

Wednesday 1 June 2016
Week 5, Term 2
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QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow." Albert Einstein

From the Principal

Wood Raffle

We have had some firewood donated for a wood raffle and we need your help to sell tickets - please contact me if you can help - mark@hamwest.school.nz.

Measles - Oops

Sorry guys, I confused some of you with the information about measles that I put in last week's newsletter. The information related to what would happen should we have a case reported at the school. Right now we DON'T.

Budget

I was interested to read on the Ministry of Education website about the budget and the amount of money being set aside for Charter Schools (Private Public Partnerships) compared with the amount of money being provided to state schools to support children at most risk of not achieving. See below

\$151.567 million in capital funding for the New Zealand Schools Private Public Partnership - Project Two

\$177.347 million in capital funding (10 year total) and \$20.226 million in operating funding (over four years) for the New Zealand Schools Private Public Partnership – Project Three

\$43.153 million Operational Grant Increase to Schools to Support Children Most at Risk of Not Achieving

It surprises me that Charter Schools (which are not being built as a response to roll growth) can be afforded such funding when state schools are to receive much less to raise student achievement which I understand is a Government and Ministry of Education focus.

Lunchtime Activities - Did you know?

I wanted to let you and your kids know about some lunchtime activities that are available at Ham West School. Teachers provide these, giving up their own time to provide activities to enrich the children's wider education. They are also a good opportunity to make new friends.

Lego Club - Wednesday lunchtime in Room 2: Contact Mrs Bath for more information

Sketching & Colouring Club - Wednesday lunchtime in Room 20: Contact Mrs Douglas for more information

Ukulele Club - Thursday lunchtime in Room 26:

Minecraft - Friday in the Library: Contact Ms Sasso for more information.

Chess Club - pending

Students are also welcome to drop in and see me to recommend other clubs that we could get going at lunchtimes. Note also the Library is open each lunchtime for children to read and research.

Mr and Mrs Hedder and baby.

It was nice to see the Hedder family together yesterday. Baby Emerson sure is cute.

Disco

The PTA are hosting the first school discos on Thursday 9th June. As usual there will be a Junior (Year 1 - 4) disco from 3.15 pm - 4.15. The Senior disco (Year 5 - 8) will run from 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm. Children will need to bring their permission slip and their \$2 entry to the disco which is held in the school hall. Food, drinks and savouries will be for sale. Permission slips will go out tomorrow.



Art Group - Creative Art Pieces.

Mrs Quill's senior art group have done some brilliant still life artwork and Mrs Quill has expertly displayed the work in the school office. I'm glad to hear that so many children and parents stop to enjoy the work and comment on how much they like it. To give you some idea there is a picture below but you really should drop by and have a look for yourself.

Wet Day Duty

As many of you are aware one of our school values is Manaakitanga - showing care for each. One of the ways groups of students demonstrate this is through undertaking Wet Day duty. This is a tuakana/teina relationship where the older children go to the classes of younger students to look after them on wet days. It is a long standing practice at the school and really helps the duty teachers on wet days - and haven't there been a lot of them of late. Yesterday I saw two of our senior students heading back to their own class after helping in junior classes. I had seen them both in action earlier doing a great job with their younger peers. Thanks to Sophia and Josh, and all the others who help with this work.

Enviro - Gardens Initiative

At last week's assembly three of our Enviro-Agents Megan, Kaylee and Vaishali gave a presentation about the importance of Kaitiakitanga and invited classes to adopt a garden near to their class.

Principal's Award

At last Thursday's school assembly a big group of junior boys and one junior girl received Principal's award. It was great to see so many of our young men getting recognised this time.

Indian Food Tasting

The Indian food tasting last Friday was a great success, the demand was such that there wasn't quite enough to go around (sorry to those who missed out), at one stage the line went around the hall, out the door and up the drive to the end of Mr Gardner's classroom. The ladies who prepared the food are now working out a plan so kids can buy some Indian food once per month as a school fundraiser - see the photos of the line in the hall and of food being given out.

School Meetings

Whanau Group Meeting - Thursday 9th June at 3.00 pm in the Principal's office.

PTA - Monday 13th June at 7.30 in the staffroom.

Board of Trustees - Tuesday 21st June in the Library.

Don't forget the school is closed on Monday as part of Queen's Birthday weekend. Enjoy your extra day everyone.

School Notices

Cross Country:

The Year 5-8 Cross Country will be held tomorrow, Thursday 2 June at Hamilton Lake. This will start at 11am, beginning with the Year 5 students. Natalie Sullivan.

Year 5-6 Camp:

A reminder that you have until next Friday, 10 June to pay your \$30 deposit for camp. Please contact me if you have any queries (natalie@hamwest.school.nz). Natalie Sullivan.

Head Lice

Head Lice has been detected in the school. Can parents please be vigilant in checking their children's hair and treat if necessary. Thank you.

LOST

Lost "named" New School Sweatshirt Size 12. Please return to Room 13.



School Notices contd

Entertainment Books

If you have a 2015/16 Entertainment Book then do you know it will run out today! If you would like a new book there is still time to purchase one. Just pop into the school office or call Kathryn on 021 11 33 907.

If you still haven't returned the book back to school that your child brought home several weeks ago. Then now is the finally time to do that before you get charged for the book for non-return!
Just get them to drop it off at the office anytime.

If you want to purchase the book then you can pay by cash, cheque or Eftpos at the office or online with a credit card.

Autism NZ

One day seminar for Parents/Whanau/Caregivers. "Way to Play". Date: Thursday 13 September. Time 9.30am-3.30pm. Where: Cambridge. Cost: \$20 Family/Whanau. \$75 Professional. Contact Samantha Mayall email: sam.mayall@autismnz.org.nz.

Lego Group - Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs 4.00-5.00pm. Contact:Samantha Mayall email: lego.waikato@autismnz.org.nz.

Waikato Holiday Programme - School Holidays. Contact Holiday Programme Co-ordinator on Ph: 022 183 1530 or email: holiday.programme.waikato@autismnz.org.nz.

LOST/Accidentally taken

New pair of shoes accidentally left in the cubby holes outside the Library. They are black with a pink sole with a "surefit" label inside. Please return to Room 1. Thank you.

Sports Notices/Results

Soccer

Football Results for Saturday 28 May

Ham West Strikers beat Ohaupo Lions 2-1. PoD was Caleb Richards and Charlie Giberson

Ham West Rockets lost 5-1 against Woodstock Rockets. PoD was Azdyn Humphris

Ham West Kingz beat Northern United Wolves 3-2. PoD was Shan Ali

Ham West Stars beat Western United Chiefs 5-1. PoD was Mareko Ratu

Ham West Wizards lost 4-0 to Hillcrest Vikings. PoD was Darryl Bradley

Ham West Ninjas lost 4-1 to Northern United Galaxy. PoD was Brendan Judd

Ham West Phoenix beat Te Aroha Cobras Pitballs 6-4. PoD was Cherry Piper

Ham West Hammers drew 3-3 against Western United Saddlers. PoD was Justin Raman

Ham West Rangers lost 10-1 to Western United Cherokees. PoD was Ella Mackenzie

There is no football this weekend due to Queens Birthday. Next game will be on Saturday 11 June.

Hockey Results

Dynamites played their best hockey of the season on Saturday against a well matched team from Saint Joseph's. A superb early goal from Gracie saw us take the lead right from the opening minutes which we held onto right until the final whistle despite some great attacking play from St Joseph's but some equally good defending from our team. Ashley have a superb game again in both defence and attack, Keira, Macy, Sophie, Va'asa and Naveah A chat fantastic games are playing as forwards. Tululah Breanna Caitlyn and Arianna all played well in midfield and defence. It was a great game to watch enjoyed by all the spectators and great to be rewarded with a 1-0 win. Player of the day for a superb work effort went to Va'asa -congratulations.

Year 3/4 Netball

Hamilton West Flyers:

The weather played havoc and it was a last minute decision to still play. Luckily the rain stopped just after a torrential down fall before we took the court. Our team won by default because the other team did not show but we endured the weather to play another team and won.

Congratulations to Paloma Aguilera who played an excellent game at defence. Well done to all for turning up and playing a great game!

Hamilton West Rockets:

Miley Reidy was awarded player of the day.

Community Notice

LEARNER LICENCE COURSE

Complete our 3 day course covering all aspects required to sit your learner licence including the test. The course is run by Community Constable Niwha Jones during the school holidays. This course is more than just going through the road code, this is a really proactive approach to getting your learner licence. Spaces are limited so first in first serve. WHEN: Monday, 11th July – Wednesday, 13th July
TIME: 9am-3pm. WHERE: Glenview Community Centre. COST: \$93.90 for Learner Licence Test Tuition and Resources are provided. Enquiries or to Register contact Kirstin or Rou on 8432 600 or email us on glenviewcent@clear.net.nz

Term 2 Calendar

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

Week 5:	Thurs 2 June	Yr 5-8 Cross Country
	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.

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BEGINNERS & ADVANCED

FIRST LESSON FREE

Hamilton West School Hall
Monday & Wednesday
6pm – 7pm
All Ages Welcome

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Phone or Text: 021508281
Email: hamiltonwushu@gmail.com

