Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Students and Friends,

Art Show!
Our bi-annual Art Show was officially opened last night by Mrs Sue McGinnity from the Hamilton Art Gallery! The Learning Street is full of colour, creativity and flair with a huge amount of student work on display. Last nights’ opening was an amazing celebration of the artistic talent of our students who are very fortunate to be able to experience the teaching of Shelley Waters.

Thank you to all families and friends who supported our Art Show at the opening and enjoyed catching up and admiring the ‘gallery’.

Thank you also to the Hamilton Rotary Club for the use of the stands which allowed us to display the art. A big thanks to Karen Annett-Thomas for the donation of one of her own pieces which is being raffled. Please call in to the office to purchase tickets. All proceeds of this raffle will support UNICEF, Karen’s chosen charity.

Art work will be available for viewing before or after school and between 11.00 – 11.30am and 1.30 – 2.20pm until Thursday 17th September.

Thanks for a great week!
God bless you 😊

Jo-Anne

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER
Fri 11th Parish family dinner – Gr 1
Tues 15th Division Athletics
Wed 16th Author visit – Patrick Guest @ 9.00am
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
Fri 16th Parish family dinner – Gr 5/6
Mon 19th – Fri 23rd Gr 5/6 Swimming Program
Tues 20th Hooptime Regional – Juniors
Wed 21st School Council @ 7.00pm
Tues 27th OLSEL family night
Fri 30th P/1/2 late stay/sleepover TBC
**Early finish**

A reminder that school finishes next Friday 18th September at the earlier time of 2.15pm. Assembly will be at 1.40pm.

**Chaplaincy permission**

Several weeks ago each family was supplied with a general permission form to fill in each child’s name, sign and return to school. This permission is a requirement of the funding we receive and is not an indication that Lisa will be working individually with your child. I’m sure you would love to get this off your kitchen bench before the holidays – please sign and return to the office. Thanks for your support.

**Visiting author**

Next Wednesday at 9.00am we are excited to have an author visiting our school to share his book with us.

‘That’s What Wings Are For’ is a book created by Patrick Guest which has been dedicated to every boy and girl with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD), their families, and all those working and praying for a cure.

The main character is a Dragon called Bluey who, like these boys and girls, may have weak muscles, but they are strong and amazing in many other ways. It is a truly touching story with gorgeous illustrations. Part proceeds from this book go to help the Duchenne Foundation assist families whose child is affected with this condition. I have received Patrick’s permission to bring along copies of his book and soft toys to display and sell. Students are welcome to bring along money to purchase these items with your permission.

To support the Duchenne Foundation Australia we will have a casual clothes day next Friday 18th September. Students are invited to wear blue – to connect with Bluey the dragon – and pay a gold coin donation which will be sent to the Duchenne Foundation.

**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.

**Uniform**

Thank you for your great support of our school uniform. A reminder that our summer uniform is worn during Term 4. As the weather is usually still a bit cool at the start of the term, it is acceptable that students wear their winter uniform when they return from holidays. A date where all students must be in summer uniform will be made once we see what the weather brings. Please also note that school hats must be worn during Term 4.

**School Fees**

School Fees were sent home with last week’s newsletter. If you have any queries or concerns please contact Helen at the office. Thank you.

**The Word on the Learning Street!**

**Art show 2015**

**Gr 1/2**

It was fantastic to see all our art work displayed in the Learning Street for everyone to see. Ben sang really well and it was great fun dressing up and having our photo taken.

Koby and Shanae

**Gr 3/4**

My favourite art work was pictures called ‘Falling Back’. Mrs Waters is fun and I really enjoyed doing sculpture in Art.

Liam Handreck

My favourite art work was the owls, I loved all the different shapes and decorations. It made me feel really proud to see my art work on display.

Felicity Watson

**Gr 5/6**

I enjoyed the Digital art work the best. It was fun learning about a new type of Art with a cartoonist.

Belle Mailes
**Cybersafety**

This week is a link to another cybersafety game, this time aimed at 8+ years. It is called **budd:e** and also works children through a variety of learning activities to increase knowledge on how to keep safe online. This game is a flash based game designed to be played on a PC.

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**YOUTH GROUP TRIP TO THE CINEMA:**

When: Saturday 12th September at 6pm-9.15pm.
Where: Hamilton Cinema and then the Dunworth Centre.

We will be seeing Fantastic Four at 6pm.

Please bring money for your movie ticket and snacks. Please meet at the cinema at least 20 minutes before the movie.

Afterwards, we will walk to the Dunworth Centre for some ice cream.

Pick up time at 9.15pm from the Dunworth Centre.
RSVP: Charlotte Stanhope to 0437 017 296.
Gr. 5 to Yr. 12.

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Good Morning,

Spring is here so we should start seeing some warmer weather. Only one week left of term, hasn’t it passed quickly. Please see below an email I received recently and feel it may be of interest to some parents. Just a quick reminder of my work day’s: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, please feel free to call me on 0400 994 032.

Kind regards
Lisa Gonnet Pastoral Care worker

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Help for parents with shy/anxious young children.

Would you like to know how to boost your shy/sensitive child’s confidence and reduce their fears and anxieties?

You are invited to take part in a new study of an online parenting program offered by La Trobe University and Macquarie University. Cool Little Kids Online offers parents practical skills to build their shy/sensitive young child’s confidence and reduce worries, fears and anxieties. Cool Little Kids Online is available now for free to parents as part of a research program.

For more information and to participate, please visit [www.coollittlekids.org.au](http://www.coollittlekids.org.au), email clko-study@latrobe.edu.au, or telephone Dr Amy Morgan on (03) 9479 5193.

The research has been approved by the Human Ethics Committee of La Trobe University (HEC15-010).

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**Parents and Friends**

**Canteen Roster Term 3**

16/9/15 Michelle Ferey

Please put your name down if you can help on a Wednesday for Canteen for Term 4. You wouldn’t have to do it on your own, the girls are happy to teach anyone who would like to assist.

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**Expo News!**

**Next Expo Meeting**

Wednesday 16th September @ 6.00pm

Could one or more helpers from each area eg BBQ, Gift Baskets, Santaland etc please join us at the next meeting on Sept 16th as we would like representation from each area to be able to determine what support and resources are needed in planning for the final run down to the BIG DAY!! So if each area could nominate a representative to attend, and have questions and ideas at the ready, that would be much appreciated.
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

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year, so a big thanks to everyone who supported our school. We’re now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. So this week, please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Thanks again for all your support!

Spring Holiday Program 2015
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 11-18 YEARS OLD
$40 per activity
GO KARTING & 10 PIN BOWLING
Warrnambool
Tuesday 22nd September 8.30am-4.30pm
Paintballing
200 paintballs included
Mt Gambier
Tuesday 29th September 8.00am-5.00pm
The Park
Indoor Skate Park
Geelong
Thursday 24th September 9.00am-9.00pm
Halls Gap Zoo & Minigolf
Halls Gap
Thursday 24th September 8.30am-5.00pm

Intensive Holiday Private Swim Program
Dates:
21-25 September
28 Sept - 1 Oct
2nd week - 4 days only
5 x 30 minute lessons
1:1 student/instructor ratio
$185.00 per program
To register, please leave your details at HLC HD reception or

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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

Bookings and information:
Frances Hewett Community Centre ph:55518450
Email: fhcc@wdhs.net