Newsletter No. 19 – Thursday 18 June 2015

- **Friday 19th June**  School Assembly
  Lead By: Josh J & Jesse G  Items By: 1/2F & 5/6M
- **Mon 15th – Fri 26th June**  Swimming Program 3/4L, 3/4P, 1/2D & 1/2M
- **Friday 26th June**  2016 Prep Enrolments Due
- **Friday 26th June**  End of Term – 2.30pm Dismissal
- **Monday 13th July**  Start of Term 3 – 9am

**Last Day of Term 2 Dismissal – Friday 26th June**

On the last day of Term 2 (Friday 27th) school will be dismissed at **2.30pm**.

The buses will pick up students from school at **2.30pm**.

Country Buses will pick up students at approximately **2:45pm**.

Term 3 commences Monday 13th July 9.00am

**Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)**

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card are eligible to apply for the Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF).

**If you claimed EMA last year, you may be eligible for this payment.**

Forms are available at the office and should be lodged by 26th June 2015.

**Principal’s Message**

What a great afternoon we had last Friday with our Grandparents and special visitors! The weather was perfect and the volume of support was wonderful. Days such as this give us an opportunity to strengthen community relationships and showcase the great work being done in our school. This event also provided the opportunity to elevate and develop student leadership – the student leaders organised the day and learnt valuable skills to take forward to future endeavours. A huge thank you goes to the Parents Club who cooked the BBQ and organised the catering – without such support these events are difficult to run.

On Monday we welcomed three new families – Adriene and Ella, along with parents Sally and Ben; Demyx, along with parents Ebony and Jason, and Hendrix, along with parents Kate and Kyle - we look forward to their involvement in our Hamilton North school community.

Teachers have completed writing student reports and we are now in the editing and printing stage, ready for distribution to parents on the last day of term 2, Friday, June 26th.

To develop a clear plan for the Education State, the Government is beginning a discussion with all Victorians about what our state could achieve, and how we could work differently to achieve it. Through this discussion they are seeking views on education across all stages of life, through early childhood, schools, higher education, training and skills. Please find attached more information on how you can become involved in this conversation.

This week’s feature page comes from Grade 3/4LK – excerpts from information reports they have written about Bushrangers – enjoy!

Regards,
Heather
2016 Prep Enrolments
Prep Enrolment forms were distributed earlier this term. It would be appreciated if these forms could be returned by Friday 26th June. Thank you to those families who have returned their child’s enrolment form.

Junior School Council PJ/Onesie Day – Gold Coin Donation
The Junior School Council will be holding a “Winter Warmer” Day on the last day of Term 2, Friday 26th June. There is nothing better to do on a winter's day than to spend the time in your pj's! Therefore we are asking students to wear your pyjamas or onesie to school!! Students will need proper footwear (shoes and socks, not slippers) and a jumper or coat to keep warm outside. Remember that Grades 3/4LK, 3/4 P, 1/2 D and 1/2 M will still have swimming on this day.
In return we ask that students bring a gold coin donation. Our aim this term is to fundraise for those people in the Hamilton and surrounding area, who may need a bit of help keeping warm this winter. The idea is that the money be spent on blankets or clothing for families who are struggling this winter.
We look forward to such a fun day to celebrate the end of Term 2.

School Performance – Thursday 6th August
The School Performance will be held at the Hamilton Performing Arts Centre on Thursday 6th August. There will be two performances, a matinee at 1pm and an evening performance at 7pm, and students are expected to participate in both. Tickets will only be available from the PAC – we will advise families when they are available for sale, as details are finalised. Notes have been sent home from each classroom recently outlining costume requirements. Students have been asked to have their costumes ready by the end of this term (next Friday).
A reminder to keep your eye out for coloured tops for the grand finale rainbow! Plain t-shirts are ideal, but any top with a majority of your designated colour would be suitable. Colours for each year level are as follows: Prep – Purple, Grade 1 – dark blue, Grade 2 – light blue, Grade 3 – green, Grade 4 – yellow, Grade 5 – orange, Grade 6 – red.

Book Fair
Thank you for supporting the Book Fair over the past three weeks. We have sold $568.00 worth of books and our school library will receive new books to the value of $169.00. This is a great result and thank you to all those students and families who purchased books and items. Liz Brilley

Year 6 Graduation – Baby Photos
Would all Year 6 students please bring along their baby photo for Glenda to include in the Year 6 DVD.
PLEASE NOTE: All photos will be scanned and returned to your child on the same day.

Lost Property
Where is your Rugby jumper?
Where is your Windcheater? Is it in Lost Property?
We are half way into Term 2 and the lost property basket is overflowing. Please ensure that your child’s clothing is clearly named. A clothing marker is available at the office.
PARENTS – PLEASE CHECK LOST PROPERTY AT HILAC.
Parents’ Club News

Friday Treats
The Parents’ Club will be selling the following treats after the second lunch bell on Fridays from the PE shed:

- Smith’s salt & vinegar and barbeque chips (27gms) $1.00
- Red Rock Deli sea salt chips (28gms) $1.00
- Grain Waves sour cream & chives chips (28gms) $1.00
- Butter flavoured popcorn (30gms) $1.00
- Furry Friends 50 cents
- Bag of sun fruits (glucose sweets) 50 cents
- Cookies 50 cents

*Students are strictly limited to one item each.*

Pie Drive
Thank you to all the families who purchased pies from our Pie Drive. The Parents’ Club have made $522.00.

SPORTS NEWS 🏈

Greater Western Region Cross Country Results

Well what an amazingly cold day it was in Warrnambool on Friday 12th June which was our Regional X Country Day!
The Hamilton District had 7 athletes enter this event in their respective age groups and 3 of them have qualified for the State Finals in Melbourne in July.

- **Mia McGrath** HNPS 8th in 10 girls
- **Paige Kissel** HNPS 5th in 11 girls
- **Lachlan Rentsch** (GSC) 1st in 11 boys

We congratulate all our X Country athletes and wish our State finalists all the best for their run in the first week of term 3.
Well done and keep training over the holidays!

Karen Huf

HNPS Swimming Program 2015
Swimming Monday 15th – Friday 26th June
Revised timetable for swimming:
- Grades 1/2M and 1/2D – 12:00pm – 1:00pm
- Grades 3/4L and 3/4P – 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Students all have one 30 minute lesson per day. The two grades will be combined and then split into small swim level groups.
Runners Club has been developed as a general fitness program to help keep our school community fit. It is held on **Monday and Wednesday mornings between 8.40am and 8.55am**. Children can join in at any time. Parents who would like to help mark the runners passports would be most welcome. Just turn up on the day. *Leanne Willder*

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**Net-Set-Go Program**
The Hamilton Netball Association will be running the Net-Set-Go Program commencing Saturday 11\textsuperscript{th} July 2015 at Pedrina Park. The program is 9 weeks long and will cost $57 per child including participant package. For further information please contact Melissa Beaton 0417 722 061 or email krugs77@hotmail.com. Registration night will be Wednesday 24 and Thursday 25 June 2015 at Ansett pavilion, Pedrina Park from 4pm – 5.30pm. *If you are over 8 and interested in playing school netball later in the year you need to have completed this course as a lead-in to regular Saturday morning competition.*

*Janette McCallum*
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<td>Some Bushrangers lived in Caves.</td>
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<td>Ned Kelly was wanted for 2,000 pounds.</td>
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<td>Bushrangers were fearless.</td>
<td>Bushrangers stole stuff to help their family.</td>
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<td>Bushrangers all broke the law.</td>
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<td>They all had reasons to be Bushrangers.</td>
<td>James Kenniff was the last bushranger in Queensland.</td>
<td>Ned Kelly had four brothers.</td>
<td>Martin Cash was the only bushranger to die in his own bed.</td>
<td>Black Caesar was the first bushranger.</td>
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<td>Captain Melville hid his gold in a cave at Mt Arapiles.</td>
<td>Frank Gardiner conducted the largest robbery of Gold in Australian History in 1862.</td>
<td>Ned Kelly got an award for saving a seven year old boy from drowning.</td>
<td>Ned Kelly wore armour.</td>
<td>Ben Hall used to be a farmer.</td>
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<td>Many bushrangers were escaped convicts. Others were young men looking for adventure.</td>
<td>In 1830 there were lots of Bushrangers roaming around NSW.</td>
<td>Most Bushrangers didn’t wear armour.</td>
<td>The youngest Bushranger was Ben Hall.</td>
<td>Ned Kelly held 60 hostages up in a pub at his Last Stand.</td>
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<td>Ned Kelly had a tattoo of Australia.</td>
<td>Captain Melville was in jail for 32 years.</td>
<td>Most bushrangers got shot or hung.</td>
<td>There were over 600 Bushrangers.</td>
<td>Captain Thunderbolt was the longest serving bushranger.</td>
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Help shape the Education State

Dear parents,

The most important thing that we can do as a school community is to make sure we give each and every student a great education and a great start to life.

I know from speaking to many of you that you have great ideas for how we can improve the education we provide our students at school, and more broadly how we can improve our school system as a whole.

The Victorian Government has committed to making Victoria the Education State and has recently begun a consultation process – asking for us to share our ideas and experiences, our challenges and solutions – to help us improve our education system across the state.

This is an opportunity for all of us to have our say and play a role in shaping what our education system will look like in the years to come.

I will be thinking about how I can contribute my ideas to this consultation and I will be asking our staff to participate as well. I invite you to join in the conversation, because your ideas and insights – as parents of children currently in our school system – are critical to making sure we get the vision right for our state to become the Education State.

You could also use social media to encourage your family and friends to join the discussion – education impacts everybody, and everyone deserves the opportunity to have their say. The best way to get involved is to go to educationstate.education.vic.gov.au where you can join in the online conversations or register to attend one of the sessions running across the state throughout June and July.

As always, I invite you to share your ideas with me on what is working well and what we can do better.

Regards,
Heather Atchison
Acting Principal
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