



Hamilton State School



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PandC

Meets 2nd **Tuesday** of each month at
3.15pm.
All are invited to attend.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opened every day – See Eva,
Melissa or Trish

FOR YOUR DIARY

- November 4** Swimming
- November 8** P&C Meeting
- November 9** Raw Art
- November 10** 5/6 Excursion to
Parliament House & Museum
- November 12** Chaplaincy Shopping
Tour
- December 1** Year 6 Graduation
- December 5** Christmas Concert

“Free playgroups at Hamilton SS
For all children 0-5, their Mums, Dads
and other carers. Come and join in
Mondays 9-11AM”

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From the Principal

Dear Parents and Community,

It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through Term 4 for 2016. This time of year is always incredibly busy for staff, students and parents. Children can become exhausted towards the end of the year and we can see unwanted behaviours pop up during this time. We all want to end the year on a positive note, so we will continue to work with the children about maintaining a positive attitude at school and ensuring that they are following the school rules. I would greatly appreciate you having a chat with your children about having a positive end to the school year and being tolerant, respectful and friendly to all in their class and across the school.

Attendance

I put the following information in the last newsletter and I am including it again this week. Attendance is absolutely vital each and every day. Please remember that we are teaching all the way through to the end of the year and time away from school will have an impact on your child's learning.

“Every day counts” has been the slogan that we have used in schools for a number of years around attendance. It is important that students are attending school each and every day and are at school on time and here for the entire day. Some figures to think about: *A student that misses 10 minutes a day ends up missing 1.5 weeks of school in total in a year. A student who misses one day a fortnight ends up missing 4 weeks of school in total in a year.*

Student leadership project

Last Thursday our four school captains spent the afternoon with school leaders from the other schools in the City Cluster. All the leaders had to present the project they had organised this year. Well done to our leaders, Ashley, Sofia, Zane and Patrick for their work. Also, a big thanks to Chappy Megan who worked very closely with the students on the project.

2017

Another reminder that if you know of any families in your area that have Prep aged children for 2017, please encourage them to come and see us about enrolling for 2017.

End of year events

Two very important end of year events are coming up. Our end of year concert will be held on Monday 5th December. Our Year 6 students will celebrate their graduation with a dinner with family and teachers on Thursday 1st December. Please keep those dates free.

Animals on the school ground

Please note that it is Education Department policy that animals such as dogs and cats are not to be brought onto school grounds. Thank you for your understanding of this policy.

P&C Christmas Raffle

Each year the P&C hold a Christmas raffle, if you would like to make donations of any goods such as food, drinks or small gifts, the P&C would be very grateful. Donations can be left in the box in the office. They are currently finalising gifts from local businesses and raffle tickets will be available for purchase next week. Thank you in advance for your support.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th November in the Library. All parents are welcome to attend.

Kind Regards,

Liam Bray

Principal

Reminders

Fun Food

This week is the last week of swimming lessons therefore Fun Food will now be back on **Fridays** starting from **next week**.

Payments due

Raw Art payments and permission slips are due **Monday 7th November**. Please make sure you pay by Monday so your child gets to participate in this activity.

5/6 Excursion permission slips and train money (if no go card) are due by **Tuesday 8th November**.

There are still a few **overdue** invoices for **Footsteps** and **Year 5/6 Camp**. Please make sure payment for these activities are finalized as soon as possible.

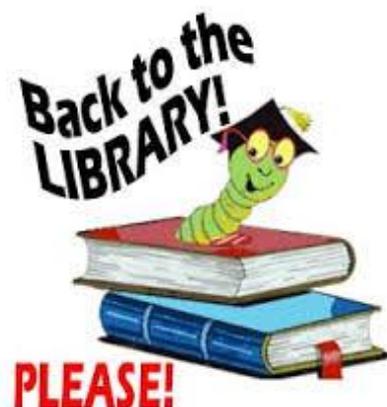
Lost property

We are starting to get a collection of towels, goggles, bathing caps etc. from swimming. If your child is missing any of these items please come and check the lost property bin in the office. We also still have a lot of jumpers and lunchboxes etc.

Library Books

It's time to return any overdue library books. Look here, look there & look under the bed. Please return any you find to the library as soon as possible.

Thanks
Mrs N



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Chappy News!

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

Hello Parents and Friends at Hamilton!

Active Travel

Don't forget our active travel day is TUESDAY! Remember you can walk, ride your bike, scooter or skateboard, carpool with another family or come by public transport. Even walking around the block counts too!



THANK YOU'S!

A big thank you to the Hamilton SS P&C for their generous donation towards chaplaincy, and to Hamilton Uniting Church for raising \$351 for Hamilton and Hendra at their recent trash and treasure stall! You are awesome!

For those involved in the cushion project with Hamilton Uniting Church last year, please check out some photos of the completed cushions. The students that went to visit with me 2 weeks ago were really impressed with their artworks. What a fantastic way to support our local community who have continued to support our school! Thank you!



Christmas Craft

WE NEED YOUR HELP!! We really need some parent helpers for the P&C Christmas craft mornings on Tuesdays. If you can help out, please see myself or Nicki Day.

Chappy Fundraiser

HAVE YOU DONE YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING YET?

Here's a chance to support chaplaincy and shop at the same time. 😊

Saturday 12th November

8am-4pm visiting 9 different stores across Brisbane. Some stores are exclusively open for the tour and include toy shops, clothing, accessories, jewellery and more!

WE ONLY HAVE 20 SEATS LEFT

Please email me: meganv@chappy.org.au or see me at school to secure your spot!

Have a fantastic day. 😊
Chappy Megan

Hamilton, Hendra & Northgate Chaplaincy

Shopping Tour!

\$40 per ticket to shop to your heart's content at 8 stores in Brisbane.
BYO lunch
Limited seats available.

Saturday 12th
November
8am - 4pm
Contact Megan
meganv@chappy.org.au

Clothes, Jewellery, Shoes, Accessories, Toys and more!
Come and get all your Christmas shopping done at once!

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City Cluster Project

Our school captains and vice captains went to QACI with Chappy Megan to show off how successful our movie night was and to see other projects by different schools. They were each congratulated with certificates handed out. It was a great experience to help build trust and a stronger friendship between the vice captains and school captains and it was just amazing and fun. Also a big thank you for the help of our mentors Benji and Johnny for helping guide us with advise to get us where were at now. Zane B.

It was fantastic to see our student leaders sharing about their project to other students and teachers. Well done! Check out some pictures below of the students presenting their idea and with their mentors from Kelvin Grove. Chappy Megan.



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Stakes Family RACEDAY

SATURDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2016
DOOMBEN RACECOURSE

Say goodbye to Spring at Doomben Racecourse on Saturday, 5 November with a delightfully magical day. Be transported to a fairy tale wonderland for the whole family to enjoy. On the track there will be live racing, plus the \$2 million Group 1 Emirates Stakes will be live on the screen. But it doesn't stop there – enjoy plenty of free fun for the whole family on this fairy tale raceday...

- Children's and Families' Fashions on the Field
- Free kids' entertainment
- Free fairy show
- Free jumping castle
- Free petting zoo
- Free face painting
- SNAG children's golf zone
- Free Horse shoeing demonstration
- Jockey & Trainer meet and greet

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