

2014 School Term Dates

Term 1 - Thurs 30th Jan to Thurs 17th April

Term 3 - Mon 21st July to Fri 26th Sept

Term 2 - Mon 5th May to Fri 4th July

Term 4 - Mon 13th Oct to Fri 12th Dec

Parent to Parent - upcoming events

"Tips for Autism" - is a course where a team of people dedicates three days to learning about and developing interventions and plans to support their child with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). The course is free for participants and available nationwide for teams supporting school-aged children with ASD. Upcoming course in Hamilton - Te Rapa Racecourse, Ken Brown Drive, Hamilton.

When: 13-15 May 2014. For more information or to register please go to www.tipsforautism.org.nz

Parent Group Meeting

Where: Joanne's house, 123 Houchen's Rd, Glenview. After the 100km sign there is a black barn, take the driveway next to it. If you need directions, call Joanne Pudney on 8433399. **When:** Wednesday the 9th April 2014, 10am-12pm.

Who: We have Clare Ryan, Contracts Manager and Kelly Wilson from Manawanui In Charge coming to talk about individual funding and how you can access it and how you can use it. We will also be talking about "What Enhanced Individual Funding" is. We will be discussing a Family Governed Respite service, [what it is?] who's implementing it.

RSVP to: Lillian 021 0674390 (phone/text). Come for great conversation and a great cuppa!



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Principal's Corner

Week 9

This week Hamilton comes alive with "Balloons over Waikato" as the balloons descend on all parts of Hamilton and take off from various schools. It is an exciting time for our students as they follow the balloons on their way to school. Hopefully, there is a balloon taking off from a local school so that we can have a close up view.

Camp: SLC 3,4 and 7 students had a fantastic time in Rotorua last week. I know the students really enjoyed the challenges and being with their friends and class mates. A number of the facilities that were visited, commented on our students positive behaviour and great manners. For this we must thank Leonie Matthews and her team from SLC who spent many hours planning and preparing the students for the weeks challenges.

Final reminder- 2014 ACTIVITY FEES have remained at \$80:

The Board of Trustees has recognised the pressures that families are under and have again kept the 2014 fees at \$80. Unfortunately, with many price increases we are finding it difficult to fully fund all our activities. I can honestly say that Hamilton North's activity fees go towards covering the many costs that the school incurs in providing the many and varied activities for students such as: Weekly swimming, horse riding, transport to activities and community outings to local facilities. Student ORS funding only covers Therapy and Para Professionals (Teacher Aides). The activity costs are met from activity fees and fundraising. As costs continue to increase your assistance by paying the activity fee is appreciated. So for 2014 we are suggesting families may like to pay \$20 per term to make it easier to budget.

Important Term 1 Dates

Wed 16th April - School Photos

(Pre-paid photo envelopes due back with money Monday 14th April)

Quote: "Ehara taku toa he takitahi he toa takitini.
My success should not be bestowed onto me alone, as it was not individual success but success of a collective."

Tony Kane
Principal



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'LITE' OR 'LIGHT'?

Nutrition claims: 'lite' or 'light'?

This could mean light in anything including energy, fat, sugar or colour.

Make sure you read the label to investigate what this claim is referring to.



NO ADDED SUGAR

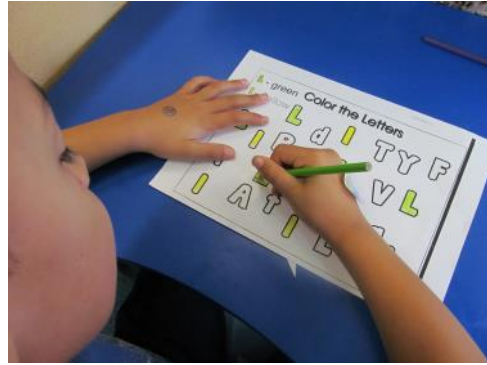
Breakfast foods may contain natural sugar.

E.g. A glass of fruit juice with no added sugar still contains 5-6 teaspoons of natural sugar.

Always make sure you read the label to check the sugar content.

Aim for less than 15 grams of sugar per 100 mls.





CRAWSHAW ROOM 6 LITERACY EXPERIENCES

Students are immersed in a wide variety of activities to explore language and literacy skills. A focus is on initial sounds and reading skills. One student uses braille cards to support her shopping skills whilst another uses pictures to request items from her PECS programme. As students develop an understanding of the letter "L", physical activities are used. Included was walking the line, licking lips when eating a lamington, and tracking the letter shape using the iPad. Previously the letter "S" was explored and spider hats were made to support the poem and letter of the week.

