



Hamilton State School

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PandC

Meets 2nd Wednesday of each
month at 3.15pm.

All are invited to attend.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opened each Thursday
from 8.30am – 9am

FOR YOUR DIARY

June 1 Under 8's Day

May 29 4/5/6 Soccer Gala Day

June 4 Prep Open Day

June 17 Prep Open Day

June 5 4/5/6 Soccer Gala Day

June 8 Queen's Birthday

Holiday

June 10 Small Schools

Sports Day

June 10 P and C

June 15 School Cleaners' Day

June 23 EQI Professional Visit

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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.

Last week we celebrated Chaplaincy Week by raising awareness of Chaplaincy through some special activities throughout the week including our recent Disco and Art activities. We again thank Chappy Megan for her energy and commitment to students, families and staff at Hamilton State School.

This year Under 8's Day will be celebrated **next Monday 1 June** from 9 to 11am. All Prep to Year 2 students will be participating and running a class activity. If you would like to help, please see your child's class teacher. All Under 8's in our community are invited to come along. The theme for this year Under 8's Day is 'Voices of Children – look, listen, hear and respond'.

We will be holding Prep Open Days **next Thursday 4th June and Wednesday 17th June** from 9.15 – 10.30am. Parents, carers and children are invited to attend an information session at school on either of the above times. 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.

Yesterday we held our *School Athletics Carnival*. All students are to be congratulated on their efforts and energy. Thank you to those parents who supported our day and once again to our PandC for organising lunch and refreshments. Outstanding individual efforts were displayed by Joseph D, Charley, Flynn, Stella, Ethan, Rueben, Christine, Ahmed, Sienna, Anastaciya, Ryan, Ashley, Jamie, Jessica, Jati, Charlotte and Bethanie. *Final House points were Hinkler 459 and 309 Bonney.*

On Wednesday 10 June all students and staff will be travelling to Newmarket State School to participate in the annual Small School Sport's Day along with Hendra, Mount Nebo and Upper Brookfield. All students are to wear their full school uniform. Further information along with a permission slip will be sent home early next week.

Congratulations to the following students who have recently received **Student of The Week Awards** – Zain (1/2), Mania (1/2), Tui (5/6), Lucas (5/6), Bella (Prep/1), Braedyn (Prep/1), Ahmed (3/4), Hope (3/4), Emily (5/6), Alexys (Prep/1), Griffin (Prep/1), Aurelle (1/2), Lewis (1/2), Fraser (3/4), Sienna (3/4), Bella (5/6),
Congratulations to the following students who have recently received **Special Class Awards** – Elisha(1/2), Peter (1/2), Anastacia (3/4), Andy (3/4), Joseph (1/2) and Bitjal (1/2).

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Thank you to **Peter Flannigan** who has been undertaking various landscaping and maintenance jobs.

Thank you to Kate Collingwood from **Ray White Ascot** on the donation of a drink bottle for all students competing in this week's Athletics Carnival.

Thank you to Philippa Hodgkinson from **Caltex** at 645 Kingsford Smith Drive on her donation of ice for our recent Disco.

Thank you Hung Lam from the **Doomben Snack Shop** for his involvement with Fun Foods Fridays.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY...Andy, Christine, Izadora, Bailie and Braedyn .

A reminder that on both sides of the road in front of our school is signed 'NO STANDING' and that there is a 'BUS STOP' just in front of B Block. Children and families use this area to cross the road to our school and therefore I am asking that under no circumstances do you use this section for parking. Police are often positioned in such zones at all schools and it would be unpleasant to see school community member drivers fined.

Please Remember

We Run On The Grass and Walk On The Concrete, Steps and Verandas

Hamilton 'Five'

Ignore

Talk Friendly

Talk Firmly

Walk Away

Walk Toward Someone That Can Help

***or go straight to a teacher**

Valuing reading has many benefits. The Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research has not only proven a causal effect between the frequency of reading to a child and his or her development, but have also for the first time measured the benefits.

- *Children four to five years old who are read to three to five times a week have the same reading ability as children six months older (who are read to only twice or less a week).*
- *Reading to children six to seven days a week puts them almost a year ahead of those who are not being read to. It was also found that reading to small children has a positive effect on the development of numeracy skills. So Read, Read, Read!*

Please make a time with your child's teacher to visit during our Reading Group Times. Questions we ask our students in all learning situations including in explicit teaching of Reading are:

What Are You Learning?

How Are You Doing?

How Do You Know?

How Can You Improve?

Where Do You Go for Help?

On Tuesday 9 June Tui, Connor, Anabella, Bella and Sofia will be participating in a 'Junior Band Blitz Camp' at Windsor State School.

We are looking for more parents to assist on 'Fun Foods Fridays'. Please contact our school office for more information.

Lastly, I spoke at this week's assembly about *Fire Drill and Lockdown* practice. All schools are required to conduct these drills each term. ***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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Scott Padgett Principal

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