



# Hamilton Happenings

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Term I  
Week 5

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

February 21st, 2012

### Leaving school early?

If you think your child will need to leave school on a regular basis could you please submit a request letter outlining reasons. As you would all be aware, students should be at school each day from 9.00 – 3.00pm. In order to meet attendance audit requirements a letter will need to be submitted with reason for leave.

### K-2 swimming carnival

Will be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February subject to enough parent/ carer helpers. Please notify your child's teacher if you can assist.

### Parent Information Evening

Has been postponed to a future date due additional class.

### Beaumont St Festival, Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> February

Thank you to Kelly and Todd Bailey along with Cameryn and Max for their amazing job in organising the school festival stalls last Sunday. We had a fantastic day with the portrait drawing being a real winner and the bike riders contributing another 774km to our round Australia ride. Also many thanks to all those parents and students who attended and assisted on the day.

### Canteen coordinator

We are seeking a canteen coordinator for this term. We need someone for four days. There will be a small retainer for the position. If you are interested please ring Mr Jack asap.

### Dixie 'the pup' comes to school.

Tracy Forrester, class teacher for 5/6C, will be bringing to school for the next few weeks a black labrador. Dixie is currently being trained as a support for Tracy's son who attends Kotara South Public School. Dixie needs to practice being around strangers. Please see attached note in newsletter explaining situation.

### Special acknowledgments

If your child has achieved success in any activity outside of classroom/school, please email me on [david.jack@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:david.jack@det.nsw.edu.au) so that I can acknowledge them in my column.

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### Participants of the Ride at Beaumont

Name		Kms	Name		Kms
Patrick Campbell	Parent	175.00	Joey Christianson	5H	3.40
Andre Van Dal	Parent	175.00	Andrew Wyer		3.31
Ross Lourie	Parent	40.00	Adele Lourie	2B	3.03
David Jack	Principal	38.35	Gina Blackall	4L	3.00
John Van Der Kallen	Parent	34.30	Neville Anderson	Parent	2.80
Todd Bailey	Parent	30.00	Piper Lucas	3/6L	2.60
Michael Hayes	Parent	24.00	Annaliese Jackson	3H	2.50
Coral	Legend	19.30	Johnno Everett	Parent	2.50
Adam Dennis	Parent	12.70	John Holt	Parent	2.40
Lucia James	Parent	10.64	Ella Pinkerton	6N	2.40
Harper Stuart-Crone	4L	10.36	Rory McBean	3H	2.40
Chris Smith	Parent	10.10	Josie Pinkerton	6N	2.30
Alex Dimitru	6N	10.00	Dee Scarama		2.30
Zac Campbell	6N	9.50	Catherine Reidel	Parent	2.20
Janette McBean	Parent	8.40	Andrew O'Sullivan		2.02
Alex Retzlaff		8.40	Ruby Melbourne	4L	2.00
Oliver Wilcox	6N	7.60	Vinayak Negasaka	2B	2.00
Cameryn Bailey	6N	6.90	Bayley Trueman	1/2SA	2.00
Remy Hobday	5H	6.80	Laura Mcleod		2.00
Rod Wattersoe		6.26	Piper Anderson	2B	1.60
Isaac Lourie	6N	6.10	Angelica		1.50
Jane Blackall	Parent	6.00	Tom Grapau		1.42
Max Bailey	2B	5.90	Chris Saunders		1.30
Craig Evans	Parent	5.62	Sophie Evans	1/2SA	1.00
Timothy Hayes	2B	5.50	Angela Skordalis		1.00
Lachlan McBean	Parent	5.40	Nicki Skordalis		1.00
Grant Jackson	Parent	5.10	Alex Marrable		1.00
Bala Negasaka	Parent	4.80	Isaac Johnson	5H	1.00
Eli Christianson	3H	4.70	Liam McBean	K	1.00
Cicely Brown		4.70	Andrew Dodd	Pastor	1.00
Peter White		4.00	Yom		1.00
Ben Armstrong	Parent	3.54	Holly Pearson	6N	0.80
Greg Clark		3.50	Riley Barry		0.30
John Richards		3.45	Joshua Dennis	K	0.20
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### Achievement

ZAC Casey has taken first place in a team at Ten Pin Bowling last week. The team consisted of his brother and cousin. Zac, Emily, Tyler.....name of team 'TEZ devils.'

It was a 27 week comp and they came first. He was quite proud of himself, as were we.

Well done Zac

### LIBRARY CLASSES FOR THIS YEAR

**MONDAY** 4L, 3/L, 1/2AS, 1M, KD

**TUESDAY** 2B, 6N, 5H

**WEDNESDAY** KN, 5/6KF, 3H

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## ICAS Competitions

Students from Y3—Y6 wishing to participate in the ICAS competition please give your name and money to the office. The cost of the competitions are:

Computer Skills	\$7.70
English	\$7.70
Mathematics	\$7.70
Science	\$7.70
Spelling	\$11.00
Writing	\$16.50

**Entries close: Friday March 30th**

## Canteen News

**Sushi Wednesday** –Teriyaki Chicken & Vegies

Roster for Term 1 will be available at the office from Wednesday 8th February.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

Canteen Roster		
<b>Week 4</b>	Wed 22nd Feb	Kim G, Ally W
	Fri 24th Feb	Jenny R, Kylie Y, Zoe C
<b>Week 5</b>	Mon 27th Feb	Bronwyn, Stephanie O
	Wed 29th Feb	Kylie Y, Samantha
<b>Week 6</b>	Mon 5th Mar	Tonya S, Chris B
	Wed 7th Mar	Zoe C, Felicity P
	Fri 9th Mar	Kelly B, Kylie Y, Myles
<b>Week 7</b>	Mon 12th Mar	Tonya, Ally
	Wed 14th Mar	Stephanie O, Kim G
	Fri 16th Mar	Kylie Y, Tracy V, Zoe C
<b>Week 8</b>	Mon 19th Mar	Chris B, Myles
	Wed 21st Mar	Mark, Zoe
	Fri 23rd Mar	Ally, Lyndall, Evadne
<b>Week 9</b>	Mon 26th Mar	Samantha, Tonya
	Wed 28th Mar	Zoe, Felicity
	Fri 30th Mar	Evadne, Kelly B, Jenny R
<b>Week 10</b>	Mon 2nd Apr	Bronwyn, Stephanie O
	Wed 4th Apr	Kylie Y, Mark

## School Banking

Ally Clancy is the new school banking co-ordinator. School banking will be on Wednesdays. An introduction to the Commonwealth Bank's Dollarmites Program was given to the Kindergarten students today. All students can bank and if you need an application form they are available from the office.

If anybody has any old uniforms, (dresses, shorts, jumpers, tee-shirts) in ANY condition (holes, stains, anything) could you bring them in and give them either to the office or Beverly Stuart (Rahni & Harper's mum).  
Much appreciated.

## Weekly Awards

Class	Students	Area
<b>KIN</b>	Alex	A wonderful start to kindergarten
	Lucinda	An amazing start to kindergarten
	Elanor	An excellent start to kindergarten
<b>KD</b>	Daisy	Beautiful manners
	Samuel	Great listening
	Thomas	Being a steady worker
<b>IMO</b>	Katerina	A great start to year 1
	Marley	Being a great helper
	Ria	Listening well in class
<b>1/2AS</b>	Sophie	Quick and accurate with maths answers
	Jay	Being a fantastic listener and always trying his best
	Finn Kaylie	Super work in class Lovely classwork
<b>2B</b>	Tim	An excellent retell of 'Cinderella'
	Max	Fast, accurate work
	Nic	Fast, accurate work
<b>3/6L</b>	Zac	His random acts of kindness to his classmates
	Tabitha Kwadjo	Outstanding attention and listening Always displaying wonderful manners
<b>3H</b>	Alice	Giving thoughtful answers in discussions
	Kyra	Expressive oral reading
	Jacob	Being a quiet and steady worker
<b>4/5L</b>	Elyse	Superb effort in all areas
	Alida	Excellent work in writing
	India	Always being helpful
<b>5/6KF</b>	Mason	Excellent descriptive writing
	William	Writing a story on his own
	Darren	Settling in well at Hamilton PS
<b>6N</b>	Cameryn	A terrific character description
	James	A terrific character description
	Ella	A terrific character description
<b>RFF Mr Ison</b>	Joshua	Helping and sharing
	Samantha J	Helping and sharing
	Alida	Working thoughtfully

## Staff Emails

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## Train-On Debating Selection Trials

This week, Mrs Neeson and Ms Wilks will be holding trials for Year 5 students interested in entering the Train-On Debating squad. Students need to be aware that, if selected, they commit to being on the debating team for two years (Train-On in Year 5, Premier's Challenge in Year 6). They also need to be able to speak confidently in front of an audience and think on their feet. Parents of selected students may also be called upon to transport students to and from debates when necessary.

**When:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb, first half lunch

**Where:** Library

**Who:** Year 5 students who are interested in, and committed to, being on the debating team.

## K-2 Swimming Morning

### Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February @ Lambton Pool

A reminder that permission slips and money must be returned by this Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. We also require 2012 medical forms; your child will not be permitted to attend the swimming morning unless you have filled in a 2012 medical form. Please see the office for forms and payment etc. We are still looking for more **volunteers!!!** The day will not go ahead unless we have enough parent help. Please see your classroom teacher if you are able to assist.



Sam Reynolds is now teaching at Hamilton Public School. Sam Reynolds is a TV composer with credits on numerous American television shows. He has written music for programs including 'The People's Choice Awards' (CBS), 'Kath & Kim' (NBC), 'Nitro Circus' (MTV), 'Rob Deydek's Fantasy Factory' (MTV) 'NBC Sports' (NBC) and 'Dr Oz' (FOX). Sam has a studio on Beaumont Street (across from I I I Bean Restaurant) which offers lessons in guitar, bass, drums and recording and is now offering guitar lessons during school hours at Hamilton Public School. All students are taught in a relaxed atmosphere where having fun whilst learning the instrument is the focus.

For more information, visit [www.samreynoldsmusic.com.au](http://www.samreynoldsmusic.com.au) or to book lessons, contact Sam on 0412 543 053

TERM 1 CALENDAR	
Tuesday 21st February	P&C Meeting 6pm staffroom
Wednesday 22nd February	Zone swimming carnival
Monday 27th February	Infants Swimming Carnival Lambton Pool 9am-12noon
Thursday 8th March	School Disco
Saturday Sunday 10th & 11th March	Fair Share Festival 7am -9pm
Tuesday 20th March	P&C Meeting 6pm Staffroom
Monday 26th March	Young Leaders Conference
Friday 30th March	Harmony Day
Thursday 5th April	Easter Hat Parade—End of Term
Tuesday 1st May	P&C Meeting 6pm Staffroom
Tuesday 5th June	P&C Meeting 6pm Staffroom