Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Students and Friends,

Please take time over the next two weeks to relax and spend some time regaining energy in time for the start of term 2. It is wasteful if we spend the holiday period going flat out and then return to school tired and in need of some down time. Students need to be fit and healthy for learning as they move into term 2, cooler weather and shorter days. Look forward to seeing you return to school on Tuesday 22nd April!

These holidays also provide us with the opportunity to take time to reflect on our Easter story and gift of the risen Jesus. There are many services during the holidays to mark the events of Holy Week and the wonderful mystery of the resurrection. No matter where you are for Easter please take the time to investigate the service times in your location.

Our responsibility as partners in faith is to immerse children in our Christian story and allow them to soak up the beautiful nature of this liturgical season.

Local mass times are included in this newsletter.

Thanks for a great term!
God bless you ☺
Jo-Anne

Lord Jesus Christ,
in this sacred and solemn week
when we see again
the depth and mystery of your redeeming love,
help us to follow where you go,
to stop where you stumble,
to listen when you cry,
to hurt as you suffer,
to bow our heads in sorrow as you die,
so that, when you are raised to life again,
we may share in your endless joy.
Amen.

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL
- Mon 15th Start of Term 2!
- Thurs 16th 1-2-3 Magic Program 10.30 – 12.30
- Division Athletics N8 change of date
- Fri 17th Opening Ceremony of Tibetan Monks program @ 10.00am
- Mon 20th Tibetan monks – schools program Gr 5/6 students (Group 1)
- Tues 21st Tibetan monks – schools program Gr 5/6 students (Group 2)
- P&F AGM @ 7.00pm
- Thurs 23rd 1-2-3 Magic Program 10.30 – 12.30
- Fri 24th P&F Lunch BBQ
- Thurs 30th 1-2-3 Magic Program 10.30 – 12.30
- Raising Teens 1.30 – 3.00
- Sacramental Parent m’ing @ 7.00pm

MAY
- Mon 11th Pupil free day – OLSEL
- Tues 12 – Thurs 14th NAPLAN – Gr 3 & 5 students
- Tues 12th Expo Committee m’ing @ 6.00pm
- Mon 25th – Fri 29th Catholic Education Week
- Mon 25th Open Morning 9.30 – 11.00am
Congratulations!
Congratulations to children from our parish community who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this week with their family and friends.

Lily Page  
Abigail Page  
Zander Joseph  
Zara Hutchins  
Tayla Lewis  
Nicholas Cotten  
Macey Bowie  
Samuel Price  
Braith Anderson  
Tate Snell  
Macey Sanders

Felicity Watson  
Amy Shelly  
Genevieve Trotter  
Charlotte Sampson  
Archie Porter  
Stella Raymond  
Kieren McDonald  
Flynn Diedrichs  
Chris Wormald  
Kayla Sanders

We ask that you continue to pray for them as they begin their preparation for Confirmation early next term.

Thanks!
A huge thankyou to Cathy Ferguson and family for co-ordinating our Easter Raffle each year for many years! As Nick is in Grade 6 today’s draw was also the final one for Cathy. Your time and enthusiasm for this activity has been greatly appreciated and added greatly to our preparation for Easter. Thanks! Thanks also to Lisa Cleaver for organising the Zooper Dooper Fridays to support Cancer Research – and to Eliza Armstrong and friends for their assistance.

Uniform
Term 2 brings the changeover from summer to winter uniform, depending on the weather. As the weather is quite unpredictable at the start of the term, please gauge the forecast yourself and make an informed decision on the uniform you will send your children to school in for the start of term 2. Notice will be provided in the newsletter next term regarding an official change to winter uniform.

Holy Week Liturgy
Thank you to staff and students for the preparation and sharing of our moving Holy Week Liturgy held yesterday. It is important to spend time together in prayer and reflection as we prepare to journey through the events of Holy Week starting this Sunday with Palm Sunday.

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.

Pupil Free Days
The following dates have been approved as professional learning days for staff. Students do not attend school on these days.
- Monday 11th May
- Wednesday 29th July
- Monday 10th August

THE WORD ON THE LEARNING STREET!
GRADE 5 OLSEL
Yesterday we learnt about OLSEL. It is where you learn about sounds, words, vocabulary and chunking. We went on a word find to find words that had ‘er’ in it. - Taylor Bowie.

In OLSEL we learnt about the sound ‘er’ and we also learned about different way to sound out words using syllables. - Sophie Trotter.

GRADE 6 @ MONIVAE
At Monivae we did Science, Religion, Cooking and Drama. We baked choc chip cookies and we made elephant toothpaste. - Tom Burland.

When I went to Monivae yesterday, I had a great day. We had groups and I was in purple. We did English, Wood & Metal, Cooking, P.E., Science and Drama. In Cooking we made chocolate chip cookies. - Chloe Byrne.

GRADE 3/4
Well done to the children in Year 3/4 for all of the hard work they put into the presentation of “What a Week for Jesus”. Everyone did a great job and performed in a reverent and moving manner.

1/2 NEWS
We have been busily preparing for our Holy Week liturgy in the 1/2 area this week. Our bright singing and actions were a great way to celebrate the resurrection at our liturgy yesterday! We have also been immersed in all things Easter. We have had some Easter maths, made Easter cards, talked about the stories from Holy week and made some Easter craft. We are all looking forward to a well-earned break, ready to come back refreshed for another fantastic term of learning in Term 2!

The Sport Catch Up
Little Athletics – Hamilton
St Mary’s children are well presented at Hamilton Little Athletics, of the 56 kids registered 19 are from St Mary’s.
Presentation/ Medal /Trophy night was held on the 25th March. Results are:-
**Parish News**

**MASS TIMES - 2015**

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**Holy Week 2015**

**Holy Thursday**
- Hamilton 7.00pm
- Dunkeld 7.00pm

**Good Friday**
- Hamilton Ecumenical Walk of Witness 11.00am
- Macarthur 9.30am
- Hamilton 3.00pm
- Dunkeld 3.00pm

**Easter Vigil - Saturday**
- Hamilton 7.00pm

**Easter Sunday**
- Hamilton 10.30am
- Dunkeld 8.30am
- Penshurst 8.30am
- Macarthur 8.30am
- Glenthompson 10.30am

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**Cybersafety**

Thank you very much to the parents who came along to the ‘ACMA Cybersmart’ cybersafety presentation on Tuesday night. Our presenter, Greg Gebhart, certainly had some very interesting information and tips to help us navigate the online world with our children. Each week, we will be adding a QR code to the newsletter that will link to a particular part of the ACMA Cybersmart website. This week it is a link to the Parents Guide to Online Safety.

![QR Code](https://via.placeholder.com/150)

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!!!)

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**Parents and Friends**

**Canteen Roster term 2**

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**Under 6 Girls**
- Georgia Trotter: Silver. Imogen Fitzgerald: Gold and Junior Age Field Girl Champion.

**Under 7 Girls**
- Maddison Cotton: Gold.

**Under 7 Boys**

**Under 8 Boys**

**Under 9 Girls**
- Genevieve Trotter: Gold.

**Under 9 Boys**
- Nick Cotton: Silver.

**Under 11 Boys**
- Jason Hawker: Gold, Intermediate Age Group Track and Overall Age Track Boy Champion.

**Under 12 Boys**
- Sam Crawford: Gold.

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**Youth Group Catch-Up on Sunday 29th March in the Dunworth Centre straight after 10:30am Mass.** We will be discussing the upcoming event, which is a Pool Party on Sunday 18th April. Also we will be brainstorming future events, so bring along your ideas and recommendations. Lunch and beverages provided. Age Grade 5 to Year 12. Hope to see you there! Thanks from Charlotte Stanhope!
CONGRATULATIONS!
The following students were presented with awards at our assembly recently. Student awards recognise effort and achievement demonstrated in the daily learning environment.

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Good Samaritan Award
Tom Burland, Travis Foster, Bailey Mason, Ben Perkins.

THE OWL’S APPRENTICE
School holiday show - Little Wing Puppets
Owls aren’t born wise you know; they have to learn it from somewhere and so are sent to owl school. Bring your family to this show created by Jenny Ellis where she uses a combination of shadow puppetry, hand puppetry and physical comedy and will have all of you oohing and aahing as these whimsical, magical creatures come to life in your hearts and minds. Check out Poot Poot the young owl at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43pzTWuvvuc
Wednesday 8 April, 11am
Tickets $13 suitable ages 4 – 10 years

Wigs Football 2015
Where – Pedrina Park
When – Sunday 19th April @ 10.30am
Registration – online at www.hamiltonjfcfl.sportingpulse.net
Cost - $25 (to be paid on the day, not online)
For children in Grade 5/6
All players who played in last year’s U/12 competition MUST re-register if they wish to play again this year
Contact Daniel Hallam 0428 129 512

For sale
• 4 girls summer dresses – size 8 - $5 each
• 4 girls winter shirts – size 8 - $5 each
• 1 girls winter dress – size 8 – dry-cleaned - $50
• or $70 the lot
Phone Kris 0439 711 750

Penguins
FRIDAY NIGHT DRIVE IN
FRIDAY 10TH APRIL
MONIVAE COLLEGE OVAL – ENTER VIA HILLER LANE
PIE SALE $25 PER PAIR AT THE $30 GATE
A family friendly screening
BBQ TEA | FOOD | DRINKS
ENTERTAINMENT BY RIPPLE EFFECT
GATES OPEN AT 6.30PM | MOVIE STARTS 7.30PM
TICKETS ONLINE AT WWW.WDNS.HOME | PHONE 555 385 00
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Kids in the Kitchen
"Cooking with Gilly"
Holiday cooking program for kids—1 day only
The Hamilton District Skills Centre
will once again be hosting the ever popular “kids only” learn to cook fun day with local Chef Tony “Gilly” MacGilvery. Previous cooking days have been a huge hit with the kids and always book out very quickly.
When: Thursday, 9th April 2015 - 1 day only!
Time: 9.30am – 4.00pm
Where: Hamilton District Skills Centre
85 Mt Baimbridge Rd, Hamilton
Ages: Ideally suited for 6–12 year olds
Price: $80 per person per day—cash only
Bring: Manners and a smile. (open & hot supplied)
Bookings: Please phone Josie or Gilly on 5571 1708
“Healthy food and drinks will be provided for whole day”
Book early to avoid disappointment—as limited numbers apply