



# Hamilton Island News

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## Next P&C Meeting:

**Tuesday 5  
June  
at 6:00pm**

## What's on:

- ★ Sat 1 Buggy Wash
- ★ Wed 6 Teacher's P.D in Bowen
- ★ Fri 8 Laptop Presentation
- ★ 20 Disco
- ★ 22 Show Holiday
- ★ 9 July Term 3 begins

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## Principal's News

We have had another busy fortnight here at Hamilton Island State School. Last week was Education Week and it was great to see the students enjoying themselves at our Science Day, trying things and working out how they work.

I have just returned from Bowen, where I have been writing our School Environmental Management Plan. Our year 5 and 6 students are very fortunate to be going on an Environmental leaders camp in week 9, they will then work with the year 7's and myself to make our school more environmentally friendly.

In Townsville Ms Gardner, Mrs Montgomery and I listened to academic researchers John Hattie and Deb Masters present their findings on Visible Learning, this was very informative and certainly provided a lot of things for us to implement here at Hamilton Island. Ms Gardner and Mrs Montgomery then went and visited Stuart State School to see how they are using computers in their classrooms. I went to Cairns to visit Miallo State School and Wonga Beach State School to investigate their methods for teaching Literacy and Numeracy. This professional development is invaluable and will continue as we build a skilled teaching team.

As you would read in our newsletter each fortnight, our target areas for improvement are Literacy and Numeracy and next term we will be implementing a new spelling program where the students are grouped according to their ability and not age. This program is called Spelling Mastery and will be funded by the school. We have also commenced an internal data program where we gather data about students learning and analyse this to make our teaching more efficient and effective.

Finally I would like to say thank you to the parent and community helpers who assist us. It is really appreciated and I look forward to seeing you at the RBar raffles tonight and the Buggy Wash on Saturday.

Thanks again and have a great weekend.

Regards

*Adam Montgomery*  
a/principal

**Our Vision:** At Hamilton Island State School we are focused on providing a positive, supportive and academically rigorous environment. We efficiently use resources and establish positive relationships with the community to enable the best opportunities for our students. All skills are explicitly taught and we use data to inform our practice.

## P/1

This week I asked the Prep/One children what they have enjoyed learning about over the last two weeks. Here are their answers!

Sienna said she loved art and making her picture of her family.

Kirra said she liked learning about the area of different shapes.

Maddy has loved learning about numbers in maths.

Charlie loves inside play.

Flynn loves inside play too!

Max enjoyed learning about area in maths.

Harrison loved having verandah fun, playing playdough, puzzles, painting.

Jack R loved inside play.

Josh really loves English.

We all loved the Science Day, the visit from the Firemen and the new iPads and laptops!

Once again I am really impressed with our progress and all the children's hard work.

*Sarah*



**Our Caring Values**

**Be Respectful** – We treat ourselves and each other with respect, show care and regard for property.

**Be Responsible**– We take responsibility for our performance and own up to mistakes, so that we can learn from them.

**Be Safe**– We always take care and act in a safe and appropriate manner.

# 2-7 News Science Day Friday 25 May





### Key Strategic Directions:

1. Provide quality schooling through curriculum programs that cater for individuals, educational initiatives and societal expectations.
2. Develop and share high expectations for individual student learning.

## P&C News

- P&C Meeting Tuesday 5 June 3.15-4.00pm
- Meat Tray Raffle - Friday 1 June from 5pm at R Bar Parents needed to sell tickets
- Buggy Wash – Saturday 2 June from 2-4pm Helpers needed to man BBQ and wash buggies...kids bring rain coats and boots
- Kindy ball – next meeting Wednesday 13 June 5.30-6.30 at Kindy
- The P&C are desperate for **ALL** parents to help with fundraising activities for their children!!

Thanks

Kylie Jeffree

## Fire Truck Visit



**Key Strategic Directions:**

3. Build the capacity of our teachers and staff across a range of professional competencies.
4. Provide appropriate resourcing and quality learning environments to support and extend student learning and commit to sustainable practice.

## AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS – TERM 2

Monday	3.05pm	Kids Dance	\$50 for term pass	School
Tuesday	3.15pm	Kids Soccer	Free	Sports Club
Wednesday	3.15pm	Kids Basketball	Free	Sports Club
Thursday	3.15pm	Wet and Wild (Pool and Beach Sports)	Free	Meet at Kegal Bowling
	4.00pm	Kids Bowling	\$10	Kegal Bowling
Friday	3.15pm	Racquet Sports	Free	Sports Club
Saturday	3.15pm	Mini-golf	\$5pp	Sports Club
Sunday	3.00-5.00pm	Fun Zone	Free	Bougie Marquee

### 2012 Athletics Calendar

Contact Steve on 0408236483 for more details.

<b>May 6</b>	Hilly Half Kids Run	\$25 entry includes singlet and race pack. Three distances to choose from (750, 1500, 3km).
<b>May 12</b>	Club Day 1	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>May 13</b>	Mothers Day Classic	Bougie Marquee. Adults \$15, Kids \$8, Family \$22-\$35 depending on breakdown. 4km or 7.5km options. <a href="http://www.mothersdayclassic.com.au">www.mothersdayclassic.com.au</a>
<b>May 26</b>	Club Day 2	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>June 9</b>	Club Day 3	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>June 16</b>	Club Day 4	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>June 23</b>	Club Day 5	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>June 25-July 9</b>	School Holidays	
<b>July 14</b>	Club Day 6	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>July 21</b>	Club Day 7	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>July 28</b>	Whitsunday Pemntathlon	Proserpine State High School. Details to be provided closer to the date.
<b>August 11</b>	Club Day 8	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>August 18</b>	Club Day 9	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>August 26</b>	Airlie Junior Tri	<a href="http://www.whitsundaytriclub.com">www.whitsundaytriclub.com</a>
<b>September 1</b>	Club Day 10	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>September 8</b>	Final Club Day	Palm Valley Oval 8.45am
<b>October 14</b>	Bowen Junior Tri	Details provided closer to the date.
<b>November 10</b>	Hamilton Island Junior Tri	<a href="http://www.hamiltonisland.com.au">www.hamiltonisland.com.au</a>
<b>November 11</b>	Whitehaven Beach Junior Ocean Swim	<a href="http://www.hamiltonisland.com.au">www.hamiltonisland.com.au</a>

**Target Areas for Improvement (As stated in 2012 Annual Implementation Plan)-**

- English- focus on Reading in all year levels.
- Mathematics – focus on increasing rigour in all year levels.
- Improve school and community relationships.
- Shift focus from achieving National Minimum Standard to Students achieving in the Upper 2 bands.

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We also would like to recognise the fabulous parent and community helpers that give up so much of their time.

[Thank You from all the students of Hamilton Island State School](#)