

Wednesday 30 November 2016
Week 8, Term 4
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QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"Instruction does much, but encouragement everything." Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

From the Principal

I went outside to find a friend but could not find one there.

I went outside to be a friend and friends were everywhere.

One of our school parents emailed me the above saying yesterday, he thought I would like it and I do for two reasons.

Firstly because it reminded me of something Dr Seuss would write and I am a fan of the good doctor. Secondly because it reminded me that as the festive season draws near we need to remember to be a friend to those around us and that for some people in our community this time of the year is a difficult time.

Inter-school Athletics

We haven't received the results from the inter-school athletics as yet but I did get a couple of photos emailed to me of Catelyn and Tamia who did really well in the sprints and Tamia jumping to be placed 2nd in long jump for year 4 girls.

Junior School Athletics day

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Enviroschool

Enviroschool students and Hamilton West School would like to give a big thank you to Greg Smith for giving his time and energy to rotary hoeing the new Sargeson Garden in front of the school. We are very grateful for this as we can now plant this garden before school ends and we hope to see some growth when we return.

Pool Keys

The school has decided that we will continue the practice of allowing community members to purchase pool keys for the summer. This decision has been made after a review of health and safety considerations. For us to continue to allow the hireage of pool keys those people who sign for the key must agree and adhere strictly to the pool safety rules and the pool hire conditions. The person from each family who signs the pool hire agreement must agree to be a pool supervisor for the people they take to the pool (their partner may take on this role as well). If we work together on the health and safety considerations I'm hopeful we can continue to offer the pool keys into the future. In the past we have trusted common sense to prevail without issue however recent legislative changes in health and safety have forced us to take a more regulatory approach.

Wish Fairy

The Wish Fairy has visited the school a couple of times delivering gift to classrooms. The gifts are donated by members of the public via a website called "Once Upon A Time" - www.onceuponatime.org.nz.

You might like to sponsor a gift for our one of our classes or asked another family member or friend to do it. I have asked the teachers to update their wishes for the beginning of next year as some of our newer teachers don't have a wish posted.



Disabled Car Park

People please do not park in the two disabled car parks shown (along with Mr O'D) in the photo below. By law we are required to have disabled car parks and they are only to be used by people with a disability card which needs to be visible on their dashboard. We have a number of parents who have a disability card and need to be able to use these car parks so please show some **Whanaungatanga** and don't park here unless you are entitled to do so.



Reports

A reminder that reports will go home on Monday 12th December - they will be given to the students at the end of the school day.

Classes for 2017

On the reports there will be a label informing you of your child's class for next year.

Transition Visit

Students will visit their new class for 2017 to meet their teachers on Wednesday 14th December.

Assemblies

The Junior School will host their final assembly on Tuesday 13th December at 9.30 am.

The Senior School (Year 3 - 8) will host their final assembly on Wednesday 14th December at 9.30 am.

There will be a certificate assembly on Tuesday 6th December at 9.30 am - at this assembly we give out sports certificates, librarian certificates etc.



Ukulele

We wish our Ukulele Group all the best for their performance at the Ukulele festival in Auckland this coming Saturday. See photo of the group practicing with Mrs Poole. I thank Mrs Poole and Mrs Carmichael for providing this opportunity for our students.



Tap Dancers

See the photo of the Hamilton West students preparing for their Tap Dance concert next Tuesday 6th December at Southwell School, 6.30pm. Door sales available for anyone interested in attending.

Room 24 - Maths

I had a visit the other day by three kids from Room 24 who wanted to show me their geometry designs made using small marshmallows if you please. Not sure if they ate them or not. See the picture of Sam, Aidan and Billie-Jean showing me their creations.



Keeping Safe

With the (supposed) warmer weather and longer days I know our older kids like to get out and about but I remind them to be careful when out in the community and remember their strategies for keeping themselves safe.

Lost Jacket

Graysen Elliot has lost his black school jacket, on the label are his initials GE - if you come across it please drop it into the office.

Sports Draws/Notices

Cricket Draw For Friday 2nd December

Ham West Black Caps vs. Newstead Knights @ Ham West School - 5pm

Ham West Superkings vs. SC Kiwis @ Galloway Park 2 - 5pm

Puketaha Smashers vs. Ham West Knights @ Seddon Park 4 - 5pm

School Notices/PTA Notices

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LOST Named black Kathmandu jacket. Was taken to the Year 5/6 camp last week and has not come back as yet. If found please return to Nevaeh Tauroa in room 13. Thanks.

Lost Property

It is getting to that time of the year when lost property seems to be increasing in volume around the school. The current lost property will be on display outside the library tomorrow. Please come and have a look and take any property that belongs to your child.

Term 4, 2016 Calendar Dates

Term Four 10 October - 15 December

Week 8 Wednesday 30 November Year 8 Dinner

Week 9 Tuesday 6 December Certificate Assembly

Week 10 Tuesday 13 December Yrs 3/4 EOTC at Ngaruawahia all day

Tuesday 13 December Yrs 1 & 2 Final Assembly 9.30am

Wednesday 14 December 9.30am Yr 3-8 Final Assembly

Wednesday 14 December 11.00 - 11.30 am Transition Block

Last day of school for 2016 is Thursday 15th December. School closes at 12.30pm. School reopens on Wednesday 1st February for Term 1 2017.

Community Notices/Advertising

Squiggle holiday programme is OSCAR approved and open from 16th Dec – 23rd Dec and re-opening on 9th Jan – 27th Jan. We have a massive programme with a variety of activities and learnings that everyone will enjoy, including Young Engineers, arts and crafts, team games, cooking, sports and heaps more! We'll also be visiting Waterworld, learning about glowworms at Waitomo Caves and heading to watch Moana at the movies. Squiggle is perfect for 5 year olds to 12 year olds. We're open from 8am to 5.30pm Mon-Fri. For more information and a full programme, go online – www.squiggle.org.nz.

YMCA Summer Holiday Programmes

The YMCA has something fun, and exciting to do every day these holidays! We run 9 different programmes at 7 locations across Hamilton. Programmes run 16th – 23rd

December and the 4th – 27th January. Come and try something new, like berry picking, and Frisbee making or join us for your old favourites; trips to the beach, pools, cooking, crafts and more! Come and join us for some fun in the sun!

Check us out at www.ymcahamilton.org.nz or call us on [07 838 2529](tel:078382529).

ABSOLUTE CHAOS
YOUTH NIGHT
PROGRAMME
 October - December 2016
 (School Term Time 10/10 - 14/12)

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
14/10	FLOUR BOMB BATTLE & Sausage sizzle	Cathedral Centre
23/10	No Youth Club - LABOUR WEEKEND	
30/10	LIGHT PARTY! Dress up in light & bright colours!	Cathedral Centre
6/11	BONFIRE NIGHT Later time of 6pm-8pm	TBC
13/11	BATTLE FOR CATHEDRAL HILL	Cathedral Centre
20/11	LEAF! Cost! TBC	42 Sunshine Ave
27/11	CHRISTMAS MASTER CHEF & ART ATTACK!	Cathedral Centre
4/12	CATHEDRALS 100th BIRTHDAY BEACH PARTY! Bring your togs! Waterslide, water balloons, water fight!	Cathedral Centre

END OF TERM 4 - Youth Club back 2017!!
GOLD COIN DONATION
5PM - 7PM EVERY SUNDAY
 DURING TERM TIME
51 VICTORIA STREET
 PETER OR JANE RICHMAN 021 197 7788
 SHANNAN KAPOOR 07 329 4682 / 021 259 4080

847-2399
HAMILTON GLASS
 24-Hour 7 Day Week
 Glass Replacement Service
 Karl Bell 021 305 820
 #0 Eee 6027, Hamilton 4345

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BEGINNERS & ADVANCED

FIRST LESSON FREE

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

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We meet every Sunday
at the Hamilton West
School Hall

10am Bible Study
10.45am Cuppa
11am Service
ALL WELCOME!

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