From the Principal

Dear members of our school community

What a fantastic place Hamilton State School is in which to work, learn, play and celebrate.

Yesterday we held our annual Multicultural Day. What a fantastic way to celebrate Term One achievements at school, class and individual levels. Students, teachers and the community participated in various activities including Aboriginal Dance with the Murri School, Weaving, Aboriginal Art and Traditional African Music and Dance. An equal highlight of the day was of course the food and the multicultural nature of the dishes available. Thank you to all families who contributed food and particularly traditional, cultural dishes. Thank you to all staff and parents/carers who assisted leading up to the day and at meal times and importantly congratulations to Hamilton State School students on their attitude and support for each other.

Congratulations to Mrs Glowrey and her ‘team’ for their coordination and organisation.

On the first Monday of Term Two Hamilton State School will be walking to Hendra State School for our annual Cross Country event. The order of events and approximate times are as follows. I encourage all families to consider visiting Hendra School during the holidays and familiarising students with the distance that they will be required to run around the school oval.
Students at Hamilton have been assigned the following Houses and are encouraged to wear House Colours on the day:

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Finish by 1.15 approximately followed by lunch. Earlier if No 12 year olds.

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In Term Two there are some slight timetable changes. Prep to Two Reading rotations will take place in first session with Year Three to Six in second session. Please see your child’s teacher if you are able to assist. PE will be taught by myself on a Tuesday. Our Three/Four class will have an hour lesson each fortnight, our Senior Class ninety minutes each fortnight and our two Junior classes 30 minutes per week. Music will continue Tuesday mornings again with our Senior classes a longer lesson per fortnight and our Junior classes 30 minutes per week. Japanese will be taught Prep to Year Six on a Friday.

**Assemblies from Term Two will be on a Monday afternoon at 2.30pm (from Friday afternoon) – All members of our school community are invited.**

On Friday 24 April we are holding our ANZAC Day Service at 10.30am followed by our ANZAC Day special lunch. All members of the Hamilton School Community are invited to join us.

Congratulations to the following students who have recently received Student of The Week Awards: Lewis, Armaan, Hamish G, Caitlin G, Shervin, Sienna, Charley, Isaac,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY... Baelee, Anastacia, Joseph, Hunter, Caitlyn and Lucas.

Recently I have been talking to all students about the things that make Hamilton State School a ‘Great school’ and would like to share some responses:

Because you have friends, Because we have assembly on the deck, Because we have a playground, Because we have visitors, people coming to school to see what we do, We have lots of books to read, It’s a great, great school. You get to do work, have lunch, then play, This is a great school because we have I-pads and we get to play games on the computers, We have a library here, We have I-pads, We get friends, We get air con, We have cushions, We play soccer.

- You get to use the laptops and the I-pads
- You get to have fun with friends and teachers
- Good teachers
- The environment
- Learning
- You know everyone because it is a little school
- We are a respectful school
- Get to play sport with friends
- We have 3 playgrounds
- Tuesdays with CHAPPY MEGAN
- FUN FOOD FRIDAY
- Multicultural Day
- Meet new people and make friends
- Disco’s
- Awards on assembly
- Learn about different cultures
- Sports Day
- Sensei
- Music Teacher is great
- Swimming
I wish all families a safe and happy Easter break and look forward to working together with all families in maximising learning opportunities for all students both in term two and beyond.

Please let us know should you wish your newsletter to be emailed. Paper copies will always be available at our office.

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Thanking you for your support

Scott Padgett

Chappy News

Hi Parents and Friends at Hamilton!

Sorry I didn't get to put my Chappy News in the last newsletter. In case you didn’t hear, I was on camp with Hendra State School all last week. It was great however to be back at Hamilton this week and share in the fantastic Multicultural Day celebrations that are so unique to our school community!

Just a few notices:

1) Lunchtime clubs will resume next term, most likely in week 2 after each class has had the opportunity to vote. Chess club this term was well attended and the competition a couple of weeks ago was a great time for everyone to test their skills! Well done to all who participated.

2) Active Travel Tuesdays will still continue next term, and until the end of this year. Remember there are lots of ways that you and your children can participate in being active travellers. More information will be given to families after the holiday break.

3) Finally, thank you to all the families who helped support the Chaplaincy BBQ at Masters on the 14th March. We raised over $450 which will go towards increasing my hours at school in Term 3. Look out for more information about the next fundraiser coming up- A CHAPPY MEGAN DANCE PARTY in May.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday.

Chappy Megan