Footy Dress Up Day

Dates to Remember
Friday 18th September
2.30pm Dismissal
Grade 3 & 4 Camp Return 4pm
Monday 5th October
First Day Term 4
Saturday 24th October
Country Fair

Tomorrow
Last Day of Term
2.30pm Dismissal

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Gray St’s Got Talent

Well Gray St definitely has talent! On Monday the whole school attended the "Gray Street's Got Talent Grand Final". The contestants ranged from Prep to Grade 6, were selected from a number of auditions and a semi-final, and all did a wonderful job. Congratulations must go to all the students who performed in front of our Senior and Junior Music Captains at the auditions - it was certainly a brave thing to do! The Grand Final winners were:

Junior School - 3rd Noni Blanchett & Sugar Plums (Matilda & Georgia); 2nd Sam Mecham; 1st Jake Alexander
Senior School - 3rd Felicity Shaw; 2nd Georgie Pither; 1st Grade 6 Comedy (Tegan Menzel, Alera Sherry, Emily Pitts, Lily O'Brien)

Thank you to our Grand Final judges Mrs Murray, Ms Potter, Mr Hosking and Ms Ferrier, and our Music Captains Georgie Pither, Emilee Baulch, Rhyan Menzel and Elia Shelden for all their hard work.

Pets in Schools

Last Wednesday the Prep/1/2 students were shown how to safely approach dogs when out in the community. Cecilia brought her 3 pet beagles in to help demonstrate how to stay safe. Students were shown how to best protect themselves when confronted with an unaccompanied dog. They also learnt when and where they could pat dogs. The students were very amused when one of the beagles started snoring.
Combined Warrnambool, Hamilton and Portland Division Athletics – Warrnambool

On Tuesday, sixteen Gray St children competed in the Combined Division Athletics at Brauerander Park in Warrnambool. It was a windy and cool day, but thankfully the rain stayed away and all competitors had the opportunity to perform to their best on a dry track. This event is always a wonderful opportunity for the Hamilton athletes to use the wonderful athletics facilities in Warrnambool and to test themselves against the best performers from Victoria’s South-West area. Any child who reaches this level of competition has already achieved to a high standard of performance, and the standard of competition in Warrnambool is very high indeed.

I would like to pay a very sincere compliment to all our Gray St athletes for their efforts on the day. They did their very best at all times and were delightful company throughout the day, even for those who had to wait several hours for their events. They fulfilled their role as members of the combined Hamilton Division team in a competitive and sportsmanlike manner throughout the day.

The children who achieved firsts and seconds in field events, first to fourth in track events, and first in relay events should have already received an invitation to the next level of competition in Ballarat (Llanberris Athletics Track) on Friday, 16th October. More information will be forwarded next term when it becomes available.

Gray Street’s results:

Chad Dymke 1st hurdles; 1st 200m; 5th high jump
Tegan Menzel 1st 800m; 7th 200m; 7th 100m
Olivia Muldoon 6th 800m
Emily Pitts 15th 100m; 5th triple jump
Lily McLeod 6th Discus
Will Povey 2nd high jump
Indya Sandy 4th shot put
Boys 9/10 relay (Shaun Peters, Rhyan Menzel, Chad Dymke, Henry Bensch) 6th
Girls 9/10 relay (Georgia Pitts, Madison Campbell, Eddie Kelvy, Cadell Milne) 4th
Girls 12/13 relay (Alera Sherry, Emily Pitts, Sharney Millard, Tegan Menzel) 2nd
Lily Annett wasn’t able to compete in the 800m owing to an injury.

Well done to all competitors on your efforts.

Anthony Hill – sports co-ordinator

Photos from Grade 3 & 4 Camp
News from Bruce the Bandicoot...

This week's blitz: I care for others.

Bruce says, "Remember, today will never come again. Take the time to be a friend, care for others, encourage someone and let your words help not hurt."

Country Fair News…

Mulch and Sheep Manure for sale pre Country Fair

As part of our fund raising efforts for the Country Fair we are offering excellent eucalyptus mulch that has been sourced from the blue gum forests of Western Victoria. The mulch is broken down and will be available in bags on the day of the fair. We are also offering the mulch in bulk and delivered within Hamilton for $30 per cubic metre (roughly a 6 x 4 trailer load).

We also have limited bags of sheep manure available at $5 per bag that can be delivered with a minimum 10 bag order.

All deliveries will take place on Saturday 10th October.
Order forms have been sent home today.

Preliminary Notice

Country Fair Working Bees 10th and 17th October

To ensure the success of the Country Fair we are calling on all parents and members of the school community for your assistance in two working bees in October.

10th October

The first working bee will be held at the Gustus Families property in Port Fairy Rd. This working bee will be to help bag up mulch and sheep manure for the Country Fair and importantly we will be needing help to deliver pre ordered mulch throughout Hamilton. Anyone who has a tipping trailer and willing to help deliver around town we would be most grateful.

We will make a 9am start and expect to be well and truly done by 12pm.
Please contact the office (55719295) and leave your name if you are able to assist

17th October

This working bee, a week out from the fair, will get the school ready for our biggest day of the year.

We will need help in several areas including:

- Trimming and pruning branches
- Filling sand pits
- Finishing new long jump pit
- Washing walls
- Washing asphalt areas
- Weeding and mulching gardens
- Sweeping and general tidy

Please bring brooms, blowers, high pressure washers, shovels, rakes and gardening forks to assist.
Working bee commences at 9am. We will organise a free coffee from the Roxburgh coffee van at 10am for all those attending.
Notices Sent Home (Notices can be found on the school website)

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Canteen News

**Friday 18th September – Super Special**

Hot Dogs $2.50 Lunch Orders Only (limited numbers)

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A big thank you to a wonderful band of mums and grans who helped out on the Footy Day Lunch. Bernie Kelvy, Karen Krause, Fallon Gustus, Sharon Forrest, Sharon Dahl, Michelle Elsom, Julie Spark and Margaret Spark. Without who's help it wouldn't be possible.

Specials for Term 4 will start the 2nd week into term. The list will be in the next newsletter.

**Pasta Bolognaisae, Fried Rice, Dim Sims, Apple Pies, Cup of Soup and Warm Milo will not be available in Term 4.**

Volunteers are needed for the Term 4 Canteen Roster. If you are able to spare a couple of hours please contact the school office.

Thank you

**Skoolbag App – New to Android**

To ensure effective communication with parents and the wider community of Hamilton (Gray St) Primary School we have trialled the **Skoolbag App**.

After a successful trial period the Skoolbag App is now available to android users. This App provides the opportunity to see at a glance if events have been updated or cancelled via a push notification. Parents can notify the school of a student absence straight away via the App. It also includes information links such as our schools newsletters, news, an events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, absence forms and school documents.

Instructions on how to install Skoolbag on your smartphone are available from the office.

**Uniform**

Don't forget to pack your hat next term.

**Will You Be With Us Next Year?**

It's that time of year when we are trying to formulate classes for next year so it is extremely important that we know whether students will be with us again in 2016 or not. If you are planning to move to another school next year, please make sure you let the office or classroom teacher know as soon as possible.
School Photos

School photos and family photos were handed out last week.

There is an option to purchase extra photos if you wish, the instruction on how do do this was enclosed in the package.

Also on the day there were some special order photos taken. If you would like to order any of these please go on at www.leadingimage.com.au and use the Shootkey: Y8LC6QK9. These photo are $10 each.

The special photos are on display in the office area.

Hamilton’s Bendigo Bank has kindly nominated our school to receive $1 for every down light that is exchanged at homes or in businesses in our community. Information forms were sent home today.
**Be Responsible**

**Be Safe**

**Be Respectful**

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**Hours of operation**

Hamilton (Gray St) Primary School

Hamilton - 5:30pm

**What does my child bring?**

Children must bring a healthy sandwich or two. They may also bring some dry snacks and they are responsible for the weather. The indoor program is designed to be as engaging as possible.

**OSHClub Hamilton (Gray St) Primary School**

**Spring Holiday Program**

Monday 21st September to 1st October 2015

42 Gray Street, Hamilton

Book to avoid disappointment

Enrol by going to

www.oshclub.com.au

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**Fees**

If you wish to claim Childcare Benefit (CCB) and the 50% Tax Rebate (CTR) you must be registered with the Family Assistance Office. FAX: (03) 7141 3026

Your fees are from:

- $40.00 per day
- $20.00 per session

This includes morning and afternoon tea and lunch.

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**You choose what you want to do!**

**Then come and have lots of fun with other children and staff while making lots of new friends!**

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**Week One**

**Monday 21st**

Springtime: It's the time to go outside and enjoy the fresh air! Take your child out to experience the beauty of nature.

**Tuesday 22nd**

ODDBALL: Create your own unique character to bring to life.

**Wednesday 23rd**

Come dress up as an Australian Indigenous culture.

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**Week Two**

**Monday 28th**

Windy Monday

**Tuesday 29th**

Pineapple: It's time to get creative with pineapple art and craft.

**Wednesday 30th**

Cranky Bear: Learn about the fascinating world of bears.

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**Thursday 1st**

AFL Public Holiday

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**Friday 2nd**

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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 521 596

Milo In2Cricket Program
The St.Andrew’s Cricket Club will once again be running the Milo In2Cricket Program for season 2015.
Grade Prep to Grade 2  - Introductory cricket program.
Grade 3’s & 4’s  - Skill Sessions and more game based Activities.

If you want to register for this year’s program you can register & pay on-line at www.playcricket.com.au (just type in postcode and register through St.Andrews Cricket Club).

Cost is $75 which includes a cricket pack.

The program will run for 8 weeks starting Sunday the 1st November 2015 at 11a.m at Pedrina Park. Any questions please contact Matt on 0403 491505 or mattntania@bigpond.com
We at Taylor Motors have been extremely lucky to be included in the Toyota AFL retiring legends lap of honour and will have in the dealership Jonathon Brown & Paul Chapman both 3 x Premiership players, they will be here on Wednesday 23rd September between 12:30 & 2:15.

Want to get your kids into tennis?

Professional tennis coaching will be available in Term 4 at The Hamilton Lawn Tennis Club

With award winning coaches of Tennis Australia’s ANZ Tennis Hot Shots, children from 5 years can learn the game with modified courts, balls and racquets.

An extensive program will also be available for older beginners and accomplished players.

Interested?

Call 5562 6539