Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Students and Friends,

As you are reading, we will have shared a wonderful Mother’s Day High Tea with our precious mum’s to celebrate Mother’s Day! No matter how old we are, our mums are so very important and special to us all. We thank God for the beautiful gift that a mother is and ask His blessings for all mum’s this Sunday and always.

Thank you for your continued support of our school!

Terrielynn

Pupil Free Day
Just a reminder that this Monday, 11th May, is a pupil free day due to staff attending our third OLSEL training day in Halls Gap.

Uniform
This week has certainly reminded us of how cold Term 2 can be! With the wet weather setting in, we will now take our shoes off inside. This will mean that all children need to bring a named plastic bag to put their shoes in. This will then be stored in their bag shelves. Appropriate slippers are welcome to be worn inside.

“Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender, and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good.”

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**MAY**
- **Mon 11th**
- **Pupil Free Day – OLSEL**
- **Tues 12th – Thurs 14th**
  - NAPLAN – Gr 3 & 5 students
  - **District Cross Country**
    - Expo Committee m’ing @ 6.00pm
- **Thurs 14th**
  - Prep class mass @ 10.00am
- **Tues 19th**
  - P&E meeting @ 7.00
- **Wed 20th**
  - School Council @ 7.00pm
- **Thurs 21st**
  - Gr 5/6C class mass @ 10.00am
- **Mon 25th – Fri 29th**
  - **Catholic Education Week**
  - Open Morning 9.30am – 12.30pm
  - **Café Chat!**
  - National Simultaneous Story time
  - **Division Cross Country**

**JUNE**
- **Mon 8th**
  - Public holiday
- **Fri 12th**
  - PSG meetings
  - Regional Cross Country
  - Confirmation workshop
- **Sun 14th**
  - Sacrament of Confirmation @ 10am
Monivae Stadium
Many of our students have enjoyed using the Monivae Stadium this week for their PE session. We are very grateful to Monivae for allowing us to use this wonderful facility. Ask your children what they thought!

NAPLAN
As I am sure you are all aware, the annual national assessment of Literacy and Numeracy, NAPLAN, occurs next week for those students in Grades 3 and 5. The children and their teachers have spent considerable time discussing and preparing for this process. Parents will receive their child’s personal NAPLAN report later in the year.

Prayers
Our prayers are with the Raymond family this week following the death of Jayne Turner - Corinne’s grandmother, Stella and Lilly’s great-grandmother. Jayne is also great aunt to Jett and Chase Turnbull. We also send our best wishes to Barry Hawker, father of Jason and Justin, following a car accident last week. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Newsletter
If you would like the newsletter e-mailed to you each week please send an e-mail request to Meg Cook mcook@smhamilton.catholic.edu.au
The newsletter is also distributed through the Skoolbag app and can be found on the school website!

THE WORD ON THE LEARNING STREET!

Prep
We’ve had another busy week in the Prep room! The children have been making lovely surprises for their Mum’s or Nan’s and have really enjoyed starting sports classes at the Monivae stadiums. Hopefully you discovered a little invitation in your child’s share bag last night for our Prep class mass next Thursday. The children are very proud of showing you their handwriting and making their own envelopes. Have a Happy Mother’s Day Mums!

Lost:
A school jumper has been lost from the Prep room. It is a brand new size 8. If found please return to the school office. Thank you.

The Sport Catch Up
Cross Country
What a beautiful day we had for Cross Country! I felt so proud watching all our students try their hardest to finish their distance. It was also great to hear about students who set themselves goals before and during the race, to keep running and run the whole way! Well done everybody!
Thank you to all the parents and friends who supported our Cross Country, especially our tag collectors: Kylie and Jack Pearce, Sally Finch, Mel Gardner, Monique Sobey, Dylon Mailes and Jo Kenny. Your help and support is truly appreciated by our school community.
Please see below for our top 3 finishers from each age group:

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District Cross Country is being held on Tuesday 12th May at Lake Hamilton. We have 45 students attending and we wish them all the very best!
Division Cross Country will follow on Friday 29th May at Warrnambool.

Aussie Footy
The Aussie Footy dates and format aren’t set in concrete yet, but it looks as though it will be taking a Lightning Premiership format over two Wednesday nights early in Term Three. Watch this space for more details over the coming term.

Division Athletics
The new date is likely to be Tuesday 15th September.
**Cybersafety**
This week’s topic is parental controls. Parental controls help monitor and limit what your children do online. Use this QR code to find out which tools you should use to block out the bad stuff.

Not sure how to access information with a QR code? Search your app store for a QR code reader – a free one will do. If you still require help let us know (or ask your child!!!)

**Parish News**

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**Parents and Friends**

**Canteen Roster Term 2**

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- As you can see above we are still in need of some parent helpers for the Canteen this term. If you are able to help on a Wednesday it would be greatly appreciated.

- Would you like to find out what is involved to do canteen duty? Feel free to put your name on the list at the office next to one of the regular helpers who would be more than happy to work with you and show you what to do.

**LINK UP!**

Thanks to the members of our school community who have recently helped to replenish our Link Up freezer! If you would like to donate items (cakes, soup, sausage rolls etc) to this important community activity it would be greatly appreciated. Please date and label these items and send them in to the freezer in the multi-purpose room. Please only use disposable containers. Thanks!

**Uniform Shop**
If anyone is interested in helping out with the view of taking over from Sally Finch as Uniform Shop co-ordinator could you please let Sally know. A big thank you to Sally for all her hard work.

**Get your green thumbs ready!**

Order your bare rooted roses and trees from Lady Bug Nursery and support your school! See the school office for an order form and drop it into the Nursery.

$1 from each rose and $2 from each tree ordered will be donated to your school.
Inflatables in the Pool
At HILAC
Sunday 10th May
1.00pm - 3.00pm
Cost: Pool Entry

Mothers Day Special
Large Coffee or Tea and Muffin $5.00

Blue Light
Hamilton
Friday, 22 May
Hamilton Senior Citizens Hall
Lonsdale St, Hamilton
6 - 7.30pm (5-8 years) | 8 - 10pm (9-14 years)
Cost: $5

Contact: Paula Cutler (Paula.Cutler@police.vic.gov.au)

Battle of the Bands
Friday 8th May - 7pm-10pm
Hamilton Halls, 93 Brown Street, Hamilton
Apache Jack
Allegaard Camel
The Mcintyre Brothers
Brock McFarlane
Steel and Ivory
Above Suspicion
Spooked
Sneag
Top Water

Sunday 17 May 2015
7:00-9:00pm
West Gambier Football Club
White Avenue, Mount Gambier
Gold Coin Donation Upon Entry
Bar Available for Snacks and Drinks

Fr. Rob Galea