### Celebrating Success

#### Keys to Success

Congratulations to the following students on their **Keys to Success** Award:

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**KW Assembly**

Congratulations to the students in KW and Ms Winney on presenting a great class item at last week’s assembly. Love the loud roar at the end! Well done everyone – the ‘cute’ factor was very much on show!
SASS Week – School Administrative and Support Staff Appreciation Week
Last week was SASS Appreciation Week. Each year, schools recognise and acknowledge the important work our School Administrative and Support Staff undertake in our schools. This brings our focus onto our wonderful School Administrative Support Staff - all our non-teaching staff who do such a fabulous job supporting students and staff at our school. On behalf of the students, staff, parents and the community we say ‘Thank You’ and acknowledge the vital role that our SASS (School Administrative and Support Staff) have at our school. At Hamilton South Public School our SAS Staff are greatly valued members of the school team and their contributions are significant in supporting the students, staff, parents and members of the school community.

thank you! thank you!

School Administration Manager
Roslyn Newey
School Administration Officers
Jenny Sumner
Raelene D’Agostino
Leisa Hallett
Anne Gillies
School Learning Support Officers
Melissa Waide
Dawn Armstrong
Angie Zenini
Lyn Geelan
Lizl McGregor
Sam Marshall
Sherry Mason
Isaac Stephens
Angela Webster
General Assistant
Bill Fitzgibbon
Kindergarten 2020
Organisation is well underway to welcome our new Kindergarten students who will be joining the Hamilton South PS school community in 2020. Thank you to the parents who have come in and provided the school with the information required which is part of the enrolment process. As part of the enrolment process parents are asked to provide the following:

- 100 points Residential address check
- Child’s birth certificate
- Child’s immunisation record

Kindergarten Orientation Program
Kindergarten 2020 students will be at ‘Big School’ on the following Orientation Days:

**Tuesday 12 November 2019 - 9 - 11am**
- This day is for parents and children. An information session will be held in the hall while the children spend the morning in the Kindergarten classrooms.

**Wednesday 20 November 2019 - 9am - 12pm**
- Children spend time in the Kindergarten classrooms and have lunch at school with the K-2 students and their buddy.

**Thursday 28 November 2019 - 12.30 - 2.30pm**
- Children spend time in the Kindergarten classrooms and have afternoon recess with the K-2 students and their buddy. On this day parents are invited to join their child for a scavenger hunt from 2pm.

Riding bikes (and scooters) has become very popular with our students. For the past couple of years we have been exploring ways to organise the bikes at school. As part of the Year 6 gift in 2017 we planned to purchase bike racks. This has proved to be very problematic as the capacity of the bike racks (and we have looked at many…) did not cater for the bikes we have at school on any one day. SO …. we are creating three paved areas for the bikes to be kept during school hours. There will be two areas either side of the water tank near the sports’ shed for students in Years 3-6 who bring their bikes (and scooters) to school. Another area is being paved near 1S’s classrooms. This will be used for K-2 bikes and scooters. In order to fit the maximum number of
Electricity Safety Week

Electricity Safety Week 2019 will be held from 2-6 September. The aim of Electricity Safety Week is to teach children to stay safe around electricity both at home and outdoors. On Friday David McLaren from Ausgrid will be presenting two electricity safety talks for the students at Hamilton South Public School. Students from K-6 will be attending.

MultiLit Program – More tutors Needed

At HSPS we run the MultiLit program - Making Up for Lost Time in Literacy program three - four mornings a week. We have a very enthusiastic group of tutors, including parents and grandparents, who come for an hour or two between 9-11am to work with students one-on-one to improve their literacy skills and knowledge. We are needing more tutors and hope that a call out in Noticeboard will help to attract interest. Mrs Walsh oversees the program and training is provided. If you would like to be involved please contact Mrs Walsh or the school office. The more tutors we have the more students can benefit from this fabulous program.

Sue Estens
Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, 04.09.19 ~Money collection for
*Kinder & SG Oakvale Farm
*Yrs. 1 & 2 Hunter Valley Zoo
*Yr. 4 Blue Mountains excursion
*Stage Levy & School Contribution
*Band fees

Thursday, 05.09.19 ~Last money collection for
*Kinder & SG Oakvale Farm
*Yr. 4 Blue Mountains excursion
~Money collection for
*Yrs. 1 & 2 Hunter Valley Zoo
*Stage Levy & School Contribution
*Band fees

Friday, 01.11.19 ~School Ball

NOTES TO BE RETURNED
• Absence Note – if your child has been absent from school, please either fill out a yellow note, email the school or do an absence note on skoolbag. Departmental requirement states you have seven days to explain your child’s absence.
School hours 8:55am-3:00pm
Please note:-
Students need to be in their classroom by 8:55am.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
6M will be hosting the school assembly on Tuesday 10 September. The assembly starts at 2.10pm and is expected to run until around 2.50pm. Parents, carers and families are all invited to come along. Access via gate 3 in Kenrick Street only.

KINDERGARTEN AND SL EXCURSION
On Wednesday 11 September 2019 Kindergarten and SL will be going on an excursion to Oakvale Farm. Cost is $30 per student. Notes have been sent home. Payment is due by Thursday 5 September.

YEAR 1 & 2 EXCURSION
On Monday 16 September 2019 1H, 1S, 1W, 2K and 2P will be going on an excursion to the Hunter Valley Zoo at Nulkaba. Cost is $30 per student. Notes have been sent home. Payment is due by Wednesday 11 September 2019.
**SURVEY TIME**

Over the next month we are conducting the “Tell Them from Me” survey. This survey covers a wide range of school life areas and provides us valuable information. Whilst we understand that surveys do take time, it is one of the many ways that we gather feedback and use it to inform our decisions for the future of our school. We urge families to please take the time to complete them so that we receive valuable and reliable data. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Survey Link:-

http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/hsp19

Mrs Edwards  
Assistant Principal

**KINDERGARTEN 2020 ENROLMENT**

Parents of children starting Kindergarten next year can now bring in their child’s original birth certificate, immunisation record and proof of address. **We now require parents to bring in 100 points of proof of address. Enrolment packs will be sent home next week.**

100 point residential address check

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* up to three months old
SG, 3RQ AND 3BH VISIT THE AWABAKAL EDUCATION CENTRE
Our students along with Mrs Gorton, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Binale, Miss Angie our SLSO and Mr Wood and Miss Crowley our internship were treated to a glorious day last Tuesday while they attended the Awabakal Education Centre at Dudley. The boys and girls really enjoyed consolidating their learning from the history curriculum and were able to have hands on experiences relating to class work. Students learnt about the Aboriginal version of ‘Bunnings’ and spent time listening to and thinking about how tools and equipment were traditionally made. The bush walk was definitely the highlight of the day. Students participated in a bush STEM challenge where they had to make a gunyah that could withstand a rain shower. They got to mix up and use their own ochre and they made coolamons to carry equipment. The amazing view back to Newcastle was a great way to end the trip.
**REGIONAL ATHLETICS**

Nine HSPS students represented the Newcastle City Zone Athletics Team at the Hunter Regional Athletics Carnival (Glendale) last Friday. It could have been more but unfortunately some of our Year 6 students couldn’t attend due to the Year 6 Canberra excursion. After speaking with the Newcastle City Zone manager, it was clear that our school students had a very successful day with some even progressing through to the upcoming State Athletics Carnival. Wow! It was also nice to hear that HSPS students’ behaviour was exceptional whilst representing our school and zone. Well done to the following students for their efforts – Neva P, Amelia S, Charlotte V, Kiara M, Georgia M, Rose B, Jonah R, Max V and Tom W.

Congratulations to the following students who have progressed through to the NSW State Athletics Carnival:

- Kiara M - Jnr 800m
- Jonah R - 9yrs 100m
- Charlotte V - 10yrs 100m
- Tom W - Jnr Shot Put

This is a massive achievement! As a sheet was missing in the original paperwork, I will be handing our Hunter Regional Representatives new paperwork for the State Carnival this week.

Mr. True (Sports Coordinator)

**REGIONAL TOUCH FOOTBALL**

Last week, Taylah M. headed to Mudgee to compete in the NSW Girls Touch Football Championships for the Hunter Regional Team. Taylah is an exceptional player who likes to scoot from dummy-half and direct play. By all reports, she was a huge asset for the Hunter who finished the competition in a very respectable 4th place after losing to Sydney North 4-2 in one of the semi-finals. Well done Taylah! We now look forward to seeing Taylah help our girls’ school touch team in the NSW Knockout Competition.

Mr. True (Sports Coordinator)
ONLINE GAMING

Online games can be great fun for your child, but make sure you can help them manage the risks.

Many games can improve your child’s coordination, problem-solving and multi-tasking skills, as well as help build social skills through online interactivity with other players. But it is also important to understand what might go wrong and have a negative impact on your child.

eSafety research insights.

- 81% of children aged 8 to 17 have played an online game
- 64% have played a multiplayer online game with others
- 52% have played with people they did not know
- 17% have experienced bullying or abuse while playing a network game with others
- 34% have made an in-game purchase and this rose to 45% when they played a network game with others

How to create a safer gaming environment for your child/young person.

Prepare:
- Locate the computer or games console in an open area of your home, or if your child is playing on their handheld device, get them to do it in the family room.
- Install current security software on all devices to protect against viruses, malware and other online threats.
- Activate parental controls and safety features on the device or in the app or browser. These controls can help restrict access to certain content and limit spending on in-game and in-app purchases.

Build Good Habits:
- Help your child to protect their privacy online — get them to use a screen name that does not reveal their real name.
- Teach your child not to click on links provided by strangers, like ‘cheat’ programs to help with game play, which might expose their device to viruses or malware.
- Agree on strategies to help them to switch off, like a timer that signals game time is nearly over, with consequences for not switching off.

Stay Involved:
- Talk regularly with your child about their gaming interests and who they play with online. Help them understand the risks.
- Play alongside your child to get a better sense of how they are handling their personal information and who they are communicating with.
- Monitor the time your child spends online and keep a look out for any changes in their activity, school or social behaviours.
- Encourage your child to tell you if they experience anything that worries them or makes them uncomfortable.

Be aware of what they are playing:
- Games vary in their level of violent or sexual content, and may contain themes, language and images that are unsuitable for your child.
• You can check the age guidelines and classification for an individual game on its website or product packaging, or from the Australian Classification Board’s public database.

• Useful information about games ratings can also be obtained from the Pan European Game Information (PEGI) and the US Entertainment Software Rating Board (ESRB).

• Review sites can also be a good source of information about age appropriate content – check out the Australian Council on Children and the Media, Kiwi Families (NZ), Common Sense Media (US), Parents’ Choice (US) and Ask About Games (UK).

**Empower your child:**

• Wherever possible, help them make wise decisions for themselves, rather than tell them what to do.

• Try to provide them with strategies for dealing with negative online experiences that will build their confidence and resilience. The eSafety Commissioner’s advice in *good habits start young* may be a good starting point.

For further information please visit the eSafety Commissioner Homepage

CHOIR:
Rehearsals for our new choir continued today and from all the emails I have been receiving it is a HUGE success. Our numbers have reached capacity for this term. Those that have brought in notes have been added to our Term 4 waitlist. If you are still interested bring your note into Mrs Bell and have your name added to our Term 4 waitlist.

BANDLINK:
Bandlink notes came home last week for Concert Band and Training Band. BandLink is a fun and engaging experience for Hamilton South Public School Band students. It includes two days of quality instrumental coaching, ensemble experience and an opportunity to work with highly qualified conductors and tutors within a fun and supportive environment. These two days will conclude with a performance by students at McDonald Jones Stadium.

Venue: McDonald Jones Stadium (Knights Home Ground) 294 Turton Road, New Lambton
Dates: Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 September 2019
Time: 8:30am until 3.00pm on each of the days. Concert 1:00pm Thursday 26 September 2019
Cost: $70 per student

CONSERVATORIUM BAND DAY:
Our Concert Band will be heading off this Wednesday - September 4 for our next Conservatorium Band Day. We will be working on some of our pieces for Bandfest next term as well as recording a 360 degree video! Make sure your notes have been returned to Mrs Bell no later than tomorrow Tuesday September 3. Students need to be dropped off at the venue. Mrs Bell will be there from 8:20am. If you cannot be dropped off to the venue due to parental working commitments such as early OOSH drop offs please get in touch with me via email and we can try to assist with transport. I don’t want anyone to miss out on this experience. We will be walking back to school after the video recording at approximately 12:00pm. Instruments will be transported back to school and can be picked up from the hall later in the day.

Training Band and RockCon will also be heading back to the Conservatorium later in the term.

HAMILTON CHILD CARE CENTRE FUNDRAISER:
I am still waiting on a few Concert Band members to return their Hamilton Child Care Centre Movie Night FUNdraiser notes. This event is taking place on Saturday September 21 at Gregson Park. Participation in this event relies on enough of our students being able to take part. Just like in other team sports and activities - we can’t take the field without a full team!

LESSONS:
There will be no “official” lessons this week as Elise is still on her placement - however Mrs Bell will be running a training Band group rehearsals on Wednesday and Concert Band group rehearsals on Thursday. Keep an eye on the tutoring timetable for the groupings/times. Elise will do her best to make up for lost lessons when she returns in Week 8 and the Conservatorium will be adjusting their invoices accordingly. I know that Paul and Janelle will be doing their best in the coming weeks to make up for any lessons that have been missed due to the Athletics Carnival, Friends Day Celebrations and the Year 6 Canberra excursion to make sure everyone receives their allocated lessons. Please let them know if your child is going to be absent so they can make appropriate changes to their teaching timetables as well as possibly start making up a few of these missed lessons.
ROCKCON:
RockCon will be continuing as normal this week. Meet Dan in the hall after school on Tuesday. Instruments can be left in the music/chair storeroom on Tuesdays.

INSTRUMENT REMINDER:
Just a reminder that some instruments are being left in the hall over the weekend. It is important that band members pick up their instruments after school and take them home. If instruments need to stay at school overnight due to lessons etc. it is the students responsibility to make sure they have been locked safely in the instrument storeroom. Our school hall is rented by outside groups after school and on weekends for other events. As part of our rental agreements the families take on the responsibility of looking after the instrument and replacement costs if necessary.

All Term 3 invoices will be finalised and sent out this week for all bands and choir. In school lessons are invoiced from the Conservatorium of Music. Please speak to your tutor or contact the Conservatorium directly on (02) 4921 8900 if you have any questions about your lesson fees.

As always if you have any questions, queries or comments please send me an email at nadine.bell6@det.nsw.edu.au

Thanks
Nadine Bell
HSPS Music Coordinator

Canteen Roster: 09.09.19 – 13.09.19

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If you are unable to work, please arrange a swap. In an emergency, phone Mary on 0412 451 226

The Canteen Team.
P&C NEWS:

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP
Shop is open every Tuesday 8.30 to 9.15am
All donations are gladly received in the basket outside the uniform shop any day.

Lauren

SAVE THE DATE
School Ball - Friday 1 November 2019

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK
Online ordering is the easiest option; however we have books at the office for $65 cash and credit card purchases.
To order online go to:
https://www.entbook.com.au/3426u0
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COME AND PLAY CRICKET WITH CITY

| Junior Blasters | 5 - 7 Years | $110 | Mon 14th Oct - 2nd Dec | 4-5pm |
| Master Blasters | 7-10 Years | $135 | Mon 14th Oct - 2nd Dec | 5-7pm |

Stage 1 U10/11 $185 Sat 12th Oct - 14th Dec, 1st Feb - 1st March
Stage 2 U12/13 $185 Sat 12th Oct - 14th Dec, 1st Feb - 1st March
Stage 3 U14-18 $205 Sat 12th Oct - 14th Dec, 1st Feb - 1st March

Midweek T20 U16 & U17/18 $185 Starts Wed 16th Oct (tbc)

Girls Sixers League

Spring 10-15Yrs $85 Fri 18th Oct - 29th Nov
Spring = Summer 10-15Yrs $130 Fri 18th Oct - 29th Nov, 7th Feb - 20th March

*Stage 1 & 2 formats available*

To Register: playcricket.com.au, Select ‘Newcastle City’ for more information call Yusuf on 0400 883 719

Hunter Wetlands Centre

1 Wetlands Place, Shortland, NSW 2307
PO Box 44, Shortland, NSW 2307
Phone: 1800 609 608
Email: hwc@wetlands.org.au | Web: www.wetlands.org.au

OCTOBER 2019 HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT THE HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

Program for Vacation Care Centres

Vacation Care Centre Directors are invited to bring groups of 12 or more to the Hunter Wetlands Centre for one of our special school holiday programs. Staff from the Hunter Wetlands Centre will guide your students on a fun day of outdoor adventure and learning. For the School Holidays we can again offer a choice of:

1. Bush Adventure Day Cost: $14 per child
   This program may include:
   - Preparing and eating a damper (cooked in a BBQ)
   - Talk on bush survival skills
   - Shelter building
   - Guided walk
   - Reptile Encounter

2. Self Guided Program Cost: $7 per child
   Your staff can bring children to the wetlands and use the self-guided Wetlands Explorer Activity notes to explore the site. Entry includes the use of clip-nets and a Reptile Encounter.

Bookings Essential

If you would like to discuss developing a program tailored to meet the needs of your students please phone us on 4951 6466 or email: marketing@wetlands.com.au

Facilities

- Undercover picnic tables and shelters
- Discovery Playground and gooey area suitable for games and picnics
- BBQ Hires
- Cafe – meals, chips, ice creams, drinks
- Shop – gift shop

Access

- Free car and bus parking available
- Train – easy 15 minute walk from Sandgate Station

Cooks Hill Life Saving and Surf Club

Registrations for the 2019-2020 Nipper Season are now open!

For more info go to www.cookshillsurfclub.com.au
PLAY CRICKET WITH
HAMILTON-WICKHAM COLTS

Saturday Morning Cricket Boys & Girls
Under 10's and 11's Modified 6 a-side cricket - $115 or $120 if register before 20 August 2019
Under 12's and 13's Modified 8 a-side cricket - $170 or $185 if register before 20 August 2019
Under 14's to Under 17/18's - $170 or $185 if register before 20 August 2019
All new players receive free playing shirt, training shirt and hat.
$40 Sibling Discount available

Wednesday afternoons from 4.30pm:
Under 16’s and Under 13/18’s T20 cricket - $170 or $185 if register before 20 August 2019
Contact club if wanting to register for both Saturday morning and Wednesday afternoon.

Other cricket available:
Junior Blasters Boys & Girls Mondays 8-9pm 21 Oct to 9 Dec 2019 Passmore Oval - $115
Master Blasters Boys & Girls Mondays 5.30 - 7pm 21 Oct to 9 Dec Passmore/Learmonth Ovals -
Cost $135 includes shirt & hat
Girls only cricket Fridays Smith Park - Under 11, 13, 14, & 15's - $85 Spring camp or $130 both
Spring & Summer competitions.

Register online at www.hamwickscolts.nsw.cricket.com.au
For further details contact Jillian Dwyer 0411209240 or jkdwyer@optusnet.com.au

PLAY GIRLS ONLY CRICKET
Friday afternoons at Smith Park
2 competitions - Pre Christmas & Post Christmas

Now taking registrations for the 2019/20 season running from October to March

Monday nights from 5:30pm at the Newcastle Athletics Track – Smith St National Park

All ages (U6 to U17) and abilities welcome to come have a run, jump and throw!

See www.nclac.org.au for more information or register at www.lansw.com.au

Come and try athletics this summer!
NEWCASTLE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL OOSH VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Bookings are essential and will close on Friday 20 September 2019.
Please contact Tracey with any questions on 4929 1550 or email nepsoosh16@gmail.com

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