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 where all students are ‘switched on’ to learning, challenged and inspired.

Thank you to all families who have made donations to our Christmas raffle. Thank you to our hard working P&C who have tirelessly sourced donations over the past weeks. Ten tickets will be sent home with each student next week. The cost is $1 per ticket and there are additional tickets available at our school office. Our Raffle will be drawn at the completion of our Christmas Concert on Monday 7 December.

All students selling ten tickets will automatically go into a ‘lucky draw’ for mystery prizes. The more tickets sold the more chances of these mystery prizes.

First Prize - PTP Bicycle donated by Ray White Ascot

Second Prize - Two Adult tickets (entry and members enclosure) donated by the Brisbane Racing Club

Third Prize - TJM Hendra Air Compressor and Tyre Repair Kit donated by TJM Pack valued at $220

Fourth Prize – 30 min Flight Sim Voucher donated by Air Combat Centre Hendra valued at $99

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Sixth Prize – 2 Person Go Karting Park donated by Go Carting Brisbane valued at $100

Seventh Prize – Bistro Voucher donated by Gallopers Sports Club valued at $100

Eighth Prize – 5 Bucket Range Pass (500 balls) donated by Golf Central Brisbane Airport valued at $75

Ninth Prize - House of Fu Family Pack donated by House of Fu Chinese Restaurant Clayfield Family Pack valued at $69

Tenth Prize - Athlete’s Foot Voucher donated by Athlete’s Foot, Chermside valued at $60

Eleventh Prize – Mini Golf Family Pass (2 adults and up to 4 children) donated by Golf Central Brisbane valued at $40

Twelfth Prize – Mini Golf Family Pass (2 adults and up to 4 children) donated by Golf Central Brisbane valued at $40

Thirteenth Prize – Stationery/Book Pack donated by Nextra, Toombul

Fourteenth Prize – Johnny Depp Framed Print donated by All About Art, Toombul
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Fifteenth Prize – Florist Voucher and Candle Holder donated by Habitat Flowers, Toombul and Christine’s Homewares, Toombul

Sixteenth Prize – Earrings donated by Michael Hill, Toombul

Seventeenth Prize – Deli and Butcher Voucher Donated by Get Fresh Deli, Toombul and A Place To Meat, Toombul

Eighteenth Prize – Christmas Hamper

Nineteenth Prize – Christmas Hamper

Twentieth Prize – Christmas Hamper

Hamilton State School would like to acknowledge the following businesses for their support:

- Ray White, Ascot
- Brisbane Racing Club
- TJM Hendra
- Air Combat Centre, Hendra
- Go Karting Brisbane
- Galloper’s Sports Club, Hamilton
- Golf Central Brisbane
- House of Fu Chinese Restaurant, Clayfield
- The Athlete’s Foot, Chermside
- Nextra, Toombul
- All About Art, Toombul
- Habitat Flowers, Toombul
- Christine’s Homewares, Toombul
- Get Fresh Deli, Toombul
- A Place to Meat, Toombul
- Direct Clutch Services, Albion
- Domino’s, Hamilton Harbour
- Come September, Toombul
- McJag Hair Design, Toombul
- Persian Rug House, Toombul
- Ray White, Paddington

All year five students are currently undertaking a process whereby applying in writing, for leadership positions for next year. In 2016 there will be the following leadership positions in our school – School Captain, House Captain, Music Leader, Student Council Representative, Community Leader, Peer Support Leader and Library Leader. Applicants will be shortlisted for the various roles based on their applications. Following this, a short speech will be delivered and an election will be held. 2016 leaders and their roles will be announced at our evening End Of Year Christmas Concert on 7 December. In addition, next year all year five and six students will be presented with a Student Leader badge and will be expected to undertake many responsibilities within the school community.

A reminder that our Christmas Concert and P&C Evening is being held on Monday evening 7 December. All classes will be presenting an item and there will be awards for Academic Achievement and Striving for Excellence presented to students from each class. There will be food available on the night and Channel 10 will be broadcasting from our school from 5.30pm. We hope to see as many families, friends and members of our school community join us for the evening. Bring along your blanket and/or chairs and help our school celebrate a fantastic year.

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Thank you to all students and parents who have been involved with our Thursday morning Craft Club. Students are able to make Christmas items which will be available for purchase on the evening or our Christmas Concert. Craft club is on each Thursday morning from 8.15am.

Thank you Danielle for all you work in our ‘community garden’ this week.

Our Swimming and Water Safety Program finished last week. Congratulations to all our students on their efforts and progress over the swimming weeks and I thank those parents who assisted both in and out of the water. We held a carnival to conclude the program and I thank those parents who helped out on the day.

I have been assured that work will commence on our tennis court redevelopment next week. Unfortunately it is looking unlikely that works will be completed this school year. It will however be a fantastic addition to our school on our return next year.

We are continuing to receive enrolments for 2016 which is fantastic. At this stage our class model for next year in 2016 is as follows:

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Our 2016 predicted numbers are heading toward receiving an additional teacher. It is therefore imperative that I am made aware now if you will not be returning to Hamilton State School or, alternatively if you know of any families who have children for Prep next year or who recently moved in to our area. We now need to look at placing teachers and teacher aides and other resources to particular classes and year levels and need accurate information to avoid unsettling changes to learning programs next year.

Thank you to the following students who have shared work with me this week – Stella, Luisa, Aurelle, Zain, Joseph, Mariah, Alisdair and Peter.

Thank you to those parents who have returned their School Banking forms to the school. A reminder that if you are interested in having an account for your child/ren please come and collect a registration form from the school office. Joni Mohd is our volunteer coordinator for this program – Thank you Joni!

Congratulations to all students who have recently received Student of The Week Awards – Lilly, Isaac, Ryan, Reuben, Sofia, Lucas, Elisha, Luisa, Kaarthika, Alexys, Charlotte, Amir, Bella and Hunter.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Luisa, Josh, Shervin, Charlotte, Jamie, Fahad, Isaac and Mrs Buckingham.

A new start date for Term 1 of the 2016 school year will see Queensland students return to the classroom on Wednesday 27 January 2016 - the day after the Australia Day public holiday.

For a full list of the 2016 term dates and holidays in Queensland, visit the calendar page on the Education website.

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

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Chappy News!

Active Travel TUESDAYS 8.15am

Our active travel breakfasts are continuing until the end of term and we have loved having so many students and families participate. Next week we will have a different menu, so be there early to find out what it is. Remember the breakfast is free and is our way of promoting and encouraging ACTIVE TRAVEL TUESDAYS! 😊

Christmas Craft Club THURSDAYS 8.15am

A big thank you to the mums, Nikki, Nicolette, Kylee and Amy who are working hard to help students with their Christmas creations for our P&C craft stall. We have had a busy time the last two Tuesdays, with two more weeks to go, and a special craft morning tomorrow (20th) also at 8.15. Next week we are decorating photo frames! 😊

Vegie Garden

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered helping to revive our vegie garden. If there are any more parents willing and able to help with the maintenance of the garden, I’d love to hear from you! So, if you are a keen gardener, or could help with watering in the mornings, or afternoons please let me know.

Have a great week!

Chappy Megan

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