Principal’s Report

This week has been another great week at Gray St.

It was great to see so many students representing Gray St in the ANZAC Day parade, and I would like to thank all parents, students and staff who took part in the parade. I would also like to thank the Grade 5 and Grade 6 students for running the ANZAC Day assembly. The vignettes on the lives of students who served in the Great War were touching and well researched. Great work!

Our Preps are coming up to the end of their swimming program, and it has been great to see students so enthusiastic (if very tired). A reminder that Grade 1 & 2 swimming will be starting on Tuesday.

The first GenR8 Change forum was held at the school last night. There were some great ideas put forward, and we are looking at another forum to follow up on our success in Term 3.

The process for selecting a new principal is well under way. The position will go up on Friday and we are using personal networks as well as advertisements online and in newspapers to ensure we have an excellent range of candidates. I think everyone should be well assured that the panel will only select an excellent candidate.

We also had a visit from North Hamilton Kinder on Tuesday. The Preps did an excellent job in playing host to our guests and I would also like to thank any parents who came along and helped the session run smoothly.

Cross-country will be held this Wednesday and the weather reports are pointing to it being an excellent day for a run. Please feel free to come along and support our runners.

A big thank you to all the Prep – Grade 2 parents who are helping to sell raffle tickets. All the funds raised are going to supporting our classroom mini-libraries. We are slowly growing them, so please keep up the good work. If you have any books suitable for young students that you no longer need, we would love to use them. A book is a gift which gives and gives and gives.

I hope everyone is enjoying this term as much as I am!

Lachlan Yeates

Prep 2017 Discovery Mornings

Hamilton (Gray St) Primary School would like to invite children entering Prep in 2017 and their parents to various information opportunities held throughout May.

SCHOOL DISCOVERY MORNINGS/SCHOOL TOURS

Preschool children will be given the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the Prep environment. Children will participate in a number of activities planned by Prep Teachers, Cindy Riddle, Kerrie McFadden and Britt Hawthorne. Parents may leave their children and return to collect them at 11.30am or alternatively there will be an opportunity for a school tour during this time.

Thursday 5th May 10.00am – 11.30am or Friday 6th May 10.00am – 11.30am

Please contact the school office on 5571 9295 to register your interest in attending.
Cross Country

The Gray St cross-country will take place at Lake Hamilton at 2.20pm Wednesday, 4th May for all students in Grades 3 to 6. The children start in the area of the playground at the end of Rippon Road and each age group are spaced 75 metres apart. The youngest age group run 2000m and the older age groups run 2225m. Medals will be awarded for the winners of each age group and ribbons given to major placegetters. The finishing line is in the boatshed area on the Gray St side of the Lake.

All students in grades 3 – 6 are to wear their sports clothes this day.

Mother’s Day Stall

The Mothers’ Day stall will be held next Friday 6th May straight after assembly.

Each grade will visit the stall in turn and students will be able to purchase a beautiful gift. Gifts are priced from $2 to $10.

If there are any gifts left over, those wishing to do so may buy a second gift.

Parents - Don’t forget to give your child some money so they can buy that special gift.

Science

This term students across the school are learning about Chemical Science. For these units to be successful, we require a range of equipment.

If parents could collect any of the following items and drop them into the office or Miss Quinn's classroom that would be fantastic!

- bread tags
- screw top lids
- 500 ml plastic bottles
- 250 ml plastic bottles
- glass jars (any size)
- glass bottles

Thanks
Nat Quinn
Science Coordinator

Student Voice Representatives

Student Voice Representatives will be presented with their badges tomorrow at assembly. Parents are welcome to attend.

Canteen News

Term 2 & 3 specials have started. Dim Sims are available Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

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