

Wednesday 4 May 2016  
Week 1, Term 2  
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### QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

**"Don't be afraid to learn. Knowledge is weightless, a treasure you can carry with you always." - Rishika Jain**

### From the Principal

*Kohia te kai rangatira, ruia te taitea:* Gather the best, reject the bad.

#### ANZAC Day

Thanks to Aieva, Gabe, Nauvoo, Brodi and Mea who represented Hamilton West School at the Civic Anzac Ceremony at Memorial Park. Aieva and Gabe laid a wreath on behalf of the school. Thanks to Mr O'D for co-coordinating our involvement.



I helped get the area ready for the ceremony which involved setting out the crosses of Hamilton servicemen and women who died while on service during World War 1. Naturally some of these people were alumni of Hamilton West School. Last year Mrs Quill and a group of our senior students began researching to find out the names of those alumni who died while serving in WW1. They came up with about 25 names and Mrs Quill is now doing more research to find out more about them. We plan to open a memorial to them next ANZAC Day. While putting out the crosses I looked at the names and recognised some of them from Mrs Quill's list. One of the soldiers who was killed was Private W. P. Armstrong who attended the school in 1910 and 1911. See the photo's of his cross and the students at the Civic Ceremony.



#### Let's Help The Kids in Fiji

Dave one of our school Dads who works at Gallagher Group let me know about a project they are running to help kids in Fiji. Individual and community groups are asked to fill a shoebox with stationery supplies such as pens, pencils, pads, exercise books, coloured pencils and rulers. It is suggested the shoebox is decorated.

I'll bring a shoebox from home tomorrow and people are invited to drop off donations to me office from tomorrow morning till next Monday.

#### School Uniform

The Board of Trustees has decided not to renew its contract with NZ Uniforms. The school will take over the role of supplying uniforms from next week, So from next week if you want to purchase items of uniform you will do it through Elaine at the school office. We offer you the opportunity to email your order to Elaine and she can confirm when it is ready. Please be patient during this transition period as we set up our systems. Elaine's email address is: [elainew@hamwest.school.nz](mailto:elainew@hamwest.school.nz).

#### WE'RE AN ANZ OLYMPIC SCHOOL

We have registered as an ANZ Olympic School which provides us with resources and rewards to inspire our school community. If you're looking to take out a home or business loan, simply provide the name of our school when speaking with an ANZ representative. When your loan is drawn down, we will receive credits to spend at the ANZ Awards Centre on items like sporting equipment and computers. To discuss an ANZ home or business loan, visit your local ANZ branch, or call a Home Loan Specialist on 0800 269 4663 or a Business Specialist on 0800 269 249.

### **Reading Together - helping your kids with their reading at home.**

All Year 1 - 4 students were today given a letter inviting parents/Whanau to be part of our Reading Together programme. One or both parents/Whanau are welcome to attend the series of 4 workshops where you will be shown how reading is taught at school so you can better help your child reading at home. If you didn't get the letter or if it is still in the bottom of a school bag you can find out more by emailing Gretchen Callaghan gretchen@hamwest.school.nz or myself mark@hamwest.school.nz

### **Health and Safety Policy & Plans**

Well our Health and Safety Policy is now 15 pages long covering the following areas:

1. Child Protection/Child Abuse
2. Bullying Prevention and Response
3. Safe Practices
4. Visitors to School
5. Training
6. Confidentiality
7. Employment of Staff
8. Trainee Teachers
9. Sun Safety
10. Attendance
11. Digital Citizenship/Cyber Safety

The policy is supported by an Occupation and Health Plan, Education Outside The Classroom Plan and Emergency Plan.

The challenge now is for the staff health and safety reps and I to implement the intent of these documents.

### **Library Displays**

Thanks to Mandy in the Library and Mrs Williams for the wonderful displays they created in the holidays. Below is a nice photo of Mrs Williams and her class in front of one of these displays.



### **Sketch Club - great idea Gabe**

Hi guys,

My name is Gabe. One of my lifelong passions is sketching. I was just wondering if some of you guys out there would like to join me on my quest to sketch. On Wednesday lunchtimes after the eating bell, a sketching club will be held in room 20. You will need to bring your own pencils, pens, clear files, and sketch books and/or paper. This club is open to all children that want to sit down and draw whatever they want. This club will be overseen by Miss Douglas and run by my younger brother Elim and I.

### **Mr Jesse**

As you can see from the photo Mr Jesse is laid up with an injury. During the holidays he fractured his tibia at the knee. I saw the x-ray and his tibia looks like a meccano set. Jesse will be missed during the weeks he will be absent from work on ACC. We all wish you a speedy recovery Jesse. We look forward to see you back at Ham West.



### **Mr Hedder**

Congratulations to Mr Hedder teacher of Room 15 on the arrival of his new baby boy Emerson.

### **Mr Mike**

The Board of Trustees have purchased a new ride on mower for our Caretaker Mr Mike. He looks pretty pleased with his new toy.



### **Mr Kavanagh**

This term Mr Kavanagh from Room 19 is on leave. It is nice to have Mrs Duggan back at Ham West for term 2. Travel safe Mr Kavanagh.

### **Miss Johanson**

Congratulations to Miss Johanson for passing the Google Certified Educator Level 1 Exam. Training such as this ensures that teachers have the skills they need to use technology effectively in the classroom.

### **Album School Fundraiser NZ KIDS SONGS 10% proceeds to Ham West School**

12 fun life songs, 6 electronic remixes, 3 bonus gospel tracks. CD \$25 with full colour lyrics booklet. USB \$30 mp3s, lyric/chord sheets, PPT, colour ins, art, mp3s \$20 1 download card or 1 download wristband full album  
Orders and Payment by cash (preferred) or cheque to school office by: Thursday 26 May, Delivery date Monday 30 May. Orders at the school office.

## School Notices

### Entertainment Books

I hope you all had a great holiday time and realised that you had the opportunity to use many of the vouchers in the new Entertainment Book.

If you still have the book at home and now want to buy it or if you want to get a new one, you can still buy them in many different ways:

By credit card either at [www.entbook.co.nz/154156d](http://www.entbook.co.nz/154156d) or by completing the slip in the book and returning the envelope and slip to the office.

1. By cash – return the envelope only with the slip and the money to the office.
2. By Eftpos – a great way to pay – you then keep the book at home and nothing is returned to us at all.
3. If you have returned the book but now realised you want one then go see the ladies in the office.

If sadly you decided that the book is not for you this year but you know a friend, family member or colleague that may want it then please let someone else buy it instead. If you have several people who ask you about the book and want to obtain one then contact Kathryn on 021 11 33 907 and we can organise getting more books to you. If you decided that you don't want the book then please ensure it is returned to **THE OFFICE immediately**, so we can return the book to the company.

Did you know there is a digital app version available as well?? Go check out [www.entbook.co.nz/154156d](http://www.entbook.co.nz/154156d) and see if the app would suit you better than the hard copy. If you decide you would like that app instead, then purchase it via the website and ensure the hard copy book gets returned to the office immediately.

### Scholastic

Last day for orders **Wednesday 18th May 2016. Please make cheques payable to scholastic NOT Hamilton West School.**

### Sports Notices/Results

#### Soccer Draws for Saturday 7 May

Ham West Rovers – games to be played at Glenview Park @ TBA  
Ham West Dynamite – games to be played at Glenview Park @ TBA  
Ham West Strikers vs Pirongia @ 09:00 Pirongia School 3  
Ham West Rockets vs Northern United Hornets @ 11:00 Discovery Park USA  
Ham West Kingz vs Wanderers Hawks @ 09:45 Raymond Park 1  
Ham West Stars vs Cambridge Assassins @ 10:00 John Kerkhof Park 10  
Ham West Wizards vs Northern United Comets @ 09:00 Ham West School 1  
Ham West Ninjas vs Northern United Impact @ 09:00 Grosvenor Park 6  
Ham West Phoenix vs Claudelands Rovers Thunderbirds @ 09:00 Galloway Park 5  
Ham West Hammers vs Ngaruawahia Narra Nemesis @ 09:00 Centennial Park 1  
Ham West Rangers vs Ngahinapouri Mustangs @ 09:00 Reid Park 1

#### Soccer Practice

Several of the teams have already set their practice time for each week.

These are the ones I am aware of:

Ham West Strikers – Wednesday after school  
Ham West Stars – Thursday after school  
Ham West Ninjas – Wednesday after school  
Ham West Phoenix – Wednesday after school  
Ham West Hammers – Thursday after school  
Ham West Rangers – Thursday after school

Please remember that soccer fees are now due to all children playing this season. \$65 per child or \$100 for 2+ children. All made payable to the office via cash or Eftpos.

#### Hockey Draw

##### **Friday 6 May**

Ham West Demons: 6.30pm @ Fraser High School

##### **Saturday 7 May**

This is the Festival Day for the mini hockey. Each team will play 2 or 3 times.

Ham West Dynamite: Game 1 - 10.30am on 1HC, Game 2 - 11am on 2HA  
Ham West Cheetahs: Game 1 - 12.45pm on 1HA, Game 2 - 1pm on 2HA  
Ham West Tigers: Game 1 - 9am on 1A, Game 2 - 9.30am on 2B  
Ham West Leopards: Game 1 - 8.15am on 2C, Game 2 - 8.45am on 2C  
Ham West Pukekos: Game 1 - 8am on 1B, Game 2 - 8.30am on 1B

## Term 2 Calendar

Term 2, 2016. Tuesday, 2 May – Friday 8 July.

Week 1:	Mon. 2 May	Students start – 8.55am.
Week 2:	Sign Language Week	
	Thurs. 12 May	3.05 pm. Whanau Meeting
Week 3:	Road Safety Week	
Week 4:	Dental Van arrives on site	
	Tues. 24 May	BOT Meeting
Week 5:	Mon. 30 May	Peace Run Event
	Tues. 31 May	Years 5 to 8 School Cross Country
	Wed. 1 June	Sport/team photos
	Fri. 3 June	Arbor Day planting
Week 6:	Mon. 6 June	Queen's Birthday – Holiday
	Wed. 8 June	Yr 3& 4 Cross Country
	Thurs. 9 June	Postponement date for Yr. 3 & 4 Cross Country
Week 7:	Junior's Cross Country this week. Dates to be confirmed	
	Tues. 14 June	Years 4- 6 Interschool Cross Country
	Thurs. 16 June	Back-up day for Yrs. 4-6 Interschool Cross Country
Week 8:	Matariki June 18 – July 17	
	Tues. 21 June	BOT Meeting 5.30 pm.
Week 9:	ERO Weeks 9 and 10	
Week 10:	Tues. 5 July	Student Led Conferences 2.00 p 7.30 pm.
	Wed. 6 July	Student Led Conferences 3.00 – 5.30 pm.

N.B. Yrs. 7 & 8 Interschool Cross Country will be held in Term 3. School closes Friday 8 July. Term 3 starts Monday 25 July at 8.55am.

## Community Notices/Advertising


**Young Engineers starting Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May** - The Young Engineers programme is a fun and engaging programme that teaches children about the basic principles of engineering and physics using motorised Lego! Children from Year 2-Year 8 will enjoy the practical hands-on learning environment which lasts for 75mins. Young Engineers will be starting next week at various locations including Gordonton School, Hukanui School, Hautapu School, Claudelands, Dinsdale, Leamington and Silverdale. To enrol or find out more – go online to [www.youngengineers.nz](http://www.youngengineers.nz) or contact Ariana on 021-2424567 or [ariana@youngengineers.nz](mailto:ariana@youngengineers.nz).

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Monday & Wednesday  
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Email: [hamiltonwushu@gmail.com](mailto:hamiltonwushu@gmail.com)



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