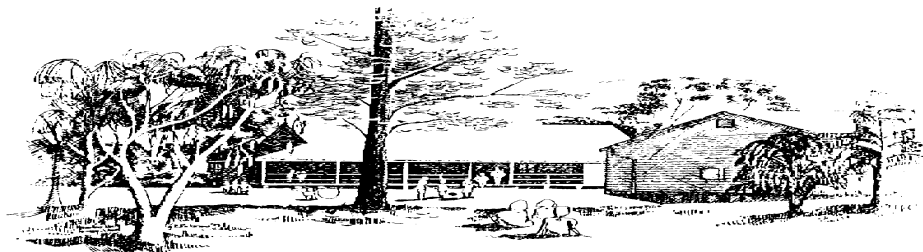




Chalkboard – Term 1, Week 6, Wednesday, 2nd March 2016



Friday Assembly

There will be a whole school assembly at 2.20pm in the hall this Friday. Class 3/4 will present an item.

Health Care Plan Updates

We are in the process of reviewing and updating children's individual health care plans in accordance with department policy. Yellow envelopes were sent home last Friday with a form enclosed to be completed by parents. If you received one of these please make sure that they are completed and returned to the school no later than this Friday 4th March.

Miss Drew

ICAS

2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

The University of New South Wales is offering your child an opportunity to participate in the *International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)*.

ICAS is an annual skills development assessment program in key areas of learning for students in Years 2-12; assessments are available in Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in ICAS, please pick up a registration form from the office and return it with your entry fees by **Friday the 18th of March, 2016**.

Entries will not be accepted after this date.

Mrs Lyle.

NO PARKING

This Friday, 4th March, the Newcastle Show will be operational. This means that our school will have limited parking for staff and volunteer helpers only.

Traffic controllers will be in place from 5.30am to 6.00pm and will assist parents and carers with a drop and go system. You will be directed in your car to spaces at the front of the school where you will be required to drop off your child/children and continue driving to free up space for the next car. This will be similar for the afternoon also.

In saying this, it would be advisable, if possible, to car pool or walk to school if close enough to free up congestion as the road works in Jackson Street are still being carried out.

OFFICE NEWS

Due to the new finance system being implemented across all primary schools in Term 2, new arrangements have to be made in relation to payment for school activities.

MATHS CHAMPIONSHIPS

We are starting class heats next week (week 7).

Stage heats will be held at the beginning of week 8 with the final held in the hall at Friday's assembly in week 10.

We hope you are all practising your maths skills.

Friday Sport - Term 2 Friday sport choices will be sent out in week 8 of this term (term 1). If your child chooses a paying sport that money **MUST** be paid in full by week 10 of term 1.

SPORT NEWS

Tennis

Congratulations to Tylah Nicholls who has been selected for state tennis trials in Tweed Heads later this month.

Zone Swimming—Congratulations to all our competitors who swam at the zone carnival last Wednesday. Thank you to all the parents for their support on the day.

AFL

Good luck to Mitchell Sweetnam who is attending zone AFL trials tomorrow.

Cross Country—will be on Wednesday 16th March from 12.50pm—1.30 pm at Smith Park.

Only students aged 8 and above participate and parents are very welcome to come and watch their child run.

Runners will need joggers, hat, sunscreen and water bottles.

WORKING BEE

A big thank you to all the hardworking people who attended our working bee last Friday.

The school looks amazing.

Well Done—see some great photos on the photo page further along in the Chalkboard.

Guitar Lessons—Term 2 will run from week 3—week 10 at a cost of \$40. This payment of \$40 MUST be paid by week 11 of this term (term 1).

Book Club

The second scholastic book club catalogue went home with your child yesterday. As you might be aware from last weeks newsletter, our school is rolling out a new accounting software next term. This means that next term you will be unable to pay for books at the office. Thankfully though, this is not an issue as scholastic have a fantastic online ordering system called LOOP, which you can find at www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. Can I encourage everyone to give this a go for this order as well so as to get use to it. Many parents already use this system, and have found it quick and efficient. If you have any concerns or would like something kept secret for Easter or Birthdays, feel free to call or text me on 0420362177.

Rachel (Book Club Coordinator)

CLASS NOTICES

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten History— This week all Kindergarten children started their history lessons together. A note was sent home concerning our next few week's activities.

Next Monday, 7th March, they are presenting a talk about family members. They should have filled out their interview sheet or had someone fill it out for them about that person's life as a child. This sheet will be pasted into their History books at school.

You have also been asked to send me a photo or a photo file of a family treasure that has special significance to your family. This photo will be copied onto a work sheet to be completed at school.

Thanks everyone for your help.

CLASS K/1

Parent Helpers -Thank you to all of our amazing parent volunteers helping out with reading in the mornings. If you or a family member would like to help out please add your name to the calendar on the wall outside of our classroom .

Potatoes -We have been reading the story of Potato People by Pamela Allen. In 2 weeks we will be making our own potato people. Please send in 2 small potatoes in a paper bag labelled with your child's name ready for us to use on Tuesday 15th March.

Maths Resource Making Day

On Thursday 17th March we will be making some Maths resources to support teachers in teaching early numeracy concepts in their classroom. If you can help out, we will be meeting in the library from 9:15am and morning tea will be provided. For catering purposes please let the office know if you are able to assist.

HEAD LICE

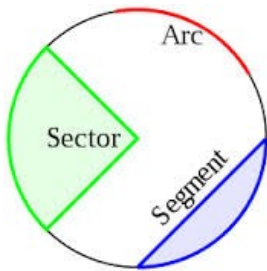
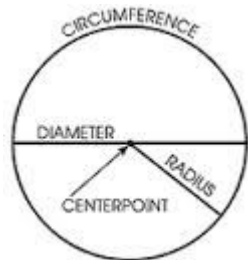






Head lice are always a problem for schools.

To prevent the spread of this problem, please check your child's hair regularly and treat if needed. Thank you.

MATHS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The maths championships are fast approaching. Attached are the cheat sheets for K-2 and 3-6. Could you please practise these skills with your child/children at home. Class heats will be held in class during week 7. The stage finals will be held at Friday's assembly on 1st April 2016 at 2pm.











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Stage 3	<u>Prime and Composite Numbers</u>																																		
	A prime number is a number that has only two factors- itself and one, eg 2, 3, 5, 7, 11. A composite number is a number that has more than two eg 4, 6, 8, 9, 10 etc																																		
Stage 2 & 3	<u>Squares and Square Roots</u>																																		
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Stage 2 & 3		<u>Time</u>				
60seconds=1 minute 60minutes=1hour 24hours=1 day 7days=1 week		4 weeks= 1 month 52 weeks= 1 year 10 years= 1 decade 12 months= 1 year	365 days= 1 year 366 days= 1 leap year 10 decades or 100 years=1 century			
Stage 2 & 3		<u>Seasons</u>				
Spring- September, October, November Summer- December, January, February Autumn- March, April, May Winter- June, July, August						
Stage 2 & 3		<u>Area and Perimeter</u>				
Area – square or rectangle Area = length x breadth		Perimeter- square or rectangle Perimeter= sum of the sides.				
Stage 3		<u>Parts of a circle</u>				
						
Stage 3		<u>Types of angles</u>				
 acute		 right	 obtuse	 straight	 reflex	 full rotation
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Doubles and near doubles

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A strategy that uses doubles facts to make addition easier.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday	3rd March	Regional Swimming
Friday	4th March	Year 6 Transition Day
Monday	14th March 16th March	P & C Meeting at 6.00pm at Hamilton North Bowling Club – All welcome to attend School Cross Country 12.50pm
Wednesday	23rd March	Easter Hat Parade 2-3pm
Thursday	24th March	Zone Soccer Trials
Friday	25th March	Good Friday (Public Holiday)
Monday	28th March	Easter Monday (Public Holiday)
Thursday	31st March	Zone Cross Country
Friday	1st April	Maths Championship Final
Friday	8th April	Last day of Term 1
Monday	6th June	Whole School Photos
Friday/Saturday	17th/18th June	Starstruck

P&C ASSOCIATION NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Hamilton North P&C Association will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Monday March 14th 2016, commencing at 6pm at the Hamilton North Bowling Club.

Following acceptance of the minutes from the 2015 AGM and the tabling of the Audit Report for the year ending 31st December 2015, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions:

- President
- 2 x Vice Presidents
- Treasurer
- Secretary

All current financial P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

If you are a financial member and are unable to attend the meeting, but wish to stand for nomination, or nominate for a position, or accept a nomination, please do so in writing to Xanthe Roxburgh (current secretary) prior to the date of the meeting by emailing hamiltonnorthpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only members who were financial by the close of the previous meeting are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

At the completion of the AGM, the March general meeting will be held.

For more information on the above positions, please email Xanthe at the above email address, or visit the following link and scroll down to the FAQs section: <http://pandc.org.au/index.php/publications>

Xanthe Roxburgh, Secretary, Hamilton North P&C Association Inc.



Thankyou everyone for your amazing efforts
in the Working Bee on Friday!

