

Hamiota Schools Newsletter

Park West School
Division

MARCH, 2018

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Who would have ever thought that two years in a row Mother Nature would have played a cruel joke on us. Almost exactly one year to the day, we experienced another March storm that caused the schools to be closed for two days this past month. If you ask the elementary students, the snow and the snow hills were long over due!

If you happened to be in either school during the next few weeks, you might see a few new faces. I would like to welcome three student teachers to Hamiota Schools. Taylor Madsen is doing his practicum at the collegiate teaching some physed and math. At the elementary school Duncan Lowry is working with Mr. Coughlan in the gymnasium and Mrs. D Routledge in grade five and Mrs. L Routledge in grade four. Mrs. Dixon has Britney Martin with her in grade three. It is great to have these three young teachers join us for a few weeks.

At Hamiota Elementary School the students have been busy with everyday tasks associated with their learning. I am always amazed at the terrific things that go on in each classroom at HES. Mr. Coughlan has organized a noon hour pickle ball tournament that has seen staff and students compete in a game that combines badminton, tennis and table tennis. Thankfully, Music Festival was not cancelled this year and our students travelled to Miniota to participate in the annual festival. Congratulations are in order to our K-3 choir who came home with the trophy! March 16 was Jump Rope for Heart day at HES. The students were enthusiastic participants and did a lot of cheering at the teacher jump off at noon. As we tally the student's fundraising, it looks like the students reached their target, which will result in Mr. Coughlan getting a pie in the face and I might have to wear a dress!

Hamiota Collegiate has been equally busy this month. The major drama production, The Addams Family, is sneaking up on us with performances set to take place from April 12-15. It is great to see so many students get involved in such a rewarding activity. Please plan to attend a show to support all of these talented young people. High school hockey wrapped up with the team losing in the WSHL semi-finals to a very good Vincent Massey team. The team would like to thank the community for all of its support this past season. Badminton is in full swing with the senior and middle year's teams practicing in preparation for some upcoming tournaments. The senior boy's baseball team and the girl's fast pitch teams are busy getting organized for the upcoming season as well.

March is the time when the existing student council hands things over to the new student council. The 2018-19 Student Council was determined and I am excited to announce that the new student council will be; President – Chantelle Chappel, Vice President – Reece Breneman, Treasurer – Brady Daniel, Secretary – Taylor Good, Social – Brody Robinson, Sports Rep – Hayden Crampain, Literary Rep – Daisy Martinez, Canteen Rep – Kassidy Heapy, and Room Rep – Brett Hemrica. When we return after spring break, the outgoing council officially hands things over to the new council. The outgoing council has arranged for a Live Different presentation, for the student body on April 4.

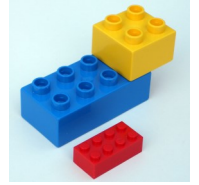
Report card time is here for the K-8 students so please be on the lookout for your child's report card. They will be sent home on Friday, March 23. Report cards for the 9-12 students of HCI will be sent home after the break. Just a reminder that celebration of learning is on April 19th from 4:00-7:00 and April 20th from 9:00-12:00. In addition, we will be having an orientation meeting for current grade 5's on April 19th at 4:30 pm in Ms. Snyder's room and for current grade 8's at 5:00 pm, also on April 20th in Ms. Snyder's room. If you have kids in those grades please plan to attend. If you have any questions on this or anything else please give me a call.

Enjoy your spring break everyone!



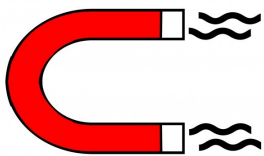
HAMIOTA ELEMENTARY MARCH NEWS

KINDERGARTEN - Kindergarten students were given the opportunity to create and build when Mrs. Obach, the division's technology Resource Teacher, set up four Maker Stations in our classroom. Building with magna-tiles and Lego, creating with playdough, and coding to have a robot follow directions were some of the activities that we enjoyed! Thank-you Mrs. Obach!



GRADE 1- Grade 1's have been busy finishing up our Olympics and Five Senses units. Students had fun designing hats to protect their sense of sight from the sun. We continue to work hard on addition strategies as well as word problems. We are looking forward to spring break!

GRADE 2- The Grade 2's have been working on a unit on the properties of liquids, solids, and gases in science. Our favourite activity was building boats out of different materials. We designed three boats using tinfoil, clay and materials brought from home. There were some very creative designs. Many of the boats actually floated and were able to hold some pennies for weight.



GRADE 3- We'd like to welcome our student teacher, Miss Britney Martin to our class for the next 7 weeks. Welcome aboard! We are busy researching and making Power Points, using subtraction strategies, and exploring with magnets in Science. We're looking forward to visiting our Lilac buddies and having them teach us a new skill!

HAMIOTA ELEMENTARY NEWS (continued)



GRADE 4- The Grade 4's have been working like troopers, memorizing their multiplication facts! We hope to have all of our facts learned by the end of April so that we may have an ice-cream party! In L.A. we had a read aloud on an old classic fairy tale, Hansel and Gretel. The students used graphic organizers to organize and sequence the events from the story. Welcome also to our student teacher, Mr. Lowry! He is visiting us for the next 7 weeks! Mr. Lowry is teaching our social studies unit, Canada's Far North. We are very happy and excited to have him here with us. Here's wishing everyone a relaxing and fun spring break!

GRADE 5- The Grade 5's have completed their division unit and have begun a geometry unit with our student teacher, Mr. Lowry! Welcome! We are also working on research projects in L.A. on Canada's First People's, and in social studies we are learning about the Northwest Passage and the many European explorers who tried to find it. We hope to videotape our French play, the first week or two after spring break.



UPCOMING DATES AT HES

March 26-30 ~ Spring Break
April 17 ~ Grade 5 badminton tournament
April 17 ~ 2018 Kindergarten Information/Registration Night at 7pm
April 19 ~ Celebration of Learning 4-7
April 20 ~ No Classes ~ Celebration of Learning 9-12
April 25 ~ Grade 3 Lilac visit
April 25 & 26 ~ DIAL for new Kinders
April 27 ~ Grade 5 ORFF Music day
April 27 ~ Hot Lunch ~ wraps



GRADE 5S NEWS from Miss Schettler

Happy March Madness Everyone! With the snow days over the grade 5s have been busy solving mysteries. In ELA, our book club groups are busy reading the assigned chapters for their book club meetings on Mondays and Thursdays. Everyone has been summarizing the chapters, listing characters and recording clues and suspects. Each meeting the groups meet to share their thoughts and ideas about the story. We will continue reading our books into April. When we aren't reading, we have been creating different kinds of codes for others to solve. So far we have made book ciphers and symbol codes.

In TUSC everyone continues to do a great job at coming to class prepared. So far we have had muffins, cookies, meatballs and more yummy treats from the chefs. Thank you parents for your support and help with the speeches.

In math, we have started decimals and are connecting them to fractions. Everyone has done a great job at using the decimals place value chart to learn the new place value names. We are starting to add decimals soon which means next time you are at the store the grade 5s can add up your bill for you.

In social studies the grade 5s were challenged to draw what they thought Canada looked like and to label as many provinces, territories and cities as they could. We got some interesting shapes for Canada! Since then we have mapped out Canada focusing on bodies of water and provinces. At some point the students will be challenged to draw out Canada again to see how much they have learnt. We are also beginning to look at the beginning of Canada starting off with some famous explorers such as Henry Hudson and Jacques Cartier.

In art, we made leprechaun traps that came out very green and sparkly. The ones left in the class almost caught him! **Have a safe spring break everyone!**



FRENCH READERS by Mrs. Mitchell

To help celebrate "I love to read" month at HES, 5 grade 11 and 12 French students read French stories to the grade 4 and 5 classes. Students were very attentive, answered questions and asked questions as the stories unfolded. Ashlyn Kirk and Jacinta Doupe read to Mrs. Routledge's grade 4 class, Emily Lints and Emily Usick read to Ms. Schettlers's grade 5 class and Brody Robinson and Emily Usick read to Mrs. Routledge's grade 5 class. The high school students enjoyed the opportunity to share their passion for French with the younger students!



JACINTA DOUPE & ASHLYN KIRK



EMILY USICK & EMILY LINTS



BRODY ROBINSON

I LOVE TO READ

Miss Snyder's class were also reading at the Elementary School. A great time was had by all!



BRENNA KIRK



KORINNE ALEXANDER



BOBBI HUNTER
MASON GURR



HOLDEN NORRIE



SYDNEY MURRAY
KARA KENT

***CULTIVATE WORLD LITERACY PROJECT** by Mrs. Facey*

The grade seven and eight students are involved in a program called Cultivate World Literacy. This program teaches students about the importance of literacy. As we began this journey of literacy, there was a perceived notion that Canada had a high literacy rate. Many students believed that most Canadians understood that they were able (skills), and that they have family members who are also literate. So they didn't think there was a problem in Canada. The students also had knowledge of the inequalities of education in other countries and how this lack of education increased the rate of illiteracy, but they were shocked when they started researching our own country and found out that Canada also has a high rate of illiteracy. We are now working on making a difference in our community. The students are working on projects that will promote and inspire reading, as well as inform people about illiteracy. We hope to share what we have completed in this project during Celebration of Learning.



***STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS** from Holden Norrie*

With the month of March flying by, marks another year of the student council transitioning. After spring break the new 2018-2019 student council will consist of;

This was the first year that the council was decided without competition. However, during their acceptance presentation the new group was required to plan a house team activity on the fly to show how strong of a group they will be. Best of luck to the new group.

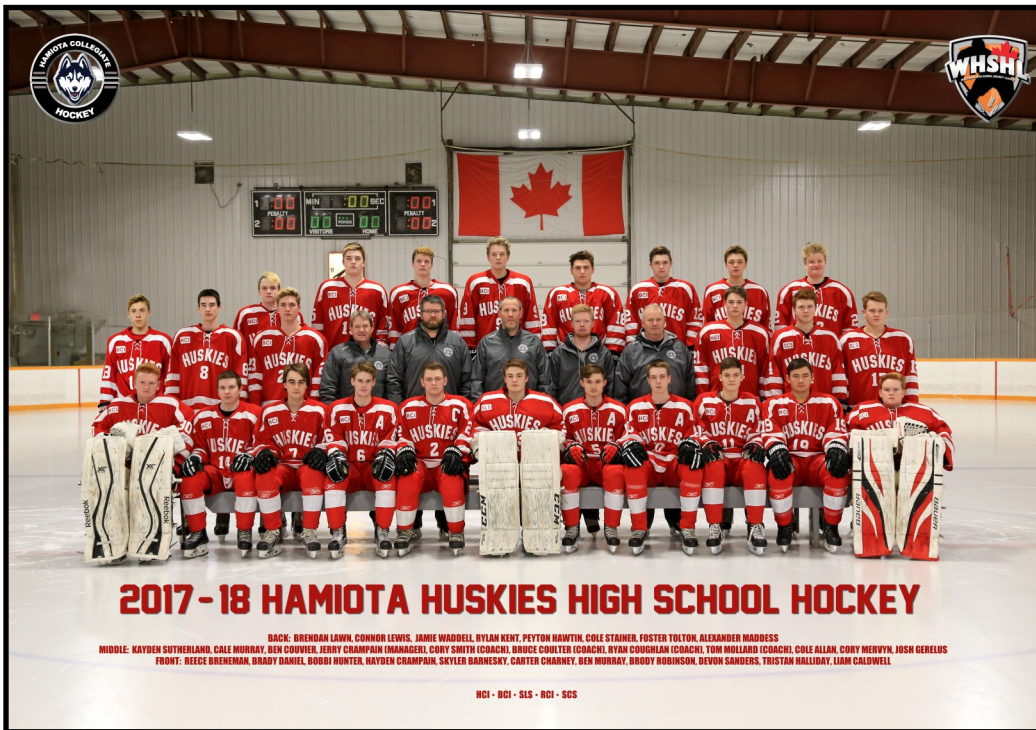


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Following elections, Brett Hemrica agreed to serve as the Grade 12 Room rep and applications are being received from the grade 11 class for Junior Vice President. The councils are planning a Spring Formal Dance for Friday April. 6



HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY *by Mr. Coulter*



The Hamiota Huskies High School Hockey team had a very successful season. The team was comprised of 25 boys from Hamiota Collegiate, Birtle Collegiate, Rosssburn Collegiate, Shoal Lake School and Strathclair School. The team played in the 19 team Westman High School Hockey League and ended the regular season with the third best record. The team went on to sweep the Major Pratt Trojans in the quarter finals of the league playoffs and eventually lost to the Vincent Massey Trojans in the semi finals. The return of

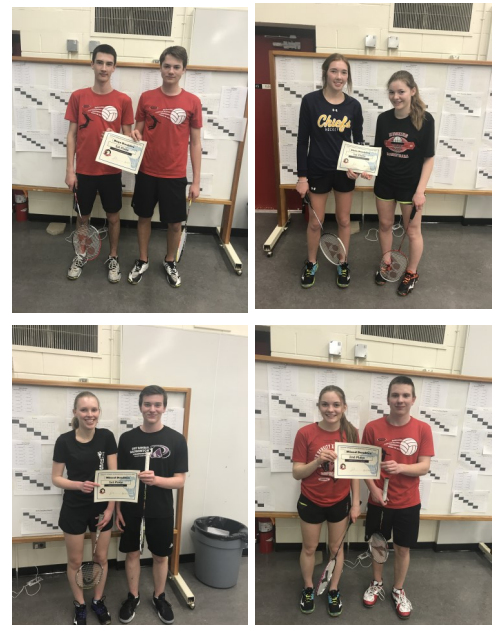
high school hockey to Hamiota was very positive. The support shown by the businesses and the community of Hamiota was tremendous. The team would like to wish Ben Murray, Bobbi Hunter, Skyler Barnesky and Tristan Halliday all the best as all four players graduate from the program.

VARSITY BADMINTON *by Mr. Smith*

Badminton is getting into full swing. This year we have over 30 athletes in the badminton program! We are now into the tournament portion of the schedule. On Tuesday Mar 20th 27 athletes headed to Erickson to their early bird tournament. All athletes competed hard and when the day was over several placed in the top two. Cole and Cale 1st (top left), Sydney and Hailey 1st (top right), Jess and Mason 1st (bottom left) and Brady and Chantelle (bottom right) were second.

The remaining tournaments are:

- April 6th & 7th -Vincent Massey, Brandon
- April 14th -Louis Riel, Winnipeg
- April 18th -South Half Playoffs in Hamiota
- April 25th -Zone Playoffs Hamiota (for those who advance)
- May 4th & 5th -Provincials in Brandon



MIDDLE YEARS BASKETBALL



Back: Caleb Rindlisbacher, Logan McTavish, Rhylen DeBin, Ryan Donohoe, David McConnell, Rhylan Gage

Front: Jaycob Ellis-Grace, Harry Burr, Will McConnell, Caleb McTavish, John Lelond, Colt Brooks, Shane Sparrow, Coach Orland Usick
(Missing: Ty Nykoliation)

The Middle Years Boys Basketball Team finished another great season along with Head Coach Orland Usick. The boys participated in the A Side Divisional Playoffs where they met some stiff competition. Their first game was against the Major Pratt Trojans where they battled hard for the first half but couldn't find a consistent defensive presence to finish the game. The Shoal Lake Sharks were their second match up of the evening. Unfortunately, the Huskies fell short of a win. The team has certainly shown a lot of growth throughout the season and we are looking forward to seeing them in action next year. Hamiota Collegiate would like to thank Orland Usick for once again volunteering his time to help develop the skills of our young athletes. We truly appreciate it!

The Middle Years Girls Basketball Team wrapped up a fun season on February 27th at the final tournament in Birtle. All season, the

games were close with just a difference of a couple of baskets either way. We played our first game against Birtle and lost by 6 points and then we played in the B side final against Shoal Lake and lost by 2 points. The girls played hard and everyone improved over the course of the season. Good job girls!

Back: Coach Ms. Cowling, Reanna Gage, Riley McTavish, Kyla Good, Ella Gurr, Kia Knight, Coach Miss Shettler

Middle: Surrey Smith, Lilly McDonald, Kylie Lodge, Trinity Lints, Daphne Tannas, Kylin Robinson

Front: Shirley Johnson



HCI ATHLETES AT MANITOBA WINTER GAMES

Five Hamiota Collegiate students travelled to Thompson for the Manitoba Winter Games held March 4-10.. Cole Allan competed in badminton, Colin Crampain and Rory McNabb in Hockey, Joelle Little in curling and Charlotte Little who competed in both curling and figure skating. Congratulations on representing Hamiota so well at this wonderful event!



←
Joelle (left)
and Charlotte
(right)



←
In red
Colin (#3)
Rory (#14)



←
Cole
(second
from the
right)

SET Day

By Mr. Smith

On Feb 22 Emily Usick, Dasiy Martinez, Brooke Schellenberg, Brady Lake and Mr. Smith travelled to Uof M to attend SET (Science Engineering and Technology) day. The students listened to presentations on:

This is what is in our water: Pesticides, bacteria and genes!

What makes a plant? Unlocking the genetics of canola seed development.

Understanding the building blocks of life: can proteins help improve patient outcomes?



The sessions were all very engaging. The students also were able to get involved in hands on activities. The students attended a programing session and were introduced to basic programming and how it was related to robotics. The second session was in the lab where the students



were given different bacterial cultures that had been exposed to antibiotics. They then had to determine the effectiveness of the antibiotic. The day was busy and thought provoking!

UPCOMING DATES AT HCI

April 4	~Live Different Presentation
April 5	~Middle Years Singles Badminton Tournament
April 6	~Spring Formal Senior Dance
April 12-15	~Addams Family performances
April 19	~ Celebration of Learning 4-7
April 20	~ No Classes ~ Celebration of Learning 9-12

Hamiota Collegiate

The Addams Family

SCHOOL EDITION



Adults \$13.00
Students \$5.00
Preschool \$2.00

Advance Tickets on Sale April 2 at Hamiota Collegiate

Call 842-2803
(Evenings and weekends please leave a message)

THURSDAY, APRIL 12 12:30 P.M.

(School Performance— Public is welcome -Rush Seating this performance only)

FRIDAY, APRIL 13 7:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14 7:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15 2:00 P.M.

Book by MARSHALL BRICKMAN and RICK ELICE. Based on Characters Created by Charles Addams. By Special Arrangement with Elephant Eye Theatrical, Music and Lyrics by ANDREW LIPPA

Originally produced on Broadway by Stuart Oken, Ray Furman, Michael Leavitt, Five Cent Productions, Stephen Schuler, Deca Theatricals, Scott M. Delmon, Stuart Ditzky, Terry Allen Kramer, Stephanie P. McClelland, James L. Nederlander, Eva Price, Jam Theatricals/Mary LuRoffe, Pittsburgh

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NEW CRISIS LINE

A new crisis text line is now available for kids in Manitoba 24/7, every day of the year.

The service, powered by Kids Help Phone partnering with Crisis Text Line, will allow young people to reach out for help any time by text message.

The goal is to provide an easy way to access help directly from cellphones, without the need for a data plan, internet connection or app.

Kids in Manitoba can text "CONNECT" to 6-8-6-8-6-8 and will be connected to a trained crisis responder that can help with any issues.

This is the country's first and only free texting support service for youth, which will launch in other provinces across Canada later this year.

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Each year at Hamiota Collegiate's Graduation Ceremonies, over 40 scholarships and bursaries are presented to graduating students. These come from many sources, but we would like to acknowledge the following local donors who currently provide scholarships:

Businesses – Community businesses provide scholarships/bursaries based on varying criteria. Some are awarded based on staff recommendation, while others are selected by the business themselves.

Andrew Agencies	Royal Bank (Hamiota Branch)
Campbell Flowers and Funeral Home	T. J.'s Auto Service
Hamiota Coop	T. J.'s Convenience Store
Hamiota Dental Clinic	Vanguard Credit Union
Hamiota Hotel	Villages United Early Learning Centre Inc.
Hamiota Super Thrifty	Westman Communications Group
Kleinhunde/Shadowchamp	

Organizations – Recipients are generally selected based on the aims of the groups involved or their involvement in their programs.

Hamiota Agricultural Society	Harding Community Club
Hamiota Chamber of Commerce	Kenton 4-H Kraftsman
Hamiota Community Drama Club	Kenton Legion
Hamiota Community Foundation	Kenton District History Book Committee
Hamiota Lions Club	Manitoba Nurses Union (Local Branch)
Hamiota & District Health Centre Foundation	
Hamiota Red Sox	
Hamiota Senior Council	

Memorial Scholarships/ Bursaries – These scholarships have been given in memory of staff, students, and Community members. Some are provided directly by individuals on a yearly basis. Others are administrated through the Park West Education Foundation and are awarded based on varying criteria.

Adam Stevenson	Gordon Hunter
Adrienne Angus	Rosemary Poole
Charles Randell	Ryan Goertzen
*Dallas Strachan	Sandra Cochran
Dr. Hudson	Torey Haggarty

*The Dallas Strachan Memorial Scholarship had been provided for many years by an anonymous donor, who became unable to continue providing this scholarship. Interest has been expressed in reviving this scholarship by Mr. Larry Houck and we would welcome donations toward this. Please contact the school if you have any interest.

Municipalities– The municipalities in which students reside provide bursaries based on varying criteria.

Municipality of Hamiota
Prairie View Municipality
RM of Wallace/Woodworth

Our Guidance teacher, Mrs. Diane Brown, provides information to students where applications are required, as information comes to the school. She is always looking for more opportunities, so if you are aware of available scholarships please contact her at the school.

This year we are very pleased to announce a new scholarship which would provide up to \$6,500.00 to a selected student. This scholarship is being award by R.R. Smith Construction, a local business operated by Riley Smith. Riley, the son of Heather and Rob Smith graduated from Hamiota Collegiate in 2009. He returned to Hamiota to start his construction business and wants to encourage students to return to the community following their post-secondary training. Application information is provided on the following page. We are very grateful to have this scholarship available to our students!

R. R. Smith Construction Community Development Scholarship

The *R. R. Smith Construction Community Development Scholarship* is intended to bring educated and skilled individuals back to the community of Hamiota. One Grade 12 student from Hamiota Collegiate Institute will be eligible for an overall award of \$6,500.00. \$1,500.00 to be awarded following proof of tuition payment for the second term. \$5,000.00 to be awarded once the individual chosen returns to the Hamiota community with one year proof of return of service in the individual's chosen area of study.

Preference will be given to a student from Hamiota Municipality whose application shows strong core values and a desire to contribute to the community of Hamiota. In addition, the student chosen will show dedication to a specific field.

Mandatory Application Criteria:

- Submission of Personal Resume

- Statement of Current Academic Standing

- 250 to 500 words outlining your plans for future education and career development, as well as your intentions to return to Hamiota upon completion of school to follow a career path in your chosen field of study.

Supplementary Application Criteria:

- Letter of Recommendation

- Summary of Volunteer Activities

The chosen individual must obtain employment or develop their own company in the field of their chosen post-secondary education within the Hamiota community to be eligible to receive the \$5,000.00. The scholarship will be awarded at the donors' discretion.

Applications to be submitted by: **June 1, 2018**

Applications submitted to:

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