

Term 3 Week 8



Hamilton
Seventh-day Adventist School
Educating For Eternity

Friday, 13th
September

Put to the Test!

Our Values

**Respect Whakaute
Responsibility Kawenga
Resilience Manahau**

Kia Ora HAMSDA Community,

I hope you are all in good spirits. I was wondering how many people actually read through the entire newsletter so I'm going to give you a challenge. Somewhere in this newsletter there is a 6 digit code. The first 3 digits are 569, if you find the code you need to send me the last 3 digits. The first 3 people to respond will win a free Friday tuck shop treat for their child. If you have more than one child attending you will need to choose (name your favourite child). Just kidding 😊, all of your enrolled children will receive the prize. So read on carefully and find that code. You can msg me on Seesaw or email (bninah@hamsda.school.nz).

At this time in the term it can be very tiring for students as well as teachers. We are in Week 8 and a great deal of of learning has been completed. Now units of learning are being assessed and reflected upon; plans are being made going forward and even as Term 3 draws to a near end we are already planning for Term 4. That's pretty much how the school year goes. It's about learning, assessing, planning and the cycle begins again.

Many students tend to think of assessments in a negative way but this information gives teachers good insights into where there may be gaps in the learning content or processes. They then use this to inform their planning for the next unit of learning. It is important for students to understand how this works so they do not fear tests but see them as a key element in their learning journey.

Of course we also have tests in our Christian walk. Every moment of every day we have to make choices. Our choices reflect our thoughts and are evident in our words and actions. The enemy is always testing God's people. And sometimes those tests can be very difficult indeed, some may even think impossible. But just as a teacher prepares the students for their tests, Jesus also prepared us for these tests which can usually take the form of temptations in life. The apostle Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 10:13, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

The choice is always ours, regardless of the situation. Choose God or not. This is our biggest test. Are you passing this test friends? If you're barely keeping your head above the water just remember every test requires preparation. For this particular test it calls for daily cleansing of the mind and heart and constant communication with the Master Teacher, Jesus. We need to heed His every word, believe His promises and we will overcome and pass each test by His grace.

John 16:33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

Belinda Ninah

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Karakia

*In Weeks 9 & 10 we will be praying
for the following families*

Term 3	Week 9	Week 10
Rāhina	Andrews	Barton Edwards Pihama
Rātū	Anzweni	Beauchamp
Rāapa	Baker	Binu
Rāpare	Barrios Sanchez	Boggiano
Rāmere	Barton	Bredenkamp

Our Deep Hope

*Our students will encounter the
heart of God, as they walk in a
growing relationship with Him
and with others, that inspires
them to make a positive impact
for His Kingdom*

SPORTS CAMP BLURBS

By Matthieu Fourie

Sports camp lasted the whole of week six. My favourite part of sports camp was the evening sports. The evening sports included indoor soccer indoor hockey scramble and the cheers. The evening sports normally lasted from 6:30-9:00. This was my favourite part because you would get to play against almost all the schools. Also the evening sports were fun because they would do everything up to the finals all that night.

By Wizdom Tofilau

My favourite highlight from sports camp was the chant night. It was a fun night where different schools performed their dances in front of the judges. Each school had different ones where everyone enjoyed watching. This year, combined (our school and Matamata Christian School together) managed to win again! Last year we won it and then again this year. Although my favourite highlight was the chant night, I still enjoyed all the other things we did at sports camp like the food (which was very good), the sports, the break times, and the quality of living (their way of saying assembly, I guess). Sports camp is a place where children play sports and also learn to interact with others. It also helps to build up their sportsmanship. For the young children in koru junior and koru senior I can guarantee that they will enjoy sports camp (as much as I do) in the years to come.

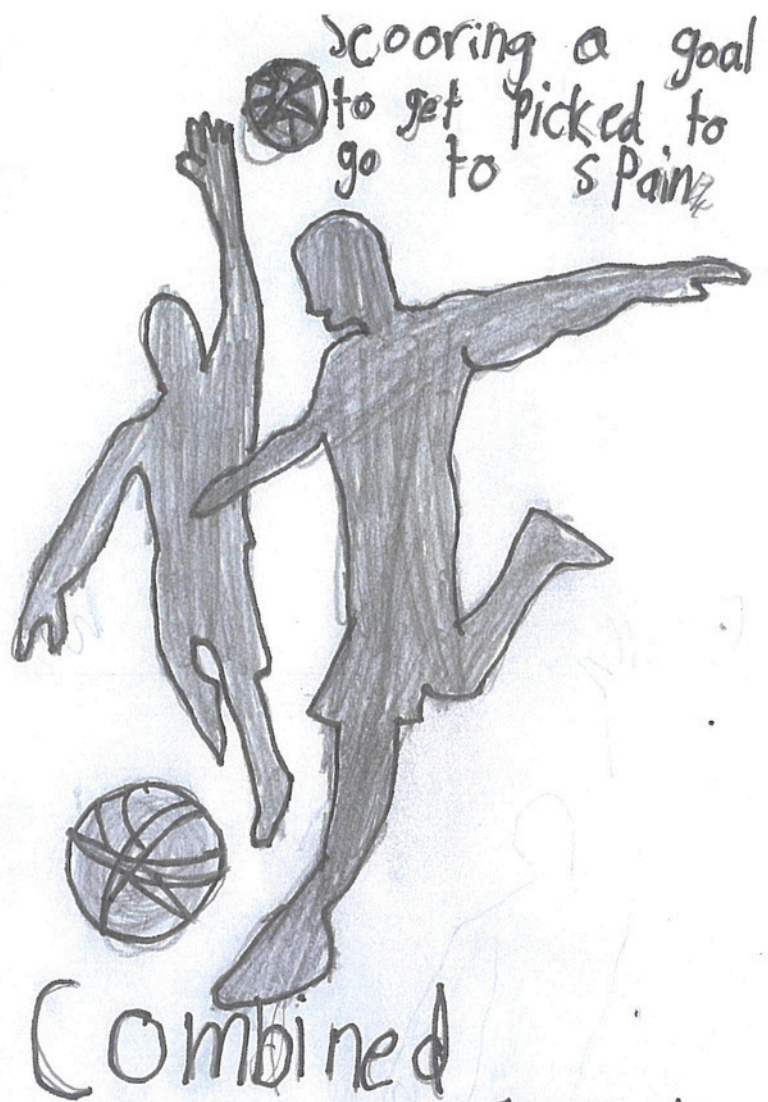
By Juliana Oliveti

At sports camp we played: Touch rugby, ripper tag, girls volleyball, boys volleyball, indoor soccer, mixed outdoor, soccer mixed, hockey indoor, hockey, scramble, hole in one golf, mini golf, frisbee golf, croquet, foosball, girls basketball, boys basketball, netball, cross country, standing, long jump, sprint relay, shot put, javelin shooting, archery, discus, softball cricket ball throw, kayaking, triathlon, wall ball, petanque, ultimate frisbee, tug of war and spikeball we ended up winning wall ball and came second in petanque. For the chant we had won first place.

My experience was amazing. We had great food and all the schools showed great sportsmanship. Top favourite things were definitely the chant, mixed soccer and cross country.

Most schools were very friendly and it was easy to make friends even as we competed with each other we would still cheer every team on. At the end you always will miss the people but most of them will be there next year so you can meet them again the next year.

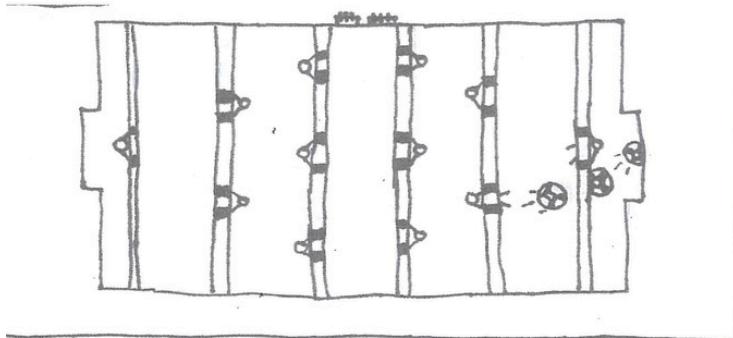
Favourite Memories From Sports Camp Week



Emmanuel
Jeremy

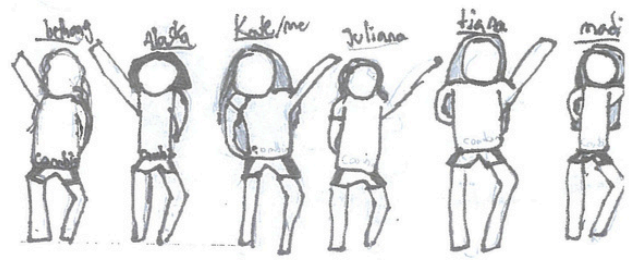
We won the chant.





Scoring a goal in foosball.
Alaska

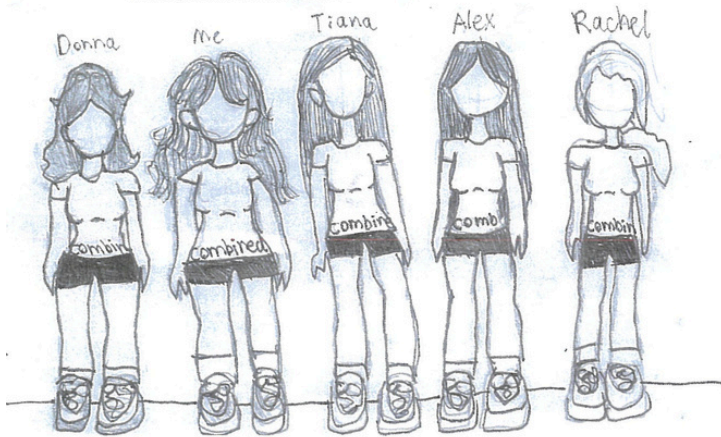
Every body dance now.



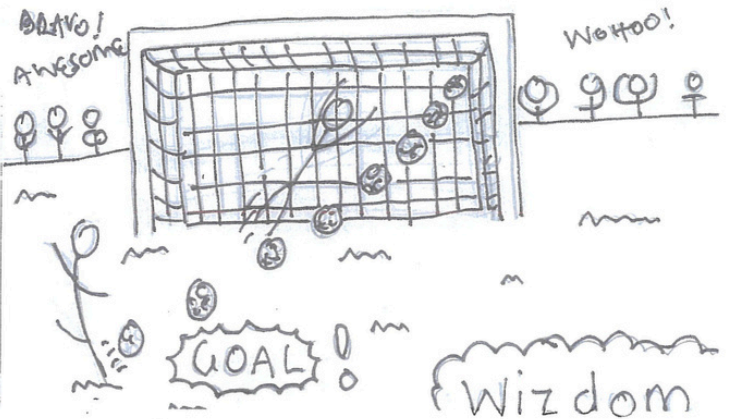
Kate

Winning the chant!

Bethany Making new friends!



SCORING A GOAL!



Meanwhile at school ...



Making pizza with my friends.
zoe



At School
During Sport Camp
Week

Turf's Up!

The court has had a makeover and it is now completed. The turf looks and feels great. This morning we gave thanks to God for this wonderful space where students can enjoy games, bruise-free. Mr Hurlow's hope is that this facility will be used to have games for our community as well, so that more people will have an encounter with Jesus as they mix and mingle here. Huge thanks to our Board of Trustees for approving this project. Three students had the honour of cutting the ribbon to officially open this site. Wizdom, Nicholas and Madi have been with us since Year 1. They have seen the transformations in this school over the years and are all model students of our values. The teachers are very proud of them and felt that they deserved this special honour.

Feel free to come in and take a walk around our cool turf.





Country Cluster Zone Cross Country

Last week some of our Year 4 to 6 students participated in the country cluster zone cross country. They had lots of fun. Isabelle Roche made it to the next round which was a run around the Hamilton Gardens. She was very eager to represent our school yesterday and did us proud. Well done Isabelle!



HamSDA PTA Newsletter

Our PTA team

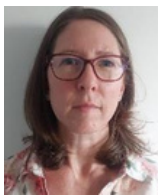
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Other Committee Members: Lisa Fletcher, Katie Hurlow, Kelsie Hunsaker

What's new...

Welcome back to our new Fundraising liaison, Hannah McConchie. Hannah has returned to this role after a short break. A huge thank you to Carla Padalla who was in the role for 18 months. Thank you Carla for all you did!



QUIZ NIGHT!

21 SEPTEMBER 6:30 PM

HAMILTON CENTRAL SDA CHURCH HALL

\$10 PER PERSON

REFRESHMENTS & NIBBLES FOR SALE

GAMES AND MOVIES FOR KIDS

PRIZES FOR DRESS-UP (OPTIONAL)

TEAMS OF 6-8

SEND REGISTRATIONS TO
PTA@HAMSDA.SCHOOL.NZ

2024: Funds, achievements & plans

Last term students from each class gave us their wish item. We are excited to announce that almost all these wish items have been purchased and the students are enjoying them! Our last wish to be completed is the flower garden. We are waiting on some good weather. We can't wait to fill more wish items in the future!

Koru class – a fun sensory area for fine motor skills

Room 1 – a new flower garden and more class Lego

Room 2 - comprehension card kits

Room 3 - a new EPRO 8 construction kit

Room 4 - a new SRA kit (helps with reading) & a charging trolley.

Quiz Night

We are hosting another quiz night on 21 September in the Hamilton Central SDA church hall at 6:30pm. Planning is underway for another great, fun filled night. We are currently seeking sponsorship and donations for prizes and our silent auction. Do you have a business that can donate a prize or a voucher? Last year we had beauty hampers, desserts, lawn mowing service, babysitting hours, photography sessions, restaurant vouchers etc. Please contact us asap if you have a service, time or items you can donate.

Nothing Naughty Protein Bars Fundraiser

Thank you everyone who bought bars. We sold 101 boxes – making us a profit of just over \$1000! A big thanks to [Nothing Naughty](#) for supporting us too. This money was used to buy some of our wish items. We've had great feedback from our school community about these bars and we will be another order run this term. Details soon!

Want to help?

Our next meeting is 11 Sept at 3:15pm at school. Please join us!

Ideas and comments? Email us at pta@hamsda.school.nz

Blessings, from your PTA team

Did you know?

If you purchase an Entertainment Book, the PTA will receive 20% of the price. Click here for the special link – there is currently a bonus offer.

Would you like to donate funds?
Our bank account is
ASB: 12-3268-0040349-00

Praying for Families

Every morning, our staff team pray for a family in our school community. We invite you to join us in praying for families listed on the front of the newsletter.

If it is your families turn for prayer and you have a specific prayer request, please email your request to the school office and we pray specifically for it.

Friday Tuck Shop

Every Friday, the PTA runs a small tuck shop to raise money for a number of initiatives that support the school.

Cost: \$2 each.



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**DID YOU
REGISTER
YOUR
TEAM?**

“Poipoia te kakano Kia puawai”

Nurture the seed and it will blossom



Displaying Our Values



RESPECT. RESPONSIBILIY. RESILIENCE.

Important Dates

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Coming up in Term 3

Fri 27th Sept	End of Term 3
Mon 14th Oct	Start of Term 4
Friday 20th Dec	End of Term 4

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