PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE:
Just 5 weeks until the end of the 2017 school year. All classes are currently working hard on completing a range of assessment tasks before teachers begin writing reports for semester two. We will be extremely busy over the coming weeks with a number of school based and extra curricula activities going on. Please remember every day really does matter!

School Opinion Survey Data Released: The data from this year’s school opinion survey has been released and Hampden again achieved outstanding satisfaction ratings in all areas across the parent, staff and student surveys. Our overall parent rating for all survey items was 97.7% for 2016, slightly down on the 98.4% in 2015, but significantly above the state average of 93%. Student and staff overall satisfaction was up on 2015.

Areas identified that we will focus on in the next 12 months are ‘The school asks for my input’. As a result of this I will be starting a Principal’s Round Table in which I will invite a group of parents from across the school to join me once a month for morning tea and a general chat about how to improve our school and ways to ensure our community is fully engaged.

We will also be sharing more information on how your child is assessed at school and ways you can support the assessment process.

Headline Indicators Data: Each year the school receives a data set which outlines how we are travelling as a school against a set of key indicators... attendance, enrolment, behaviour, achievement in English, maths and science, school opinion surveys and NAPLAN results. The traffic light system of Red, Amber and Green is used to indicate how a school is travelling. We have made some pleasing progress over the past 3 years from having mostly amber and red to now having mostly green. Furthermore, we have improved in each of the NAPLAN areas except Upper 2 Bands (U2B). This has been and will continue to be a priority in 2017 and beyond.

Camp Information Evening: will be held this coming Wednesday evening in the Year 2/3/4 classroom from 6:30pm. This will be a great opportunity to hear all about what we have planned and to ask any questions that you may have. We encourage both parents and students to come along. Mr Wilkie, Mrs Munchow and Miss Dittman will be on hand to provide information and answer your questions.

Thank You! There have been a number of events taking place over the first few weeks of school. We have had Day for Daniel, World Teacher’s Day, Grandparents Day, Halloween Haunted House, Kuttabul Kids Playgroup, Prep Transition & Melbourne Cup Race Bar, and a number of volunteers ensuring the grounds continue to look magnificent. I would like to publically acknowledge the efforts of all our staff, parents, students and families for continuing to make Hampden a wonderful school. It is a reflection of our strong small school culture that we can offer such a varied and high quality education for our children.

Have a great week!
Shane Wilkie
FROM THE LOWER SCHOOL

Prep/1/2: Olivia Gordon

We have enjoyed concocting awesome procedures for our ‘How to make a disgusting sandwich’ assessment. Each student has managed to come up with their own list of truly horrible ingredients and we have had lots of fun talking about it. Our Pre-Prep program has made our Friday mornings very busy, but everyone has enjoyed having the Pre-Preps visit. It is really good to see each student in the class wanting to help out with the Pre-Preps and make them feel welcome in our school community.

FROM THE MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL

Year 2/3/4: Kharla Wright

Over the next few weeks we will be working towards completing assessment for the year. This is a very busy time for both students and teachers. While we recognise that there are a variety of legitimate reasons for student absence, this can impact upon students completing their assessment. If you have any queries regarding assessment or anything else please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Year 4/5/6: Katrina Munchow & Shane Wilkie

Starting this Friday afternoon 4 November the Interschool sports program has been organised with Seaforth State School, providing the year 4-6 children from both schools with opportunities to further develop their social and sporting skills. Two of the four rounds will be played at Hampden and two at Seaforth. Sports to be participated in will include soccer, basketball and T-ball. Students will be required to be in uniform and bring their hat, water bottle and a positive sportsmanship attitude.

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Cheers,
Scott McLean
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**Birthday Celebrations for November 2016:**

Max—Year 4: 6th November—10 years old  
Lincoln—Year 3: 21st November—9 years old  
Dylan—Year 1: 22nd November—7 years old  
Audrey—Year 1: 24th November—7 years old

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**AWARDS AND CELEBRATIONS**

**FRIDAY 21st October 2016**

- **Year P/1/2 Hampden Hero Award Winner:** Nathan……For excellent behaviour in reading groups.
- **Year 2/3/4 Hampden Hero Award Winner:** Montana……Always demonstrating a positive attitude to learning.
- **Year 4/5/6 Hampden Hero Award Winner:** Paul……Commitment to learning and improving.

**FRIDAY 28th October 2016**

- **Year P/1/2 Hampden Hero Award Winner:** Jack……For completing the High Frequency Word Program.
- **Year 2/3/4 Hampden Hero Award Winner:** Brianna……For the extra effort she has been putting into her learning.
- **Year 4/5/6 Hampden Hero Award Winner:**

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**VOLUNTER TUCKSHOP CONVENOR REQUIRED FOR 2017**

This will be Chloe’s last term in her role as volunteer tuckshop convenor. A big thank you to Chloe for all her hard work! We are now seeking a new volunteer tuckshop convenor to commence in Term one 2017. Duties of this position include organising the menu, ordering and doing the shopping, organise the tuckshop volunteer roster, collecting and collating orders. If you are interested please contact Chloe on 0474 074 749 or the school office. Full training can be given during this term by Chloe. Tuckshop will be finishing for 2016 in Week 9 ending 2 December.
**School Happenings in Pictures!**

**Day for Daniel**

Thank you for your donations, $87 was raised on Friday 28 October for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

**Grandparents Day**

*Thursday 3 November*

**General Messages**

**Mirani SHS Year 7 Transition Dates**

- **Orientation Day:** Wednesday November 30 at MSHS
- **Enrolment Interviews:** Monday November 21 – Friday December 2

**Important:** It is essential to make an appointment for an enrolment interview for your child to transition to high school.

For EFT/Direct Deposit Payments, our School’s Bank Account Details are . . . .

Bank: CBA      BSB: 064707      A/C No: 00090298

**Kuttabul Home Grown Food and Plant Swap**

Do you have home grown fruits and vegetables? Do you cook with organic ingredients? Are you wanting to learn new things from the garden to the kitchen? Do you have plants that will dress up someone else’s garden?

If so, please come and join us at Kuttabul Hotel.

Rain or Shine. Bruce Highway, On the Grass or in the Hall. Every Sunday 3pm.

To trade your excess and go home with a variety.

Any questions? Please find us on Facebook: Kuttabul Home Grown Food and Plant Swap

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