

HAMILTON NORTH SCHOOL PARENT/CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

As part of the services this school provides, your Board of Trustees has initiated a support group / get together / information session for anyone interested in attending. The purpose of this meeting is to give parents / caregivers within the school a place where they can meet fellow peers of their children / young adults. The group will initially take shape as a casual get together one afternoon a term but may develop into information giving / sharing sessions if the interest is there. Ultimately this meeting has been set up to meet your needs / wants whatever they may be. The first meeting will be held in the Sensory Resource Meeting Room in the new building at Hamilton North School on Wednesday 6 April 2016. We have set the time for 12noon to 2.30pm in the hope that people who are working may pop in during their lunch hour. An RSVP by text to Shelley on 021 160 5041 would be appreciated so we can gauge interested numbers.

See you there, Shelley Campbell

Chairperson, Board of Trustees, Hamilton North Specialist School

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Their potential will be maximized by offering them new challenges and opportunities.

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Principal's Corner

Where has the term gone?

After 9 weeks of hard work by students and staff we are nearly at the end of the term. We can look back over this time and be very pleased with our achievements. We continue to expand and work towards our goals of giving each student the best possible education and experiences. For this reason we continue to provide as many varied experiences as we can whether they are here at school, out in the local community, or on camp in other towns. We appreciate your support and encouragement when challenges occur and know that as, one, we can overcome these and move on.

Coming Events

Junior Camp: Papamoa next week 4th to 8th April

SLC1,2,3,and 7 students are now well prepared for next week's camp and are looking forward to new challenges and experiences. Camps are a tremendous time for students to socialise with their friends outside of the school environment.

Final reminder: 2016 ACTIVITY FEES have remained at \$85. Thanks to those families that have promptly paid their fees.

The Board of Trustees has recognised the pressures that families are under and have again kept the 2016 Activity Fees at \$85. 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 varied activities for our students such as: weekly swimming, horse riding, transport to activities, community outings to local facilities and stationery. 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 2016 we are suggesting families may like to pay \$21 per term to make it easier to budget.

Board of Trustees Elections: These are due to occur next term and more information will be sent out by the Election Returning Officer early next term. If you are interested in putting your name forward then please phone the office and speak to Martin. The Board meets once a month for up to two hours.

Day Light Saving ends this weekend: Remember to put your clocks back 1hr this Sunday!

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



Waikato Holiday Programme. School aged children and youth (5-21) with an official diagnosis of Autism. Cost \$175 per week. Can be paid using OSCAR subsidies or carer support. For more info and to book visit www.autismnz.org.nz or contact the Holiday Programme Coordinator ph 07 849 2899 or mobile 022 183 1530.

EGG-CELLENT EGGS

NUTRITION SUPERHEROES!

Eggs contain 11 different vitamins & minerals!
Health guidelines say 'an egg a day is ok', so find ways to include them in your meals or snacks.

**ZINC
IRON
PROTEIN
VITAMIN A
VITAMIN B12
VITAMIN E
FOLATE**

Developed by Sport Waikato, 2015

SPEED coming into School: Important Safety Reminder

Road manners would also have vehicles exiting our carpark giving way to those coming in.



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EGG CUSTARD!

Custard is a good choice if you're having dessert.

- 1 cup milk
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp honey
- 1/4 tsp vanilla essence

Whisk all ingredients together. Stir over a very low heat until the custard coats the back of a spoon. Serve hot or cold with fruit.

Visitors to School:

All visitors must report to Reception to SIGN IN upon arrival to school, then SIGN OUT again before leaving. Thankyou.

Unwell/Absent Children:

If your child is going to be absent from school please phone the School Office on 07 849 3029.

2016 Term Dates and Events:

4-8 Apr	SLC 1, 2, 3 & 7 Papamoa Camp
15 Apr	Term 1 ends
2 May	Term 2 starts
19 May	Special Olympics Soccer
3 Jun	Arbor Day
6 Jun	Queens Birthday (NO School)
15-18 Jun	Fieldays
7 Jul	School photos
8 July	Term 2 ends

Te Totara Satellite - Room 5

Hot Air, Cold Air Science Activity

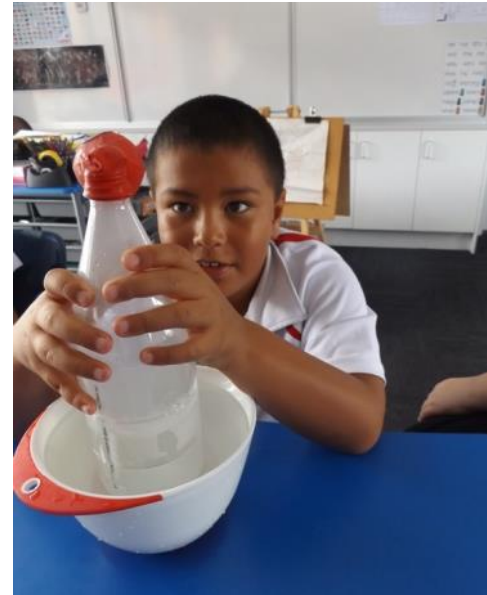
Experiment:

To watch the affects of hot air and cold air on a balloon a balloon was placed over two plastic bottles.

The students filled one container with hot tap water and the second container with iced water.

Each student took a turn placing the bottle into the hot water then the cold water.

The students learned that hot air expands and makes the balloon inflate and cold air allows the balloon to deflate.



Room 5 students and staff watched the ascension of balloons at Lake Rotoroa in Hamilton. We saw the burner heat the air so the balloons could rise.

