Self Portrait - Art Exhibition

Grand Opening
Monday 5th December
7pm – 8pm

Parents and students are invited to the Grand Opening of the Art Exhibition.

Students have been drawing tirelessly to create their self portraits.

Art work will be on display in the Open Learning Area from Monday 5th December to Friday 9th December.

Portraits are on sale for $20 each.

To purchase art work please complete and return the form attached to this newsletter along with payment to the office by the morning of Friday 9th December.

Art work will be available for collection from 2pm on Friday 9th December.

Special Notices
‘You Can Do It’ winners for displaying confidence:

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Cameron Gellert
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2011 SCHOOL CONCERT
Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th December

Concert Arrangements

All students will be required to attend both concerts

ARRANGEMENTS:

PAC doors will be open at 6.30pm.
All students must be at the PAC no later than 6.45pm.
Students are to go to the supper room upon arrival.
We will be starting promptly at 7pm.

It is anticipated that the concert will finish at about 9.30pm
on the Monday and Tuesday night.
Pick-up of students after the concert concludes - Prep
students will be collected first from the front of the stage.
Children from other grades can be collected from the
supper room at the conclusion of the concert.
Children are to come dressed in their appropriate costumes.

Our school concert will be held twice again this year – once
on Monday 19th December and a repeat performance on
Tuesday 20th December. Both concerts will be the same
except that Semper Sursum Awards for students in grades
prep to four will be announced on Monday and
announcements of grade 5 Semper Sursum Awards, 2012
Leadership positions and grade 6 Dux Awards and the
Daniel Hodgson Award will be made at the conclusion of the
Tuesday concert.

The final rehearsal at the PAC is on Monday 19th December
during the day.

Last year many parents, quite wisely and appropriately,
chose to allow their child to stay home the day after the first
concert. The day off after a latish night provided a good
opportunity for children to rest-up prior to the next concert
performance. Even though Tuesday is not officially a day-off for students, parents may choose to give their children,
whatever their age from preps to year 6, a rest day.

Parents of students in grades Prep, 1 & 2, will be able to
collect their child on the Tuesday night after their item from
from the Function room. More information will be on next
weeks newsletter.

Ticket Sales

TICKETS ARE SOLD THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE
BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8.30AM AND 4.15PM

TICKET SALES - Tickets are $5 each.

Monday 12th December and Tuesday 13th December
Parents of students in grades 6 and 5 may purchase a
maximum of 4 tickets per family. Tickets may be split over
the two nights if required. (Parents do not have to attend
both nights)

Wednesday 14th December to Thursday 15th December
Parents of students in grades 4, 3, 2, 1 & Prep may
purchase a maximum of 4 tickets per family. Tickets may be
split over the two nights if required. (Parents do not have to
attend both nights)

Friday 16th December any tickets remaining may be
purchased by any family – no ticket limits apply.

All tickets are to be purchased from the school office.
No reservations will be made.
Payment must be made at time of purchase.
If you are unable to call into the office, you may send with
your child a clearly marked envelope stating the following:

Students name, Students grade, night/s you wish to attend
the concert, number of tickets required. The correct money
must be included in the envelope.
Tickets will be sent home with your child the same day.

TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD ON THE NIGHT OF THE
CONCERTS

School Concert DVD

The school concert is one of those special moments some
parents like to have on DVD.

DVD’s need to be ordered and paid for in advance. The
cost of this year’s DVD is $30. The Order form is below.
Orders and money need to be returned to school in an
envelope clearly marked “CONCERT DVD” by Friday 16th
December.

These will be available for collection in February 2012. If
you will have no children attending Gray St next year,
please call into the office in February to collect your ordered
copy.

School Concert DVD Order Form

I, …………………………………………………… wish
to purchase …………………copy/ies of the school concert
DVD and have enclosed $

Eldest Child: ………………………………………
Year level in 2012: …………………
Business Hours phone number:
…………………………

Office Use Only
Amount Received: $
Date: / / 
Initialled: Payment Method: Cash / Cheque / EFTPOS
T-Ball Report

Last Thursday the Gray Street T-ball team played a round robin grand final at College, it was our last game so we were excited. We only played one innings each, so we could play each team. First we played North Hamilton and had our first win. Next match we played College; although College proved to be good fielders, we proved better batters. We had our second win. The final match we played was against Baimbridge. Baimbridge also had great fielding, but we still managed to sneak in our final win! Unfortunately there wasn’t enough time to play our closest rival Good Sheppard. We were very excited that we had won all our three matches and some of them were really close.

I would just like to say a very big thank you to Miss Couchman for great leadership and for giving us confidence. Also I would like to thank the group of kids that were in our team who worked so well together.

Well done to our wonderful T-Ball team who ended the season undefeated! The team consisted of Jacqui Bunting, Isaiah Silcock, Kristen Brant, Katherine Granzeria, Nikita Ansell, Lucy Barras, Claire Dempsey, Darcy Jacobson, Harry Kenny, Kyle McMillan, Ryley Nagorcka and Ben Palling. Also thank you to Kiara Rhook and Oscar O’Brien who played for us early in the season. Another big thank you to our parent cheer squad who turned up every week to support the team. The last thank you to Di Dolman from Baimbridge who organised this year’s competition.

Staff Profile

Miss Callaway is teaching grade 2. She has been at Gray St for four years.

What is your earliest childhood memory of school?
I was in the Nativity as an angel. Mum wanted me to stand on the stage after the show to take my photo and I cried.

What would your last meal be?
Homemade lasagne and golden syrup dumplings

Name five people in history or current date that you would most like to meet?
- Nelson Mandela
- Pink
- My Poppy
- Mo’onia Gerrard
- Sacagawea

What do you do when you are not working?
When I am not at work I like to play sport, watch movies and spend time with my dog Bonnie.

What is the most interesting trip you have ever taken and why?
I have lots of good memories but one of my top 5 would have to be taking a helicopter ride and landing on a glacier in New Zealand with my brother.

Dodgeball

After a couple of busy weeks with Kanga Eights and Transition Days, dodgeball is back on track! We have seen some exciting and athletic displays of dodgeball over the last few weeks. There have been numerous turn overs with some brilliant game saving catches. There has been some fine displays of determination from many players who have been left battling solo for their team. We have also seen terrific diving, ducking, dipping and dodging from all players.

Next week is the final round of dodgeball before finals. The top four teams in each competition will battle it out for a place in the grand final.

Ladder Round Five
Boys Competition

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Mixed Competition Ladder Round 7

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Active After School Sports Program

Just a reminder to parents and guardians that next week will be the final Active After School Sports Program sessions for both Archery and Multi-Skills this year. A big thank you goes out to the children and parents involved with Archery this year for their patience and understanding during our waiting period. Thank you to the parents, guardians and instructors that have made running these sessions possible.

Raquel Potter
AASSP Coordinator
Fundraising News - Hot Lunch

Hot Lunch Day will be held on Tomorrow - Friday 2nd December.

Anyone willing to donate an hour of their time to help out on this day would be appreciated immensely.

Frozen tubes will be for sale for $1 from the canteen at lunch time. Please bring your dollar.

St Mary’s Christmas Expo And Parade

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER
EXPO 9.30AM – 3.30PM
PARADE 10.30AM

- Affordable fun day for the whole family
- Pre purchase ride bands from St Mary’s at a discount rate
- Fantastic raffle prizes including accommodation packages
- Goods and Services Auction
- Lots of new & exciting traders

For further details contact 55519000

Term Dates for 2012

Term 1: 3rd February (students start) to 30th March - teachers begin
Term 1 on 1 February

Term 2: 16 April to 29th June

Term 3: 16 July to 21st September

Term 4: 8th October to 21st December

Student Free Days set by Hamilton (Gray St) Primary for 2012:

Wednesday 1st February 2012
Thursday 2nd February 2012
Tuesday 12th June 2012
Monday 6th August 2012

Library News

Next week will be the last week for borrowing books. Over the next couple of weeks I will be returning books to the shelves in preparation for our stocktaking. Please return all library books by FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER.

Any books not returned by 9th December will be deemed as lost and a replacement fee of $20 is to be paid.

Alex Anderson
Library Technician

Netball News – helpers needed!

The junior committee is seeking the urgent help from parents to assist with the general running of the junior competition on a Saturday morning. Unless more volunteers are forthcoming to help out in 2012, junior netball your child plays at the moment, may cease to exist

We have five teams in the current competition which equates to approximately 50 children participating in junior netball each week. This competition needs to continue to cater for the development of all junior netball players.

The Hamilton Netball Association is holding its AGM on Monday 12th December at 7pm in The Ansett Pavilion, Pedrina Park and is asking for as many parents and interested persons to attend.

Baimbridge College Second Hand Book Sale

Baimbridge College will be holding a Second Hand Book sale.
9th December 2011
9.00am to 11.00am
EC1 adjaction to VCE centre on East Campus
Cash only, correct money required.

For more information please contact Baimbridge College on 55722788

'SELF PORTRAIT' ART EXHIBITION

All students across the school have been busy creating ‘self portraits’ to display and sell at the Art Exhibition.

The grand opening will take place on Monday 5th December at 7pm. All parents and students are welcome. Art work will be available for sale.

Portraits are available for purchase at a cost of $20 each or families with 3 or more children $50.

If you wish to purchase your child’s self portrait, please complete and return the form below with the money in an enclosed envelope clearly marked “SELF PORTRAITS”

Students Name:                      Grade:                  Cost:


TOTAL $   

Self Portraits

Office Use Only

Amount Received: $ 
Date: / / 
Initialled: 
Payment Method: Cash / Cheque / EFTPOS