

George Street Primary School HAMILTON

Forthcoming Events

November

Fri 22nd
Mon 25th
Thurs 28th

Casual Day - gold coin donation for Xmas hamper
Party with the Ponies—Whole school
Carols Festival St Marys Church 1:00pm

December

Wed 4th
Fri 6th
Fri 13th
Thurs 19th
Fri 20th

School Council Dinner 6:30 @ Izzy's
Zoo excursion Melbourne
Presentation Night/Disco
Farewell lunch Alexander House All Students.
End of Term

14th November, 2013



Jessica, a 4th year student teacher, gives a helping hand to Brenda in 5/6 making a hat for the cup.



CONFIDENCE



PERSISTENCE



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GETTING ALONG



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The Keys to Success

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From the Principal's Desk

Two items of importance to mention this week are: The return of Mrs Gail Holmes, who re-joins us after three weeks long service, so I'd like to welcome Gail back. As much as the grade enjoyed Mrs Kent, I'm sure they're glad to have their teacher back. Our campers also arrived safely at Sovereign Hill. I spoke to staff yesterday and everyone is enjoying themselves. I must admit Sovereign Hill is a favourite of mine, with history being re-told in an engaging environment that is fun for all the family.

I am extremely proud to announce the introduction of a new and exciting LOTE program starting in 2014 with our Prep /1 grade. We are in the process of employing a teacher with Bainbridge College, to deliver lessons in Italian. As adults, we recognise the importance of learning a language from a young age. Learning a language means learning *about* language and what it means to be literate. Research tells us that the experience of learning an additional language not only improves our knowledge of how languages work, but also enhances our thinking skills. What we learn to do in one language helps us with any other language we might encounter. This means that our first language and other languages work in partnership to strengthen and enrich our repertoire of literacy practices. We may be a small school, but our students receive a variety of rich, authentic tasks.

This week we received our parent opinion surveys back. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey and handed it back for posting to Melbourne. The data was extremely positive with most areas showing improvements. We will continue our journey of growth and share this information with the community.

This term continues to be busy with many exciting things happening. Some of our students have agreed to participate in Carols for Christmas and are busy rehearsing. What a wonderful way to show off our school. We hope as many Parents as possible attend the show, which will be on 28th November, at St Marys Church.

Students will also have their final Christmas luncheon and farewell at Alexander House on 19th December, where we walk the children to the restaurant to have a meal together. Next week families will be receiving a book of raffle tickets for our Christmas Hamper, please sell as many as you can, as it is through your efforts that we are able to achieve so much.

Tina Walkeden

Principal

George Street Primary School



Reminders:

- DVD's for circus are at the office for collection. \$5
- Zoo payments now due.
- Bank of Melbourne account forms
- If your child in Year 6 does not require their black reader bag, we would like to pass them onto the new Preps.

Term Dates 2013

Term 4: 7 October to 20 December

Terms Dates 2014

Term 1: 28 January to 4 April

Term 2: 22 April to 27 June

Term 3: 14 July to 19 September

Term 4: 6 October to 19 December



Students make hats for Cup Day.



*Our hardworking
Gardeners*





Artist of the Week 07/11/13

Today Year 5/6 students made a collage picture of free choice, using tissue paper. They could cut, tear, scrunch, roll, twist etc., their tissue paper to get their desired look.

Well done Kayla, you always work well and give 100%.

Kayla, Our Artist of the Week!



Artist of the Week 14/11/13

This week P-6 learnt about the artist 'Laurel Burch'. They used oil pastels and a black texta to create their own Laurel Burch inspired cat.

This week our focus was on lines, patterns and colours.

Well done to Zoe-Leigh, Our Artist of The Week!



Some of our Children rehearsing for Carols Festival.

Anyone interested in guitar lessons, contact the school for more details.



Friday Fruit sponsored by Aldi.

