

Wednesday 13 April 2016
Week 11, Term 1
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QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata - (Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure)

From the Principal

Last day of term this Friday - see you all back at school on Monday 2nd May

Manaakitanga

As I am sure you are aware one of our school values is Manaakitanga - we care for each other and I thank our school whanau for providing us with students that do exactly that - show care and concern for others. They do this in many ways and I observe it often when I walk around the school, it may be students looking after others who are hurt, helping with lunchtime activities or by approaching teachers and asking after them - how's your day going? It all helps build a positive school culture - well done school.

Education Review Office

I have been informed by ERO that they will carry out the next review of the school in the last 2 weeks of term 2. The focus of the review will be:

How effectively does this school respond to Māori students whose learning and achievement needs acceleration?

I welcome any positive feedback around this question, please feel free to come and share your thoughts.

Winter Sports - are on their way

Winter sports will start on various dates in term 2. At Ham West we are very lucky to have a Leader of Sport -Mrs Sullivan, and there are also teachers in charge of winter sports clubs, hockey club (6 kids teams, 1 grown ups) - Miss Ardern, football club (11 teams) - Mr Seator, netball club (5 teams) - Miss Julian and Miss Johanson - and of course there are many parents coaching, managing and supporting our teams.

I am a strong believer in school based sport for many reasons, including the positive and respectful relationships that are built between teachers, students, parents and community - whanaungatanga. Also playing sport provides an important opportunity for a large group of students to excel and give of their best - Rangatiratanga

Basketball

Currently we don't have enough players or coaches for any teams across the school. If you can coach, or want your child to play, please email me asap. Teams need to be registered by this Friday so I need names by Thursday. Natalie Sullivan. natalie@hamwest.school.nz

Netball Coach Wanted

We need a coach for our Year 3/4 Netball team. Games are played each Thursday 4-4.45pm at Minogue Park starting 11th of May. Practises will need to be run by you before the game each week. If you are interested please email: staceyj@hamwest.school.nz.

Fair Play

All those involved in sport at Ham West are required to follow our Fair Play Contract - recently Mrs Sullivan reviewed and updated the contract as follows.

Fair Play Contract

When playing sport, I will show the following:

- Respect - Whanaungatanga (For myself, My team, My coach/manager, The opposition, The referees, The opposition coaches/managers, The equipment and fields/courts).
- Stay Cool - no matter what happens.

- Show dignity in winning and losing.
- Keep sport fun.

Behaviours that demonstrate these are:

- Respect (Whanaungatanga).
- Being prepared and proud to represent Hamilton West School.
- Encouraging team mates.
- Shaking hands with the opposition and thanking them properly for the game.
- Co-operating fully with coaches - both at practice and at the game.
- Obeying the decisions made by the referee.
- Playing to the rules of the game.
- Respecting property.
- Staying Cool.
- Keep your temper.
- Use positive language.
- Use no "put downs".
- Use no violence.
- Dignity.
- Enjoy winning, but think about how the opposition might be feeling.
- Remember that it doesn't matter if you lose - as long as you have tried hard.
- Fair Play Breaches will be dealt with by following set procedures.

ANZAC Day Parade

Hamilton West School will be represented in the Civic Ceremony and students from the school will lay a wreath. If you or your child would like to be involved in the civic ceremony as part of the schools representation please email Keith on: keith@hamwest.school.nz.

Health & Safety

Thanks to Dr Maree for organising the staff flu vaccinations last Friday, a positive step to help keep our team on deck and healthy during the winter months.

Student Voice - to ensure we are covering all bases I have invited two senior students to be on our Health and Safety Committee

Road Safety Reports from Students - very impressive after a show they went to recently. You will be interested to know that the school will be involved in **Road Safety Week: 16 - 22nd May**

Inquiry Learning

In term 1 our inquiry learning focus had a science theme - What's The Matter and I know lots of you will have had discussions at home about the states and properties of matter. Yesterday after school the teachers went around a number of classless to hear inquiry learning stories and look at Inquiry Walls co-constructed by students and teachers - see below a picture of Mrs Cuming telling colleagues about Room 1s inquiry. I have had lots of kids drop into my office to show me their learning - below is Luca's report.

MATTER!

Introduction: Matter is everything around us, there are three states of matter solid, liquid and gas!

SOLID: Solid particles are very close together so they can not move. Solids are very easy to hold and control. Solids have a definite state of volume. Solid can only break if you smash it. Ice is a solid until you melt it!

LIQUID: Liquid particles are close together but slightly can move in the shape it's in. Liquids are a bit harder to hold and control but it is possible. Milk is a liquid so is water until you freeze it. Everything you drink is a liquid.

GAS: Gas particles are not close together they are very far apart and go wherever they want to go. Normally gas is invisible, but smoke and steam is visible. Fire is also a gas and creates smoke. If a liquid is hot it makes steam. You can sometimes smell gas! You fill a balloon with gas. We also breath in gas.

Physical Change: water changes into ice when you freeze it. If you burn wood it turns to coal. Lava turns to stone. If you melt ice it becomes water.

Chemical Change: If a plate breaks it's still a plate just a different form and shape. EG: Smashed window still a window again just different form and shape!

Glossary: particles - small things in everything!

Melting - when a solid turns to a liquid. Freeze - liquid turns to solid. **By Luca Room 13**

Motorbike Drawing

Room 2 went out and drew Mr O'D's new motorbike. Drawing by Khali Loffley Age 5

School Assembly

Congratulations to these people who won places at our recent Triathlon and received their certificates at last weeks assembly. A nice photo of Mrs Wadley giving out Principal Awards to Year 3 - 4 students and the fantastic art work shown by Room 10

Martial Arts - well done Liley on your achievement winning a medal at Jujitsu.



School Notices

Reminder: House Mufti day on Friday. Children can come dressed up in their house colours on Friday. Points will be given out for the best efforts.

Book Amnesty. Please have a hunt around your house and if you find any school reader books please return them to school. Children will be given house points for any books they return.

The Junior Children will be looking at road safety for the first 5 weeks for term two. In the first week Constable Niwha will be holding a meeting for any parents interested of how the programme works.

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Lost Property

There are a number of unclaimed clothing items in our lost property cupboard (opposite room 8). Please come in and have a look and take any items that belong to your child. Any unclaimed uniform will go into our second hand stock and non uniform items will be given to charity at the end of Thursday.

Sports Notices/Results

Ham West Reds YR 3-4 Boys team had an awesome but short season. With extreme weather and YR 4's going to Camp they still made the A Pool. A hard run to the final is an under-statement. Both Semi and Final games were played with half of the team sick. They showed determination winning the semi 4 tries to 3, with Lachlan Stark scoring a the late winning try. With a 30 minute rest, the boys still looking tired, they showed their courage leading the final at half time 3-2 sadly losing to Te Rapa in the end, 5 tries to 4. It's a big congratulations to Aidan Parrish, Couper Meads, Harlem Gamble, Devon Boyd, Navrin Campbell, Lachlan Stark, Kauri Higgins and Caleb and Tyler Bromley. Looking forward to coaching again in Term 4. Coach Rowdy.

Road Safety Tip

Belt up in the right seat

Children should use a child seat that's right for their size and weight until they are 12, or 148cm tall. Buy new. Fit right. Check often.



Community Notices/Advertising

The **Hamilton YMCA** has some fun and exciting activities planned for these holidays. This will include a trip to Extreme Edge Rock Climbing and T.A Pools, a Disco day at the Stadium, and cooking and crafts too! Or for something more extreme check out our Extreme Adventure programme. We run 8 programmes across Hamilton for ages 5 to 15 years old. Check us out on our website at www.ymcahamilton.org.nz or you can contact us on 07 838 2529.



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Waikato Museum - Fun, free family events - From Thursday 21 - Friday 29 April

Fish Migration Day - Thursday 21 April, 10.30am - 2.30pm. This public event marks the beginning of a set of activities surrounding 'Global Fish Migration Day'. **Flying Objects - Friday 22 April**, 10.30am - 2.30pm. Create a da Vinci inspired flying machine, free event. **Anzac Poppy Art - Saturday 23 - Monday 25 April**, 10am - 4.30pm. Make a poppy in remembrance to plant on the Museum lawn, free event. **Sun Catchers - Thursday 28 April**, 10.30am - 2.30pm. Design a sun catcher to decorate your home, free event. For more information visit our website.

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FIRST LESSON FREE

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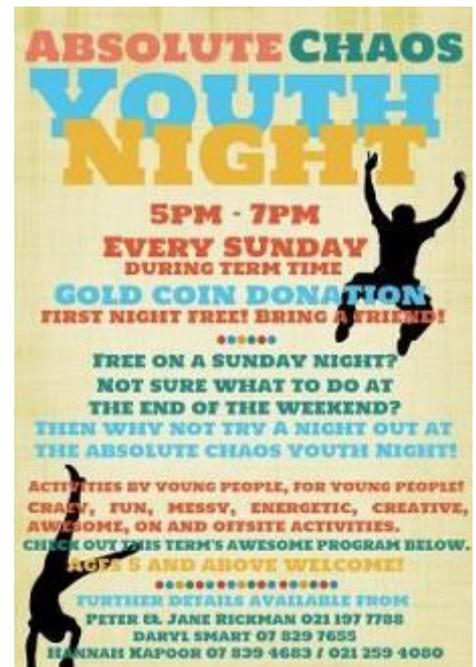
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If you feel tired when driving this summer, pull over and take a break or have a power nap.

Your kids will thank you for it.

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