

Wednesday 31 August 2016
Week 6, Term 3
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QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

“The mind once enlightened cannot again become dark.” - Thomas Paine

From the Principal

Speech Finals

Last night we had our annual speech finals. Firstly well done to all the Year 5 - 8 students who wrote, practiced and delivered a speech to their class, secondly well done those students who made the semi-finals yesterday which gave them entry into last night's finals and thirdly congratulations to our speech winners.



Finalists

Year 5: **Jack Graham, Nikhil Naicker, Meg Martin and Milannia Zucchetto.**

Year 6: **Kiera Sullivan, Hannah Mary Thomas, Clarizze Divina, Breanna Rickman.**

Year 7: **Rav Rebolledo, Chloe Dangawen, Zaakira Nisa, Ernest Divina**

Year 8: **Kathryn Poole, Toby Rickman, Priyena Prasad, Jasmine Ormsby-Hawkes**



Winners:

Year 5 Winner: **Nikhil Naicker**

Year 6 Winner: **Breanna Rickman**

Year 7 Winner: **Rav Rebolledo**

Year 8 Winner: **Kathryn Poole**

The school would also like to thank the Principal of Melville High School and his Senior Leaders for being our judges again this year. It was nice that two of the students who came were alumni of Hamilton West School. I also acknowledge all the Year 5 - 8 teachers for attending the finals last night and assisting in hosting the event.

Buddy Bench

I have always liked the idea of providing a Buddy Bench at Ham West School. The idea behind a Buddy Bench is to provide an opportunity to support children who might be having difficulty finding someone to play with. If this is the case they can sit on the Buddy Bench and it is other children's job as they pass by to pick up the person/s on the Buddy Bench and include them in with what they doing. Thanks to the Student Councils of 2015 and 2016 for working on this project, including fundraising. I enjoyed show the Buddy Bench to some of the Room 3 kids this morning.



Hillary Outdoors

Hamilton West School is part of the Waikato Full Primary Association and on behalf of the association I am taking registrations of interest from schools interested in being part of a leadership course run in January 2017 at Hillary Outdoors Tongariro. The cost would be around \$300 for the week. I am looking for expressions of interest from our current Year 6 - 7 students - contact me mark@hamwest.school.nz.

Frank Sargeson Garden

One of our most famous alumni is writer Frank Sargeson who went to Hamilton West School from 23rd March 1908 to 1914. Frank is considered one of New Zealand's most foremost short story writers. He is credited for helping put New Zealand literature on the world map. To celebrate his association with the school and contribution to literature the school Enviro-Agents have designed a Frank Sargeson Garden (see concept design). It is now time to start developing the site for the garden - at the back of the school towards the end of Horne Street where the David Lloyd sculpture is already in place as a feature of the garden.

The next stage is to start developing the garden - creating a concrete nib. If any of you would be able to help with this (a working B one Saturday morning perhaps) please get in touch with me.

Healthy School Lunches

Thank you to all those people who responded so positively to the idea of using Lunch Orders to provide a healthy lunch option once or twice a week. I have been in touch with the providers and had a meeting with Toby from Lunch Orders. We are looking to try the healthy lunch option on Wednesdays, starting in 2 or 3 weeks. Toby will have cards printed for each family outlining how to order online. I'll let you know when the cards are ready and when the first orders can be placed.

Conservation Week Clean Up

As part of Conservation Week (10 - 18 September) our friends at the Hamilton City Council are organising "clean ups" at some of the parks and reserves in the city. There is a "clean up" at Graham Park on Sunday 11th September from 10.00 am - 12.00 pm. It would be great to have a group from Ham West help - so if you would like to help as part of a school group please let me know.

Paid Union Meeting

On Monday 12th September at 9.00 am there is a joint NZEI (Primary School Teachers / Support Staff Union) and the PPTA (High School Teachers Union) to discuss the Global funding proposal of the governments and other aspects of the review of school funding. I have never known the two unions to meet together over any kind of issue so to me it is an indication as to how serious they consider the funding review.

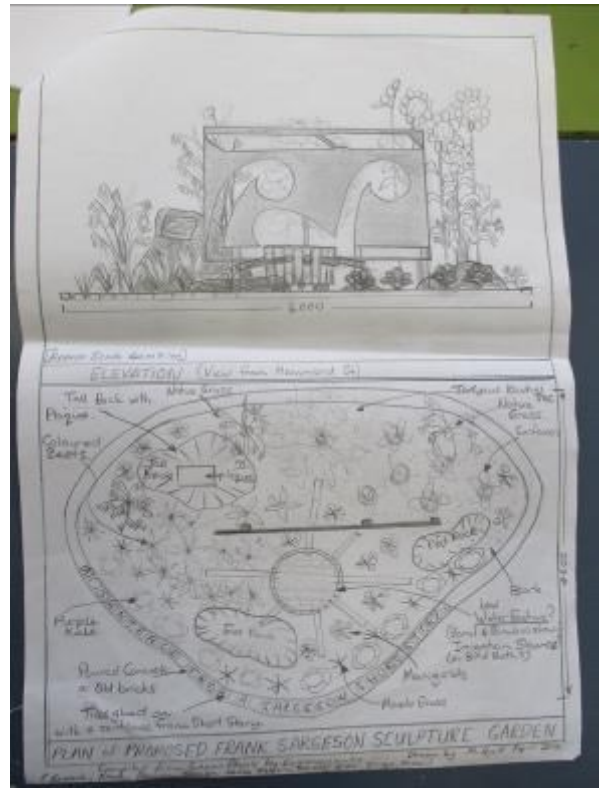
All union members are entitled to attend the meeting. The situation at Hamilton West School is that some teachers will go to the meeting while others will remain at school. This will obviously mean disruption to normal classes but at least we can remain open without requesting you keep your children at home as some other schools are having to do.

ERO

As you may remember the Education Review Office visited the school towards the end of term 2. I just wanted to keep you informed about the process - the news is the Board of Trustees have yet to receive a draft copy of the report.

Ham West Flyers Year 3/4 Netball Team

The team had a very successful year with constant individual improvements and good teamwork. They were ranked second overall having won all their games all season and only lost one tournament game. What a great photo.



Sports Notices/Results

Football Results for Saturday 27 August

Ham West Rockets lost 2-1 to Woodstock Wolverines. PoD was Ben Hill & Tahlia Neha
Ham West Kingz beat Ham Marist Gunners 3-1. PoD was Lachie Elder
Ham West Stars beat Northern United Mustangs 3-2. PoD was Caleb Bromley
Ham West Wizards beat Northern United Stars 4-3. PoD was Zach Neely & Jayden Mabbett
Ham West Ninjas lost 3-1 to Western United Stallions. PoD was Meghan
Ham West Phoenix drew 1-1 with Gordonton Missiles. PoD was Cody Aspden & T Stirling
Ham West Hammers lost 6-3 to Morrinsville Firehawks. PoD was Carlos Emery
Ham West Rangers beat Northern United Argyles 2-1. PoD was Jobe Fitzgerald

Football Draw for Saturday 3 September

Ham West Strikers vs Pirongia @ 10.00 Ham West School 3
Ham West Rockets vs Western United Bandits @ 09.00 Ham West School 3
Ham West Kingz vs Tauwhare Hurricanes @ 10.45 Ham West School 3
Ham West Stars vs Western United Chiefs @ 10.15 Bremworth Park 4
Ham West Wizards vs Te Aroha Cobras Piranhas @ 10.00 Ham West School 1
Ham West Ninjas vs Glenview Scorpions @ 09.00 Ham West School 1
Ham West Phoenix vs Te Awamutu Tornadoes @ 09.00 Glenview Park 1
Ham West Hammers vs Fairfield Int Fever @ 10.30 Glenview Park 2
Ham West Rangers vs Fairfield Int Phoenix @ 09.00 Glenview Park 2

End of season break up and prize giving

Saturday 24 September, 10 – 12, School Hall
Prize Giving, Sausage Sizzle and Parents vs Kids game
Please bring a plate to share – boys
Please bring drink to share - girls

School Notices/PTA Notices

Scholastic/Lucky Book Club

Last day for orders Friday 9th September. Please make cheques payable to Scholastic **NOT** Hamilton West School. Thank you.

Please help Room 14

Room 14 are after some jars for the Spring Fair. If you have any spare medium or large jars (with lids) that you don't mind getting rid of can you please deliver to Room 14. Thanks for your help!

WANTED

Any books, puzzles, board games or DVDs for the Spring Fair.
Books need to be in reasonable condition,
Puzzles and board games are complete and Dvd's work.
Please drop off to Room 4 and Room 15

Spring fair meeting

Wednesday 14th September at 1pm in the Staffroom.

PTA meeting

Monday 17th October at 7.30pm in the staffroom.

Term 3, 2016 Calendar Dates

Term Three 25 July - 23 September

Week 6

Thursday, 1 September - Spring Discos

Week 7

Tuesday, 6 September - Juniors Jump Rope, 1.30 pm

Thursday, 8 September - Life Education Caravan -finishes Wed. Wk. 8

Friday, 9 September - Middle School Jump Rope

Week 8

Thursday, 15 September - Waikato full Primaries' Speech Competition

Week 9

Tuesday, 20 September - BOT Meeting

Wednesday, 21 September - Junior Production (details to be confirmed)

Thursday, 22 September - Junior Production (details to be confirmed)

Community Notices/Advertising

YMCA Spring Holiday Programmes

Spring into action with the YMCA these holidays! We run 9 different programmes at 7 locations across Hamilton. Different activities every-day ranging from cooking, to swimming, sports and dancing! We have something to keep your kids bouncing with excitement every day! Check us out at www.ymcahamilton.org.nz or call us on [07 838 2529](tel:078382529)

Whats on at Hamilton Museum

1. **National Contemporary Art Award Judge's Floor Talk** - Saturday 3 September, 10.30am - 11.30am, free event. Judge Misal Adnan Yildiz shares his view on this year's National Contemporary Art Award finalists.
2. **Hamilton Chinese Ethnic Song and Dance Group** - Saturday 10 September, 3pm - 4pm, free event. Enjoy a colourful performance of traditional Chinese culture.
3. **Classical Sunday** - Sunday 11 September, 3pm - 4pm, free event. Hear violinist Sophie Zheng and piano accompanist Chikako Komaki perform Mozart and Stravinsky at the Museum.
4. **National Contemporary Art Award Floor Talk**: Peter Dornauf - Saturday 24 September, 10.30am - 11.30am, free event. Listen to Peter Dornauf's sharp and witty observation on the exhibited artworks.
5. **Te Whaanau Maarama Storytelling** - Thursday 29 September, 10.30am - 11am, free event. Hear stories inspired by the exhibition [Te Whaanau Maarama](#). Recommended for children.

WAIKATO TOUCH ASSOCIATION JUNIOR SKILLS SESSIONS AND TRIALS 2016-17

SWARBRICK PARK, RIFLE RANGE ROAD, FRANKTON, HAMILTON Skills Day 1: Sunday 11th September Skills Day 2: Sunday 18th September Under 10s-14s: 2 - 3.30pm Under 16s-18s: 4pm -5.30pm All participants must register their attendance for skills sessions 30 minutes prior. Representative Trials: Sunday 25th September Under 10s - 14s: 10am onwards Under 16-18s: 1pm - 4pm Please register online at www.waikatotouch.co.nz registrations close Wednesday 7th September 2016.

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CENTRE AGM

We are looking for vibrant, motivated board members. WHERE: Glenview Community Centre, Corner of Glenview Terrace & Tomin Road, Hamilton. WHEN: Wednesday, 21st September at 6.30pm. All are welcome - Light refreshments will be provided. Further enquires contact Rou or Kirstin on 07 8432 600 or glenviewcent@clear.net.nz.

Big Buddy

Big Buddy is an organisation matching adult male mentors with fatherless boys. We work with the simple philosophy that boys need good male role models to become good men.

Unfortunately some boys do not have a father or other male role model around. Big Buddy finds these boys a well screened volunteer male mentor, fostering a long-term relationship similar to that of an uncle.

It's as simple as a good man turning up regularly in a boy's life, going out into the world and doing activities together, being available to listen to him, modelling what it means to be a good man. The boy's sense of self develops, he will do better at school and be less inclined to crime and abuse. The statistics on positive mentoring are clear and compelling.

Mentors may be available in your area now. If you are interested in this for your boy, simply contact us: Andrew McFadden. Phone: [+64 7 847 0447](tel:+6478470447) Mobile: 0275 757 214. More information and stories are available on our media sites: www.bigbuddy.org.nz and [Facebook](#).



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at the Hamilton West
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10.45am Cuppa
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