PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Community members

Welcome to the middle week of the 2nd term and it only seems like a week or so ago the term commenced. Schools are certainly busy places and since returning after the Easter break there has been a hum of teaching and learning occurring in classrooms.

Last week our children in years 3 and 5 completed their NAPLAN tests. I was extremely impressed by the way the tests were so smoothly administered across our school. While there is often much hype about NAPLAN each year, the manner the children undertook the tests was impressive and completed with minimal stress and an admirable attitude of “doing our best”. While this testing is extremely important and gives us some data on our students, our school and our state, it is only a point in time snapshot. Our report cards at the end of this term will provide parents with a more complete and comprehensive overview of their child’s achievement and improvement over the last six months of schooling.

P&C MEETING

The Hambledon State School P & C Association meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 May 2016 at 6:30pm in the staffroom. The Association would like to welcome all new members. Being part of the P&C is a great way to meet new people, learn about what is going on with your school and to have your say. The position of Secretary is still vacant and I invite parents who have skills and a desire to contribute in this role to come to the next P & C Association monthly meeting.

CELEBRATING NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

National Reconciliation Week, held from 27 May to 3 June, provides an opportunity for our school community to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements. It’s a time to celebrate and build on the respectful relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians.

The 27 May and 3 June are important dates in Australia’s history, and mark the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision.

BEHAVIOUR

From time to time in schools, a small number of children display behaviour that does not meet the expectations of the school community’s Responsible Behaviour Plan. As such, this often necessitates consequences that are appropriate in the individual circumstances, after considering the principles of natural justices and all other antecedent factors.

Our school, like all schools, operates under a Responsible Behaviour Plan that is provided to families upon enrolment. As part of our processes, when serious behaviours occur, children’s actions are discussed with their parents and carers. It is inappropriate (and a breach of student confidentiality provisions) for schools to discuss particular incidents that occur with people other than the parents and carers of the children concerned.

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

National Simultaneous Storytime is an exciting annual campaign that aims to encourage more students to read and enjoy books.

Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.

By facilitating National Simultaneous Storytime, we aim to:

• promote the value of reading and literacy;
• promote the value and fun of books;
• promote an Australian writer and publisher;
• provide opportunities to involve parents, grandparents, the media and others to participate in and enjoy the occasion.

This year NSS takes place on Wednesday 25th May and we would love it if you could join us by sharing I Got This Hat written by Jol and Kate Temple. Students will have the opportunity to listen to the story, in the SHAC at the following times: Prep-Year 2 and all POD classes at 9.15am, Years 3-4 at 9.35am, Years 5-6 at 9.55am. The story will take around 15 minutes to share.

Sharon Begemann- Teacher & Event Organiser
**DEPUTIES NEWS**

**Administration Team**

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**MUSIC NEWS**

In the lead up to ‘Fanfare,’ our school band will be having an extended Band Rehearsal this Thursday 19th May from 8:00am to 11:00am in the room beside the school hall with instrumental teacher Mrs Ruth Pols-Molford. Students will need to bring their instruments and music to this rehearsal. Fanfare will be held this Saturday 21st May between 10:00am and 12:30pm at Crosswell Hall, Cairns State High School. We would like to wish our school band every success in this competition.

Hambledon State School students have been learning to play instruments in their class music lessons this term. Prep and Year 1 students have been exploring the glockenspiels. Year 3 students have been learning to play the keyboard and year 5 students have been learning to play the ukulele. Students are learning that playing an instrument requires concentration, persistence and practice.

If your child is in the school choir, can you please remind them that we now have two rehearsals; Thursday at 11:00am and Friday at 8:15am in the music room. It is important that students who have made a commitment to being in the choir are at all rehearsals. Information about the Eisteddfod will be given out this week to students. Tickets to this event are already being sold at the Cairns and District Junior Eisteddfod Hall in Greenslopes Street on Saturdays between 10am and 2pm for parents and friends. We have entered two sections this year M16 and M18. The choral sections will be held on Wednesday 22nd June at Trinity Anglican School Bishop Centre White Rock.

Sheree Howell—Music Teacher

**A FOCUS ON READING**

This week marks the start of an exciting few weeks of extra curricular activities focused on improving literacy and encouraging children to engage in reading for pleasure as well as learning.

Many of our children will be taking part in The Premier’s Reading Challenge. This fun and engaging event is not a competition, but rather a way to encourage children to develop a love of reading for life. Children’s efforts are recognised through the receipt of a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland. Depending on the year level, children participating in this challenge read up to 20 books within the 15 week challenge. Prep to Year 2 children have the option to either read or experience their books, including shared reading, listening and reading along with a book, or being read to. Every child will receive a reading log to keep track of their reading throughout the challenge.

Don’t miss our Annual Book Fair. This is another great event that supports the development of reading for pleasure. Whether it be fantasy, classics, reference, humour, nonfiction or mystery, the Book Fair has a range of books to interest all readers! Parents are encouraged to visit the library with their children to browse the wonderful range of books on offer. The Book Fair will be open 8.00-3.30pm and during lunch breaks from Monday to Friday this week.

Have a great week reading!

Tanya Sutton— Deputy Principal Teaching & Learning

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More information on the Premier’s Reading Challenge can be found on the special attachment.
## Student of the Week

**Prep**  
Jade, Java, Savannah, Jaleb, Jaylen

**Year 1**  
Jack, Jake, Mitchell, Indiana, Levi, Samuel, Rhianna

**Year 2**  
Hayley, Owen, Samuel, Joshua, Samuel, Matthew, Coby

**Year 3**  
Ryan, Azaylia, Leah, Zane, Billy

**Year 4**  
Inara, Amberlee, Rebecca, Angelee, Joel, Cyan

**Year 5**  
Jahzia, Jackson, Tamalyn, Keyra, Class of 5D

**Year 6**  
Lachlan, Jayda, Kyle, Cohen

### Happy Grams

**Year 1**  
Bianca

**Year 2**  
Rani, Tyrhysa, Nicholas, Tyler, Scarlett, Jayden, Nadai, Mackayla, Bailey, Karly, Raba

**Year 3**  
Stevee, Amber

**Year 4**  
Heath, Leitu, Tristan, Kaylem, Milly, Lucius

**Year 5**  
Archer, Jariah

### Honesty

**Acknowledgement**  
Charlotte, Jordyn, Annette, Zenny, Emily, Davarion, Trinity, Tahlia

## School News

### NEWS FROM 6B

Students in the class of 6B responded to the following question:

**“WHAT DOES IT FEEL LIKE TO BE A YEAR SIX STUDENT”**

*I like being in year six because we are the seniors of the school and you can show young children that you are a good role-model.”*  
Tyrone

*“School is a noisy place.”*  
Josh

*“It feels great to be a year six student because we get to wear a senior shirt and look after the juniors in the school.”*  
Dorrick

*“It feels great to be in year six because learning and development is enjoyable. High school is a doorstep away. Academic and social skills are keys to learning as children; so my teacher says.”*  
Mykel

*“It feels like I am more respected by parents, teachers and students. Juniors look up to you. Finally, it feels like you have achieved primary school and you’re ready for high school.”*  
Yves

*“It feels amazing to be a year six student at Hambledon State School because you get to have an awesome senior shirt. In year six you don’t have to do NAPLAN, which is a relief.”*  
Matthew

*“It feels fantastic to be a senior student. I can set examples for the juniors and the other seniors at Hambledon State School.”*  
Kayla

*“We have to be responsible and set examples to the younger students. We also have to be the leaders of the school and be role-models for others.”*  
Jayda

## Sports Information

### Mulgrave District Sport

Well done to the following students who have been selected in district sports teams.

- Tennis-Jahtavia
- Touch-Latrell, Lachlan, Olivia

### X-Country

Congratulations to the school X-Country team who were the overall winners at the district carnival.

This was the 9th year in a row Hambledon has won this event. The following students have been selected in the Mulgrave team.

- Jorja (1st), Andrew (2nd), Amberlee (2nd), Harry (3rd), Hussien (3rd), Alicea (3rd), Precious (3rd), Gweneth (4th), Heidi (4th), Matthew (4th), Kyle (5th)

## Sports Day Dates

- **Tuesday June 7th**  
  9am-11.00am 800m finals (Years 4-6) and 9/10 years relays
- **Tuesday June 7th**  
  2.10pm-3.00pm 200m finals (nominated students)
- **Wednesday June 8th**  
  Senior Carnival (Years 4-6) Sprints, field events, relays
- **Thursday June 23rd** Junior Carnival (Years P-3)
Greetings,

This week we celebrate the contribution that school chaplaincy makes in supporting children in our schools across Australia. School chaplains promote social, emotional and spiritual wellbeing through role modelling, mentoring, pastoral care and structured programs. These dimensions of care enhance a school’s overall wellbeing strategy and contribute to the achievement of a school’s educational goals. Here are some interesting facts:

2,200 schools are supported by chaplains across Australia.
Every week chaplains have 18,460 formal conversations with students, staff and parents.
Each term chaplains deliver 37,460 program sessions. The programs cover issues including relationships, grief & loss, family breakdown, bullying/harassment and school disengagement. [Research conducted across Australia by McCrindle Research, term 3, 2015]

I would like to thank around 20 volunteers who make our chaplaincy service at Hambledon School possible. This ranges from our breakfast program helpers, Kids Hope AUS mentors and people who are on my ‘Local Chaplaincy Committee’. Chaplaincy isn’t just about the chaplain, but a team of people who make the service possible to benefit the school community. In addition, I would like to thank the P&C for their ongoing practical and financial support. It is a real privilege working with and supporting our school community.

If you would ever like to have a chat or have a question about school chaplaincy, please email me at stevek@chappy.org.au or call the school between Monday to Wednesday.

Chappy Steve
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