



Hillside Public School
 "Loyalty, Knowledge, Duty"



**Respectful
 Responsible
 Learners**

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CALENDAR DATES

2024

Last Day Term 1	Friday 12 April
Anzac Day at Glenorie RSL Club	Thursday 25 April
Staff Development Day	Monday 29 April
First day Term 2 for students	Tuesday 30 April
P&C Meeting	Tuesday 30 April
Cross Country Carnival	Tuesday 7 May
School Photos	Wednesday 8 May
Mother's Day Stall	Wednesday 8 May
National Walk Safely to School Day	Friday 10 May
Mothers' appreciation assembly	Friday 10 May 2.15pm
Parent/Teacher interviews	Thursday 16 May
P&C Movie Night	Friday 17 May 5.30pm
Zone Cross Country	Thursday 23 May
P&C Meeting	Tuesday 28 May
Incursion – Mr Huff	Friday 31 May
Assembly	Friday 7 June
Excursion – Brewongle EEC	Thursday 27 June

Breaking News: Hillside Public School to host Glenorie Gumnuts Playgroup!

We are thrilled to announce that Hillside Public School will be providing the location for a new local playgroup. Here's what you need to know:

- Glenorie Gumnuts is an official playgroup affiliated with Playgroup NSW.
- The group is open to the whole community, not just Hillside families.
- The group will be meeting every Tuesday during school terms from 9am to 10.15am commencing the first week of Term 2, Tuesday 30 April.
- The group is a parent-run playgroup with access to our multi-purpose room, huge sandpit, playground and beautiful grounds.
- All ages welcome (0-6). Grandparents or other carers are welcome.



Spread the word!

Just Like You incursion

Last week Hillside students participated in Variety's Just Like You program.

This fun and interactive workshop has helped to build understanding, acceptance and inclusion of those living with a disability. We were so proud of our students who showed such maturity and enthusiasm for this topic.



Easter Celebrations

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Easter celebrations last week!



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences have been scheduled for Thursday 16 May from 3:10pm until 6.00pm. They will be held in your child's classroom. During these interviews, you'll have the opportunity to



discuss your child's progress, strengths, and areas for growth with their teachers. Whether it's celebrating achievements or addressing any concerns, these conversations play a crucial role in fostering a strong partnership between home and school. We encourage all parents to take advantage of this opportunity to connect with our dedicated teaching staff. Your insights and involvement are key to ensuring the success and wellbeing of your child. Please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Anzac Day

Glenorie RSL has once again invited Hillside students to participate in the ANZAC Day service on Thursday 25th April. Please save the date in your calendars. It would be wonderful to have all our students representing Hillside on the day. Students are to wear summer uniform.

Location: Please meet in the Woolworths carpark at the corner of Old Northern Road and Post Office Road, Glenorie

When: 3pm

Wear: Full summer uniform. Captains to wear their blazers.

Procedure: The March will proceed from the Woolworths carpark to the Glenorie RSL Memorial where the students will then sit in the allocated area on the grass in front of the stage. There will be tarps for the students to sit on. The duration of the ANZAC Day ceremony will be approximately 45 minutes. During the ceremony there will be a collection for Legacy which our students may be asked to help with.



We look forward to seeing everyone there!

School Photo Day



Our school photo day is on Wednesday 8 May, which is the second week of term 2.

Photo envelopes will be coming home with your child today. **ALL** envelopes need to be returned to school, either:

- With online receipt number on envelope
- With cash inside (or in sibling's envelope)
- With "no order required" written on the envelope.

Please return these envelopes to school as soon as possible (so they don't get lost in the school holidays!).

To order your photos online, you will need to go to theschoolphotographer.com.au and enter this code: **X1311EL52H**.

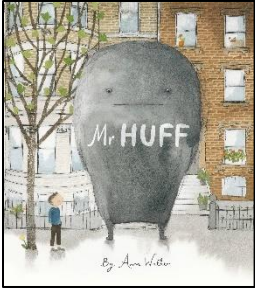
Sibling photos can also be ordered online. However, if you would prefer to pay cash, please pick up a sibling envelope from the front office.

Students are to wear full summer uniform, which means the summer tunic for the girls and shorts for the boys. All students are to wear black shoes.

Commonwealth's Student Wellbeing Boost

All schools have received one-off funding in 2024 for extra mental health and wellbeing resources and initiatives through the Commonwealth's Student Wellbeing Boost. Schools can purchase new programs, services or resources or use the funds to supplement existing initiatives supporting the specific needs of their students.

Hillside Public School is extremely fortunate to be able to apply these funds to our small group of students.



So far we have booked an in-school performance on 31 May called Mr Huff which will help our students develop positive coping tools and practical wellbeing strategies. We have also booked an excursion to Brewongle Environmental Education Centre on 27 June where students will participate in wellbeing activities.



Stay tuned for more!

New Laptops for students in Year 5 and 6

We are thrilled to share some exciting updates regarding technology integration at our school! As part of our ongoing commitment to providing innovative learning experiences, we are pleased to announce that all Year 5 and 6 students will soon be receiving brand new laptops to use during their time at school.

These laptops will serve as powerful tools to enhance learning, creativity, and collaboration in the classroom. With access to digital resources, educational software, and interactive activities, our students will have the opportunity to explore, create, and engage with curriculum content in new and exciting ways.

We believe that integrating technology into our classrooms empowers students to develop essential 21st-century skills and prepares them for success in an increasingly digital world. Rest assured, we will provide guidance and support to ensure that our students use these devices responsibly and effectively as valuable educational tools.

NSW Police Legacy Child Safety Handbook

The 'NSW Police Legacy Child Safety Handbook' is a comprehensive and free resource to assist parents, carers as well as teachers on a range of topics essential to child safety. The updated digital edition (link below) also includes important content updates from: NSW Rural Fire, NSW Ministry of Health, NSW Police Force, Fire and Rescue NSW, Transport NSW, State Emergency Services, NSW Department of Family & Community Services, ESafety Commissioner and NSW Office of the Children's Guardian. NSW Police Legacy – <https://www.policelibrarynsw.org.au/resource>

Opportunity class (OC) applications opening

OC Year 5 entry in 2025: Applications are open 4 April-20 and close 20 May 2024.

Opportunity classes are one of the ways the NSW Department of Education supports high potential and gifted students. Tests for placement in these classes will be held in designated government high school test centres on 1 August 2024.

The [Equity Placement Model](#) helps to make access to opportunity classes fairer for the following under-represented groups:

- students from low socio-educational advantage backgrounds
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- students from rural and remote locations
- students with disability.

The Equity Placement Model holds up to 20% of places at each school for students from these groups to support an increase in their participation.

Learn more about the placement process and the placement test at [Opportunity classes \(Year 5 – 6\)](#). Applications can be made online at: education.nsw.gov.au/oc

Scholarships

I highly encourage our year 6 students to apply for the Scholarships and high potential program that are offered for Galston High School. Applications close at 3.00pm 12 April 2024.



SCHOLARSHIPS
OVER \$1000 IN VALUE
APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW.

Galston High School offers scholarships for Year 7 students across various academic and sporting fields.

At over \$1000 in value, Galston High School scholarships help families and carers successfully transition their child into high school. Helping students to achieve their personal best.



Scholarships are offered in the fields of:

- Academic Achievement/Personal Best
- English/Literacy
- Mathematics/Numeracy
- Science and Technology
- Creative and Performing Arts
- PDHPE/Sport
- Leadership and Public Speaking



Apply NOW for Year 7 2025 scholarship opportunities

galston-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

Applications close at 3 pm, Friday 12 April 2024. Visit the school website for more information and to download your application form today.

Students wishing to apply for a Year 7 scholarship at Galston High School will be required to select Galston High School as their first choice on the High School Expression of Interest Form.



HIGH POTENTIAL
YEAR 7 CLASS
APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW

Are you looking to accelerate the learning of your gifted, talented or high-potential child in their first year of high school?

Potential starts at Galston High School.

Our Year 7 High Potential program allows your child to put their education in the fast lane in an academically-selective class.

Parents and carers of gifted, talented and high-potential children are now invited to apply to secure one of the limited places in Galston High School's 2025 Year 7 High Potential Program.

With a targeted mix of additional educational experiences, tailored teaching and learning, and a cohort of like-minded students, there is no better way for your child to speed ahead, achieve outstanding results, and realise their potential.

Apply NOW to be considered for the Year 7 2025 class

galston-h.schools.nsw.gov.au



Applications close 3 pm, Friday 12 April 2024. Go to the school website for more information and to download your application. Conditional offers to join the High Potential class will be made in late May 2024 (full details on the school website).

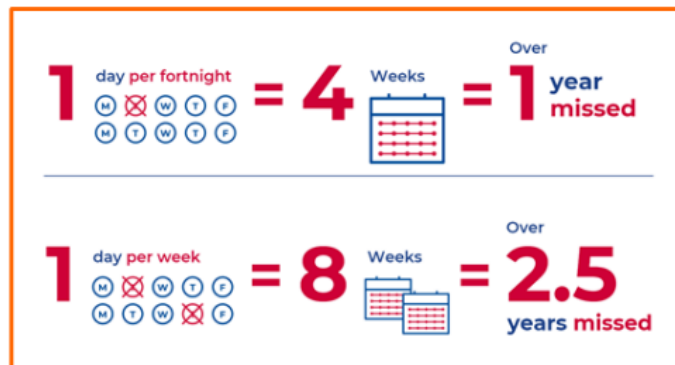
Students who wish to apply for the Year 7 High Potential class at Galston High School must apply for Galston High School as their first choice school on the High School Expression of Interest Form.

For students who are out of area to be considered for the Year 7 High Potential class, Galston High School MUST be nominated as your first choice on the High School Expression of Interest Form.



Why Attendance Matters

Missing a day here or there may not seem like much, but absences add up and can impact your child's learning more than you think. When your child misses one day a week over a year, that's 40 days of school, 8 weeks of lessons and 2.5 years over their school life lost.



Enrolments - Hillside Public School is the place to be!

Do you have friends or family who would love to know more about the opportunities Hillside Public School can offer?

With our beautiful new play equipment and gardens, motivated teaching staff with specialist skills in leadership, technology, sports, the creative arts and French, there is no better time to join Hillside!



Please also spread the word to families. Private tours of the school are available.

We are currently accepting children in grades K-6. Come along to be part of Hillside! We can't wait to meet our Hillside future students!

Bendigo Bank

Please visit <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/nsw/community-bank-galston-district/> and see the great work they do in the community and have a look at their range of products and services. If you do open an account, please notify them that you are from Hillside PS.

See what is happening at our school by liking us on Facebook.

Regular updates are posted on our Facebook page so like us now to keep up to date.

Search for Hillside Public School Glenorie.



If you're keen to learn more about the RFS or curious about what it means to be a volunteer, come along to our meeting!

👉 Details:

When: Tomorrow!! Saturday 6 April

Where: Hillside Station, 126 Cattai Ridge Rd

Time: 8.30am

Message us via Facebook –

<https://www.facebook.com/hillsiderfs> -

if you'd like to know more and/or can't make the meeting!



**Hillside
Brigade**



APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 5 FUN ACTIVITIES

1. WRITING WORKSHOP WITH DEBORAH ABELA

Presented by award winning author Deborah Abela these sessions will engage children in activities that explore the writing process from developing ideas, to planning outlines and, most importantly, creating characters and plots readers will love whilst having lots of fun!

Where: Hornsby Library
When: Wednesday 17 April
10.30am–11.30am
12pm–1pm
2pm–3pm

Age: Recommended for ages 7-12
Cost: \$10 per child

Bookings: Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library
or at any Hornsby Shire Libraries Branch.
Children 10 & under must be accompanied by an adult.



2. PUSHMI-PULLYU: REVERSE GARBAGE WORKSHOP

Build a toy that moves – and learn how to get things running without batteries! Kids experiment with push/pull forces and use materials they would find in their own home to make their own battery-free push-toy. Children use low-waste construction techniques as they develop an understanding of how things move.

When: Tuesday 23 April
Where: Pennant Hills Library, 11am–12pm
Berowra Library, 1pm–2pm

Age: 5-12 years
Cost: \$10 per child

Bookings: Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library
or at any Hornsby Shire Libraries Branch.
Children 10 & under must be accompanied by an adult.



REVERSE GARBAGE

For booking details and further information on these events and more events in your library visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

HORNSBY SHIRE LIBRARIES



3. HOLIDAY STORYTIME

Join us for a fun, interactive session filled with stories and songs.

Where: Hornsby Library
When: Thursday 18 April, 10am

Where: Pennant Hills Library
When: Friday 19 April, 10am

Where: Berowra Library
When: Friday 26 April, 10.30am

Age: 0-7 years
Cost: Free

Bookings: Bookings essential.
Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library
or at any Hornsby Shire Libraries Branch.
Children 10 & under must be accompanied by an adult.



4. DROP IN AND DISCOVER AT GALSTON

Explore your creativity, constructions skills and have fun with STEM in this interactive session. Activities include craft kits, Lego, Sphero Minis and more!

Where: Galston Community Centre
When: Tuesday 16 April, 2pm–4pm

Age: 5-12 years
Cost: Free

Bookings: Bookings not required.
Children 10 & under must be accompanied by an adult.



5. MEGA DROP IN AND DISCOVER AT HORNSBY LIBRARY

Join us for a mega discovery session! Complete your passport as you visit the Construction Zone, Lego Zone, Tech Zone and Craft Zone.

Where: Hornsby Library
When: Monday 22 April, 10am–12pm

Age: 5-12 years
Cost: Free

Bookings: Bookings not required.
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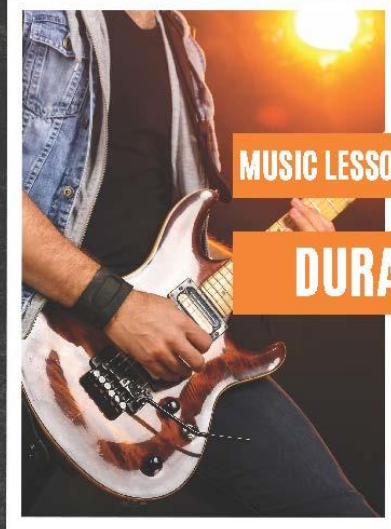
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SOUTH MAROOTA SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

SOUTH MAROOTA HALL
CNR PAUL'S AND WISEMANS FERRY RD, SOUTH MAROOTA

9:00AM - 3:00PM

FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-12

MONDAY 22 APRIL 2024	TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2024	WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL 2024
NATURE WORKSHOP ARTS AND CRAFTS YARD GAMES	LOCAL POLICE TALK SPORT SKILLS REPTILE SHOW	MARTIAL ARTS LEGO WORKSHOP MAGIC SHOW

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* Credit cannot be used for cancellation or overdue fees

Glenorie Gumnuts Playgroup



Join the fun at our new playgroup! Bring your little ones to Glenorie Gumnuts, where imagination blossoms and friendships grow. All ages welcome!

**When: Tuesdays 9am - 10:15 am
(starting from 30th April)**

**Where: Located at Hillside Public school,
122 Cattai Ridge Rd, Glenorie NSW**

Telephone: 02 9652 1459