

## 2017 TERM DATES AND IMPORTANT EVENTS:

16 Oct	Term 4 starts
TBA	Junior School show "Moana"
23 Oct	Labour Day (No School)
27 Oct	School Ball for young adults with special needs aged 15+ years
31 Oct	Special Olympics Athletics, Porritt Stadium.
6-10 Nov	Senior Students' Taupo Camp
24 Nov	2018 Student ID Photos (13+ yrs)
11 Dec	Prizegiving, Baptist Church, Charlemont Street.
11 Dec	Term 4 ends - SLC & Senior Satellite Students finish @ 2:30pm
15 Dec	Term 4 ends - Base School & Junior Satellite students - early finish @ 12:30pm (Parents/Caregivers please ensure someone is at home for the earlier drop off time)

### Fortnightly Reminders

#### Absent Students

Please phone the School Office by 9am on 07 849 3029 if your child is going to be absent from school or late.

#### All Parents / Visitors:

All parents and visitors please report to Reception upon arrival at school to SIGN IN.

### SPEED coming into School: Important Safety Reminder

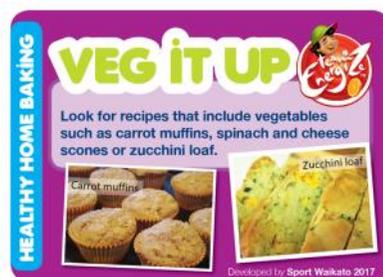
Please follow the arrows as you enter the carpark and look out for students on trikes.

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



### THE RED PATH

Please when bringing in or taking your children home, can we ask you all to keep to the red cobblestone paths. We are teaching our children to do this and by you using them that will be modelled and reinforced. It will also reduce the risk of an accident happening. Your assistance will be very much appreciated.



## Hamilton North School

Specialist Learning Centres

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

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Principal's Corner

### WELCOME TO WEEK 1

My time away has gone incredibly fast but it has been rewarding and satisfying. At present I am halfway through writing my Report that is due by the end of term.

My sincere thanks to all staff for their tremendous work and particularly Leonie Matthews and Michele Smith for carrying the extra work load during my absence.

### SCHOOL BALL:

As a school we host a Bi-annual Ball for people with disabilities. This is always a huge success and an event that many past pupils and more mature folk in our community look forward to immensely. This year we will be holding "A Night Under the Stars" on Friday 27th October at the new Rototuna Senior High School. Live music and a supper will be supplied. If you know of any people 15+ years of age who would enjoy such an event please pass on the word. **Tickets cost \$20 each and are now available from our school office, cash or internet banking only. Eftpos not available.**

### Parents /Caregivers with sick children keeping them home:

The holiday break, and warmer weather coming, has enabled our students to finally get over all the winter ailments and begin to feel better. Reminder: if your child is sick then please contact Go Bus; for Hamilton ph:021 314 442, Huntly ph:021 747 191, or Cross Country Rentals ph: 0800 467 3782 or 027 556 0994.

### Daffodil Day Fundraising:

We recently participated in the Cancer Society Daffodil Day through a sausage sizzle held onsite at school. We received a thank you letter from the Daffodil Day Coordinator, Hayley Wilkinson;

*"On behalf of the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Cancer Society, I'd like to thank Hamilton North School for supporting us this Daffodil Day. The \$238.60 you raised was gratefully received and we hope you and your students enjoyed the fundraising activities. All money raised will remain in the region to help provide free support services to people who need them, fund crucial cancer research and provide the public with information on ways to reduce the risk of cancer. Thank you for your support; we couldn't do it without you".*

**Quote:** "Wisdom is the wealth of the wise."

Tony Kane  
Principal





### Wanting to find a relief carer with Carer Support?

If you support a disabled family member under the age of 65, you can recruit relief carers at no cost at [Mycare](#). This online space allows you to easily link with people in your area who can provide Carer Subsidy support. We have been building a nationwide relief care workforce at Mycare, so you can find help in your area, and relax and enjoy a break. A relief carer is someone who does the things you usually do as a family carer. We know that you can't relax unless the person you support is also having a wonderful time. Using Mycare you are able to view the profiles of people able to provide relief care with Carer Support, so that you can find the right 'match' for your situation.

- Funded by the Ministry of Health, this matching service is free for people seeking a relief carer with Carer Support
- Post as many Carer Support jobs as you wish during the year at no cost
- Make direct message contact with any relief carers that are of interest, they can also see your relief care listing and message you
- Search for the skills and experience you're seeking in a relief carer
- Relief care may include buddies, companions, outings, overnight support, participation in social activities, and/or 'personal care': it's whatever help is needed to provide time out for you and your family member
- You can contact us on 0800 777 797 if you need advice or help to use the service or to learn more
- Your Needs Assessment Service Coordination (NASC) organisation can send a referral so that you can access Mycare at no cost – make contact with your NASC to start the process!
- Or, you can fill out a short form to sign up directly to use [Mycare](#) (click on the **Find Care** button and work through the easy steps for disability users)

If your family or whanau member doesn't currently receive Carer Support and you are their unpaid full-time carer, this Subsidy may be an option to help you fund regular breaks. Contact your local NASC organisation for information. If you need some help to locate your NASC, call us on 0800 777 797, we can connect you with your local service.

**We hope that you get to enjoy a relaxing break soon. Take care, and happy matching!**



### Recreate NZ & StarJam Waikato Information Events

**Information Session:** Wednesday 18th October 5.00-6.30pm  
The Link – St Andrews Church Community Centre, corner of River Road and Te Aroha Street, Hamilton

Refreshments will be provided

We will be sharing information about a range of opportunities including positive out of home experiences along with music and performance workshops.

Recreate NZ is passionate about offering youth development opportunities which include school holiday programmes, adventure weekends, weekend outings and home away from home respite weekends. If you have a young person between the age of 15 and 35 and would like to find out more about Recreate and what we do, please get in touch!

StarJam provide weekly workshops in drumming, singing, dancing and guitar, as well as opportunities for our Jammers (our young people - ages 6 - 25) to perform at public and private events, and StarJam's regular community discos. Come and learn more about the opportunities available for your young person!

RSVP to [nicola@recreate.org.nz](mailto:nicola@recreate.org.nz) to express your interest.

### Presenters:

**Nicola Keyworth**  
National Programmes Co-ordinator

Nicola has worked for Recreate NZ for the past 12 years and is overseeing the development of Recreate NZ in the Waikato.

**Brittany Williams**  
Regional Programmes Co-ordinator

Brittany oversees the number of workshops within the region and is passionate about the work that StarJam does.



# SIBSUPPORTNZ

We are pleased to announce our upcoming

## Waikato Sibshop!

SIBSUPPORTNZ™

# SibShop

Age 8-18 yrs

**Saturday 4 November**  
**10am – 4.30pm**

**Eastlink Badminton Stadium**  
**30 Old Farm Road**  
**Hamilton East**

SibShop and Badminton experience!

FOR KIDS AGED 8 - 18 WHO HAVE A  
BROTHER OR A SISTER WITH A DISABILITY  
OR HEALTH IMPAIRMENT

SibShops provide a chance for kids who have a brother or a sister with a disability to have a really fun and interactive day that is just for them and establish their own support networks by making friends with siblings that are in similar situations.

Register online at the link below or contact Carol Maynard

07 848 1362 | 0508 236 236 | [waikato@parent2parent.org.nz](mailto:waikato@parent2parent.org.nz)



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