We have floating buildings and cars,” Ruby said

“That is so cool,” I said, “Where can I stay while I am here”

“You can stay at my house, with me in my spare bedroom” Ruby said.

Ruby walked off. When I turned around there were two men who put a bag over my head and I think they put me in a black van that seemed very old.

They threw me out of the van and into a small dark shed. I yelled and yelled but no one could hear me.

After a while I heard a voice that sounded like Ruby’s voice. She let me out of the shed.

The two men were still there. They said, “What are you doing in the future?”

I said, “I do not know.” “Well, now you are a spy, you will do lots of missions to save the world”

“OK, when do I start?” I asked. “Soon, very soon,” one of the men said

The men did not tell me their names. I got put in a black suit, then they put me in a car and I was on a mission. “Wow!” I said.

I soon saved the world. I went back to the past and got my family. Now I live in the future with my family. My family and I live in a floating house. It is pink and black. I got married and had two girls and their names are Rose and Lucy.

Grace Y4

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**My Day in the Future**

One day I went to the future and saw a lady. The lady said, “Hello, what’s your name?”

“My name is Claire.” I said. She said, “My name is Rebecca”.

Rebecca was friendly; she owned a horse and cart.

She took me to the school. The desks were computer desks.

I thought it was a good place to live, but I wanted to go home and tell mum and dad all about it. So I went home.
History Snippet July 1963

UPPER DIVISION

Improvement in Arithmetic Alan Sibley, Bruce Drakford
Table-

Albert Mobbs Bruce Drakford Peter Auld Julie Polain

Spelling- Julie Polain John Hodge Rosemary Fraser Stephen Polain

Greatest Improvement in Spelling Carmen Mobbs Inn Anderson

Composition Stephen Polain David Hayner Albert Mobbs

Improvement Paul Thompson.

I am able to see improvements in table and arithmetic and soon hop that the standard will be even higher. Spelling has taken a turn for the better and the chart shows some very big improvements.

On Friday 19th July the "Honor Board" will come to an end for this period. The following week the board will recommence and will go until the end of the term.

This is "Book Week" when thoughts turn to "Making Friends with Books." Many children read quite a number of books per week but there are quite a number who only take their books home for a trip.

Jacqueline Wray, Julie Polain, Peter Auld and Carey Bennett, seem to enjoy books most. Keep it up and try to encourage your friends to read more.

LOWER DIVISION

Well! we are certainly feeling in the swing of things with our "Winter Theme". We are in the middle of making a diorama model depicting winter and have completed a winter frieze (not freeze) illustrating these scenes. It has been our aim to study the effect of winter weather on animals and people and, in turn, the steps taken by people and animals to protect or accommodate themselves to such.

At present we are making snowmen out of paper and glue and next week intend to construct a diorama of the "Making a Home".

Posting our Winter Themes this week we have the very important BOOK MAKING themes. This is very timely...for all those who we expect to want a book in our hands, then when it is a cold winter's day we are sitting 'round a log fire wondering what to do with ourselves.

Our motto of "LOOK & LISTEN" is foremost this week and the children are endeavouring to do as much reading as they can each night. The importance of good reading ability and habits can never be over-emphasized. I feel especially now that Television Tanny is amongst us. Television Tanny is too lazy to read stories from books and instead, watches the intellect-insulting television scripts. A wealth of knowledge and time can be saved if we can only find more time to read books.