Principal’s Report

A poem came to mind to me this week from my primary school days (yes many, many years ago) as I ran back inside to get some water to melt the ice on the wind screen, I thought with our focus on reading that I would share it with you………………

JACK FROST IN THE GARDEN

Jack Frost was in the garden;  
I saw him there at dawn;  
He was dancing round the bushes  
And prancing on the lawn.  
He had a cloak of silver,  
A hat all shimmering white,  
A wand of glittering star dust,  
And shoes of sunbeam light.

Jack Frost was in the garden,  
When I went out to play  
He nipped my toes and fingers  
And quickly ran away.

I chased him round the wood shed,  
But, oh! I'm sad to say  
That though I chased him everywhere  
He simply wouldn't stay.

Jack Frost was in the garden:  
But now I'd like to know  
Where I can find him hiding;  
I've hunted high and low-
I've lost his cloak of silver,  
His hat all shimmering white,  
His wand of glittering star dust,  
His shoes of sunbeam light.

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John P. Smeeton

There are many benefits for students from reading and writing poetry. One being that rhymes make it easier for students to learn new words. Learning new words appears effortless, because the rhythmical structure of the stanzas creates a familiar context for unfamiliar words. Moreover, reading rhymes aloud or repeating rhymes helps them practice pitch, voice inflection, and volume. It may seem trivial to a grown up, but the level of coordination required to master all the variables of voice is extremely complex.


Yesterday was one such morning that Jack Frost was around and we had three enthusiastic, talented runners who competed in the Regional Cross Country Championships held at the Lake. Congratulations to Tegan Menzel, Kaemon Smith and Louis Beaton who all ran extremely well, with Tegan coming 1st, Kaemon 6th and Louis 15th. Tegan and Kaemon now move onto the State Championships on Tuesday 16th July.

Teachers have spent many hours preparing your child’s Semester 1 report, detailing your child’s achievements and progress during the first half of the year. Reports will be sent out on Thursday 27th June followed up with Parent/Teacher interviews on Monday 22nd July and Tuesday 23rd July.
This year is the first year of the implementation of the Australian National Curriculum. AusVELS incorporates the Australian Curriculum in the subject areas of English, Mathematics, History and Science in conjunction with strands from the existing VELS (Victorian Essential Learning Standards). Throughout 2013/14 the remaining National Curriculum subject areas will be implemented.

AusVELS uses an eleven level structure to reflect the design of the new Australian Curriculum whilst retaining Victorian priorities and approaches to teaching and learning. It has been designed to ensure schools and teachers are not required to manage two different curriculum and reporting frameworks during the progressive development of the Australian Curriculum.

In the June reports you will notice some slight changes to the reporting of some of the subject areas.

The four subjects of English, Mathematics, Science and History have new achievement standards which will be used for the first time in student reporting for semester 1, 2013. As this is a transition year with a new curriculum, progress in these four subjects will not be linked to 2012 achievement data. In semester 1, a single dot will indicate on-balance judgment of student achievement against the new achievement standards for these four subjects on the student report.

Therefore the Semester 2 student report will show six month progress from June 2013 to December 2013 in the four subjects of English, Mathematics, Science and History.

As content in all other learning areas has not changed, student reports will continue to show 12 months progress for the end of semester student reports.

Further clarification can be sought from your child’s class teacher during Parent Teacher interviews.

Finally, a reminder about the Working Bee this Saturday morning starting at 10 a.m. and concluding with a ‘sausage sizzle’

There are a variety of jobs to be done and the School Council Facilities Sub Committee, look forward to seeing you on Saturday no matter how short a time you can spare.

Enjoy your week ahead.

Helen

Hoop Time Basketball 2013 - Grade 4 & Grade 6

The 2013 Hamilton Hoop Time Basketball dates for early term 3 are as follows:

Juniors (grade 4) - Thursday 25th July 2013 (approx. 9.30am to 2.45pm).

Seniors (grade 6) - Monday 29th July 2013 (approx. 9.30am to 2.45pm).

We are seeking parents to help on both days with coaching, scoring and assisting with supervision. For a coaching role, you do not need to have a high level of knowledge about basketball, just be able to make substitutions during the game and to help with supervision of children. Scoring is modified and you do not need to be experienced.

We will have five Grade 4 teams competing on the 25th of July and six Grade 6 teams competing on 29th July and each of these teams will require a coach and scorers. If you are able to assist in any way on either of these days, please contact the office by telephone before the end of term.

Notices with further details will be sent home first week of term 3.

Carolynn Murray & Sheree McGinley
Hoop Time 2013
Canteen

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Canteen Daily Special

Also available at the canteen:

Monday Recess ONLY  Egg & Bacon Muffins $2.50
(Toasted English Muffin, egg, bacon and tomato sauce)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday Lunch Order Only
Chicken and Veg Pies $2.80 (Four & Twenty School Range)
Long Home Made Sausage Roll $2.20
Small Home Made Sausage Roll $1.50

Safeway Earn & Learn

The Safeway Earn & Learn program has now finished.
Please send all your stickers to the office by next week.
As the local Safeway store had no stickers the last week of the program (1st June to 9th June), dockets from this week can be sent to school and will be counted as stickers.

New Uniform

The Uniform Shop will be open:

Tuesdays from 8.30 4.00p.m.

Please hand Uniform Orders with payment (cash, cheque or credit card) into the office.

2013 NetSetGo

The Hamilton Junior Netball Association is thrilled to announce the ANZ NetSetGo program for Term 3.

NetSetGo enables all children to develop a positive introduction to Netball, a sense of teamwork and being physical while having fun!

- The age groups are 5 – 7 years old and 8 – 10 years old.
- The cost is $53.00 (this includes: the program, an ANZ Sports bag, a Gilbert Netball, a T-Shirt and a Melbourne Vixens pencil case).
- The Dates: July 21st & 28th.
  August 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th.
  September 1st & 8th.
- The time is 1pm – 2.30pm.
- Venue: Pedrina Park

Registration: Friday 21st of June 4pm – 6pm at Pedrina Park Pavillion.

Schoolkids Bonus - Important news!

The second instalment of the Schoolkids Bonus for 2013 will be paid by Centrelink from 4 to 17 July. Eligible families who have not updated their child’s education details with Centrelink have until 29 June to do so to ensure they receive the correct payment in July. Eligible families who have updated their child’s education details with Centrelink do not have to do anything. If you haven’t received your payment by 18 July, but think you’re eligible, please contact Centrelink to discuss your personal circumstances.

If you receive Family Tax Benefit as a lump sum the Schoolkids Bonus will be paid after your Family Tax Benefit claim is assessed.
North Hamilton Kindergarten Invites you to our

Ladies Night.
Friday 21st June.
Baimbridge College Hall
7-9pm
Entry- Gold coin donation
Over 20 amazing stalls!! Come and have a great girl’s night out!!!
Thermomix Demonstration 7.30pm

Baimbridge College 2014

ENROLMENTS NOW DUE
Available from the West Campus Office
Please return to the college by Friday July 19

Church Hill Kindergarten presents
“The Hangover 3”
Friday 21st June
7.30pm
Hamilton Cinema
Doors Open 6.30pm
Drinks, Snacks and Raffle to be drawn on the night
Tickets $20. Contact Amada 0412224276