Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Students and Friends,

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to our newly confirmed children following last week’s Sacrament of Confirmation. There was great excitement and a few nerves amongst the children as they assembled before mass. Thank you to parents, teachers and Parish Sacramental Team members for your support and assistance of the children’s preparation. A special thanks to Noreen McLeish and Fr John McKinnon for their preparation of our celebration.

Thanks for a great week!
God bless you @
Jo-Anne

Staffing
As per the letter sent home to all families earlier this week we will be farewelling Mrs Leonie Wolfe at the end of this term as she relocates to a teaching position in Bendigo. I have included the vacancy advertisement in this newsletter if you wish to pass it on to teachers you know of who might be interested in working with our Grade 5 and 6 learning team – a great opportunity!

Early Finish
A reminder that school finishes at the earlier time of 2.15pm next Friday.

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE
Mon 22nd School photos – all students in correct winter uniform please
NB change of date
Wed 24th Gr 1/2 mass @ 10.00am
Fri 26th End of Term 2
Fri 26th Pyjama Day!
Reports and Journals home
EARLY FINISH @ 2.15PM

JULY
Mon 13th Welcome to Term 3!
Wed 15th Expo Committee meeting @ 6.00pm
Thurs 16th Information Night @ 7.00pm
Fri 17th Australian Ballet incursion
Thurs 23rd Gr 3/4 HoopTime
Sacramental parent m’ing – First Communion @ 7.00pm Dunworth Centre
Fri 24th Cartoonist – Matt Glover visit
Mon 27th & Tues 28th Learning Conversations
Mon 27th Gr 5/6 HoopTime
Wed 29th Pupil free day – staff attending
Religious Education professional learning
Fri 31st Grandparents’ Day!
School Photos
A reminder to look your best on Monday for our school photos! All students must wear their correct winter uniform, including jumper. Photo return envelopes and payment should already have been sent to school.

‘Revolting Rhymes’
All students in Grades 3 – 6 will be attending the Hamilton PAC next Tuesday for the production of Roald Dahl’s ‘Revolting Rhymes’. Please note that if blue permission notes have not been signed and returned your child will not be participating in this activity.

Prayers
Our sympathy is extended to Terrielynn and Darren Groves following the death of Darren’s uncle in Geelong recently. Please also keep the Cullinane family in your prayers after the sudden passing of Pat earlier this week. Pat is the favourite mother-in-law of Lindy Cullinane and mother of Annie Neeson and will be sadly missed by their extended families.

Pupil Free Days – Term 3
A reminder that Wednesday 29th July and Monday 10th August are pupil free days to allow staff to attend professional learning. Bus families also need to note that country buses will not be running on Monday 3rd August (Sheepvention). This issue is out of our control as a Catholic school. If you believe this will be an issue for your children please let me know.

Thanks!
A hearty thank you to Mike and Tom Sobey for their time and efforts last weekend to spread fertiliser and seed on the oval. The fruits of their labours should be very evident come Spring time! Thanks also to the parents and staff who have formed a new Grounds Committee to look at the next stage of our landscaping master plan. This group had their first meeting on Thursday evening.

Learning Conversations
Learning Conversations will be held on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th July after school. At this stage of the year these meetings are optional. If you would like to request a time with your child’s classroom teacher to discuss learning progress please complete the slip below and return it to school no later than Tuesday 14th July. Times will be organised and slips sent home in the week prior. Please note that you may also receive a slip if your child’s teacher has requested a time with you.

ST MARY’S PRIMARY SCHOOL
Applications are invited for a full-time replacement classroom teaching position at St Mary’s Primary School. The successful applicant will begin teaching duties with a Grade 5/6 class on Monday 27th July, 2015 and conclude at the end of the 2015 school year.

St Mary’s is a school of approximately 160 students. Our staff enjoys working together, teaching and learning in an open and creative environment. This position requires the successful applicant to work in a team-teaching environment to support the learning of all students in Grade 5 and 6.

The successful applicant will meet the following criteria:
- A commitment to Catholic Education and Parish life.
- Registration with VIT (please provide evidence).
- Accreditation to teach Religious Education, or willingness to undertake accreditation.
- Knowledge of working in a flexible and collaborative learning environment.
- Ability to demonstrate a sound understanding of current and effective Literacy and Numeracy practices.
- A commitment to on-going school and personal professional improvement.
- Strong interpersonal skills and a willingness to work as part of a passionate and productive school team.
- A high standard of competency and proficiency in classroom practice and student management.
- Enthusiastic and motivated about teaching and a willingness to share gifts and talents.

Applications should include a personal letter of introduction, current resume and three current referees. The above criteria must be addressed as part of your application.

E-mail applications to the Principal, Jo-Anne Bond principal@smhamilton.catholic.edu.au
Closing date: Friday 3rd July, 2015.

Pyjama Day!
On Friday 26th June we are raising money for the Vinnie’s Winter Appeal. Wear your brightest pyjamas and bring in a gold coin donation. Or bring in any loose change you have lying around and donate that too.

Ava and Tiana gr 6
THE WORD ON THE LEARNING STREET!
We had to use the big skipping rope. We also had to skip over it. But before all that we had to do stretches.
Emily Beattie - Prep

Grade 3/4
Debating: Last week grade 3/4 had a debate. Our topic was “Should kids be allowed to eat ice-cream every day?” First of all we got into teams then we had to work out our arguments for our topic. Our team was ‘for’ eating ice-cream every day. When we were done we presented it to the class and the teachers. The teachers videoed us. I learnt about debating and why it is important to listen to other people’s point of view.
Sophie Button

Our world is amazing when you’re working and learning about ecosystems. I am doing oceans and tropical rainforests. I would like to learn more about oceans because I find them interesting.
Stella Raymond

I am doing my own investigation about people’s favourite toys. I will collect data and put it on a graph.
Jack Annett

After WW2 people immigrated from Europe on old war ships to Australia. Learning about what people have gone through in their home countries and what they think about Australia has been interesting.
Colby Hammond

I am finding my project about immigration very interesting and fun. My learning is about why people immigrate and how people immigrate to another place.
Lani Gallagher

Hoop Time
Notes will go out first day back of Term 3, so please look for them! Everyone who returned a note will be in a team! Thank you so much to all the parents who volunteered and made this possible!
Grade 3/4s - Thursday 23rd July – Week 2 of Term 3.
Grade 5/6s - Monday 27th July - Week 3 of Term 3.
Looking forward to another successful HoopTime campaign!!

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) – Financial Assistance
If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards your expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.
A more detailed explanation sheet is attached to today’s newsletter.
Please contact the office for an Application form. You will also need to bring in your concession card so we can copy it for our records.
The closing date for applications is Thursday 25th June, 2015.

Cybersafety
This week, our QR code will take you to the Cybersmart blog, where many different issues are raised and discussed. Check back regularly for new entries.

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!!!)

Lost!
Grace Cleaver has lost her school jumper which has her name on it! If sighted please return to the Grade 1/2 area or the office.

The Sport Catch Up
Regional Cross Country
Sam Crawford and Jason Hawker did an amazing job at the Regional Cross Country on Friday 12th June! They said it was a really cold, wet and foggy day. The boys were excited to get their competitor race number. They ran on the same course as Division Cross Country and the first big hill was wet and slimy by their race. Jason came 44th in the 11 Year Old Boys and Sam came 35th in the 12 Year Old Boys. Both boys said they kept up with the front main pack of boys in their race.
Well done Sam and Jason, we are immensely proud of you!! Thank you also to your parents for supporting you at this event!

A message from Karen Huf (HDSA Co-ordinator)
Well what an amazingly cold day it was in Warrnambool on Friday 12th June which was our Regional Cross Country Day! The Hamilton District had 7 athletes enter this event in their respective age groups and 3 of them have qualified for the State Finals in Melbourne in July. Mia McGrath from HNPS 8th in 10 girls. Paige Kissel from HNPS 5th in 11 girls. Jonathan Rentsch from Good Shepard 1st in 11 boys. We congratulate all our Cross Country athletes and wish our State finalists all the best for their run in the first week of Term 3.
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Learning Conversations

I would like to request an appointment time with

_______________________________
(name of teacher)
on Monday 27th July
or Tuesday 28th July
(please circle preferred day).

Name of child: _______________________________

Please complete and return to school by Tuesday 14th July

Parents and Friends

Canteen Roster Term 2

24/06  Cathy Ferguson
If you are able to assist with Canteen duty in Term 3 please place your name on the roster at the Office. It would be great to have some new parents willing to help out.

Trivia Night

Friday 28th August – keep the date free for a St Mary’s social night.

Parish News

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St Mary’s Catholic Youth Group-going out for dinner.

When: Saturday 20th June
Time: 6pm
Where: Commercial Hotel Hamilton
Special deal: Chicken Parma and soft drink or pasta dish and soft drink-$16 After dinner, we will walk back to the Dunworth Centre and have some ice-cream. GR 5- Year 12
RSVP: John and Sherrie Hwy 0439 319823

For bookings or further information please contact us:
In person: Frances Hewett Community Centre
2 Roberts Street Hamilton (Monday to Friday 9am–5pm)
Mail: Youth Holiday Program, PO Box 283 Hamilton 3300
Phone: 5551 8450/ Email: fhcc@wdhs.net
Fax: 5572 5371

JULY Holiday Program

For young people 12-24 yrs old
2 weeks (ages 12-14) & 1 week (ages 15-24)

Week 1

Tuesday 30th June
Laser Tag
Lake Pertobe Adventure Playground
Warrenband Jetty 6:30pm – 5:00pm

Disney On Ice
Dare to Dream
Melbourne | Departure 5:00pm - 5:00pm

Week 2

Tuesday 7th July
Paintingball
200 paintballs included
Mt Dandenong | Departure 8:00am – 5:00pm

The Park
Indoor Skate Park
Golding Rd Departure 8:00am – 5:00pm

$40 PER ACTIVITY

Hamilton Library School Holiday Program July 2015

Mosaic Art

FRIDAY 3RD JULY @ 2.00PM

INTENSIVE Holiday
PRIVATE SWIM PROGRAM

Dates:
29 June - 3 July
6 - 10 July
5 x 30 minute lessons
1:1 student: instructor ratio
$198.00 per program

RSVP: 0439 319823, jan@hlag.com.au

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Join us for an exciting new project for the whole community

FUNDRAISING projects needed

September: Garden Sale
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SWM AND SURVIVE ENROLMENTS OPEN 28TH JUNE 2015

ASSESSMENTS FOR STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY IN LESSONS

SATURDAY 20 JUNE 10AM – 12NOON
- MOPS 11AM – 1PM
- BDM 12.30 – 1.30PM

- QUEENSLAND LIONS
- SWIM AND SURVIVE
- BLASTERS

Cost Pool Entry

FREE TO ALL AGE GROUPS

AT Sunday 1:00PM

Hamilton Library

When: Sunday 7th July @ 11:00am

Where: Dunworth Centre

RSVP: John and Sherrie Hockey 0439 319823

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