From the Principal

Dear Parents and Community,

It has been a wonderful start to the year for all the classes here at Hamilton SS.

All classes are now into their routines and it has been great to pop into all the classrooms over the past week and see how the students have started the year with a positive attitude towards their learning. I have been able to spend some time with the Year 5/6 students in the Prep class. We have set up all our Preps with a ’buddy’ from the 5/6 class and each Tuesday afternoon the older students will be working with the Prep students in class on their Science unit. I have attached some pictures from the last two lessons.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Feb 11 School Leaders Ceremony
@ 9AM
Feb 19 Fun Food Friday resumes
Feb 24 Raw Art Term 1
March 9 P&C meeting and AGM
@ 3.15pm
March 16 Parent Teacher Interview
March 23 Multicultural Day
March 24 End of Term 1 2016

“ASSEMBLY IS ON Thursday AFTERNOONS @ 2.45PM”. 
Last Tuesday we hosted a group of Chinese Students who spent a day in 3/4 and 5/6 classes. Thank you to all buddies and class teachers for welcoming and showing the Chinese students of how a school day is like at Hamilton State School.

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Each morning at **8:45 am** we have ‘**Fruit Bat**’. This is a time for the students to enjoy a quick bite to eat before starting their learning at **9:00 am**. Please remind your children that this is not a time where they are to eat their morning tea or lunch, it is a time to eat fruit.

I would also like to remind all families that for the safety of the children, please obey the ‘**NO STANDING**’ signs and marked yellow areas out the front of the school before and after school. There is plenty of parking available in Windsor Street behind the school.

Kind Regards,

Liam Bray

Principal

**CHAPPY NEWS!**

**Chappy Megan is at school Tuesday (7.30am-4pm) and Friday (12pm-3.30pm).**

Hello Parents and Friends at Hamilton!

I hope you have all enjoyed the first couple of weeks at school this year, especially our Preps and new students. For those of you who are new to the Hamilton school community, I’d like to take this opportunity to say welcome and to introduce myself. My name is Megan Valler, but you will most likely hear me called “Chappy Megan” and I am the school chaplain here at school. My role is to work alongside staff to help support students and families as a role model and mentor.

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While at school I also organise some fun activities, and listed below are some of the exciting things that will be happening this term.

**Active Travel**
Today we started our active school travel activities with our free weekly breakfasts. Usually we serve toast, raisin toast and juice but sometimes we have special breakfasts (like croissants or pancakes) to celebrate our active travel achievements! Each week students are welcome to come along from 8.15am for some yummy food, and tea and coffee is available for parents.

During class time I ask students how they got to school and if it is an active way of travelling to school then students have the opportunity to win prizes! The more times your child actively travels, the more chances they have to collect prizes. A big class competition also will be run across the term and your child’s class could be the winner of the pizza party! On Tuesday I sent a flyer home with information, but please see me if you have any questions.

**Lunchtime Clubs**
This year lunchtime clubs will be run on Tuesdays and will change every term depending on the votes of each class. Term 1 the winning votes were for DRAWING. We had lots of students joining in this week and now my wall is filled with lovely pictures. All students are welcome to come along at 2nd break. On Fridays we will be continuing Soccer at 2nd break. Last week we had LOTS of students involved and it was a lot of fun. ☺ See our skilled drawers below!

Please come and say hi to me at any time and have a lovely week! Chappy Megan

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