

Dear Parents

The first few weeks of term have been very busy and the school calendar shows that the rest of the term will be even more so! The Summer Fete collection weeks are underway and we are grateful for your donations. With this letter I am sending home four books of Prize Draw raffle tickets. The tickets come in books of five, and each ticket is priced at 20p. As in the past, we hope the tickets will be sold to you and your family and friends. If you have any moral objection to the sale or purchase of raffle tickets, then please return them to school immediately - I do know that many parents support the Fete in other ways. If you can sell more - the prizes are attractive - please ask at the office for more books, however, please do not sell the tickets door-to-door.

Attached to this *hmail* are Hamilton's Mobile Phone Policy and Mobile Phone Statement for your information.

SCHOOL NEWS

Walk to School Week

A reminder that this week is Walk to School Week for all year groups. Please encourage your child/ren to walk at least part of the way from home to school. Hamilton is keen to improve on the number of children walking to school.

Piano Recital

Last Thursday evening in Hampden Road hall we held an evening to celebrate the arrival of the new piano. We were fortunate to welcome a number of friends, parents, teachers and children to play the new piano, and we were delighted with the performances. It was a most enjoyable evening, and one that we hope will become a part of the school calendar.

NOTICES

Emergency Drills

As part of our Health and Safety procedures school regularly practises an emergency exit, which the children would take, if a real fire or emergency were to occur. Following our recent practice we would like to remind parents of what they should do in regards to delivering their child to school if they are late.

1. All late children who are not intercepted at the lower gate by the teacher on duty need to be brought to the office and signed in formally with the administrator.
2. Late children must not be allowed to walk into school or class without officially being signed in.
3. If the fire alarm is ringing please to do not enter the building or allow your child or children to do so.

Pond for Nursery

Our Nursery would like to design and build a pond, and would like some advice and or help in making one in the Nursery garden. If you can offer help in any way, please contact the office at Priory Road.

Summer Fete - Saturday 20 June

Thank you for the generous contributions you made last week for Tins and Bottles week. This week is Collection week 2, Soft toys, books, cds and dvds. After that are:

Week 3 (from 1 June) Tombola and Raffle prizes

Week 4 (from 8 June) Toys and Lucky Dip

Week 5 (from 15 June) Plants and Cakes

A reminder: volunteers are needed on Thursday 11 June at 6pm at Hampden Road to 'Raise the Marquee'. Please let one of the school offices know if you are able to help.

Parking

Since I have arrived at Hamilton, I have been introduced to the School Travel Plan, which aims to improve children's journeys to school and aims to promote sustainable travel. Unfortunately I have also been made aware that there is parking by our parents which is not at all friendly to our neighbours in Hampden Road. I appeal to all parents and others collecting children from both sites, to park conscientiously and in a safe, sensible place, not across private driveways, or obscuring the views of our neighbours as they try to negotiate the roads at either the start or the end of the school day. It has also been brought to my notice that cars have been turning round in both Hampden Road and in Priory Avenue in an unsafe manner, causing danger and traffic chaos. Please be aware that it may be your child who is not able to anticipate the actions of a driver wishing to turn round in a busy road, and may become involved in an accident.

Parking Permits for Autumn Term

Application forms for parking permits for the Autumn Term will be available after half-term. The deadline for receipt of completed forms is noon on Friday 26 June at the Priory Road office.

FRIENDS OF HAMILTON

Thank you for bringing in contributions for the collection of textiles recently, which raised £175.00.

Reminder

May I remind you that school breaks up for half-term at the end of the normal school day on Thursday this week. School will re-open on Monday 1 June.

Yours sincerely

Mr G Aldous
Headteacher