

#### HAMIOTA SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER



Park West School Division

#### FEBRUARY, 2019

## Principal's Message

February has been a month to remember. Many exciting things have certainly happened, but it might be remembered best for frigid the temperatures. It is a good thing we are all made of a hardy stock! One of the most notable changes to take place in February is the attendance of our Kindergarten students daily. It sure is nice to see their smiling faces on a fulltime basis. The second semester has started for our senior students which means that Graduation is not far away. It is hard to believe that the class of 2019 is ending their journey of 13 years of public education.

February might be the shortest month of the year, but it certainly might be one of the busiest. At HES we have been celebrating I Love to Read month throughout February. Mrs. Johns has been busy taking the students on a trip around the world with her Reading Passport. What a wonderful way to celebrate reading. I would also like to thank all those who came into the school and read to our students this Students at Hamiota past month. Elementary also enjoyed some Valentine's Day activities at the rink, skating and curling on the 14th. Some of the grade 5's from HES joined the rest of our middle year's students from HCl on a ski trip on February 15. From all reports, the students had a wonderful day even though it was a cold one!

At HCI things continue to roll along. As mentioned, second semester courses have started and our students continue to be very busy with extracurricular activities. Basketball at all levels is winding down with the middle year's teams getting ready for the divisional final tournaments while our varsity teams are also wrapping up their seasons. Varsity badminton has started up with a number of students in grade 9-12 signing up. MHSAA is now offering both a JV and a Varsity

provincial in badminton which may give more of our student-athletes a chance to participate in provincials. School hockey is nearing the end of its season, and fortunately, the team has qualified for provincials on March 7-9 and they are currently in the semi-finals of league playoffs as well. I am also extremely proud of the team for raising over \$11 500 for the Hamiota & District Hospital Cancer Care Unit at the Huskies Fight Cancer Hockey game. Thank you to all who supported this terrific cause. Hamiota Collegiate's major drama production, "High School Musical," is in full swing with rehearsals taking place for the shows in April. The University of Manitoba hosts SET (Science, Engineering & Technology) Day every February and this year Mr. Smith, along with three students, attended the day and participated in some hands-on activities as well as sat in on a few lectures. This is an excellent opportunity for our students.

Looking ahead, our students will be participating in Pink Shirt Day on February 27 with the students at HES having an assembly while the students at HCI enjoy a Live Different Presentation. March will also see our have senior high students opportunity to attend a ski trip on March 14 & 15. The second installment of our HCI band concert is scheduled for March 19 and of course the final day before spring break is March 22. Students in K - 8 should expect to get their second report card before spring break provided all things go according to plan. As the calendar turns to March, we are all looking forward to warmer days and more hours of sunlight. As usual, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call. Thanks and take

Bruce Coulter Principal

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#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival – March 4-10
- Senior High Ski
  Trip—March 14-15
- K-8 Report Cards—March 22
- SPRING BREAK -March 23-31



April 12, 13 & 14





## **KINDERGARTEN NEWS** From Miss Surovy

We have almost survived our first month of full-time Kindergarten and all students are adjusting well to coming to school each day! Now that we have been coming to school each day, we have been able to spend a lot more time learning, playing, and having fun together. Here are some things that we have been up to in our classroom:

On February 14, we celebrated Valentine's Day in our classroom. In the afternoon, we worked as a team to complete a Treasure Hunt that took us to several rooms around the school, got to eat plenty of delicious Valentine's treats, and handed out Valentines to each other. Throughout the month of February, we have also been working on Valentine's themed math centres to practice our counting, subitizing, number sense, and patterning skills. We will begin a new round of St. Patrick's themed math centres at the beginning of March.

We have now learned 21 letters of the alphabet! Each week we learn about a new letter, practicing how to print the letter and identifying the sound that it makes. This month we learned about letters O, Q, and C. Next month we will be learning about letters G, S, and A. Now that we are here every school day, we have also begun exploring our Literacy Centres twice a week and we are starting to learn how to read books in our Guided Reading groups. We have now officially completed our Alpha-Bag program, where students read two alphabet books and completed a worksheet about each letter of the Alphabet each day they came to Kindergarten. Thank you to all parents for supporting this program and helping your children complete their homework each even-

ing. This week we will begin our Home Reading program. Please check BEAR Books for more information about Home Reading.



We have also been busy writing in our journals and learning our Kindergarten sight words. At the beginning of the month, we learned how to spell and read the word "GO" and we created posters to hang in the gym at HCI to support the Varsity Girls' Basketball team during their

home tournament. Last week, we received a surprise visit from players on the team, who visited our classroom to thank us for cheering them on.

In Social Studies we have been working on our "Me Books" and beginning in December, our class has also been learning all about the Zones of Regulation, a program that helps students learn about self-regulation and been learning about some of the characters from Disney's "Inside Out" in the process! Lately we have been talking a lot about "Expected and Unexpected Behaviour" and practicing identifying how certain behaviors might impact others feelings towards us. This month we have also focused on learning about honesty. Students have enjoyed learning about and practicing the different ways we can demonstrate honesty and identifying characters that use honesty in the stories we read during our story time. Next month we will be focusing on inclusiveness as our character trait of the month.

Here are a few important dates and reminders for events that are happening in March:



Wednesdays—Kindergarten Library Day

February 27—Pink Shirt Day (please wear pink to school)

March 18—St. Patrick's Day celebration (please wear green to school)

March 22—Report Cards Home

March 22-31—Spring Break

April 1—Back to School

\*\*Please check BEAR Books for notes and information that may be sent home this month!

#### GRADE ONE NEWS from Mrs. Nowosad



February is a fairly short month, but with this cold weather it is seemed longer than usual. Our grade ones are definitely ready for some warmer weather very soon, and being able to go outside on a regular basis at recess time.



We continue to work hard on our regular activities in Language Arts and Math such as guided reading, math games, addition strategies and skip counting, as well as lots of writing activities.

In Science, we have been working on our unit, Daily and Seasonal Changes. We have been learning the days of the week, what comes before and after a particular day, as well as the months of the year. We created a list of all the special events that happen in each month as well as birthdays. We have also been creating posters of the four seasons and talking about which season we like the best and why. We have listened to some fun and catchy tunes on YouTube to go with all of these concepts.

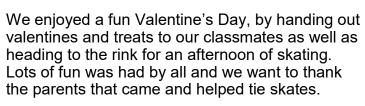
In Social Studies, we have been working on our Friends unit. We began by asking, "what does it mean to be a friend?" We have talked about what are the qualities we would like to see in a friend and qualities that maybe we don't care for so much. We've also talked

about ways that we can keep friends and things that may cause

us to lose a friend.











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## GRADE ONE NEWS from Mrs. Nowosad (continued)



February is also I Love to Read Month. We have had lots of fun with different activities to promote reading. We have gotten together a few times with our grade four reading buddies. We have done activities such as Flashlight Fundays, where we read by flashlight in the dark, as well





as reading together with a popcorn treat ("pop open a good book")! Our grade one class has been fortunate to have many guest readers come in and share either a favourite childhood story book, just a fun story they like or a book of the students choice with our class. Thank you to our superintendent Mr. David for coming in, as well as Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Norrie, Mr. Coulter, Mrs. Strachan and Miss Bootsman. We appreciate you taking time out of your busy days to help us celebrate the love for reading.



February was also busy celebrating our 100 days of school. We had fun using a special app to age ourselves to see what we might look like many, many years from now. We talked about things we would like to do before we turned 100 as well as what we would do if we had \$100 to spend on our parents. We thought about some of our likes that we have now and compared them to what we felt our likes on the same topics would be when we were 100.









Roots of Empathy also happened again this month. Students were very surprised and excited to see that baby Harlyn is now able to sit up all by herself! We look forward to these visits each month.

With just a few more weeks till spring break, we will be buckling down and working hard to get lots accomplished. Here's hoping the weather turns warmer and we can enjoy some fun time outside.

## **GRADETWO NEWS** from Mrs. Gregory & Mrs. McNabb

February has been a month filled with lots of learning and special events. We celebrated Valentine's Day, our 100<sup>th</sup> day of school as well as I love to Read month.

In math, the grade 2's have been practising our skills by doing cross number puzzles and the number of the week. We have been working on subtraction strategies and writing story problems. We have also been learning strategies for adding two-digit numbers. Our first lesson in our measurement unit has focused on relating the days to a week, naming and ordering the days, reading dates and identifying calendar patterns. We have enjoyed playing various games such as Greatest and Least, Tens Attack, Add a Ten, Pick up Sticks, All Seven Days and Matching Days.

On February 19th, we celebrated our 100th Day of School. We made 100-day glasses, then went on a hunt for 100 kisses that were hidden in the library. We found all the kisses but one! We brought collections of 100 things that we could eat. We were amazed at how small some collections looked especially the mini chocolate chips. We

weighed the collections to see which one was heaviest and lightest. We found that Lydia's suckers were heaviest and Matao's cereal was the lightest. One of the best parts was mixing our collections together and sharing them with each other.

In science we completed our unit on the Properties of Solids, Liquids and Gases by doing an experiment to see if regular Coke and Diet Coke would float or sink. After making our hypotheses, we tested both and found that regular Coke sank while Diet Coke floated. We concluded that the sugar in regular Coke was what caused it to sink. We have just started our unit on Position and Motion. So far, we have worked on spatial relationships and how to describe them. We experienced and demonstrated the eight principal directions in space relative to an object which are back/front, above/below, over/under and



left/right.



The comprehension strategy that we have been focusing on during reading is retelling. Using story maps and the 5 finger retelling strategy, we have learned that retelling helps readers to better connect and understand the books we read. To practice our reading fluency and expression, we had fun performing readers theatre plays in front of our classmates and parents. Four groups performed 4 plays: Sleeping Beauty, Dick Whittington, Town Mouse and Country Mouse, and The Elves and The Shoemaker. We witnessed some great performances complete with some hand made props and practiced being respectful and supportive audience members. Bravo Grade Two's!

Grade 2 authors have written their own books, " My Valentine Book of Love." To celebrate 100 day, we shared some laughs as we used the app, aging booth, to get a glimpse of what we may look like when we are 100 years old. We wrote and shared some stories of what life will be like when we are 100 years old. Some of us are excited to reach this milestone, while others expressed some hesitations about growing older. Some of us will spend our days laying on comfy couches and watching hockey, while others are going to live in a tropical paradise or in Birch Lodge.





Our new unit in social studies is My Community. We will explore what a community is and how we fit in. We are thankful for our community's arena, where we enjoyed a fun skate with the grade 1 class on Valentines Day. Thanks to our parent helpers who came to tie skates!

With the arrival of March, we are looking forward to Jump Rope for Heart, spring break and hopefully some warmer weather!



## **GRADETHREE NEWS** from Mrs. Dixon

This cold snap has kept us indoors for many recesses and we've been spending our time doing some "timeless" things such as playing board games and putting puzzles together. "Connect Four" and "Operation" have been popular games and so has tabletop curling. We en-

joyed having a "games day" at our last Lilac visit and many seniors were reminiscing about the board games and card games they loved to play when they were kids. Great fun was had, as usual!

In L.A. we've completed some writing activities such as character descriptions and good deeds. We also continue to work during our L.A. group time on reading, writing, spelling and vocabulary skills.

Our class made a bulletin board display last month, in keeping with the



character trait word, "courage." We read and wrote about 🕦 various people in our world who have displayed courage in different ways. We also wrote about ways in which we can show courage in our daily lives. If you're passing by, be

Experiments

With Magnets

sure to stop and read about our findings!

In Math, we are working with subtraction strategies for 2 and 3 digit numbers. Most of us say that we like addition better, but we know the two are closely related!

We've enjoyed completing various experiments in Science related to forces, specifically magnetic forces. Magnets can do amazing things and we've discovered that they are found in so many devices, motors and appliances.



We enjoyed skating at the rink for our Valentine's party. Thanks to parents and grandparents who were able to take time to help tie skates – much appreciated!

Spring has to be on its merry way; in the meantime, we're keeping warm and busy in Grade 3!

## **GRADE FOUR NEWS** from Mrs. L. Routledge



February has been a flurry of activity here in Grade 4! I LOVE TO READ month has been our focus in ELA and the students have paired up with Mrs. Nowosad's Grade 1's for some exciting reading activities. Flashlight reading was a HIT...and thank-you to all parents who sent these precious instruments of light to school for us to use. It was greatly appreciated...(even the high-beam, burn-out-your-cornea, calving cows, super-duper, power light ones;)















Multiplication and division continue to be our focus in math. We are slowly but surely memorizing our facts and earning our "scoops" for the ice-cream party before spring break. Please continue to practise the flash cards with your child...it absolutely reinforces what we are doing here at school. In the coming days, we will be exploring strategies for multiplying 2 digit by 1 digit and 3 digit by 1 digit numbers, as well as division with remainders. These can be tricky concepts. Be on the look-out for extra practice work in the agendas.



In social studies, we are reading and talking about Canada's Far North and the Inuit peoples of Nunavut. We will be comparing our community and a community in the far north and looking at the similarities and differences between them.

The Grade 4 class recently presented a reading about HONESTY, in our weekly assembly. The character trait at HES for the month of February is HONESTY and it was the Grade 4's turn to present. They did a fantastic job and were positive role-models for their peers!



## **GRADE FIVE NEWS** from Mrs. D. Routledge



Another very cold month has come and gone. I'm not sure spring will ever arrive, but if it does it will feel glorious!

We have completed our measurement unit in math and have begun to work on division. Students are expected to know their multiplication facts and related division facts up to 9x9 within three seconds. Most students are finding this tricky, so please practice with them whenever you can... in the car, while doing dishes, before bed, or whenever works best for you. Knowing their facts will make questions like 589 divided by 6 much easier to do.



In ELA we are wrapping up our guided reading and writer's workshop at the end

of this week, so we can start to work on research projects in preparation for Celebration of Learning! Everyone is still encouraged to do some reading at home to keep their skills up to where they should be.

In social studies, we have started our unit on European Colonization. We have been doing some research on Canadian explorers and are writing journals from the viewpoint of the explorer to explain what they did hundreds of years ago. We are finding this to be a very interesting unit.

In French, we are taking a break from the stations and are working hard to

memorize our lines for the play. We hope to videotape them soon after spring break, and some have quite a ways to go before they become automatic with their lines. We continue to work on the written component as well.





Piano—Monday, March 4 Hamiota United Church

SPRING SESSION

Vocal—Tuesday, March 5 Hamiota United Church

Dance-Wednesday, March 6 Cornerstone Family Worship Centre

Band—Thursday, March 7 Hamiota Collegiate

Final Concert—March 10 - 3:00 p.m.

**Hamiota United Church** 



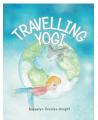


## I LOVETO READ MONTH by Mrs. Johns



February is I love to read month! This year, the elementary library enjoyed a travel theme to promote and celebrate reading. We have "travelled" in books to China, the Philippines and many other counties. At the beginning of the month, each student received a reading passport. Each page had a reading activity to do that was designed to encourage students to try something different, such as read an eBook or graphic novel. After completing the passport, they received a travel themed prize.





I love to read month has also been full of other exciting events. We had an astronaut read a book to us from space! You can find more books read from space at storytimefromspace.com. We also had a day that teachers switched classrooms and read to students. On March 6th, we are looking forward to having local author Kaycelyn Rosales-Knight come to read her book called Travelling Yogi.

I would like to say a special thankyou to J&D Restaurant for donating fortune cookies for our students to enjoy while we learned about China and the Chinese New Year. Thank you to parents and other family members for supporting students during I love to read month. Positive interaction while reading is very important in developing a student's love for reading.



#### MUSICAL MUSINGS from Mr. Salmi

Happy February Everyone!

We have only had a few classes in February due to different reasons, but we have still been working hard in the music room. The Kinder's have learned the proper procedure for playing instruments, the Grade 1's have been working on their singing voice, the Grade 2's have been working on their musical creativity, the Grade 3's have been experiencing music of different eras, the Grade 4's have been working on part singing, and the Grade 5's have continued to learn about playing the recorder.

Finally, I just wanted to remind everyone that the Fine Arts Festival is next week and we have many students performing piano and vocal solos. Please come out and observe and support those students who are making music in our community.

Stay Warm!



## **BAND NOTES** from Mr. Salmi



Happy February Everyone! I hope that everyone has been staying warm enough during this cold start we have had to 2019.

The Grade 6's have been improving on playing their first six notes of the Bb scale and have been refining their playing of "Conquest".

The Grade 7's have been working on playing the "music" in their one work "Peace" and have been working on playing their parts accurately in "Battle Creek March".

The Grade 8's have been working on playing different melodic and harmonic lines together in playing the piece's "Ayre and Dance" and "African Folk Trilogy".

The HCl Jazz Band has been working on two pieces "My Little Suede Shoes" and "Cold Duck Time". The form of the pieces is really coming together and we have also been working on adding more improvised changes to the melody and to our solos.

The Senior Band has been working hard on three pieces "In Quiet Times", "At a Turkish Market", and "Majestica". We have been focusing on playing the dynamics, articulations, and phrasing in these three pieces and the band is really starting to sound quite good.

A reminder that the Birdtail Fine Arts Band Festival is on Thursday, March 7, from 9:00am-4:00pm at the school. Everyone is welcome to come out and hear the bands play. Grade 8's will play at 9:00am, Grade 6's at 10:15am, Grade 7:00's at 11:30am, Senior Band at 2:30pm and the Jazz Band at 3:30pm.

The next HCl Band Concert will take place on Tuesday, March 19, starting at 7:30pm. If there are any conflicts or your student is not able to attend please let me know as soon as possible.

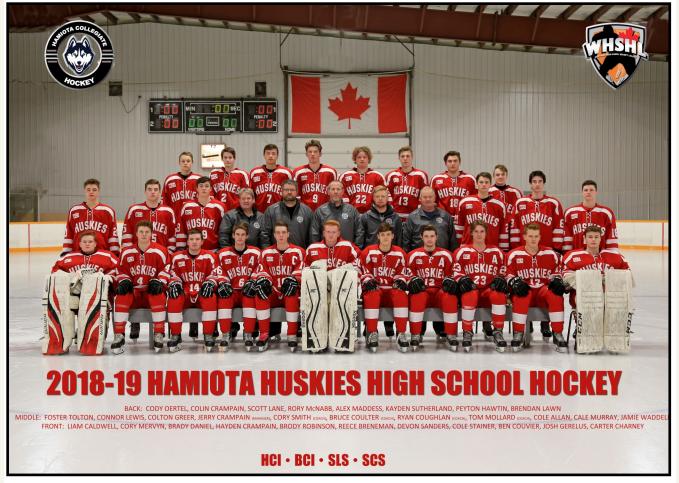
A reminder to band parents, if you have not returned your band rental form or deposit that needs to come in right away.

As always if you have any questions you can look for the information on our blog www.hciband.blogspot.com or email me directly at <a href="mailto:ksalmi@pwsd.ca">ksalmi@pwsd.ca</a>.

Have a great March everyone! Kevin Salmi



#### **HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY**



The Hamiota Huskies Hockey team have had a fantastic season this year. The placed first in the West Division with a record of 22 wins and 2 losses which tied them with Killarney the East Division winners. The first round of League Playoffs consisted of a best of 3 games with Rivers with the Huskies winning 2 straight (4-3 and 6-1). Round 2, another best of 3, will begin in Hamiota on Thursday, Feb. 28 against the Major Pratt Trojans from Russell at 8:15 pm. Game 2 will be in Russell on Monday, Mar 4 at 8:15 pm.

In the Provincial Qualifier Games held February 15 & 16, the Huskies earned a berth in the AA Provincials to be held in Cartwright on March 7-9, with wins over Boissevain (4-3) and Major Pratt (7-1).

On February 10 the Hamiota Huskies, dressed in pink jerseys, played their final league home game against Rivers in the Huskies Fight Cancer game. Along with the gate proceeds, an online jersey auction, progressive 50-50 and raffle table raised \$11,523.50 for the Hamiota & District Heath Centre Cancer Care Unit. On Saturday Hamiota had travelled to Rivers for a game raising funds for the same cause.









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# **HOCKEY—A PASSION CAN LEAD TO A CAREER**

Some of the grade eights are working on a unit where they are using their passion of hockey to explore a variety of career opportunities.

The students are learning that if playing hockey doesn't work out as a career, there are many pathways they can follow that will lead them to interesting careers that will continue to fuel their passion for hockey.

This group of students has now been exposed to two careers-events presentation and

coaching. Through the exploration of these careers, the students have participated in some unique experiences.

First, the students were involved in a video call with Mr. Lindsey Gullett, who is the Manager of Events Presentation for the Edmonton Oilers. The students had an opportunity to have all their questions answered. The group was amazed at just how much detail he puts into writing a game day script.





Next, the students had an opportunity to have face to face conversations with both Mr. Troy Leslie, who coaches the Virden Oil Caps, and Mr. Chad Facey, who coaches the AAA Midget Yellowhead Chiefs. Each coach spent an hour sharing their experiences and answering the student's questions.

To continue the conversations, the students have also prepared questions to ask other local coaches to gather more information.

Finally, the students have been learning about the important academic and personal skills these jobs require. They are comparing these skills with what they have and what they need to develop. In order to practice these skills, they are being exposed to a variety of activities such as creating a game day script and designing a running a hockey practice. Through these activities, they are developing skills such as writing open ended questions, using both written and spoken communication, researching and note taking and working in groups. The students are working hard and are learning so many important qualities.

We would like to thank all of the presenters for visiting our classroom and sharing not only about their jobs, but also about the importance of being good people, working hard, and always doing our best.

#### HOCKEY—A PASSION CAN LEAD TO A CAREER

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Back Row: Mr. Chad Facey, John Lelond, Danika Smith, Rylan Gage, Garrett Kent, Whitney Rozdeba, Caleb McTavish

Front Row: Connor Ramsey, Will McConnell, Aiden Murray, Riley McTavish, Rudy Bond, McKenna Laberge, Kia Knight

Back Row: Danika Smith, Colt Brooks, Caleb McTavish, Rylan Gage, Garrett Kent, Riley McTavish, John Lelond, Rudy Bond, Sylas Elk

Front Row: Will McConnell, Ty Kirk, Mr. Troy Leslie, McKenna Laberge, Aiden Murray, Kia Knight



## **ENERGY DRINKS**

A number of years ago we saw an increase in the number of students drinking energy drinks like Red Bull, Monster, Rockstar, etc. It has been found that these drinks can be harmful to the body, particularly for youth. As a result, Hamiota Collegiate put a ban on drinking such drinks at school and I thought it might be helpful to remind everyone of the policy. Students are asked not to bring those types of drinks to school and if they do, the drinks will be confiscated. Electrolyte replacing drinks like Gatorade or Powerade are not included in this ban.

- Mr. Coulter

#### **VARSITY CURLING**

# The Varsity Curling team wrapped up their season in February.

The Grade 9 girls team of Kaitlyn Campbell, Darrah Kent, and Kyla Good [Pictured I-r] finished the zone bonspiel with 2 wins and 2 losses. They played very well for their first bonspiel. Hopefully they will have another successful season next year!





The Grade 12 girls team of Joelle Little (skip), Kassidy Heapy (third), Taylor Good (second), and Chantelle Chappell (lead) [Pictured I-r] had a great showing at zones as well. They finished the bonspiel with 2 wins and 2 losses, losing a close game to Shoal Lake in the semi-final. Great job this season ladies and best of luck in your future curling endeavours!

The boys team consisted of Brendan Lawn (skip), Liam Caldwell (third), Ryan Sheane (second), and Dawson Brooks (lead) [Pictured I-r]. The boys played well at zones, finishing with a 1-2 record; losing to Major Pratt in the semi-final.

Thanks to all teams for a great season of curling!!



#### MIDDLE YEARS CURLING



#### Grade 5/6 Divisional Curling Bonspiel by Mr. Coughlan



Team McDuff: Molly Patterson (Lead), Maria Rogers (Second), Nicolas McDuff (Skip) & Ethan Schellenberg (Third)



Team Nykoliation: Alex Boryskavich (Lead), Tara Knight (Second), Lane Nykoliation (Skip), Chael Rozdeba (Third)



Team Drake: Kaden Allan (Lead), Nolan Drake (Skip), Adrianna Charlton (Second), Isbael McDonald (Third)

On February 6th the Grade 5's and 6's went down to Miniota Curling Club to compete in the Divisions Middle Years Curling Bonspiel. Each team showed great improvements throughout the day and all had great success. Hamiota 1 (Team McDuff) went 1-3 losing in the semi-finals of the Third Event. Hamiota 2 (Team Nykoliation) went 1-2 losing in the semi-finals of the Second Event. Hamiota 3 (Team Nolan) went 2-1 losing in the finals of the First Event.

## Grade 7/8 Divisional Curling Bonspiel by Mrs. Huberdeau

The team of Ty Nykoliation, Riley McTavish and Whitney Rozdeba traveled to Strathclair on February 25th.

They lost their first game, but went on to win the "B" side final.

Congratulations!!





Ty Nykoliation



Riley McTavish



Whitney Rozdeba





#### MIDDLE YEARS BASKETBALL

The Middle Years Basketball teams have been busy this year. The boys have again been coached by Mr. Orland Usick. They have played in mini-tournaments around the division and will complete their season with the Playoff Tournament to be played in Shoal Lake on Thursday.

Back Row: Owen Cal, Caleb McTavish, Rylan Gage, Connor Ramsey, John Lelond

Middle: Jaxen Dziver, Harry Burr, Robert Dinulescu, Shane Sparrow, Jaycob Ellis-Grace, Lane Nykoliation, Will McConnell

Front: Martin Jocson, Caleb Hamilton, Hailen Pompano, Sev Antonio, Sheldon Rempel, Seth Hamilton, Chael Rozdeba

team finished their season with a win on Tuesday, Feb 26th. With a team of 5 Grade 8's, 3 Grade 7's and 2 Grade 6's they played their best game of basketball and managed to take home the Consolation Championship banner! In their first match of the tournament, our young ballers lost a close game to Binscarth15-16. In their final game, the girls beat out Waywayseecapo with a score of 29-26. Thank you to

all our teammates, coaches, referees, scorekeepers, parents, and volunteers for all of your hard work and dedication.





Back Row: Coach Miss Lopes, Calli, Tristan, Lilly, Shirley

Front Row: Jade, Reanna, Ella, Riley, Kia, Surrey



Back Row: Kia Knight, Ella Gurr, Riley McTavish, Reanna Gage, Jade Crampton

Middle: Coach Miss Sarah Lopes, Shirley Johnson, Kylynn Kasto, Surrey Smith, Roanna Davison, Kayleigh Knight

Front: Rogue Toth, Camryn Ramsey, Calli Wilson-Davey, Alexis Dale, Alex Boryskavich

Missing: Tristan McTavish, Haily Johns

## Varsity Basketball

#### Varsity Girls by Miss Surovy

On February 9, the Hamiota Varsity Girls Basketball team hosted a minitournament, losing two hard-fought games to Ste. Rose and Elton. Thank you to everyone who helped to work the canteen, score keep, and reorganize the tournament after school cancellations due to weather. On February 13, Hamiota Collegiate's SV Girls Basketball Team participated in zone playoffs and captured the Zone 10 title with a win over Strathclair! The team went undefeated in league play and will play in a Regional Tournament in Pinawa on March 2 for a chance to qualify for Provincials.



Back: Coach Ms. Lisa Hamilton, Hailey Chappell, Jana McTavish, Christyna Caldwell, Olivia Tolton, Kareena Sims, Coach Ms. Haley Surovy

Front: Kyla Good, Emily Usick, Zachi Espayos, Telyna Lake, Chantelle Chappell

#### Varsity Boys by Mr. Coughlan



Back: Coach Mr. Ryan Coughlan, Hayden Crampain, Reece Breneman, Brady Lake, Nash Gurr, Vince David

Front: Rhylen DeBin, Lorenz Ragandang, Caleb Rindlisbacher, Kyler Sutherland









The Varsity Boys basketball team found themselves in a rebuilding year this season, having team consisted of 6 JV players and 3 Varsity players. The team played in a difficult Varsity league with some tough competition. played a total of 7 games in league and approximately 12 practices. The team was unable to put together a win this year but showed great improvements throughout The team the season. would like to wish all the best to the Graduating players (Reece Breneman, Hayden Crampain & Brady Lake) their future endeavours.



#### STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS by Brett Hemrica

February has been a good month for the Hamiota Collegiate Student Council. On Valentine's Day, the student council sold last year's yearbooks, as well as the annual matchmakers, in the foyer. On Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>, we welcomed the Live Different campaign and participated in Pink Day, a day against bullying and discrimination.

Anyone who would like a copy of the 2017-18 yearbook, please contact Daisy Martinez or Mrs. Mathison in the library. The cost is \$35.00.

For the 2018-19 yearbook, the Student Council will not be taking pre-orders. Instead, a letter to determine the intent to purchase, will be sent out to parents so that a reasonable amount of books can be ordered.

Elections for the new council will be held on March 8.

This has been the news with Brett.

#### LIVE DIFFERENT & PINK DAY











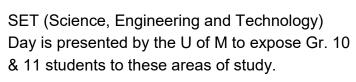
#### SET DAY by Eve Routledge







On Friday, February 27th, Eve Routledge, Jamie Waddell, Kiara Kirk and Mr. Cory Smith attended SET Day at the University of Manitoba. At SET Day we learned about truss bridges and even got to build a bridge of our own. In the afternoon, we attended 3 lectures. The first lecture was about breast milk and gut bacteria. The second was about space junk and star distance. The third and final lecture was about using stem cells from beluga snot to research about them. The final activity we did was to create a marble maze. Sadly, we lost by a long shot, but we still had lots of fun. Over all, SET Day was an educational and entertaining learning experience.







#### **UPCOMING DATES**

Monday, March 4 ~ Jump Rope for Heart Launch (HES)

March 4-10 ~ Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival

March 7-9 ~ High School Hockey Provincials in Cartwright

Thursday, March 14 ~ Mac n Cheese Hot Lunch (HES)

March 14-15 ~ Senior High Ski Trip (HCI)

Tuesday, March 18 ~ Band Concert (HCI)

Wednesday, March 20 ~ Grade 3 Lilac Visit (HES)

Thursday, March 21 ~ Jump Rope for Heart donations due (HES)

Friday, March 22 ~ Report Cards sent home (K-Grade 8)

March 25 ~ 31 ~ Spring Break

Monday, April 1 ~ Tickets on Sale for High School Musical (HCI)

April 12-14 ~ High School Musical (HCI)

April 17 & 18 ~ Celebration of Learning

#### Mikayla Brings Home the GOLD!!



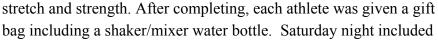
Special Olympics Manitoba held the 2019 Winter Games in Winnipeg this past weekend. Over 450 athletes and coaches participated in 7 sports and Hamiota Collegiate's own, Mikayla Grabowski was one of these athletes.

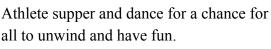
Mikayla was participating in her 1st ever Winter Games in the sport of 5-Pin Bowling. Over two days, Mikayla bowled 6 games ending up with a 115 Points over Average, finishing 1st in the "Female 99 and under **Average**" category. Representing the Parkland (Russell) Region, Mikayla was one of 7 athletes to place in different categories for the Parkland region.

The Winter Games were not all about sport and competition. Friday evening began with the Official Opening Ceremony and Special



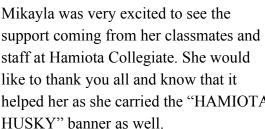
Olympic Pledge. A social evening followed allowing conversation and athlete fellowship. Saturday Morning, athletes were taken to St. John's Ravenscourt school and put through a series of Athlete Health testing. This included height, weight, flexibility,







Mikayla was very excited to see the support coming from her classmates and staff at Hamiota Collegiate. She would like to thank you all and know that it helped her as she carried the "HAMIOTA











NEXT, Track and Field!!!!