

MAY 2015

# HAMIOTA SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

## Principal's Message

Well spring is here and finally the nice weather with it. I hope everyone has had a great spring and I hope our farmers are having a successful spring. Let's get to it with a breakdown of our activities recently.

At HES students have participated in Earth Day celebrations in April that went really well. Mrs. Obach's class had their grade 2 book launch with books designed by our grade 2 students. Well done! Our school is involved in a water challenge and doing well. We have brought back pizza with the principal for our grade 5 class so ask your child about it. Celebration of Learning went really well at HES and we thank parents for their attendance and seeing what our students are up to. Kindergarten registration took place in April also and thanks again to our parents who attended. On a staffing note Miss. Armstrong will be staying with us in grade 5 next year and Mrs. Allan will be taking on some of the responsibilities with Mrs. McNabb in Kindergarten.

At HCI to say we have been active is a bit of an understatement. Since the break the first thing we were involved with was the play Oklahoma. The acting by the students was great and I want to thank all staff, directors and students involved for their time in this production. We had the Live Different presentation and an anti-bullying day at the school in April for our students. Our 15 year olds participated in the PISA test and according to feedback from them did quite well. In late April we had our annual talent show organized by Miss Novakowski and Mr. Dowden. Congratulations to Miss Novakowski as she will be with us next year until spring break. School planning day is coming up on May 8<sup>th</sup> with students, staff, the PAC, and stakeholders all participating in future goals for our school. Student council has had a spirit week, is organizing a dance, and of course is working on their massive project with Relay for Life.

In athletics our badminton teams wrapped up with an amazing 6 teams going to provincials from Hamiota out of a total of 10. Great job players and coaches! Our middle year's badminton has wrapped up and fastball, baseball, track, and middle year's soccer are all under way. I also wanted to congratulate Jun Jun Taborlupa and Jacquelyn Hawkins for being named graduating basketball all-stars and participating in the all-star game. Congrats also to Ashley Jay for receiving the A player of the year award for basketball in April.

Just a note we had orientation for both grade 5 and grade 8 students transitioning to their next school and the high school. While we were generally pleased with attendance we would always like more. In regards to celebration of learning we really do need to see more parents in our building at HCI. Please know you are always welcome to visit with your teacher during this time or any time after school if you have questions. As always take care and have a great spring!

Sincerely,

Jon

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# KINDERGARTEN NEWS

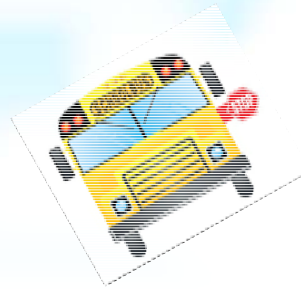
## My Mom Is The Best

For our kindergarten newsletter this month, we thought it would be fun to write an article about our moms.....

My mom is the best because.....

- she gives me presents (Robyn)
- she reads me stories at bedtime (Acadia)
- she helps me pack my lunch kit (Cowen)
- she makes yummy suppers (Lauren)
- she walks me to school every morning (Anna)
- she makes yummy cookies and buys me presents (Maddison)
- she drives me to school in the car (Jax)
- she lets me go to the mall and she buys me good gifts (Morgan)
- she takes me to the movies (Colton)
- she takes me to the bus every morning (Bruce)
- she lets me have ice cream for supper (Claire)
- she helps me with my homework (Shelby)
- she takes me to the Drive-Inn for supper (Brady)
- she shares her smart phone with me (Anika)
- she helps me to buy Alexis a birthday present for her birthday (Kendra)
- my Grandma is the best because she takes me to the princess party (Chloe)
- she gives me lots of clothes (Ava)
- she makes very good desserts (Ariah)
- she plays baseball with me (Boden)
- she lets me go to hotels that cost \$600 (Joe)
- she is creative at painting my face like a butterfly (Taite)
- she takes me out to watch hockey games (Cole)
- she makes the very best chocolate chip cookies (Mrs. McNabb)
- she irons my son's Ukrainian dance costumes when I am busy (Mrs. Workman)

Happy Mother's Day to our Moms! Thanks for helping us to be the best we can be! We love you! xoxo



HAPPY  
MOTHER'S  
Day!



## GRADE ONE NEWS

Hello! This is Miss. Knoll. It has been absolutely amazing getting to be a part of the grade 1 classroom for the last 7 weeks. We have had busy days that made the time go by way to fast. I have really enjoyed getting to work with small groups during our guided reading centers. I love watching every student grow in their reading skills. We started a new unit in Science talking about the characteristics and needs of living things. During this unit we got to trace ourselves on giant pieces of paper. We also planted a bean because we learned about all the different things plants need to grow. Another fun project that we did in Science was we created a beaver lodge. All of my students made a beaver and other animals out of clay to place around the lodge. I am very proud with all of the grade 1's hard work to make it turn out great!



In math we learned about geometry. We talked about different 2-D and 3-D shapes. We used the 3-D shapes to create towers. We also discovered that everything around us is made up of shapes. We are now working on a measurement unit.

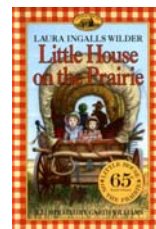


We have also been doing lots of writing. We have written many different types of poems including acrostic and I wish poems. We have also done some writing about what makes us fantastic first graders and why we love Saturdays.

We are having an Earth day celebration this week! We will all be wearing green. We will be playing lots of different games in the gym using recycled materials. It is

## GRADE TWO-G NEWS

April was a bright sunny month and everyone enjoyed playing outside in the warm weather. The grade 2 class has continued to work hard on improving their reading and writing skills. Our mini theme this month has been pioneers. We have been reading some Little House on the Prairie books and doing a variety of reading and writing activities. We have also written creative stories about a hedgehog and one about growing a money tree. How we can look after the Earth was another writing activity we completed for Earth Day.



We continue to work hard on our cursive writing and have learned many of the lower case letters. We have also finished learning all of our Words of the Week.

During the past month we have been working hard on learning various strategies for adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers. We have also been using a variety of units such as paper clips, Popsicle sticks, straws, toothpicks and snap cubes to measure with. We have learned to measure straight objects, objects that are not straight and the distance around objects using a single unit or multiple copies. We have also been using balance scales to determine the mass of different objects.





## GRADE TWO-G NEWS (CONTINUED)



In social studies we are also studying pioneers. We have looked at pictures, read pioneer diaries and completed a chart to compare how things were long ago and today. We have done research to compare what clothing, transportation, schools, communication, toys and games and homes were like long ago and today. During our spare time we are having fun weaving on our looms. Our goal is to make enough patches so everyone can take one home.



We have had some interesting special events during the month of April. Everyone was thrilled to receive a new water bottle and take the challenge to drink all the water in their bottle every day during April. Our Celebration of Learning was well attended and everyone did a great job showing their work to their parents. The Earth Day Carnival was lots of fun and we were amazed by how much fun we had using recycled materials.

It is hard to believe that there are only two more months left in the school year and we are sure they will be just as busy if not busier than this past month has been.

## GRADE TWO-O NEWS

Grade 2 News from Mrs. Obach's Class

Written by Addison, Kayleigh, Sarah & Camryn

This year we did some special activities together. Our families came to celebration of learning. On earth day we did some fun activities together! We have been working hard on finishing our coding instructions for the kindergartens in Winnipeg. Our class posted our fairytales on kid blog! At <http://kidblog.org/class/MrsObachsclass/posts>. We shared our own fractured fairy tale on our blogs.

This time of year we are learning handwriting. When Mrs. Obach told us about it we were very excited. We already know a, c, d and g. Since we know some letters we can write little words. In handwriting all the letters connect and you have to travel on the lines without picking up your pencil. It is very tricky but also fun!!



In math we have been adding two digit numbers. We have also been adding tens. Our class is getting a quick at knowing numbers that add up to ten. Our class is also learning how to count by threes.

Our class made Pigeon books and we had to check it on the checklist. So we can print them. We also made changes to our books to make them better. Then we went on Mixbook so we could publish our books. Then our class printed them. They looked awesome. Then we decided to put them in a book display at the High school, art center, the school library, and the public library.

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## GRADE THREE NEWS



Spring is here and it feels great for everyone! We've been keeping track of the spring birds we've seen so far and Canada geese are winning the race by a long shot!

Speaking of feathered friends, we enjoyed our last Lilac visit on Earth Day, as we made bagel bird feeders with our buddies. We also filled in an Earth Day BINGO sheet. Seniors and Grade 3's found that many of us try to help our environment by recycling, reducing and reusing.



We also enjoyed a school-wide post-Earth Day carnival by using recyclable materials. "Jump the Bottle" and "Kick the Old Bag" were popular events! It was interesting to see how much fun can be had with simple materials.



We are working on multiplication in Math and have discovered that groups of things are all around us. It's neat to learn that multiplication is just repeated addition!

In Social Studies, we've "flown" to Southeast Asia and have toured Thailand, Cambodia and Laos. We've learned what it would be like to live near or on water, how it would feel to be refugees and how landmines are dangerous for children and adults. We're looking forward to our next "flight."



It was great to see so many families attend our Celebration of Learning event. Students and teachers really appreciate your efforts!

During this last leg of the school year, there are many events and academics to work on - lots of excitement!

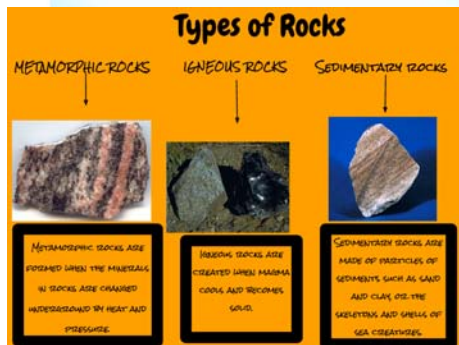
## GRADE FOUR-A NEWS

Spring is finally here and we have been enjoying the warm sunshine! Measurement has been our math focus this month. We have been working on finding the perimeter and area of objects in the classroom and all over the school. Our meter sticks and rulers have been put to good use!





## GRADE FOUR-A NEWS (CONTINUED)



Our latest science unit on rocks and minerals has taken us outside. We have discovered that there are three main types of rock and we were even able to create our own sedimentary rock. Outside we created miniature landscapes and discovered how different types of erosion can change the landscape. The before and after pictures were sure different!

The first art project of spring was a beautiful class flower bouquet to brighten up the classroom. In celebration of earth day we got our

hands dirty making some prints around the earth and planting beans. We learned that one way to be kind to our planet is to plant our own food instead of buying everything from a store. It will be great to see the plants grow!



## GRADE FOUR-R NEWS

Spring has sprung! What beautiful weather we are having! Let's hope it continues...

Right now in Grade 4 ELA, we are busy learning all about Bigfoot or as the Canadians call him...Sasquatch! We took a poll and believe it or not, we are almost tied up with the number of believers vs. non-believers. We will take the poll again when we are finished the unit to see if anyone has changed their mind! Ask your child to tell you all about a man named Roger Patterson and how can Bigfoot! We just finished American man who claims he dian wilderness. The story is man." The students are working your child to tell you all about forests of BC. We have also read called, "The Manitoba Footage." sighting on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005, near River. The footage was taken by the ferry operator, a man named Bobby Clarke. The footage was actually featured on the American TV show, A Current Affair. Pretty cool isn't it? One more little item...did you know that there was a sighting near Kenton Manitoba? Yes!! In the year 2000, a local farmer hauling bales, sighted a strange, upright creature who appeared to be wearing a large fur coat, walking away from him up a nearby hill. This sighting was recorded and investigated by an employee of the BFRO - The Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization. Check it out online and read the account! It is very interesting!



In science, Grade 4R students are currently exploring habitats and communities. We are learning what makes a habitat a home for plants and animals and the components that a habitat MUST have to sustain the species in it. There are four components! Ask your child to explain to you what a plant or animal needs to survive in its habitat.

Don't forget\*\*\*\*The Grade 4 students are headed to Brandon on May 12<sup>th</sup> to attend a performance of The WSO!



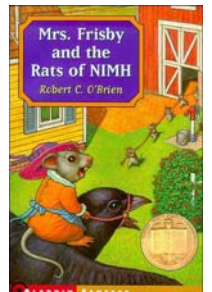
## GRADE FIVE NEWS

It's hard to believe it's May already! The next couple of months will be very busy not just in the classroom, but also with all the extra things that come up as the year winds down! I will send home a letter within the next week or two listing everything to keep you in the loop.

We have been very busy in all subject areas. In math we are just wrapping up our fractions and decimals unit. We spent lots of time on equivalent fractions, but we've also learned how to change fractions to decimals, and what they mean, as well as comparing and ordering fractions, how to add and subtract decimals, and relating fractions to division.

$$\frac{3}{10} = .3$$
$$\frac{17}{100} = .17$$
$$\frac{5}{100} = .05$$

In LA we are working on a couple of different things. One is the novel Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH. This is a great book to read for enjoyment, and always creates lots of discussion as we try to predict what is going to happen next. It's also a great book to build vocabulary. We are also working on writing our own stories. We have talked about the importance of starting with a lead that will grab your reader's attention, and we have also been working on the correct use of quotation marks.



In SS we continue to work on European colonization, and are now looking at the arrival of the British to Canada and the expulsion of the Acadians.



Before spring break we videotaped our French plays with the green screen, and were able to show them to our parents at Celebration of Learning. We are now working on continuing the story of "Comment Y Aller" from where it left off. We are working in pairs to create a part two of this play.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!!!

**May 12** - Grade 4 & 5's to Brandon to attend the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra

**May 18** - No Classes - Victoria Day

**May 20** - Gr. 3's visit Lilac Buddies

**May 21** - Hot Lunch due

**May 25** - EMS visits at HES

**May 29** - Hot Lunch

**June 9** - Middle Years Track (Grade 5)

**June 12** - Fun Day & Barbecue Lunch

**June 22** - Blood Donor Clinic

**June** - Field Trips (Please watch for notes from Classroom Teachers for dates & details)

**June 29** - Farewell Assembly 10:30 a.m.

**June 29** - Last Day of Classes for students!





## GRADE 9 GARDENING PROGRAM

By: Emily Lints

The Grade 9 Social Studies class last year took it upon themselves to start a garden and composting program. This year, the tradition continues as it is passed to the next class. Composting is done every day after lunch and is taken out to the composter. This fertilizer will then be used to benefit the garden. The Grade 9s recently planted the garden with various different types of vegetables. Some of these include: carrots, zucchinis, radishes, onions, parsnips, beets, cucumbers, peppers, and potatoes. Almost all of these seeds were generously donated to us by the Hamiota Co-op and we received a donation from the Student Council to purchase other tools that we needed. The class checks on it and waters it not only during the school year, but periodically throughout the summer as well. Once harvested, all of these wonderful vegetables will be given to the Hamiota Food Bank. The class enjoys taking care of the garden, and it gives us a great opportunity to not only learn about plants, but giving back to the community.



## GRADE TWO BOOKS ON DISPLAY AT HCI

During the week of April 20-24 Hamiota Collegiate Library was thrilled to have the books created by Mrs. Obach's Grade 2 students on display.

Many students and staff members stopped by to read the amazing books written and illustrated by the class. These books were based on the Pigeon series of books by Mo Willems. They also sent their book "The Six Little Chickens and the Big Bad Coyotes" as well as their book "Counting Zoo" which they wrote



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*"Reading books is the only out-of-school activity for 16-year-olds that is linked to getting a managerial or professional job in later life."*  
- University of Oxford, 2011





## BASKETBALL HONOURS

### ASHLEY JAY NAMED GIRLS 'A' BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

At this year's Basketball Manitoba Awards Ceremony, held on April 18 in Winnipeg, Ashley Jay was named "A" Girls Basketball Player of the Year. Coach, Mr. Zilkey, was on hand to make the presentation. Ashley, a Grade 11 student, logged lots of time on the court with the Huskies this year. She was a game star and was named to the All-Star team at the Provincial tournament in Glenboro this year. Congratulations Ashley!!



### ATHLETES SELECTED TO PLAY IN GRAD ALL-STAR GAME



Jacquelyn Hawkins

Graduating students Jacquelyn Hawkins and Jun Jun Taborlupa were selected to play in the graduating students all-star game in Winnipeg on April 18 and attended the awards banquet. Jacquelyn and Jun Jun have been an important part of the Huskies basketball program and many other sports programs, over their school years at Hamiota Collegiate and they will be missed next year.



Edgardo Taborlupa

## SENIOR TRACK

Miss Lopes has met with students interested in taking part in track and field this year. Practices are beginning now that the badminton season is at an end.



## MIDDLE YEARS SOCCER

The Middle Years Soccer practices and games have started! This year we have entered a Co-ed team into the league. Games and practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To find out when our next game is, please visit the Hamiota Collegiate school website! The season runs for the month of May and ends with a tournament on Thursday June 4th. The location of this tournament is TBA. This year the coaches are Mrs. Whelpton and Dakota Ducharme (Grade 11). Come and cheer us on at our home games!





**Back:** Brady Lake, Liam Caldwell, Jamie Waddell, Reece Breneman, Brody Robinson, Hayden Crampain, Cole Allan, Cale Murray, Coach Mr. Crampain  
**Front:** Brendan Lawn, Cole Clark, Nash Gurr, Brady Dziver, Vince David, Foster Tolton, Colin Crampain (Missing Brady Daniel)

## MIDDLE YEARS BADMINTON

The 2015 Middle Year's Badminton season came to a close on Tuesday, April 28, when the grade 6 students traveled to Birtle to play in a singles tournament. Participating in that tournament were:

Kareena Sims, Hailey Chappell, Zachí Espayos, Telyna Lake, Emma Aboud-McConnell, Charlotte Little, Nash Gurr, Colin Crampain, Vince Miranda, Cole Clark, and Brady Dziver.

Earlier in the season, the grade 7 and 8 singles and doubles players took part in tournaments in Hamiota and Strathclair. The mixed teams played in a tournament in Russell.

The Hamiota representatives in the singles tournament were as follows:

Grade 7 Boys Singles: Cole Allan, Jamie Waddell

Grade 7 Girls Singles: Emma Dmyterko, Sierra McTavish

Grade 7 Boys Doubles: Foster Toton/Cole Allan (Placed 2<sup>nd</sup>), Jamie Waddell/Cale Murray

Grade 7 Girls Doubles: Jana McTavish/Emily Murray, Olivia Tolton/Eve Routledge

Grade 7 Mixed: Foster Tolton/Olivia Tolton

Grade 8 Boys Singles: Reece Breneman, Brady Lake

Grade 8 Girls Singles: Joelle Little, Sheena Johnson

Grade 8 Boys Doubles: Brendan Lawn/Brady Lake, Brady Daniel/Liam Caldwell, Hayden Crampain/Brody Robinson (Placed 1<sup>st</sup>)

Grade 8 Girls Doubles: Taylor Good/Emily Usick, Chantelle Chappell/Kassidy Heapy

Grade 8 Mixed: Brody Robinson/Daisy Martinez (Placed 2<sup>nd</sup>), Hayden Crampain/Montana Jackson

All students performed very well and showed great improvement throughout the season.



**Back:** Coach Mr. Coulter, Daisy Martinez, Joelle Little, Kassidy Heapy, Emily Usick, Taylor Good, Olivia Tolton, Sheena Johnson, Sierra McTavish  
**Middle:** Telyna Lake, Emma McConnell, Chantelle Chappell, Montana Jackson, Charlotte Little, Tess McTavish  
**Front:** Eve Routledge, Kareena Sims, Hailey Chappell, Zachí Espayos, Janna McTavish (Missing: Emily Murray)



Park West Grade 8  
Boys Doubles Champs

Brody Robinson &  
Hayden Crampain



Park West Grade 7  
Boys Doubles 2nd

Foster Tolton &  
Cole Allan





## SENIOR BADMINTON

The varsity badminton season began in February this year with 27 players coming out to participate. The following people practiced twice a week to work on skills and strategies of the game: Kara Kent, Carly Shamray, Jessica Hunter, Bobbi Hunter, Jon Abdel Mesih, Sebastian Tolton, Holden Norrie, Mason Gurr, Gary Sheane, Dale McTavish, Ev Juce, and Ashley Jay.

The rest of the players, including, Sydney Murray, Emma Coulter, Brayden Heapy, Will Chappell, Brooke Tolton, Hanna Tolton, Destiny Allan, Emily Hunter, Shailyn Madsen, Vincent Grabowski, Nico Miranda, Jacquelyn Hawkins, Brody Smith, Jake Coulter, JunJun Taborlupa, and Sawyer Norrie, were able to participate in the South Division Playoffs. This tournament proved to be very successful for the team. The results were:  
Boys Doubles - 1<sup>st</sup> - Jake and Brody  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - JunJun and Sawyer  
Girls Doubles - 1<sup>st</sup> - Emily and Destiny 3<sup>rd</sup> - Hanna and Brooke  
Mixed Doubles - 1<sup>st</sup> - Jacquelyn and Nico  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Shailyn and Vincent  
Girls Singles - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sydney

This group of athletes then advanced to the Zone 10 finals, and once again had excellent results.  
Boys Doubles - 1<sup>st</sup> - Jake and Brody  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - JunJun and Sawyer  
Girls Doubles - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Emily and Destiny  
Mixed Doubles - 1<sup>st</sup> - Jacquelyn and Nico  
Girls Singles - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sydney

Finishing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> allowed these players to move on to the Provincials in Winkler on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Fortunately Shailyn and Vincent were able to participate as well. The athletes played well and had some great games. Brody and Jake had 4 wins allowing them to advance to Saturday on the B side Championship. Congratulations to them for being in the top 16. Emily and Destiny had 5 wins which meant they advanced to the A side Championship on Saturday. These girls had some excellent games and ended up finishing 4<sup>th</sup>, which is quite an accomplishment. Way to go girls!



Mixed Doubles  
Nico Miranda &  
Jacquelyn Hawkins



Girls Doubles  
Destiny Allan &  
Emily Hunter



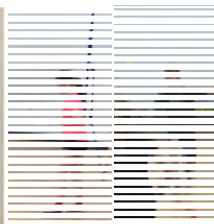
Boys Doubles  
Brody Smith &  
Jake Coulter



Girls Singles  
Sydney  
Murray



Boys Doubles  
Sawyer Norrie &  
JunJun Taborlupa



Mixed Doubles  
Shailyn Madsen &  
Vincent Grabowski

## SECOND ANNUAL HAMIOTA COLLEGIATE SPORTS BANQUET

**Thursday, June 11—6:30 p.m.**

Tickets: Adults \$15.00

18 & under \$ 5.00

HCI Athletes Free

Includes:  
Dinner, guest speaker,  
highlights of the sports  
season, scholarships,  
and awards for all  
athletes

**Deadline to order tickets, June 1—842-2803**

## FASTBALL

Fans were treated to a night of watching ball without blankets and mitts Monday night when the High School Girls' Team hosted a double header against the Russell Trojans. The girls scored 4 runs in the 5th inning to end the first game with a tie 6-6. The second game ended with a score of 9-2 for the Trojans.

The team will travel to Birtle to play a double header on Wednesday, May 6th and participate in a tournament there on Saturday, May 9. They will play Neelin @ 12:00 and Virden @ 4:00.

Playing on the team this year are Shaylin Madsen, Emily Hunter, Ashley Jay, Jaden Hemrica, Caitlin McTavish, MacKenzie Sims, Destiny Allan, Ashlyn Kirk, Sydney Murray, Kara Kent, Carly Shamray, and Heather Waddell (Shoal Lake). Coaching are Jason McTavish and Todd Hunter with Mrs. Allan as teacher supervisor.



## BASEBALL

The high school boys are in the midst of their season with 3 games completed of our 7 game league schedule. At the moment we lost 12-8 to Russell and 7-1 to Birtle and won our last game 10-3 against Reston. We travel to Brandon to visit Neelin on May 6th with a double header at home vs Dauphin and Deloraine/Hartney on May 10th. We will complete the league at home vs Vincent Massey on May 13th with our zone playdowns scheduled for May 15th in Russell.

This year we have 14 players consisting of JunJun Taborlupa (Gr 12 - Hamiota), Mitchell Skotlas (Gr 12 - Shoal Lake), Jorden Thiessen (Gr 12 - Shoal Lake), Sawyer Norrie (Gr 12 - Hamiota), Brady Waddell (Gr 12 - Hamiota), Jake Coulter (Gr 12 - Hamiota), Brody Smith (Gr 11 - Hamiota), Sam Geekie (Gr 11 - Strathclair), Blake Mervyn (Gr 11 - Strathclair), Rudy Pedersen (Gr 11 - Strathclair), Chase Anderson (Gr 11 - Strathclair), Cody Pope (Gr 11 - Hamiota), Brayden Heapy (Gr 10 - Hamiota), and James Maddess (Gr 10 - Shoal Lake). Mr. Jerry Crampain and Mr. Chris Obach are the coaching staff for the high school team.

## STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS by Sawyer Norrie

This month was another busy month for the student council with lots of planning being done. The student council has continued to work with the Relay for Life committee to continue planning for the Relay for Life on June 12<sup>th</sup>. In addition to planning for the relay the student council has also been very busy planning other events such as spirit weeks, a "Live Different" presentation, a free BBQ and an upcoming school dance. On Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, the school received a one hour long presentation by "Live Different." The presentation included speakers telling stories about their high school lives, funny videos and performances by Winnipeg band "Panickland". The focus of the presentation was to be nice to others, don't be afraid of being yourself and not being afraid to do what makes you truly happy. They also briefly talked about how students could get involved with "Live Different" by signing up for hero holidays where students have the ability to go to third world countries and help build houses for families in need.



On May 15<sup>th</sup> the Relay for Life committee will be holding a bake sale and BBQ in the Vanguard parking lot. The committee asks that every family bring one item of baking for the bake sale. The student council is also planning to provide the students with a free BBQ on May 21<sup>st</sup> for the entire student body. In addition to the BBQ the Relay for Life committee will also be holding a "Pie in the Face" fundraiser to raise money for the relay for life. Selected students will be auctioned off to the highest bidder who will get to pie that person in the face. All the money will be then donated to the Relay for Life.

The student council is also pleased announce that they will be holding a High School Dance on Wednesday, May 27 from 7pm until 11pm at HCI. The cost per person will be \$5 with tickets being sold at noon hour prior to the dance. The doors will be closed at 8pm preventing anyone from entering or re-entering the dance at this time. That's all from the student council this month.

## PINK DAY—APRIL 9/15

On Wednesday the Student Council organized a Pink Day assembly. Mr. Zilkey and Mrs. Whelpton with assistance from Mrs. Huberdeau presented some scenarios illustrating right and wrong ways for students to act. Students and staff were asked to wear pink and received pink anti-bullying bracelets to remind us to stand up to bullying everyday.





## TALENT SHOW 2015



M.C.'s - Miss Novakowski & Jack Routledge

The Second Annual Hamiota Collegiate Talent Show was held on Wednesday, April 29. The evening show-cased many of HCI's talented students and the small but appreciative audience were treated to a variety of entertainment. Thanks to Miss Novakowski and Mr. Dowden for their work arranging this concert. Thank you on behalf of the Hamiota School Band for your support and to all the busy students who took time to practice and perform.



IOTAS- Joel Usick, Bailey Wilson, Jessica Young & Jaimie Rose



Logan & Bailey Wilson



Fernando Miranda & Joun Abdel Mesih



Brett Hemrica & Cameron Nolan



Joel Usick



Logan Wilson



Mid-West Dancers—Saige Braden, Ashlyn Kirk, Logan Wilson, Emily Lints, Jacinta Doupe, MacKenzie Sims, Chantelle Chappell



Jaimie Rose



"Clean Slate"—Korinne Alexander, Caitlin McTavish, Ashlyn Kirk



"Wild by Nature" - Holden Norrie, Lacey Winstone, Alex Lints, JunJun Taborlupa, Cody Pope

## BAND TRIP

The Senior Band will be travelling to Moose Jaw from May 11-13 on their annual trip. The band will take part in the Moose Jaw Band festival. Miss Novakowski and Mr. Zilkey will be travelling with the band.

The Spring Band/Choir Concert will be held on June 9.  
Please plan to attend!!





## OKLAHOMA!!



Back: Brian Johnson (Will), Sawyer Norrie (Ali), Saige Braden (Dance Laurey), Ashlyn Kirk, MacKenzie Sims (Dance Laurey), Hayden Crampain (sound), Reece Breneman (sound), Will Chappell (backstage), Grady Routledge (backstage), Dale McTavish (lights), Mark Lawn (lights)  
Middle: Emma McConnell, Zachi Espayos, Tess McTavish, Liam Caldwell (Ike), Hailey Chappell, Kareena Sims, Emily Lints, Brenna Kirk, Korinne Alexander (Andrew), Holden Norrie (Slim), Bobbi Hunter (Cord)  
Front: Ashley Morden, Sheena Johnson, Caitlin McTavish (Aunt Eller), Jenny Harrison (Ado Annie), Jacquelyn Hawkins (Aunt Eller), Jaimie Rose (Laurey), Randy Kirk (Curly), Brooke Tolton (Gertie), Brendan Lawn (backstage), Cody Pope (Jud), Chantelle Chappell, Cassie Hunter



Jana Tannas (Choreographer),  
Val Caldwell (Director)

Hamiota Collegiate presented 4 performances of Oklahoma! on April 9-12. Over 500 people and all students of HCI came to see the production which featured great acting, music, and sets. Thank you to our director Mrs. Val Caldwell, our musical director Mrs. Kirkland and our choreographer Mrs. Jana Tannas for all their hard work. Thanks as well to Mrs. Mathison and all the parents who helped with sets, costumes, hair and makeup. This year we say goodbye to our graduating students Monika Abdel Mesih, Jake Coulter, Jenny Harrison, Jacquelyn Hawkins, Sawyer Norrie and Brooke Tolton. Though we are sad to see you go, we are pleased to see so many young students involved in drama. See you next year!!!

## TALENTED STUDENTS

Grade 9 student, **Jacinta Doupe** was part of the cast of the recent production of "My Fair Lady", at Strathclair this year. The female lead in the play was Eva Stevenson who graduated from Hamiota Collegiate in 2007. Eva was involved in drama and music during her years at HCI. **Jaimie Rose, Joel Usick and Bailey Wilson** are part of the Iotas Jazz Quartet that performed in a concert on Sunday, May 3. This group was formed from an afterschool program through the Mid-West Arts Council. This concert also featured a puppet show that was written by **Tess McTavish**. The Mid-West After School Gr. 5-8 Art Club had created these puppets and their art work was on display. **Brian Johnson** had an evening of music at Lilac Residence showing his many talents as singer, violinist and banjo player. On Sunday April 26 over 50 dancers took part in the **Mid-West School of Dance Recital**. These students put in a lot of practice hours and are instrumental in dancing scenes in HCI plays.





## FRENCH TRAVEL CLUB 2015 by Brady Waddell & Kaylee Daniel

There were 13 students and 2 chaperons who took part on our 12 day trip to Europe. We were grouped with people from Hawaii and Tisdale, Saskatchewan. We flew from Winnipeg to Toronto where we met our connecting flight to London.

In London we saw various sites such as the London Eye, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, and Westminster Abbey. During our time in London we had the opportunity to ride "The Tube" from our hotel to downtown, we took a bus tour of London, and had the chance to eat Fish N' Chips. We then took the Eurostar Chunnel to Paris.

While in Paris we visited the Eiffel Tower, the Lock Bridge, the Louvre, Notre Dame, and the Arch of Triumph. We spent three days in Paris, the first two consisted of site seeing and the third was a free day which was spent shopping. On the third day we took a night train to Venice.

It was a very interesting experience.

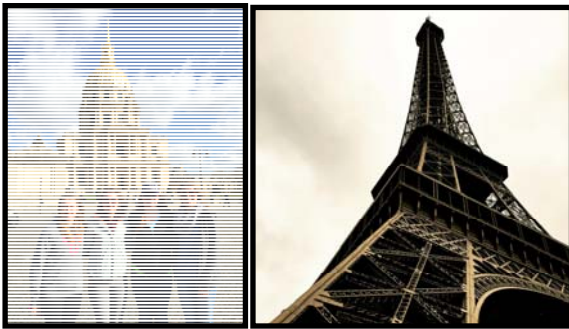
When we first got to Venice we had to get on a bus to cross over the sea. When we arrived on the other side of the bridge we had the chance to tour a glass shop on the island of Marano and were given a demonstration on how glass is made. That afternoon we took gondola rides through the canals of Venice. We only spent one day in Venice so the next morning we boarded a train and were on our way to Rome.

We spent two days in Rome where we took a tour of the Coliseum followed by the Roman Forum.

Our second day was spent shopping and sightseeing. We then travelled to Pompeii where we explored the ruins and saw some spectacular views.

Our last day was spent on the Island of Capri. We had a boat tour around the island and then a walking tour of the island. The island was very colorful and beautiful. We then bused back to Rome where we caught our plane back to Toronto.

It was an amazing experience spent with many great people and the memories and friendships made will never be forgotten.



Back: Mr. Obach, Brady Waddell, JunJun Taborlupa, Sawyer Norrie, Jake Coulter

Middle: Bailey Wilson, Kaylee Daniel, Brooke Tolton, Jenny Harrison, Ashley Jay, Randy Kirk, Jorden Leronowich

Front: Larissa Clegg, Mme Hodgson





## ROOTS OF EMPATHY—GRADE 6



The Grade 6 Class has recently completed Theme 8, “Who Am I?” In this theme, we explored the ways in which people are unique and the factors that contribute to who an individual becomes as a person. We discussed ways in which pre-determined temperament traits affect every aspect of our daily lives.

In the “Who Am I?” theme, we also talked about the things we value, our family backgrounds, our beliefs and traditions. We discussed that it is important to value the contributions of every individual regardless of differences.

Along with exploring different cultures, we also touched on different foods, including what babies like to eat. Elle’s mom, Becky Birch, brought in some food for Elle to try for us. We talked about the importance of letting the baby dictate when they are full, and the cues that go along with hunger and satiety. Safety was also noted

to be an important factor in the way that we feed babies. When feeding new eaters, we expect and accept that there will be a mess involved!

The Grade 6 Class continues to enjoy their visits with their special friend Elle and her mom. It is hard to believe that the next visit will be our last!



## ROOTS OF EMPATHY—GRADE 1

Did you know that babies who are spoken to get a sense of what language is all about long before they recognize words? Babies a year and under can understand a great deal more than they recognize words. These were a couple of ideas that were discussed in the theme “Communicating”.



The Grade One students observed the many ways that Baby Dayton communicates with us and her mom during their family visit. Dayton repeated sounds for words and used body language to tell Mrs. Allan where she wanted to put the ROE doll. Dayton's mom also told us that she points at things, another way of communicating. The students recited Nursery Rhymes for Baby Dayton which is playful communication and helpful for language development.

Feelings of excitement were expressed when Baby Dayton walked all over the green blanket, a new milestone since her

last visit. You could see in the students' faces how proud they were of her! Laura also shared that Baby Dayton had cut her very first tooth!



We look forward to our next family visit at the end of May when we will discuss the theme “Who Am I?”.





## WE ACT COMMITTEE (WAC) by Emily Lints

Empowerment, change, determination. These three words describe how our lives were changed after attending We Day 2014. On the morning of October 29<sup>th</sup>, we had no idea that we would return from We Day as different people. When we were there we learned about empowerment, and how it affects people's lives. We wanted to spread empowerment throughout, not only our community, but the communities around us. After the event, we decided to create a group that would change the community and the world. Following through with our commitment, we managed to collect approximately fifteen students with the same ambition: to create a positive change in the lives of people in need.

Upon its formation in November of 2014, the We Act Committee has been doing various fundraisers for causes both local and international. Some of these include: We Create Change, We Are Rafikis, selling candy-grams, and hosting an All-Nighter for the students promoting CODE (Canadian Organization for Development through Education). *Special thanks to the Lions Club who provided us breakfast after the all nighter.* The profits of these fundraisers have helped people in our community, as well as those internationally.

Our next mission is the Winnipeg Harvest *Bag it Forward* campaign. They are collecting gently used plastic bags to create food kits for those in need. This beneficial program not only helps people, but the environment also. It gives people a way to recycle their plastic bags and not have them harm the eco-system. On May 14<sup>th</sup>, we will be going around door to door in both the towns of Hamiota and Kenton at about 5:30 to collect. We want to gather as many as possible so start saving!

Every member of the We Act Committee believes that we can change the world. All of us know that WE can be the harbingers of change in our community. Our spark can ignite change.





**Saturday, May 9:** Relay for Life HCI will have a table set up in the Vanguard Credit Union parking lot during the Town Wide Yard Sales. Please stop by to complete a registration form or buy a luminary. We are also having a People Auction to bid on the talents of this year's committee members. In addition, we will have cookies, muffins, coffee and cold drinks for sale.

**Friday, May 15:** Relay for Life HCI is holding a BBQ and Bake Sale in the Vanguard Credit Union parking lot from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. This will be your final opportunity to bid on services to be provided by this year's committee members during our People Auction.

***We are asking that every family please donate an item of baking for this fundraiser. Items can be dropped off in the Library on Thursday, May 14. Thank you!***

**Thursday, May 21:** Hamiota Collegiate Student Council is hosting a **FREE BBQ** for all students. This is also "voting" day to elect our next Student Council. In addition, a "Pie in the Face for Cancer" fundraiser will be happening after lunch and voting are complete.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the **May 12 registration deadline for the Relay** and to **THANK YOU** in advance for your continued support of our fundraising endeavors.

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## IMPORTANT HCI DATES

May 7 & 8 - Life Work Planning Job  
Shadowing

May 11-13 - Senior Band Trip

May 15 - Relay for Life Community  
Barbeque and Bake Sale

May 20 - Career Fair in Russell

May 21 - Senior Student Council  
speeches and voting

May 21 - Relay for Life School Barbeque  
and Pie in the Face - Noon Hour

May 22-23 - Beach Volleyball in  
Winnipeg

May 26 - Senior Track

May 25-27 - Grade 6 Outdoor Education

June 1 -Deadline for Sports Banquet  
tickets

June 4-6 - MHSAA Provincial Track

June 9 - Middle Years Track in  
Shoal Lake

June 9 - Band & Choir Concert,  
7:00 pm

June 11 - Annual HCI Sports Banquet

June 12 - Relay for Life

June 24 - Grade 6-11 Awards  
Ceremony, 1:00 p.m.

June 25 - Graduation - Ceremonies at  
7:30 p.m.

The Grade 9 Foods class restaurants will be serving lunch meals at the end of May. Please stay tuned for exact dates, meals and prices!!!