Principal’s Message

Dear Parents,

Cyber safety is a very real issue for our students in the digital age. The internet has of course got huge benefits to schools as a source of vast knowledge, instant communication and of accelerating learning. However, there are of course the downsides to the digital age and as educators and parents it is vital that we are aware of the potential problems and dangers that our children can be faced with. Together, in the home and at school, it is crucial that we make sure we educate our children in cyber safety so that they are aware of dangers and can remain safe and secure in a rapidly changing world.

Last Friday we invited Leading Senior Constable Paula Cutler to talk to our students (Grade 4/5/6) about cyber safety. This was a really useful talk and we hope that our students took on board the several important messages given by Paula.

This was followed up by teachers talking to their students and reminding them of the importance of being safe online and what they could do to stay safe.

Hopefully your children have talked about these issues at home.

Paula talked about a range of issues including using social media appropriately, avoiding posting things that might be thought of as offensive or upsetting to others, playing Pokémon Go, giving clues to their identity eg photos with school or sports uniform, making sure location settings are switched off and making sure privacy settings are at the highest level. Settings need to be re-set whenever an update is completed.

Paula also showed the students a fairly confronting YouTube video that may be worth you looking up at home and talking about with your children. (Just Google YouTube jigsaw 8 – 10 year olds and the video should come up).

If you are concerned about the safety of your child while they are online please contact the school as we have staff who can offer advice in regards to settings etc.
Today we are looking forward to taking our student leaders to the Crazy Ideas College. This is a get together of various groups including students and the Shire to try and nut out some good ideas to improve the Hamilton Community. This should be a terrific experience for our students.

Photos of our student participating in the Crazy Ideas College at the PAC this morning

Also today Mrs Willder is taking a large group of students to take part in the Primary Golf Tournament at Parklands.

At last week’s Assembly we acknowledged the many students who hold doors open for others without being asked. We have noticed this is common practice in the school and is a terrific reflection of the consideration and respect they show for other children and adults in the school. This is one of the many things that our students do that fit with our True North Values.

A reminder that next week GenR8 Change will be coming in to talk to parents about diet both in regard to healthy eating and in terms of the effect on behaviour. We hope this will be well supported as it is an important area for home and school. Diet undoubtedly has a considerable impact on school performance.

Also next week Mrs Alexander will be heading off on Long Service Leave for three weeks. We wish Mrs A all the best for her break. 4/5A will be in the very capable hands of Ms Ebony Hutchins over that period.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.
Regards,
Don Beaton

Communication with families is always a concern within the school community and over the past twelve months we have been looking into the most effective way of getting information to families. We have improved our website and continue to use paper copies for distribution of newsletters and grade notes. We have also recently conducted a trial of a Skoolbag App with a random sample of parents, school councillors and staff members. We have now decided to include this as an additional form of communication. Our School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App. Instructions on how to install the App are attached to this newsletter.

Adolescent Health Education Program
Every year we have Stu Willder and Sue Watts from WDHS talk to our Grade 5 and 6 students regarding adolescent development. This will be taking place on Friday 19th August. If you have any queries please speak with your child’s classroom teacher.
CRIKEY! BOOK WEEK is nearly here! This year’s theme is Australia - Story Country

Our school will be celebrating Book Week during the week of August 22nd-26th. Each year grouping (P/1, 2/3, 4/5/6) will be taking part in a day of book activities. This will involve rotation activities which look at the short listed books for 2016.

- **Friday 26th August at 11.30am we will be holding our Book Week Dress Up Parade.** Students are invited to dress up as their favourite book character or along the theme Australia - Story Country. Costumes don't need to be expensive store bought costumes, but you can use items from home.

- **Friday 26th August at 11.30am Grandparents’ Day.** We welcome Grandparents’, special friends and families to attend our Book Week Parade. This will be followed by classroom visits, culminating in a sausage sizzle at lunchtime.  
  **Rumour has it we will have an iconic Australian guest host!**

**GENR8 Healthy Food Choices Parenting Workshop**

Healthy Eating Parent Workshop Reminder  
Next Thursday August 18th we have the exciting opportunity to work with the facilitators from Genr8 Change at the “making healthy choices the easy choice” parent workshop for our school community. The team will lead us through a discussion on how we can work together to provide our children with the food choices that will allow them to learn and play at their best. In the lead up to this workshop I have been visiting classrooms and discussing the things we can do to be “good at something” – including practising, never giving up, persistence and focus – as well as exercise, sleep and healthy food choices. We would love it if you could support this discussion further at home – and next Thursdays workshop is a great opportunity to further build on the great things you are already doing. Please return RSVP form to your class teacher by Wednesday 17th August. **Jane Langley**

**Scholastic Book Club**

Catalogues for book club Issue No. 6 were sent home with this week’s newsletter. Orders are due 9am, Monday 29th August.

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**Parents’ Club News**

Parents Club will be holding a ‘sausage sizzle’ lunch on Grandparents Day, Friday 26th August. Sausages must be pre-ordered by filling in the blue form sent home with each student today (one form per student please). Orders must be returned to school with payment by **Wednesday 17th August. We are unable to accept late orders.**  

The Parents’ Club are looking for helpers to assist on Grandparents Day. Please leave your name at the office if you area able to help.
Art Room News

Mrs Behrendt is looking for empty cereal boxes (not nut cereals) for use in the Art Room. If you are able to supply these boxes, please leave them at the Art Room.

Head Lice

Following reports of head lice, parents and carers are asked to keep a constant check on their children’s hair for signs of head lice. Children with cases of head lice should not return to school until treatment has begun. If you are unsure about identifying lice and eggs, please seek assistance from the staff at school. Please advise the school of any treated cases of head lice before your child returns to school. Copies of the pamphlet “Scratching for answers” are available in the school foyer.

Have you looked at our Community Noticeboard recently?
The noticeboard in the front entrance area is currently full of information about sports, activities and community events happening in the area. Parents and students are invited to visit the foyer regularly to keep up-to-date with these events. Find out about local sport and community programs.

Grounds Duty Roster 2016
Thank you to the Hill Family for their efforts over the weekend. The school grounds look so much neater.
This week’s family McCallum Family
Next week: No Family rostered

SPORTS NEWS

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 8.30am and 8.50am. 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

| 50 Laps | Mishka C |
| 150 Laps | Roxy N, Jordan W, Chester W, Scarlett D, Jess McL, |
| 200 Laps | Rylan McC, Connor K, Ontaj G |
| 250 Laps | Joshua A, Austin M, Rylan P |

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The magic number is 25. This is made up of 2 rugby jumpers and 23 windcheaters in lost property - ALL NOT NAMED.

We aim to teach the children to take responsibility for their own belongings. However to minimise our time spent trying to identify the owners of lost property, we ask all families to:

- PLEASE NAME ALL REMOVABLE ARTICLES OF CLOTHING and other school items such as lunch boxes, books etc.
- **We have a number of rugby jumpers labelled with former students names. It is impossible to return a jumper to a child unless IT IS CORRECTLY LABELLED.**
- Any clothing or property found during the day is taken to "lost property". The school holds all lost property for a period of a term. After that time it is cleaned and reserved for use or resale
- You may inspect the lost property to retrieve lost items at any time. The lost property basket is located outside the first aid room.

**Uniform orders**
A reminder to families that uniform can only be purchased through the school's ordering system. Parents/guardians need to determine what uniform they require for their children and order in advance. A small supply of uniform is kept for new students. We are unable to hold stock for parents who miss the ordering process.

Order forms are sent out with the newsletter twice a term, the second one for Term 3 is attached to today's newsletter. Orders are due back **next Friday 19th August.**

**Second-hand Uniform – WINTER SALE!**
Items of second-hand uniform will be on display and available for purchase in the front entrance area **next week, Monday 15th – Friday 19th August.** Most items are only $5 each - come along and grab a bargain! We have plenty of windcheaters and tracksuit pants. If you have a rugby jumper that your child no longer needs, bring it along to Michelle in the office and we can sell it for you.

**Choir – uniform loans**
If you borrowed a skirt from the school to wear at the Hamilton Eisteddfod performance, please wash and return it to the office as soon as possible.

**Return of Spare Uniform and Clothing**
Due to the recent wet weather it has been necessary for some students to be given a change of clothing. Our stocks have now run out and we are asking that parents please return the borrowed spare uniform. We also require some clean girls’ underwear in good condition for use as spare clothing.
**FAMILY NAME:** ___________________  **Student/s:** ___________________  **Grade:** __________

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**TOTAL COST: $_________**

*For payments via direct deposit:*
BSB: 063513  Account no: 1005 8747
Reference: uniform/surname

☐ Please invoice Alternative Family ______________

☐ Paid via direct deposit on ________ (date)

**PAYMENTS OPTIONS:** Uniform can be paid for upon ordering or upon collection. Paid orders will be sent home with children when they arrive. Payment by cash, cheque or direct deposit. EFTPOS FACILITY IS NOW AVAILABLE.

This order form will become a Tax Invoice on delivery of goods. All uniform prices are GST inclusive. ABN 78386325528
*Receipts issued upon request at time of payment.*
Join us on Thursday the 18th of August in the BER Room as we work together to help make the healthy choice the easy choice for children in our school. The current reality is that healthy eating and physical activity are not the easy choices and the ramifications of this are broad sweeping and long lasting. To make meaningful change, it’s going to take the support of the whole school community, all playing a role to ensure that as a school community we can turn the tide.

THURSDAY AUGUST 18TH, 5:30-7:00PM AT THE HAMILTON NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL “BER” BUILDING

TO RSVP, PLEASE CONTACT HAMILTON NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL ON 5571 2433

RSVP to your Classroom Teacher by Wednesday 17th AUGUST
VCOP Openers – Focus “Narrative Text”
By 4/5S

Learning Intention: We are learning to write narrative text.
Success Criteria: We can write an interesting opener to start a narrative introduction.

THE TASK:
Students were given a title and an opening statement. They then had to come up with the next paragraph opening sentence.

TITLE: Trapped

Suddenly I wasn’t playing the game anymore. It was playing me.

I was in Hamilton. It was wet so I decided to inside and play some Video Games. (Abbey Myers)
It was a boring Autumn morning in Timbucktoo. Windy, leafy and wet. (Adanna Morey)
It was another boring day at school. (Alex Cameron)
It was a nice, warm, sunny day up in the mountains of the sky kingdom. Perfect for dragons to fly around. (Anoushka De Chelard)
It was a very sunny day on the Gold Coast beach. It was blooming. (Bridie O’Breza)
It was a cold wet day in 1846. It was 11:00 at night. (Daisy Henry)
I was a human in a blacksmith shop. My Dad was giving me a sword. My Mum was giving me an egg. (Declan Melhuish)
I was in my cousin’s garage playing Call of Duty Ghost. (Drae Ackland)
It was a bad afternoon. It was so bad. It was very cold in Hamilton and that as just starting. (Emily McGregor)
In a mysterious forest on a cold winter’s day I was playing magical chess and it said in the top left corner “Do not cheat or something bad will happen”. (Fraser Hill)
It’s gloomy and wet. I’m inside on the couch playing my game in my dressing gown with my friends Zumba and Timmy. (Haydn Riley)
I was playing my favourite game Abzu.
(James Pollock)
It was a cold winter’s night at the Ballarat Arcade.
(Kai Stevenson)
I was playing Skylanders on my PS4.
(Liam Taylor)
I was playing my favourite game – Racing Dragons.
(Mark Vaughan)
I was in my house playing Minecraft - my absolute favourite game.
(Michelle O’Connor)
Stunned with what just happened, I walked around when, I, Peyton, was in a candy kingdom.
(Peyton Neaves)
It was a boring rainy day in Hamilton, so typical and familiar.
(Natalie Ung)
“Tyson what is going on?”
(Phin McClure)
It was a typical Saturday night. Dark, cold and wet outside.
(Rori Charman)
I was a weird day in the afternoon.
(Stormy Manaia)
It was a stormy day. It was 11:00PM at night and then we heard a loud creak!
(Tyson Witcomb)
How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "Install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

For Android users:
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
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Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:
1. Go to the Windows Store on your 81 Windows Phone or Windows 81/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 81 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.