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.

Due to the weather forecast our disco coordinated by our Prep/One and One/Two classes has been moved to next term and will take place on Friday 24th of July. We hope to see as many families as possible join us for at least part of the evening. Dinner will be available and I take this opportunity to thank those families for their donations and help leading up to and on the night. All monies raised will go toward an upgrade of Air Conditioning in our Year One/Two classroom.

On 10 June all students and staff travelled to Newmarket State School to participate in the annual Small School Sport’s Day along with Hendra, Mount Nebo and Upper Brookfield. Congratulations to all students on their efforts along with the example that they set for Hamilton State School. Thank you to all staff and parents who joined us. Congratulations to Jati who was awarded Age Champion.

Great News - Footsteps Dance will be coordinating dance sessions for all students next term. The weekly program commences in Week 6 and culminates in a family celebration night where skills learned can be shared with our community. There is a small cost per student and more information will be sent home early next term.

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Our school is once again participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program. When you shop at Woolworths and spend at least $10 you will receive stickers. We are hoping that families who shop at Woolworths will collect stickers and drop them off at the school office. At the completion of the program stickers can be exchanged by the school for educational resources for classrooms, libraries, music rooms and in the area of science.

We have recently had the pleasure of hosting a number of international visitors. Last Friday Three training teachers from Japan, Three from Korea, One each from Hong Kong, Columbia and Italy spent the day with us. On Tuesday we hosted 11 teachers from Korea. We welcome the opportunity to share all aspects of the quality teaching and learning program here at Hamilton. Thank you Ari for your organisation of morning tea on both days and to our Pand C for coordinating lunch.

It is exciting that we had a number of new families attend our recent Prep Open Days. Thank you to Mrs Buckingham and Mrs Flannigan for coordinating the mornings. A reminder that children born 1 July 2010 to 30 June (July at the Principal’s discretion) 2011 are eligible to be a part of our Prep classes in 2016. Enrolment packs will be available or can be obtained from the office.

Each year a School Opinion Survey is completed by staff, students and parents. This is but one way of having a say on what our school does well and how it can improve. Participation in the survey is anonymous and all information that you provide will be treated confidentially. Feedback is provided back to our school in a way that ensures participants cannot be identified. Next term survey information will be sent home to each family. Student and staff surveys will be completed here at school. Surveys are completed online and the web address is included in the information. For families for which computer and internet access is an issue access will be made available here at school

A reminder that end of semester reports will be sent home during the first week of Term Three. The main reason for this being the opportunity for teachers to gather evidences of learning for students from units of work due for completion in the last weeks of term. Please make the school office aware should your family require more than one copy of school reports.

Congratulations to the following students who have recently received Student of The Week Awards – Bethanie (5/6), Jati (5/6), Juan (5/6), Reuben (3/4), Jordan (P/1), Jake (1/2), Alisdair (1/2), Hope (3/4), Christine (3/4), Brock (5/6), Jamie (5/6). Congratulations to the following students who have recently received Special Class Awards – Arman, Stella, Luisa, Charley, HAPPY BIRTHDAY... Ben D, Ahmed, Sienna and Lilly.

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

I wish all the Hamilton School Community a safe, happy and restful term break and look forward to seeing you all back, batteries recharged for Term 3.

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