Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Students and Friends,

Best wishes to all of our Dads, Grandpas and the special father figures in our lives for Fathers’ Day this Sunday.

We are very excited to welcome you all to school for our Fathers’ Day special lunch and footy day this afternoon. Thank you for taking the time so we can express our appreciation.

Thoughts and prayers also to families who have experienced the death of their special men – may you remember happily the influence they had on your lives.

Thanks for a great week!

God bless you 😊

Jo-Anne

Art Show!

Our bi-annual Art Show will be officially opened next Thursday evening at 6.30pm by Mrs Sue McGinnity from the Hamilton Art Gallery!

Students and staff have been busily preparing the art work which will be displayed in the Learning Street. Please come along and celebrate the creative talent of our children in exploring ‘The Elements’.

a Fathers’ Day Prayer

Thank you, friend Jesus,
for my father who loves me,
for my grandfather who cares for me
and for God, my eternal father,
who made me and is always with me.

How Blessed I am!

Amen!

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

Tues 8th – Wed 9th
School Review
Thurs 10th
Gr 3/4 class mass @ 10.00am
Art Show Opening!
Fri 11th
Parish family dinner – Gr 1
Tues 15th
Division Athletics
Wed 16th
Author visit – Patrick Guest
Expo meeting @ 6.00pm
Thurs 17th
Gr 5/6 class mass @ 10.00am
Fri 18th
End of Term 3!
Learning Journals home
Early finish @ 2.15pm

OCTOBER

Mon 5th
Term 1 starts!
Mon 5th – Fri 9th
Gr 3/4 Swimming Program
Mon 12th – Tues 13th
Gr 3/4 Camp – Sovereign Hill
Mon 12th – Fri 16th
P/1/2 Swimming Program
Mon 19th – Fri 23rd
Gr 5/6 Swimming Program
Tues 27th
OLSEL family night
Fri 30th
Swimming sports
Art work will be available for viewing between 6.45 – 8.00pm following the opening. Parents and friends are also welcome to come and view the artwork before or after school and between 11.00 – 11.30am and 1.30 – 2.20pm until Thursday 17th September.

- Those attending our Art Show opening are asked to donate a gold coin which will be forwarded to the Hamilton Rotary Club in appreciation of their support of our exhibition.
- An painting by ex-St Mary’s student Karen Annett-Thomas will be raffled on the evening. Karen is currently preparing for an exhibition of her work at the Bendigo Art Gallery and has generously provided a piece of work in support of our Art Show. Proceeds will be donated to a charity of Karen’s choosing.

**Fathers’ Day!**
Great excitement with footy colours today and preparations for our visiting Dads, Pops and friends for a special lunch. A big thanks to Terrielynn Groves, Kylie Pearce and Matt Dunn for their contributions to this event.

**Trivia Night!**
Thanks to all who participated in the Trivia Night last Friday evening! Although the brain was completely strained the night was a great chance to socialise with a mix of parents and friends. Congratulations to the winning table – the ‘Better Late than Nevers’. A big thank you to Terrielynn Groves, Kylie Pearce and Matt Dunn for their organisation.

**Experience OLSEL!**
Advance notice of an evening to share our learning about oral language so far this year. Staff and students will work with parents and friends to give them an experience of the OLSEL (Oral Language to Support Early Literacy) framework we use throughout the school. Come along and learn from your children on Tuesday 27th October from 7.00pm.

**Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)**
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 expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The closing date is Wednesday 16th September, 2015. Please contact the office for an application form or for further information.

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**School Fees**
School Fees have been sent home with today’s newsletter. If you have any queries or concerns please contact Helen at the office. Thank you.

**The Word on the Learning Street!**

**Grade 1/2**
What a fantastic morning the Gr 1/2s had at Monivae on Thursday! We were invited to a PE coaching session with a Year 11 PE class and didn’t we have some fun! The Monivae students provided our children with a broad range of activities that certainly got the 1/2s up and moving. Our children were beautifully behaved, listening carefully and participating enthusiastically. We will attend another session next Tuesday. A big thank you to Mr Tim Kermeen and his class for their kind invitation.

Kerry Stevens, Shelley Waters and Terrielynn Groves

**Grade 5/6**
Footy Friday was spectacular seeing everyone in their footy team colours. It was a great day with all the Dads. I am sure they all had fun. The P&F lunches were great. Thanks to all the helpers. It was a great day and GO ROOS!!

Ben Starkie

**The Sport Catch Up**

**Division Athletics**
We have 9 children who have qualified for the Division Athletics being held in Warrnambool on Tuesday 15th September. We wish Jason Hawker, Tegan Kenny, Bailey Mason, Ben Perkins, Ayva Jones, Eliza Armstrong, Noah Mulley & Bree-Anna Richards all the best on this day! New information and a note has been sent out to these children. I am still waiting on a few notes, please send these back ASAP.

**Hoop Time**
We have three teams that qualified for the Regional Finals of HoopTime!

The Grade 3/4 All Star Girls will play in Hamilton on Tuesday 20th October. Thank you to Jacinta Donaldson who has kindly offered to step in and coach these girls! The Grade 5/6 All Star Boys and Girls will play in Hamilton on Tuesday 10th November. The boys will once again have the coaching expertise of Robbie Cook and the girls will have the dynamic duo of Jo Bowie and Adam Jennings.

The children in these teams will receive notes and information closer to the dates. Please be aware that parents are responsible for taking their child/ren to these days, so please start to plan ahead and make arrangements.
ICAS
We had five students that participated in the International Competitions and Assessment for Schools – Spelling this year. As always it is great to see these students who are willing to challenge their own learning through taking on these competitions. Congratulations to the following students who earned Participation certificates for the Spelling assessment: Genevieve Trotter, Chloe Jones and Oliver Hayes. Well done to Saskia Schaap and Ayva Jones who both were awarded a Credit certificate.

Chris Minney

Cybersafety
This week we have a link to a cybersafety game suitable for children aged 5-7. It is called Zippeps Astro Circus and the objectives are to help children:
• define who to trust and who to tell about what they are doing online.
• demonstrate safe behaviours regarding passwords and private information.
• evaluate positive and negative social behaviours online.

The game can be played straight from a PC via this link or downloaded from the app store. It is designed to be played with an adult to promote discussion on cybersafety issues.

Parish News

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父母和朋友

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请留下您的名字，以便在周三帮忙。您不会需要独自完成工作，女孩们很高兴能够协助任何愿意帮忙的人。

Expo News!

下一次Expo会议

星期三9月16日 @ 6:00pm

能否有一位或多位来自每个区域的助手，例如BBQ，礼物篮子，圣诞老人等，请加入我们参加9月16日的会议。我们需要来自每个区域的代表来决定支持和资源的需要，以便进行最后的冲刺。所以如果每个区域都能提名一位代表来参加，有问题和想法的人在准备就绪时，将会非常赞赏。
MILO in2CRICKET
Register Now!

Hamilton Cricket Club is once again running a MILO in2CRICKET program. MILO in2CRICKET is an introductory Cricket program for 5 -10 year old girls and boys. Kids learn the basics of the game through fun, skill based game activities. The program is a great way for children to get active, make friends and learn about Australia’s National Sport.

The program will run for 8 weeks, beginning Sunday October 25th at 11am – 12.15pm. This will be for the first five weeks then it will be held on Friday nights 5-6pm, starting from Nov 27th & finishing Friday 11th Dec.

Participants will have lots of fun playing cricket with their friends and also receive a MILO in2CRICKET participant pack, all this for $70.

Registration Day October 25th at the Hamilton Cricket Clubrooms, Palmer Street, Hamilton.
Contact: Colin Millard 0408 521 59

Hamilton Community House Inc.
School Holiday Activities
Thursday 24th Sept-Pom Pom Pets 1.30pm-3.30pm
Tuesday 29th Sept-Funky Food Treats 1.30pm-3.30pm
Bookings a MUST
Call Debra on :: 55719780

OPENING NIGHT
THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2015
IN THE LEARNING STREET
6.30 - 6.45PM GUEST SPEAKER
SUE MCGINNITY - HAMILTON ART GALLERY
6.45 - 8.00PM VIEWING TIME

NEW FEATURES OF OUR ART SHOW THIS YEAR INCLUDE A ‘KIDS SPACE’,
‘GALLERY SHOP’ AND QR CODES PROVIDING ARTWORK OVERVIEWS.
MUSICAL PERFORMANCES WILL BE HELD DURING VIEWING TIME TO ALLOW
STUDENTS TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR TALENTS IN THE PERFORMING ARTS.
THE ART WORK WILL REMAIN ON DISPLAY FOR THE WEEK FOLLOWING THE OPENING NIGHT,