



The Hamilton Herald

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Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month
at 3.15pm.
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From the Principal

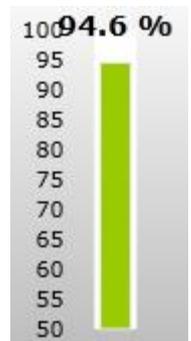
Well done to our Year 3, 5 and 7 students for their efforts during the NAPLAN testing this week.

One of the best aspects of being the Hamilton SS Principal is when students show me their fantastic classroom work. I look forward to seeing many more during the term.

During the next week, it is possible that you may receive a letter regarding **Unexplained Absences** for the year so far. Principals are required to monitor attendance/absence data. If you receive one of these letters, it may be possible that you have in fact informed the school regarding absence, and that this information has simply gone astray and the record has not been adjusted accordingly. I apologise in advance if this is the situation, but I do ask that you complete the 'Absence Reason' section and return the form to the office so that we keep accurate records of student attendance and absence.

Kind Regards,
Robyn Nicholson

Hamilton SS
Attendance Rate



DATES TO DIARISE

- May 19-23 Chappy Week
- May 22 Gala Day – Years 5/6/7
- May 22 Prep/1 Local Library Excursion
- May 26 Raw Art
- May 27 Prep Open Morning
- May 28 Intra-School Sports Day
- May 29 Gala Day – Years 5/6/7
- June 2 SEAT Visit
- June 4 Small Schools Sports Day
- June 5 Gala Day – Years 5/6/7
- June 11 P & C Meeting
- June 13 Disco
- June 26 Report Cards handed out
- June 27 Term 2 ends



Chappy Week

To celebrate Chappy Week (May 19-23) and to support our fantastic Chaplain Megan Valler, some of our terrific Mums are opening the tuckshop on Tuesday, 20 May.

The food available will be:

- * large spring rolls (\$2 each)
- * curry puffs (\$2 each)
- * mini hot dogs (\$1 each)
- * brownies (50c each)
- * cordial cups (50c each)

Food is to be purchased over the counter (no pre-ordering needed). Please note: No Sushi available on that day.

Chappy Megan has organised other events such as 'Guess the number of lollies' and colouring-in competition for Tuesday.

Milo Mornings

Milo Mornings will be starting next Wednesday morning. It will be available on Wednesdays and Fridays (from 8.15-8.45am). For our new families, on these mornings, students will be able to buy a warm Milo drink for \$1 and toast or bakery item (e.g. muffin) for 50c.

I understand that we are all busy and remembering to send Milo Morning money might be tricky. So, the option to pre-pay in \$5 increments is available.

Korean Visitors

Two Korean and two Japanese TESOL students visited our school last Thursday. All four spent time in each classroom and even watched an instrumental music lesson. During the breaks, the visitors engaged with the students, in particular a game of soccer.



Prep Open Morning

On Tuesday, May 27th, we will be holding a Prep Open Morning. If you know of any families in the area with 2015 Prep-age students, please inform them about the Prep Open Day. Flyers have begun to be delivered to letterboxes in the area.

Cross Country

Congratulations to the 11 students (aged 10 years – 13 years) who represented our school at the City Districts Cross Country event on Tuesday, 6 May.



Mothers' Day Cupcakes and Raffle

Hope Mothers' Day last Sunday was an enjoyable for all our Mums! Thank you to those who bought a delicious cupcake and/or raffle tickets.

Sports Day

Our intra-house (Bonney vs Hinkler) carnival is being held on Wednesday, 28 May at school. Then the Small Schools' Sports Carnival will be the following Wednesday, 5 June at Newmarket State School. Students will travel by bus. More information will be sent home next week.

Happy Birthday

Best wishes to the following students who have celebrated a birthday over the past fortnight:

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| May 4 | Jireh |
| May 12 | Bella G |

Raw Art

This art workshop is being held on Monday, 26 May. The cost is \$6.50. Information being sent early next week.

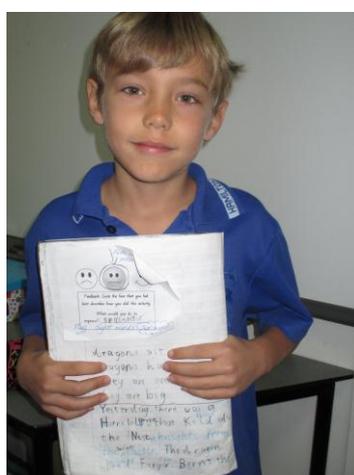
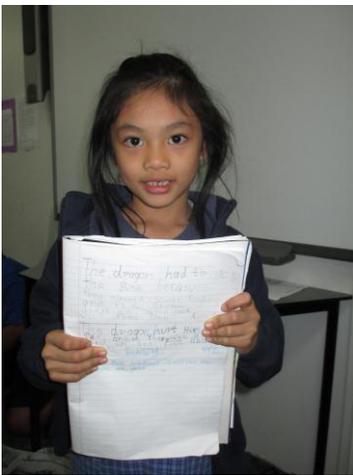
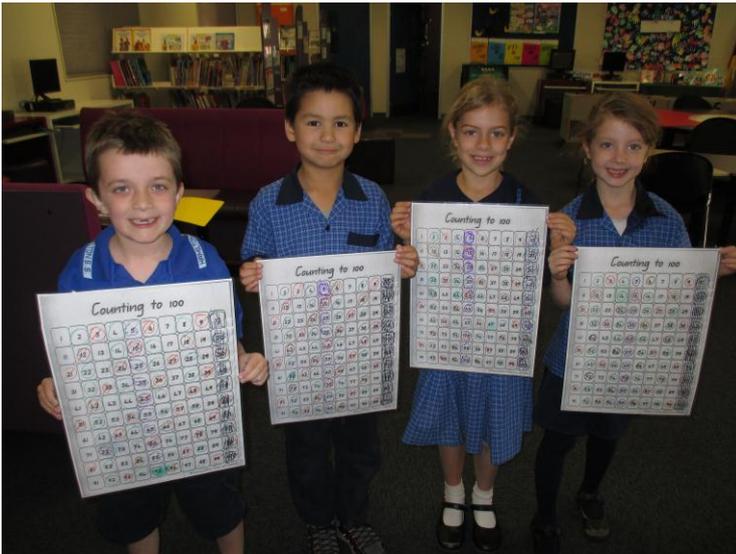
Blue Light Disco

A Blue Light Disco is on tonight from 6-8pm at the Eagle Farm Race Track (entry via Lancaster Rd main gates).

PCYC – EXCITING NEWS!

PCYC will now run Vacation Care (starting this June-July holidays) at Hamilton State School. Please contact the office if you would like more information or application.

Check out some of the terrific learners in Year 1/2/3!



Dear Parents/Carers,

Collecting data on school students with disability, helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability, in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools will participate and all schools will be collect data from 2015. Our school will be involved in the nationally consistent collection of data from this year.

Please be reassured that the Department will not provide to another organisation, any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore, continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child's details to be included, please let me know in writing by 2nd June 2014.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:

- Department's website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html>
- Australian Government Department of Education website: <http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

Alternatively, please contact me if you have any queries.

Regards

Robyn Nicholson