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HAMIOTA SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

Park West School Division



Upcoming Dates:

- * June 6 HES Soccer Jamboree
- * June 7 HCI Band Concert
- * June 14 HCI Sports Banquet
- * June 15 HES Fun Day
- * June 26 Middle Years Year End & Gr. 9-11 Awards
- * June 27 Graduation
- * June 28 HES Farewell Assembly

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As the month of May comes to an end it is hard to believe we are moving into the final month of the school year. So many good things have happened over the course of the year and May was no different. May is known for many things and in the world of education in Park West, it is a month of planning. On May 10, the staffs of both schools were joined by representatives of the Education Stakeholders Committee, the Parent Advisory Council, the Student Council, and Villages United Early Learning Center for an evening of reflection and planning. We spent some time reviewing last years' school plan and looked toward the future. I truly appreciate the input and feedback from all involved. All stakeholders agreed that Character Education and Citizenship is extremely important and as a result that will be a focus moving forward into next year. On the Friday, the staff continued to discuss how we can implement Character Education into our schools next year.

Some highlights from our schools this past month include Varsity Badminton provincials where 6 of our athletes participated and did very well, with four moving on to play in the championship side of the tournament on Saturday. Middle years' soccer has been at the forefront of sports this month and both the boys and girl's teams will be participating in divisional tournaments. Both varsity ball teams, the boy's baseball and the girl's fast pitch teams had successful seasons, unfortunately losing out in the zone final. The final school sport of the year is track & field. A number of high school athletes have qualified to attend provincials while the middle years students are gearing up for the divisional meet in early June. Hamiota Elementary School had to postpone their second annual soccer jamboree due to weather but have rescheduled it for June 6. Soccer teams from Shoal Lake will join our HES teams to participate in the soccer jamboree. Students at HES also had the opportunity to participate in a Drums Alive event out on by the Midwest Recreation District. From all accounts it sounded like it was well received. Maureen Twovoice, a community connector who works for PWSD spent three days working with students from both schools on May 22-24. Two students from HCI participated in the Manitoba High School Business Case Competition in Brandon on May 17 and 18 and they both did very well, putting their learning into action. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Grade 8 class, the student council and a number of staff members who worked with the local Lions Club to do some highway clean-up. Our community certainly benefits from such helpful young people. Finally, I would also like to congratulate the Swim & Swing Jamboree Committee for organizing and running a successful Jamboree on May 26. The committee comprised of students and staff raised over \$3,200.00 to be donated to the Pool to help with the replacement of the liner and to Hamiota Minor Ball. Thank you to everyone who supported this event.

Looking ahead to June we are quite possibly entering our busiest time of the year. Before you know it Hamiota Collegiate will be saying good bye to its 2018 Graduating Class on June 27. The Grade 6-11 awards will take place on June 26 and the HES Farewell Assembly takes place on June 28. June 14 is the annual sports banquet at HCl and this year's guest speaker is HCl alumnus, Phil Dixon. The sports banquet is open to community members and we encourage all to attend (contact the school to purchase tickets). What a great way to show support for our students.

Thanks again for all your support and feel free to contact the school should you have any questions or concerns. Till next time, take care and enjoy the terrific weather we have been having.

Sincerely, Bruce Coulter Principal

Kindergarten News from Mrs. Allan and Mrs. McNabb

Warm summer greetings from The Kindergarten Classroom!

We have been enjoying the warmer weather to play outside at recess times. It's so much easier to run outside to play without snowsuits! On warmer days, we enjoy our play centers outdoors too. Indoors, our new favourite centers are "The Birthday Party Center" and "The Picnic Center."

Playtime is so important for young children to develop as learners, as are our more "structured" learning times.



We continue to practice as readers during our guided reading groups, reading with our grade 1 and grade 3 reading buddies, and our home reading program. These are all great opportuni-

ties to practice our reading skills. We are also grateful for our 3 faithful reading volunteers: Mrs. Mrs. Audrey Kirk, Carrie Sheridan, & Mrs. Chrystal Strachan. They come in each week to listen to us read and practice our sight words. We are also lucky to have our Gr. 8 helpers Darrah Kent. too: Rhylen DeBin. and Christyna Caldwell. As part of their class literacy project, this is a handson opportunity for them to observe and participate in how young children learn to read!

In math, the students are learning about 3D shapes.



Thank You Ms. Kirk for helping us with our math!

We are bucket fillers in Kindergarten! Did u know that we all walk around with an invisible bucket? When our bucket is full, we are happy. When are buckets are "dipped" or a bit empty, we feel sad. In our class,



we work hard to be kind and helpful to others and try to fill up buckets all day long.

When we fill up our classroom bucket for completing acts of kindness we earn a fun reward. We have celebrated with 2 fun rewards already - an picnic outdoor at lunchtime and an extra gym class! We even bucket filling made а movie to share with our school. If you would like to see it, just let our teachers know!

NEWS FROM GRADE ONE from MRS. NOWOSAD

We are sure enjoying the nice warm weather!

Grade 1 continues to be very busy as we keep working on our guided reading, sight words, spelling and writing. We have added an extra focus on proofreading so we are better able to fix up our own writing. We go over sentences together on the smartboard; identifying errors with spelling



and punctuation, upper case and lower case letters, as well as sentence structure and word choice. We are also spending lots of time practicing our oral reading together. Students are working hard on fluency and expression, as well as paying close attention to punctuation when reading. We practice these stories together, with partners and independently. Then Fridays, we have been partnering up with the kindergarten kids to read to them, as well as listen to them read to us. Such great readers in kinder and grade 1!!

Math is also busy as we continue to work on addition and subtraction strategies



and word problems. We have learned how to add using a number line, as well as how to place numbers on an empty numberline. We are doing lots of work with fact families and number bonds.

In science we have been learning about the characteristics and eneeds of living things. We have learned what attributes something has to have to be living. The students have had some good questions and there has been much discussion in this is unit.





In art, Matao's mom, Erica, has come to our classroom the last two Thursday afternoons to get the kids excited about creating sculptures out of "junk". Oh my, the kids had the best time and are really excited about their creations. It was a lot of fun to watch them create these masterpieces. Thank you, Erica!

With just a month left, there is still lots to do!! But also lots of fun activities to look forward to. It's hard to believe we are almost to June!!



News from Grade Two from Mrs. Gregory

May has been another busy month in the grade 2 classroom. We have



worked hard and completed many of our Little House centers. We have done some research comparing what life was like long ago compared to today. After reading some books to obtain information, we chose three topics and wrote information on each. We compiled our stories and illustrations into a flap book. We also

learned what our community looked like over a hundred years ago by watching a power point called "A Stroll Down Main Street." We were amazed at how many

businesses our town had over a hundred years ago. It was also interesting to see that some of the buildings



that were built over a hundred years ago are still standing and being used today. We concluded our study on the past by having a pioneer day where we participated in centres including candle making, weaving, writing with a feather and ink and making a silhouette picture of ourselves. We also made butter and had a box social at lunch time.

In math we have been working on a unit on geometry. We have learned about 2 and 3-D shapes and have been discovering how many edges, vertices and faces some objects have. Adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers up to 100

is another skill we have been practising.

We enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Twovoice who taught us about the medicine wheel. We also had fun participating in the Drums Alive program.



Drums Alive®

News from Grade Three from Mrs. Dixon

The warm days have turned our thoughts to summer days ahead, but we still have a number of projects and



tasks to do before holidays are here! We've been reading the novel, "Stone Fox" and are enjoying this story about a boy and his dog. Many of us can relate, as we are a

group of pet and animal lovers! We've been working diligently on the accompanying activities with the story as well.

In Math, we've been working with multiplication's best friend - yes, division! We're glad to know how closely they're related and that when it comes to facts, "If you know one, you know four!" Fun with fractions is next on the agenda!

We've been doing a few activities from the Lion's Quest program, which is a character education and citizenship building theme. One aspect we've talked about is working as a team. With this in mind, our home reading

program this month is "Home Run

Reading." We're all working together to score as many home runs around our classroom as we can. Celebrations are coming our way!

Our last Lilac visit was bittersweet, as we really enjoyed the extra activities on that day - the balloon launch, yearend video, and of

course, cake and ice cream! It's hard to say goodbye, as many of us established close friendships with our buddies. Summer would be a great time to pay them a visit; they would love to see you!

On Thursday, May 31st, our class will participate in the "Walk

With Your Doc"

Walk with Doc trek around town.

This activity promotes taking a proactive approach to our health. If you see us, please give us a honk and a wave!

With June just around the corner, we are looking forward to some great activities...Soccer Jamboree, Fun Day, Field Trip...life is good!

News from Grade Four from Mrs. Routledge

The Grade 4 students have been dreaming for summer now that the warm, summer air is here! But they have also been thinking about all the wonderful and exciting things they will be learning about and participating in, next year in Grade 5! Here are some of their thoughts...

Isabel - In Grade 5 I am
excited to be a good rolemodel for the young kids
and do all the art projects.

Kaden - I am excited to go
to the Brandon Bobcats
game and also curling with
Mr. C!

Griffin – I am excited to multiply really large numbers in math and also to go curling.

Adrianna - In Grade 5, I am excited to be the oldest in the school!

Alexis - Next year in Grade 5, I am excited to be a peer mentor.

Brooke - I am excited for the Christmas concert because the Grade 5's always get the lead parts. I'm happy to get to run a station at Fun Day, also!

Diego - In Grade 5, I am excited to be on Patrol and make sure everyone is safe!

Eric - I am excited to be a peer mentor and also to be nice and helpful to the other kids.

Gunnar - In Grade 5, I
am excited to go to
Track and Field!

Molly - When I go to Grade 5, I am looking forward to Art because the art in the hallway looks so cool! Also, we get to be the oldest kids in the school! I will be learning more French so I can talk to my French family.

Alyssa - In Grade 5, I am excited to do the unit on Explorers because we get to draw them and burn the edges of the paper. I'm also looking forward to having a role in the Christmas concert.

Ethan - In Grade 5, I am excited to go on a field trip to The Reptile Gardens because we get to see snakes. We get to do the French plays in Grade 5, also! Alec - In Grade 5, I am excited to do math because it is going to be a challenge!

Maria - In Grade 5, I am excited to sew bags in Social Studies.

Hudson - In Grade 5, I am excited to be a leader at Fun Day and run a station! I'm also excited to have a role in the Christmas play. I will be the second oldest kid in the school!

Terron - I am excited to go curling in Grade 5!

Taylor - In Grade 5, I am excited to go on all the trips, learn to curl, and play a part in the Christmas concert!

Nolan - Next year, I am excited for Geometry because I want to learn how to use it properly.

Keegan - I am excited to go to Grade 5 because I can help little kids.

Nic - I am excited to go
to Grade 5 to learn how
to curl!

Gavin - In Grade 5 I am excited about the trip to The Reptile Gardens so I can see snakes, spiders, and lizards.

Hunter - Next year we
will have more advanced
classes and I'm happy
about making new friendships!

Alyshia - I am really looking forward to doing Art next year!

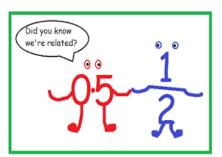
Devon - I am happy to see the other Mrs. Routledge!



News from Grade Five R from Mrs. Routledge

It's hard to believe we are coming up to our final month of school. The year has certainly flown by!

Since our last newsletter we have been working on the novel Mrs. Frisby and the Rats NIMH. of We're enjoying this book and are wondering what the Plan is, and how Jonathon and Mr. Ages know the rats! We have also been working learning on some new vocabulary with this novel.



In math we have been working on fractions and decimals, which will be our last formal unit; and in social studies we have wrapped up our unit on Early European Colonization. We are now

switching over to science to learn as much as we can about the human body in these final weeks of school. We've already started by looking at what foods our bodies need in order to stay healthy. We've



looked at nutrition labels on food items as well as Canada's Food Guide. In fact, after that lesson, I think we all agreed we need to eat more vegetables!

This month we had Ms. Twovoice come in and talk to us about drumming in the indigenous culture. She is going to return on the 31st

talk and to us about residential schools. Thank you, Ms Twovoice! We also had our field trip on the 28th. The weather was beautiful. and everyone had a great day!

We have many things to wrap up within the classroom before the vear is done. well as as many fun things to do outside of the classroom. A list of things these was sent home a few weeks ago, but if you have any questions please feel free to call



News From Grade 55 from Miss Schettler

We are almost there! June is on the way! This May we were busy completing our Harris Burdick stories. Harris Burdick was a writer and illustrator who dropped off 14 pictures at a publisher's office in the 1980s. Burdick mysteriously never returned with the stories that went with

each picture. The grade 5's each created a story they think goes with one of the Burdick's pictures. They have done a great job adding personification into their stories.

In math, we have finished our variables unit which is algebra based. The grade 5s can find missing variables and create an equation that includes a variable. This unit was problem solving based. The test is coming home so don't forget to sign and return it along with any other tests you find in your house!

> Our New France/ fur trade unit consisted of learning about the French lifestyle and how the King of France sent men and later women

to create a new country. We wrapped up the unit with a fur trade game. The students got a glimpse of how traders in Rupert's Land had to hunt and make their way to the trading post to get aoods.

A big thank you to Maureen Twovoice for visiting along with her two guests.

We have now started our human body science unit which includes the digestive system and urinary system, circulatory system, skeletal and muscular systems and the nervous system.

Just a reminder that June is a busy month so check your student's agenda for info and reminders about upcoming field trips and fun days.



June 6 ~ Soccer Jamboree

🔓 June 8 🛛 ~ Grade 5's @ HCI

June 22 ~ K& 1 Field Trip
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√ June 25 ~ Grades 1-5 Swimming in Afternoon



VARSITY BADMINTON PROVINCIALS by Mr. Smith

The varsity badminton season wrapped May 4th and 5th. Six athletes earned the right to go to Provincials in Brandon. Cole Alan and Cale Murray advanced for the first time and did great finishing with a 3-4 record. Unfortunately it was good enough for 5th in their pool and they did not advance to Saturday. In the mixed doubles category Jess Hunter and Mason Gurr finished 4th in a tough pool advancing to playoffs where they finshed up the day in 13th. Carly Shamray and Sydney Murray finished the round robin in 2nd place

tinshed up the day in 13th. Carly Shamray and Sydney Murray finished the round robin in 2nd place earning a birth in the playoffs Saturday. They started strong but lost a close match putting them just out of medal contention. When the last bird dropped they ended up finishing 6th. We had a great showing to finish off the season. Thanks to all players for their commitment and the parents who drove it was greatly appreciated.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS FASTBALL

by Miss Snyder



Pictured: Back Row (L-R) Jason McTavish (coach), Kara Kent, Chantelle Chappell, Ashlyn Kirk, Kareena Sims, Jana McTavish, Becky Gardham (Birtle), Hailey Gardham (Birtle), Miss Snyder (coach). Front Row (L-R): Sydney Murray, Carly Shamray, Kassidy Heapy, Hailey Chappell

The high school girls fastball team had a short season this year. Hamiota and Russell were the only two teams competing in Zone 10, thus we decided to play a five game series to determine which team would move on to inter-zone competition. Russell ended up winning the series 3 games to 1. The girls should be very proud of their efforts this year. Their dedication to the team was greatly appreciated by their coaches!

BOYS BASEBALL by Mr. Crampain

With the slow start to spring this year came the slow start to the high school baseball season. As always we started practicing the Monday after spring break in the gymnasium of the school but we did not play our first baseball game until Wednesday May 2nd. This year our first baseball game was away in Brandon against Crocus Plains. We started the league off with a 12-2 win against Crocus and carried onto a 5-2 league standing in 7 games.

For the first time, as long as I can remember, we had enough Hamiota Collegiate players to field a solely Hamiota baseball team.

The zone consisted of Major Pratt, Birtle, Hamiota, and Shoal Lake/Strathclair/ Rossburn teams. We ended up second in the



<u>Back</u>: Mr. Jerry Crampain (Coach), Mr. Taylor Madsen (Coach), Colin Crampain (Gr. 9), Jamie Waddell (Gr. 10), Cale Murray (Gr. 10), Rory McNabb (Gr. 9), Brody Robinson (Gr. 11), Mr. Brayden Heapy (Coach), Mr. Chris Obach(coach)

<u>Front</u>: Mason Gurr(Gr. 12), Ryan Kent(Gr.9), Kayden Sutherland (Gr. 10), Levi Best (Gr.10), Foster Tolton (Gr. 10), Hayden Crampain (Gr. 11), Ben Murray (Gr. 12)

Missing: Cole Allan (Gr. 10), Layne Norrie (Gr. 10)

zone and played Birtle in the semi final ending with the W and moving on to play Major Pratt. After a hard fought battle against this strong, mainly grade 12 crew, we lost 11-9. We applied for a provincial Wildcard but lost the bid to Portage and Sturgeons Heights collegiate. This decision ended our provincial bound campaign. We ended second in the league standings behind Major Pratt gaining a berth to the final four league tournament. In this tournament we play the number one seed in the south being Boissevain. Overall it was an excellent baseball season with a lot of learning by our younger players.

SENIOR TRACK AND FIELD by Miss Lopes

There are 8 senior athletes going to provincials June 7-9th in Winnipeg. Holden Norrie for varsity boys high jump.
Ben Murray for varsity boys 1500m
Jacinta Doupe for varsity girls 400m
Brenna Kirk for varsity girls shot put
Joelle Little for varsity girls shot put, discus, and javelin
Dawson Brooks for junior varsity boys 3000m
Charlotte Little for junior varsity girls 800m
Mikayla Grabowski for Special Olympics shot put, 100m and 200m



Mikayla also attended a Special Olympics Track Meet in Winnipeg on May 26th competing on the Parkland team. She placed 2nd in the 100 m(21.9 sec.), first in shot put (3.6m) and third in standing long jump(.89m). She placed 1st in her 200 m race (49.9 sec.) with such a fast time she was moved up 2 levels and placed third in that group. There were also competitors from Winnipeg, Portage, and Westman teams at the event on the weekend. Great Job Mikayla!!

Mikayla crosses the finish line in the 200m

PHIL DIXON RETURNS TO HCI AS GUEST SPEAKER FOR SPORTS BANQUET

Phil Dixon graduated from Hamiota Collegiate in 1986. He is the son of Mel and Jan Dixon. He trained as an engineer and worked in that profession for a number of years. He always had a love of volleyball and has built a career in this sport. He has been on the coaching staff of school and college teams, Alberta provincial teams and the National B Team, as well as being involved in development programs. Come and hear his story at the Sports Banquet on June 14. All student athletes will be recognized for their participation and athletic scholarships, the Sports Honour Roll and Athletes of the Year awards will be presented.



The evening is free for all high school students who played on athletic teams. Cost for other students is \$5.00 and \$15.00 for adults. Please call Mrs. Hawkins at 204-842-2803 or stop in at the office to book tickets.

Midwest Recreation Summer Activities

June 23 rd	Hamiota Adult and Kid Golf Lessons	Hamiota Golf Course	Adult: \$55 10-12pm Child: \$40 12:15-1:45pm
July 1 st	Canada Day Celebration Pool Party	Hamiota Aquatic Centre	2-4pm FREE
July 6 th	Pottery	Hamiota Complex	3:30-5:30 pm (child \$22) 6:30pm (adult \$32)
July 7 th	Canadian Firearms Safety Course (PAL)	Hamiota Complex	9-6pm \$105 Ages: 12+
July 8 th	Manitoba Hunter Safety Course	Hamiota Complex	9-5pm \$65 ages: 10+
$July 9^{th} - 13^{th}$	Hamiota Day Camps	Hamiota Complex	9-4pm \$15/day/child
July 19th	Kids Karnival/ Beach VB Tournament		
July 27	A Day in the Park	Beside Hamiota Aquatic Cent	re 1-4pm FREE
July 28 th	Follow the Sun Off the Grid	Eternal Springs	
August 13 th -16 th	Hamiota Day Camps	Hamiota Complex	9-4pm \$15/day/child
August 28 th	Babysitter Course	Hamiota Complex	9-4pm \$50 Ages: 11+
August 31 st	BU Volleyball Camp	Hamiota Collegiate	10-1pm 2-5pm \$55



For more information or to register contact: Jacquelyn: 764-3050 ext. 112 midwestrecassist@hamiota.com Bonnie: 764-3050 ext. 106 midwestrec@hamiota.com



BAND NEWS

from Mrs Nowsett

Gr. 6 band students have been working on making a quality sound, learning lots of notes, increasing their aural skills by echoing short rhythmic and melodic patterns, creating their own rhythms and tunes, playing in 2 or more parts, as well as learning how to read rhythm and pitch. They have learned several tunes by ear and have begun reading some as well. They have started working on their first band pieces which they are looking forward to sharing at our June concert.

Gr 7 band students have been working on expanding their range of notes, aural skills, playing in 2 or more parts, and improving their music reading skills. They are working on some performance pieces to share at the concert.

Gr. 8 band students have been working on focus and listening skills, as well as improving their sound quality and reading skills. They performed in the Manitoba Band Assoc. festival in Brandon and received many positive comments from the adjudicators as well as some

ideas for next steps. As an ensemble, they have improved a lot over the last few months.

Senior band students have been expanding their range into many different key centres, working on improving their rhythmic ability, and working on their music sight-reading skills. They have played a lot of different repertoire in different styles, key centres, and time signatures, and they are looking forward to sharing some of it at the June concert.

Mrs. D is proud of the accomplishments of all of the band students and appreciates their enthusiasm and efforts. Parents are reminded of the June 7 band concert,



and are asked to please help students to make time to practice their parts at home to the best of their ability. We look forward to seeing you there!



STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

from Brett Hemrica

Earlier this month, the student council organized a house team event, involving sponges and buckets of water. On May 18th, the Swing & Swim Jamboree Committee held a bake sale at HCl to raise money for their fundraiser, which was held on the 26th, where a beach volleyball tournament, escape room, children's games, and a senior baseball game took place. High school track & field also took place this month in Shoal Lake, with 8 athletes heading to provincials in Winnipeg.









MAUREEN TWOVOICE, COMMUNITY CONNECTOR, VISITS HAMIOTA SCHOOLS

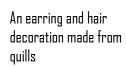
Hamiota Schools were fortunate to have Ms. Maureen Twovoice visit all classrooms at both Schools last week. While in Hamiota she shared information on Mini Drums, the Medicine Wheel and Quill work and students were able to do some hands on activities. Ms. Julia Brandon and Mr. Tristan Gaywish, both from Wewezhigaabawing (Waywayseecappo First Nation) assisted her.





Ms. Brandon explains how quills are prepared and dyed and then showed how they are worked into designs.







Ms. Twovoice shares pictures of quill work with Gr, 9 students

DENMARK STUDENT EXCHANGE

Since 2013, Park West School Division has had an student exchange with a large secondary school in Denmark. The partnership was initiated by one of their staff (Peter Daamgard Lund) who was an exchange student himself at Strathclair School in 1991-1992. The school is Risskov Gymnasium in the city of Aarhus (population 300 000). The exchange program that we developed is a six week immersion excursion for students. Typically, our students spend six week in Denmark and they are visited by a Danish student later in the fall.

Any interested Park West students would spend six weeks in August and September in Denmark. The Danish school year starts earlier than ours so our kids only miss the first three weeks of our semester. There are three students from Denmark that are hoping to find an exchange opportunities in Western Manitoba. They would visit for six weeks in October and November.

Mikayla Madsen, a 2017 HCl grad, exchanged with Fiona Bracken of Denmark and both girls had a marvelous experience learning about each other's country and home life. Fiona returned to Canada again in June to celebrate Mikayla's graduation.

The agreement with the school in Denmark has no tuition costs. Students are expected only to cover their flights and incidental expenses while visiting their host country. A quick search on Expedia this morning suggests that the return airfare would be in the \$1400 range.

What they are offering are as follows:

- classes/courses (many taught in English) and social activities at their school
- a tutor being responsible for exchange students at school, making sure that the student feels included
- room and meals in the home of one of their students
- a certificate in English stating that the exchange student has attended Risskov Gymnasium
- an introduction to the local environment in Aarhus, Denmark
- pick-up in Danish airport (Copenhagen)

If you are interested either as a parent of an interested student, a possible host family, or both, please contact Stephen David at sdavid@pwsd.ca or the PWSD office at 204-842-2083.



YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY by Jamie Waddell

On May 18, the Hamiota Youth in Philanthropy group proudly presented its selected candidates with their money. For months the group has been meeting to organize, working towards their end goal of donating a total of \$2500 to applicants they felt most deserving of the money.

This was the Hamiota YIP group's first year. This is run in conjunction with the Hamiota Foundation and the

Thomas Sill Foundation. Our committee receives money annually from the Thomas Sill Foundation for the next three years, then after we are funded for another 3 years by the Hamiota Foundation. Each year an endowment is established by our committee to provide funds for organizations with a project in mind that benefits youth in Hamiota and the surrounding area. The group consists of three teachers and nine students from HCI. They have been meeting regularly since November to organize the group and create application forms, as well as posters to spread the word. This year, being the first was hectic at times as the group was learning what all was involved in the art of philanthropy. Once all applications were submitted, the group chose how they would divide the donations among applicants. The two recipients selected are the Hamiota Golf Club and Midwest Arts Council.

The Midwest Arts Council would like to provide art lessons to children on PD days next school year. They would like to bring in experts in different art styles such as painting, music, writing, etc. These lessons will be offered free to children in need of a place to go on days off, and who possibly otherwise could not afford lessons. With the help of the Hamiota YIP group, the Midwest Arts Council will be able to provide these lessons for the 2018-19 school year.

Hamiota's Golf Club had the vision of providing clubs to youth so everyone can have a chance to play the great game of golf. A golf set is a costly investment, and it



The 2018 Hamiota Youth in Philanthropy group presenting Dave Rawlings and the Hamiota Golf Club (top), and Marlene Andrew from the Midwest Arts Council (bottom), at the Swim and Swing Bake Sale.



can be hard to make if you have not had the chance to try golf for yourself. The Golf Club will be purchasing multiple sets of youth clubs, which will be available for use at the Hamiota course. This will help get more youth into the game, and provide a fair opportunity for everyone to enjoy golf.

On Friday, May 18th, the two recipients were presented with a big check to honour the beginning of their projects. The Hamiota Youth in Philanthropy group had a successful year, reaching their objective of helping youth in the community. The Group will be continuing in future years, and would like to thank all of this year's applicants. We look forward to starting anew next year.

NATURE STUDIES COURSE by Michelle Bell

To complete my grad year, I thought doing something different from sitting in a classroom day in and day out would be a fantastic change to endure. This brought me to looking at the nature studies course offered as a vocational program here at Hamiota Collegiate. It definitely was something new and diverse from any of the courses I have taken so far. We spend about three quarters of the days outside and the rest inside



Some of the indoor work we have completed so far would be skinning and bleaching skulls, learning about species and waterfowl common to Manitoba, and identification labs. I myself bleached off deer, mink, calf and fisher skulls as well as did identification labs on the blue and green winged teal ducks. This year was totally unique to the labs because we were able to experience tasks that were never done before since we had received a wolf skull brought in calf and foal skulls.

As for the outdoor activities, we endured snow shoeing, bush whacking, turkey tagging, marking out fences for a local farmer, set up trail cameras in Birtle area as well as went over to Fort Ellice to assist in monitoring their trail cameras. Another activity we completed

outside was building snow quinzhees. Something we did every so often was include the younger grades by showing them the results of things we did. The snow quinzhees were just one of the things we let them see and use.



Wild turkey tagging and release near Basswood

Now that it's a lot nicer outside, the class will be splitting up into work credits and doing tasks with the teacher for the rural municipalities, Fort Ellice, local farmers as well as having a little fun with canoeing and overnight camping. Overall this was definitely a great way to finish off my high school experience and would recommend this to my fellow students in the school. You truly do learn a lot of life skills and experience a variety of new and interesting tasks that you otherwise never would do.

HEALTH CARE AIDE by Logan Wilson

Over this school year I had the opportunity to participate in the Comprehensive Health Care Aide course offered by our school division partnered with Assiniboine Community College. Throughout this course I gained many experiences that I am extremely grateful for.

During the first semester the class met for an hour every day on Skype calls where we learned about the role of a health care aide. In the second semester we were able to experience more hands-on learning. February through March, my class members from around the division and I met in Birtle from 9:30am to 2:30 pm. Each Monday, Wednesday and Friday during this time we worked in the classroom. A lot of the classroom work was reading and completing assignments like posters, presentations, and a few tests. My favourite days were the lab days that happened the other days of the week. On these days we got to practice skills on our friends. In April, I completed my first practicum with my classmates and instructors. This consisted of four weeks of hands-on experience in local communities. We spent two weeks in acute and two weeks in long term care. This was an exciting experience for me as I felt that I was able to make a difference in these people's lives.

After the first practicum we went back to Birtle. This stretch of classroom time was packed full of learning but we still had some fun. I am grateful for everything that I have learned as it has taught me many skills I will use in my future career in the healthcare field. I am also grateful for the connections within the school division, the community and the friendships I have built because of the Comprehensive Health Care Aide course.

On May 28th, I started my senior practicum. In senior practicum I will spend 5 days in acute, 5 days in long term, 3 days in mental health and 2 days in home care. So far my experience has been fantastic, I was nervous at first but all the staff at the facilities I encounter are great! Overall, I am so happy that I pursued this opportunity. It was an amazing experience that now provides me and my peers with a meaningful career right out of high school and the confidence to further my career as a nurse this upcoming fall.

IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN THESE OR OTHER VOCATIONAL COURSES, PLEASE CONTACT MRS. BROWN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE REGISTRATION DATE IS JUNE 1ST.

BUSINESS NEWS



Members of Mr. Crampain's Grade 10 Business Communications class are spending their Wednesday class with seniors living in Hamiota who want to learn more about their computers and other devices.

Students are enjoying visiting and sharing their knowledge with these members of the community.



MANITOBA HIGH SCHOOL CASE COMPETITION

On May 17th and 18th, 2018 Brady Lake and Gary Sheane attended the Manitoba High School Case Competition. This year's main sponsor of the event was Vanguard Catalyst Credit Union along with many other businesses. Assiniboine Community College also provided sponsorship with the use of their facilities and creating an excellent meal in the culinary arts building. ACC also have a provided a \$1000.00 scholarship to every student in attendance when enrolling in the Assiniboine's Business Program.





Gary Sheane

Brady Lake

So really, what is a Case Competition? A case competition is an event where teams of three receive a case study (a scenario or specific set of circumstances) that is to be completed in a limited period of time. This year's case was about an escape room company that were running a very successful business in one location. Teams must identify the most prominent issues presented in the case study and develop a customized strategy to solve these issues and achieve the stated goals. This years case presented several issues with an expansion, should they expand, where, how many resources to put towards the expan-



sion, what themes, or who should run the expansion are just a few of the questions presented to the team. Winning teams must work together in the most efficient way to present a cohesive recommendation that includes creativity, specific detail, and technical background knowledge. At the end of the time period, competitors present their recommendation to a board of accomplished judges. Competitors are judged on their ability to identify the key issues, present creative solutions, and communicate effectively.

Case competitions were initially created for business students at the graduate and undergraduate levels, but have recently exploded onto the high school scene.

Hamiota Collegiate's team this year was in the Entrepreneurship competition and placed 5th out of the 11 teams. It is important to remember that while case competitions have a formal competitive element, there is so much more to the overall experience for both students and teachers. Students are able to network with like-minded business-centric peers, and business educators will find no more valuable form of professional development. When industry, educators from all levels, and the bright young leaders of tomorrow get together to expand their business knowledge – the future is the real winner!

BUSINESSES

Students from Mr. Crampain's Entrepreneurship class have created three businesses which they have planned, set up and are currently running. Below are the Executive Summaries of these businesses.

GROOVY SMOOTHIES

Man it's hot outside, how in the world do we cool down? Groovy Smoothies have the cooling solution for you. At noon on several days in the first week of June we are running a smoothie canteen. Our products are created fresh just for you. Hamiota Collegiate Huskie Hut will be buzzing with activity during our canteen hours. Groovie Smoothies hopes to sell 20 smoothies



a day over a three-day period. A Groovie Smoothie is made with fresh milk and other ingredients making these very good for you because of the level of calcium and other vitamins. Watch for upcoming marketing posters to get your smoothie! Business operators are: Dawson Brooks, Ashlynn Harris, Alec McTavish and Emma Dmyterko.

SEAMZ BASEBALL

Seamz Baseball sells good quality stirrups and sleeves for baseball. The sleeves are for the arms of baseball players to keep their arms tight, compressed and warm so your arm stays healthy and doesn't get sore. Stirrups are like socks but you wear them over top of a sock. Our product is different from our competitors because they are one of



a kind and customizable with names, numbers and the colours you want. Making a profit and selling to as many people as we can are our goals. The competitive advantages we have over other companies is that our company is hard working, creative, has great customer service and the product is customizable. Our company is based out of Hamiota so you don't have to leave Hamiota to get stirrups or sleeves. Business operators are: Cole Allan, Levi Best, Cale Murray, Kayden Sutherland and Jamie Waddell.

SNACK SHAQ

Our service "Snack Shaq" is a hot lunch style food service. Our services are targeted to young children and will be providing delicious lunches for them. The concept of our business originated from the enjoyment we got as children from hot lunches. We wish to pass on this enjoyment to today's youth. What differentiates us from our competitors is that this is made by kids for kids. The main differentiator is that we customized the meals to what the kids want. Unlike our competitors, we gave the kids options as to what they wanted to eat instead of one set meal per month. From our market research, we have found that majority of the elementary students

prefer macaroni and cheese, and pizza over subs and spaghetti. This research allowed us to get a more specialized target audience. In our venture there are five main stock holders who co-own the company. Those five people consist of Eve Routledge, Foster Tolton, Jana McTavish, Kiara Kirk and Olivia Tolton.

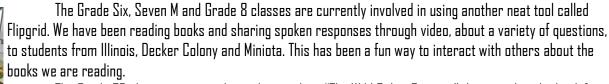
LEARNING IN MIDDLE YEARS

This year the students have been learning in unique ways. The grade eights learned about selfesteem through the program *Project II.* Then they used the information they learned to create You Tube videos. The videos can be found on Mrs. Facey's Class You Tube channel.



Both grade seven classes were also involved in *Global Read Aloud*. This was a program where the students read a class book and then connected by Skype with students from other places to discuss the book.

Another project that the Grade Seven M and Grade eight classes participated in was called *Cultivate World Literacy*. This project taught students about the issue of illiteracy. During the fifth week of the program, the students created a plan to help make a change. The grade eights designed four different plans to try to help reduce illiteracy or at least bring awareness of the issue that many people are facing. One group fundraised to buy new books to give to students who are entering Kindergarten in the fall. They also wrote a note to explain the importance of reading. A great moment for this group was when one of the group members was able to attend the parent meeting to speak about their project and hand out the books. Two other groups created presentations about illiteracy. One group presented to students from Kindergarten to grade two and the other group presented to grade four and five students. The final group learned how to teach reading from some of the experts at the elementary school. They then were placed with students to help them improve their reading. They are continuing to go to the elementary school to help out.

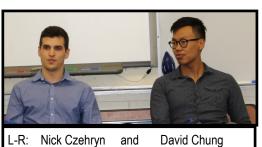


The Grade 7C class are currently reading in class "The Wild Robot Returns" the sequel to the book from Global Read Aloud,

After reading an article on a New Brunswick teen who challenged others to spread kindness we created presentations for all of the HES students and shared them with each class for World Kindness Day.

After reading an article on a New Genius Hour, we took time for everyone to explore their passions and once students selected a topic they created questions they wanted to learn about their topic. We then took time for research, learning and practicing the new skills and presented the final product to the class. Some of the topics included; photography, cake decorating, architecture and model building, and fixing and preparing a dirt bike for riding.

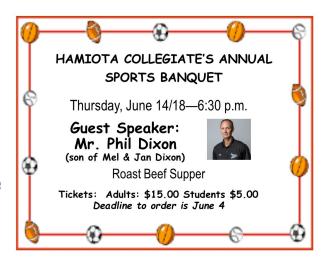
MEDICAL STUDENTS VISIT HCI



Two University of Manitoba medical students stopped by Hamiota Collegiate on Wednesday, May 30 to speak to the Grade 10 class.

They spoke to the students about why they chose medicine

as a career, how to get into the program and the work involved. All U of M medical students spend time at a rural health centre to learn about the routine of doctors in a rural setting and hopefully encourage students to consider working outside of an urban area.



40S BIOLOGY TRIP TO OAK HAMMOCK MARSH

The Grade 12 Biology class went on a field trip this past week to Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Center in Stonewall.

Our first activity was critter dipping and invertebrate sampling. The students were able to use several biological tools to collect water and mud samples of the marsh. These samples were later examined under a video microscope, which allowed the students to identify some of the aquatic invertebrates that call the marsh home.

Our second activity was playing a variety of Indigenous games and learning the history behind their creation. After that, we were able to tour a variety of exhibits located at the marsh. The exhibits covered a wide range of topics from topography, land use, and watersheds to animal habitats, behaviours, and evolutionary adaptations.



Back row (L-R): Jessica Hunter, Jacinta Doupe, Brenna Kirk, Kara Kent, Sydney Murray, Ashlyn Kirk, Bobbi Hunter, Mason Gurr, Joanne Whyte (chaperone), and Mr. Coughlan. Front row (L-R): Carly Shamray, Korinne Alexander, Holden Norrie, and Miss Snyder.

We stayed the night in the clubhouse located at the marsh.

Our final morning had us studying wetland ecology. We looked at how population sampling techniques can be used to indicate the level of biodiversity in an ecosystem. We also identified different types of birds and performed some water chemistry on samples that we collected from the marsh.

A great time was had by all!

Manitoba Youth Job Centre is OPEN

Join the Odd Job Squad (OJS) if you are aged 12-16 and would like to learn valuable work skills and earn an income this summer!

Stop by the Centre if you need help writing your resume, filling out job application forms or interview coaching!

Sign up with the Centre if you would like to be referred to businesses/ homeowners if they have casual, part-time or full-time jobs available! Registering with the Centre and all services provided are FREE!!

Come see Eveline at the Hamiota Town Office from 8:30 – 4:30 on Mondays to Fridays to find out more! Send your questions and concerns to hamiotamyjc@gov.mb.ca or call/text 431-235-3089.



SWING AND SWIM FUNDRAISER

This year the Fundraising Group decided to do something to support organizations in Hamiota that were involved with the students who attend HCI. They chose the Hamiota Aquatic Centre Pool Liner Fund and Hamiota Minor Baseball.

They held a barbeque and bake sale with baking items provided by HCI families and staff. They also held a day of activities at the Hamiota Municipal park which included a beach volleyball tournament, children's games and activities, a portable Escape Room and a pulled pork supper, followed by the Senior Red Sox baseball game. Thanks to the Red Sox for donating their gate money to the fundraiser!

Committee Members included: Chairperson Emily Lints, Korinne Alexander, Chantelle Chappell, Kara Kent, Ashlyn Kirk, Ben Murray, Sydney Murray, Holden Norrie, Mrs. Huberdeau, Mrs. Hawkins, Mrs. Whelpton, Mr. Obach, and Mrs. Brown



Thanks to everyone for their support of the HCI Fundraiser.
Over \$3,200.00 was raised to split between the Hamiota
Aquatic Centre Liner Fund and Hamiota Minor Baseball!



Congratulations to Tracey McDonald who won \$1, 158.00 in the Progressive 50-50 Draw.







