

# HAMIOTA SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

Park West School Division

FEBRUARY, 2014

## Principal's Message

As I write this we are enjoying our first real break in what has been an extremely cold winter. It is -5 outside but it feels like 20 today. As winter progresses, we have had our usual events along with some new ones taking place this year.

At the elementary the annual Valentine's Day party was a huge success with skating, snowshoeing, and treats for our kids. Mrs. Smith also was working hard with our students on Learn to read month and Mrs. Walker had our students involved with the Olympics. Our elementary students are very engaged in what is going on with the Olympics and team Canada and this is great to see. As I said earlier our students are enjoying getting outside at recesses as I do not remember a winter where they have been inside so much.

At HCI the middle years students went on a ski-trip on February 13th and they had a middle year's valentine's party also that week. Our hockey team is in the middle of playoffs with Minnedosa right now and the middle years basketball and senior years teams are getting geared up for playoffs. Drama practices are coming together nicely also. Congratulations to our band, choir and jazz band

students on their performance on February 11th in their concert. I thought the students and Mrs. Kirkland put on a good performance for us. Also congratulations to the senior student council and Kenton 4H club for their nominations for student citizenship awards in the division. Though they did not win the division it was nice to see all they had accomplished.

Our schools presented to the board on February 13th a synopsis of Hamiota Schools. Our presentation took about an hour and a half and I wanted to thank all staff and students who helped out with this. You can view the presentation on our website. Also the results from the Tell Them from Me survey are also on our website. Please take a look at them. A reminder also that we are on Twitter at @hamiotaschools.

Report cards will be sent out on March 28th for grades K-8 and on April 21st for grades 9-12. You can always check the parent portal for updates on your children. As always folks, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me or our teachers. Take care.

Sincerely,  
Jon Zilkey

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### Upcoming Dates:

- March 3 -Division PD Day-no classes
- Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival – March 5-14
- Grade 11-12 Ski Trip—March 17-18
- K-8 Report Cards —March 28
- SPRING BREAK - March 31-April 4
- April 11, 12 & 13



# KINDERGARTEN NEWS



What is new in Kindergarten? We are coming to school everyday! Mrs. McNabb is our teacher in the morning and we welcome Mrs. Rebecca Thompson, our afternoon kindergarten teacher.

Mrs. McNabb continues to teach us our abc's and 123's. We are getting good at writing stories and blending our letter sounds together to read and write words! Guided reading groups have started. We take turns meeting with our teacher on a daily basis, learning about what good readers do. In our clipboards each night, we take home a book to read to someone in our family. On Fridays, we meet with our Gr. 4 reading buddies and we practice reading our books to them. We love listening to them read, as they are teaching us what good reading "sounds like." They are excellent role models - thanks Gr. 4's!



Mrs. Thompson teaches us science, social studies, art, and don't forget the best part of the day - playtime! Playtime is actually a very important part of our day. It's where we learn to socialize with our peers in a positive way. We practice sharing, taking turns, and learn how to resolve conflicts. In science, we are experimenting and exploring many different concepts involving COLOR. Our color collages are very artistic! Did you know that the primary colors are red, yellow, and blue? When we mix those colors together, we can create secondary

colors like purple, orange, and green.

Our community and people around us, is the topic that we are learning about in social studies. We made "Helper Flowers." Every petal represents a person who helps us out in our everyday lives. Mrs. Thompson planned a very fun Valentine's Party for us! We decorated yummy sugar cookies, and played Valentine Bingo. Sharing valentine cards and treats with our friends was very special.



Our next big event will be our choir performance at festival. We are learning 2 songs in music class. It takes place on Wednesday, March 5. Hope to see you there!

## Grade One-N News



January and February have been busy and COLD! We are definitely ready for some warmer weather so we can get outside on a regular basis.

We were sad to see Tyson Miller leave us at the end of January. We wish him well in his new school in Alberta, and hope he is able to come back for a visit soon.



We celebrated 100 day on February 13, with lots of activities, games and writing. Our favourite game was trying to make the tallest tower possible with 100 cups. We also used a fun app on our ipad/iphone to age our faces to 100, which gave us lots of laughs.

We wrote about what our lives will be like when we are 100, 10 things we would like to do before we turn 100, and what we would buy our parents if we had \$100.

On February 14, we celebrated Valentine's Day. Lots of fun in the morning at school, topped off with excited kids passing out individual valentines. In the afternoon we went to the rink for a fun skate. When we returned to the school we had hotdogs, juice boxes and watched a short movie.



We continue to work hard at our reading and writing. We are almost done our latest letters to our penpals, and have really been practising magic E words. In math we are continuing to practice our addition facts and have started working on subtraction. We play lots of games to reinforce these concepts!

We have also enjoyed our buddy reading with the grade 3 class. They have been great listeners and helpers! Thanks Grade 3s!!

We have been fortunate to have Mrs. Smith, Mrs. McTavish and Miss Wilson come in as volunteers to listen to us read. We really enjoy and appreciate this! We also have a grade 12 student - Kimberlee Gray come to our class each morning. We love having her there, the kids love her and she fits right in!



Kimberlee Gray

## Grade One-O News



### Grade 1 News

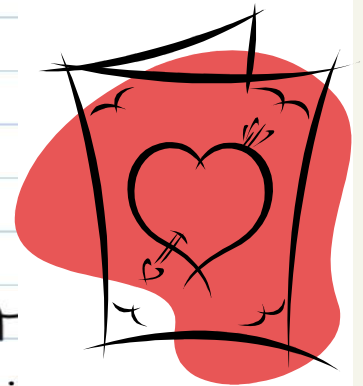
We are learning about the Olympics. We researched athletes and Olympic sports. We wrote postcards to athletes. We have been reading about the Olympics.



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Valentine's Day was fun! We gave our friends Valentines cards and treats. Candy heart math was awesome! We went skating after lunch.



The 100th day of school was on February 13th. We did 100th day art. We did a colour by number. We counted 100 things.

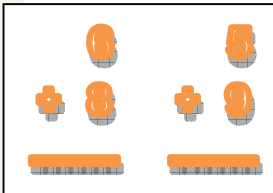
Happy  
100  
Days!



## Grade Two News



Since Christmas break we have had a good balance of hard work and fun activities. In January our mini theme was on penguins. We read and learned many interesting facts about these birds. We wrote stories about penguins as well as researched a penguin of our choice. In math we have been practising the strategies for adding eight and nine to numbers. We now know strategies for our addition facts to 18. Place value is another concept we have been working on. We are also working on strategies for subtraction.



Our community is the topic we have been working on in social studies. We have learned about villages, towns and cities as well as urban and rural communities. We have written a story about an important place in our community. Creating a diorama of our natural resources was a project we enjoyed doing. We even interviewed someone we knew about their jobs in our community.

February has been a month filled with many special events. We would like to thank Mrs. Smith for her I Love to Read activities. Buddy reading in our pyjamas and doing our reading bingo game were so much fun.

Our 100<sup>th</sup> day celebration happened on February 13<sup>th</sup>. We wrote stories and made pictures of what we would be like when we are 100 years old. We also made glasses in the shape of 100. We brought collections of 100 edible things to school compared them in different ways.



Valentine's Day was another exciting day. For our party, everyone enjoyed an afternoon of skating followed by hot dogs and juice. Sending and receiving cards, candies, cupcakes and cookies was also an important part of our day.

Last but not least, we have been very interested in watching the Olympics and cheering on our Canadian team. We have watched some of the events, kept a tally of the medals Canada has won, made words out of winter Olympics, written an acrostic poem and learned about the Olympic rings. We are looking forward to competing in our own winter Olympics at the end of the month!



Thank You -  
Mrs. Smith would like to thank the following guest readers who came to the Elementary School for "I Love To Read Month":  
Mr. Larry Oakden, Mr. Tom Dowden, and Mr. Zilkey

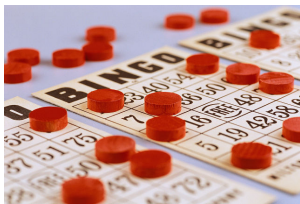
## Grade Three News



Winter Olympics has been in our blood! We kept close track of Canada's medal count, as well as individual stories of Canadian Olympians! During our February home reading program, we were divided into Reading Olympic teams. At the time of writing, Canada and Russia are tied with 15 medals each! Kudos to all teams for working together! We also wrote about our own dreams and goals...such as becoming an NHL player, geologist, shipbuilder, dancer, artist and horseback rider, to name a few. The Sochi Olympics has been a wonderful learning experience for our class!



We'd like to extend a warm, Grade 3 welcome to Syllas Elk, who is a new student in our classroom. Welcome aboard, Syllas!



During our February Lilac visit, we did some Valentine activities and played everyone's favourite game, BINGO! We're looking forward to our March visit. Thanks so much to Mr. Ed Graham for faithfully driving us to Lilac in his bus. It's been great!

We braved the chilly temperatures on Valentine's Day as we skated on the oval and snowshoed in the fairgrounds. Many thanks to the Sports Complex staff for preparing the ice and to Bonnie Michaudville for delivering the snowshoes to us. Thanks also to Jana Ramsey and other parents for tying skates and buckling snowshoes...it was a busy job. Despite cold cheeks, we had a great time!

In Science, we've been learning about forces, especially magnetism.

We're constructing magnetic mazes right now. Look for them in the hallway soon, please feel free to give them a try!



We're looking forward to singing in the Festival and participating in the Listen With Paint program at the end of the month.

There's never a dull moment in our classroom!

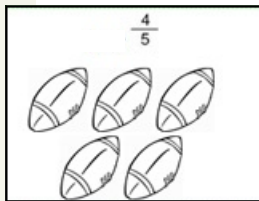
# Grade Four News



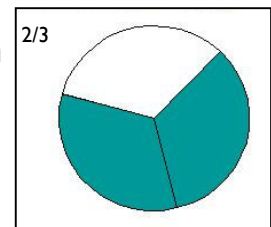
The end of February is here already and ole man winter won't give us a break! Luckily, we have had plenty to do inside while the cold wind blows outside.



Currently, the Grade 4 kids have started their 2<sup>nd</sup> Literacy Place Book Club. We LOVE book clubs! The first round of book clubs focused on the environment and non-fiction texts. This next book club is focused on a "kids can do it" attitude, with realistic fiction texts. We have a pretty exciting group project to work on as a group as well.



In math, we are just getting nicely settled in with fractions. Fractions of a whole and fractions of a set are currently on our math minds! Ask your child to tell you what the difference is between the two kinds of fractions.



We are also learning all about the Inuit culture and Canada's north, in Social Studies. The Grade 4 class is comparing life in northern Canada and life in rural Manitoba. Things such as; clothing, food, transportation, houses, school life, and entertainment are being studied and compared.

At the start of the month we said goodbye to Megane Botte-Belle, from the Grade 4 class. Her sunny presence in the classroom will be missed. A huge thank-you to the parents and students who took the time to bake special treats for the class to enjoy during the going-away party!

February 14th brought a special Valentine Party to our class and an afternoon of outdoor activities at the skating oval. The students enjoyed skating and snowshoeing, with a hot diggity dog to enjoy after the party!



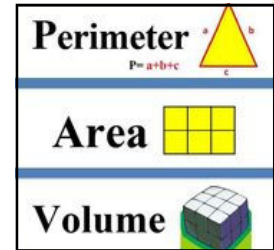
Vocal—Wednesday, March 5  
Dance—Friday, March 7  
Piano—Monday, March 10  
Instrumental & Band—  
Thursday, March 13  
Final Concert—March 14

# Grade Five News



We've had a very busy start to 2014, as we've been able to focus entirely on our learning without a lot of distractions from all the extra things that go on during a school year.

In math, we've completed a really tough unit on measurement. Trying to keep area, perimeter and volume straight was a real challenge, and knowing when to use square or cubic units was a little confusing. We've also been working on long division and learning how to use multiplication to check our answers. We are learning that knowing our facts makes everything else much easier.



In LA, we've been working hard in our guided reading groups, and we are also creating some great stories in Writer's Workshop! We have been focusing on run-on sentences, which is still causing some of us some grief!



We are just wrapping up our science unit on "Properties of and Changes in Substances". We have done lots of experiments, and have had to work with our peers and follow the directions to do what we were supposed to do. Next, we'll be starting a social studies unit called, "European Colonization".

We continue to work on our play in French, and hope to video tape it before spring break! We'll share it with you at Celebration of Learning!

Stay warm!

## Royal Manitoba WINTER FAIR

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## Band News



A very successful winter concert was held at Hamiota Collegiate on Tuesday, Feb. 11 featuring Hamiota bands, choirs and jazz band. Plan to see the Bands on March 13 and the senior choir on March 5.

*Each year 5 students may be nominated for the Westman Honour Band by each band teacher in the Westman area. From that list the Westman Band Association selects the students for the band. Not every student who is nominated is picked to play in the band. The Hamiota Band Parents paid the \$50 registration fee for each student who was selected to play this year. The following is a report by Jessica Ritchie who attended.*

On February 7 & 8 Randy Kirk, Joel Usick and I attended Honour Band. This took place in Brandon at the Centennial Auditorium across from Brandon University. The first day we practiced from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with an hour or so for lunch. It was really long and my mouth hurt from playing all that time. The next day we practiced from 9 a.m. to noon. Both days consisted of sectionals and full band rehearsals. Around 3 on the 8<sup>th</sup> the concert started. We listened to the BU orchestra, which was amazing. They sounded so good! We also listened to the Junior Honour Band, directed by Ms. Andrea Schellenberg, who also did really well. Emily Lints, Ashlyn Kirk and Jacinta Doupe were Junior Band members from Hamiota. Our performance went extremely well and it was a lot of fun. Our conductor, Mr. Doug Breckman, was full of energy and full of jokes as well. I met many new people and learned a lot of new things. If I had one more year in high school, I would go back. It was an experience I will never forget and I highly recommend other students to participate in it.



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## HCI Students Attend University of Manitoba S.E.T. Day



Mrs. Whelpton and Mr. Coulter took 4 students to the University of Manitoba on Friday February 21 to attend a Science – Engineering - Technology Day which was sponsored by the University of Manitoba. Brooke Tolton, Kaylee Daniel, Sawyer Norrie and Jake Coulter participated in a number of activities and listened to professors and grad students speak on various topics. The afternoon was spent at Fort Whyte Center participating in some Arctic research projects.

## PWSD CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

***“Be the change you wish to see in the world.”—Nelson Mandela***

The Board of Trustees of Park West School Division hosted their annual Student Citizenship Awards Banquet at the Miniota Community Hall on Feb. 6th, 2014.

Each school within the division could nominate an individual and/or a group of students based on the following:

1. Volunteer service to the community, such as volunteering with health care facilities, senior citizen groups, shelters, and daycare centers.
2. Involvement in citizenship or character building organizations.
3. Participation in student government programs or activities.
4. Leadership ability to motivate others to actions to benefit the community.

The Board received six individual applications and ten group applications. Each nominee was presented with a gift and a certificate to honour their commitment to citizenship.

Zack Koscielny from Strathclair School was selected as the Individual Category winner and the “HOPE Committee” (Emily Barteaux, Amanda Clement, Wesley Flett, Esther Kleebaum, Pauline Olarte) from Major Pratt School is the Group Category winner. The Board has forwarded the winners on to the Manitoba School Boards Association (MSBA) as our representatives for Park West.

Below are the nominees from Hamiota Schools.

### HCI Student Council



Back Row: Ms. Anne Grabauskus, Mr. Ryan Hamilton, Blaine Lee, Shayna Mathison, Shane Hunter, Mr. Don Cocharane. Front row: Quinn Smith, Julie Campbell, Shelby Mollard, Kimberley Gray, Jackie Hunter and Jessica Ritchie

The HCI Student Council has organized a back to school bbq, the Fowl Supper and assisted in hosting the “A” Boys Volleyball Provincials. The group is planning a Cystic Fibrosis walk to support a local student. The Student Council has started a new initiative this year. They have dedicated their spares to spend time with seniors and assist them with any services that they may need. The group will host a tea or a dinner to honor the seniors.

### Kenton 4H Kraftsmen



Mr. Ed Lelond, Mr. Bryan Cloud, Taylor Good, Hanna Tolton, Christyna Caldwell, Jaden Hemrica, Tess McTavish, Brooke Tolton, Olivia Tolton, Liam Caldwell, Foster Tolton, Mr. Don Cochrane

Front: Kyla Good, Darrah Kent, Haydn Tolton, Calli Wilson-Davey, Peyton Tolton

Missing: Emma Aboud-McConnell, Rylee McNabb, Rory McNabb

The Kenton 4-H Kraftsmen have initiated several of their own programs which are outside the normal scope of the regular 4-H program. The group made Christmas swags, which they sold at a fundraiser. The profits were used to adopt a family and provide them with Christmas supper and gifts. The 4-H group also participates in a Senior Buddy Program where they are partnered with a local senior citizen.

# START YOUR OWN BUSINESS



Each year members of Mr. Crampain's Start Your Own Business 25G class form groups and create a small business. Before they begin they must formulate a Business Plan. This plan includes creating an Executive Summary and Mission Statement. They must outline the specific goods/services they will provide, how their business will be marketed, create a budget including costs, owner investments and possible compensation. They must also look at the risks involved in running their businesses. Attached are the Executive Summaries of the Five Groups

**Forbidden Frozen** is a company that we have created based out of Hamiota, Manitoba.

We are a company that makes tasty, frozen food like breadsticks, mini pizza, and quiche.

We are different than the competition because our products are all homemade goods and we always use good quality ingredients.

Our market research has told us that most busy people are always looking for quick, easy meals that best fit their busy schedules. The reason why we thought we would make frozen foods is because the market we are facing is a profitable one.

We decided that **Eveline Juce, Kyle Feschuck, Randy Kirk and Ashley Jay** would be the best people to create this business with.

Our wanted profit is 250 or more. To start our business we needed a two hundred starting capital, which the group members provided.

We project to double what it costs us to make on all of our products. Once a man had a dollar he spent that dollar to make a bun and made two dollars. Then he spent those two dollars to make more buns and doubled his assets and this kept on going until his death.

What sets us apart from all other frozen food companies is that ours is all handmade, and homemade. We hope that people will love this food as much as we do.

**Perfectly Pampered (Joel Kirk, Brody Smith, Joel Usick, Jaimie Rose, Bailey Wilson)** is undeniably an excellent business concept. Selling bath packages (3 Bath Bombs, Candle, wash cloth, and chocolate) or the bath bombs and candles separately is an awesome way to differentiate ourselves. Our competitors are all selling non-personalized food products that do not give the wow factor. We researched about how people in the school want a cheap, interesting product. Our group of 5 individuals are more than capable of pulling off a successful business. We are seeking to make over 15 sales of the bath packages resulting in \$150 profit. We are simply planning to make what we put in for capital. We do believe we will make more than just breaking even.

We thought using the people in the business for capital would be the best way to encourage the people involved to work hard to profit. Each of the shareholders will hopefully receive \$30, which means we plan to have a \$150 profit. Perfectly Pampered is going to be a stupendous business venture.

Our business, **Brunchfest** is serving a delicious pancake breakfast to communities and school students. Along with the pancakes we will provide bacon, sausages, eggs, hash browns, juice, smoothies or fruit salad. This is will be different from other people's food because of the reason that it is full of nutrients and vitamins; this is what you call a healthy meal. Our food is way different from other peoples because it is not greasy and full of fat. In our brunch fest group we have a total of six members, **Cassie Hunter, Emily Hunter, Chelsea Lawn, Dakota Ducharme, Phillip Campbell and Brian Johnson.**

As for a startup, each group member has brought in \$40.00, which comes to a total of \$240.00. As for capital, Chelsea, Emily and Cassie will bring in pancake makers, crock pots to keep the food warm and a big pitcher to hold the juice. All the other little things will be provided by the kitchen. When we sell this brunch, each plate is \$7.00; we have got a goal of 30 people per brunch.



*Come get a delicious, healthy breakfast at lunch. A plate for less than anybody else's.*

**Sweet Goods (Larissa Clegg, Jaden Hemrica, William Norrie, Riley Madsen)** is a baking business, based out of Hamiota Collegiate. We are a group of four that have to cook. Our biggest advantage of baking Sweet Goods is to be homemade not bought. We are hoping to have at least 20 customers. The shares of our business were sold to just our members, totalling our business cash at \$120.00. We want to provide homemade baked goods that appeal to all ages. This will give us enough to start off our business. After everything is finished we will be splitting the money between the four of us.

**The Pie's The Limit (Dale McTavish, Mark Lawn, Ryan Schweitzer, Jason Ritchie, Cody Pope)** business is to make pizza. Members of the group made initial investments for ingredients. They decided to make three different types of pizza, Pepperoni, Cheese and Hawaiian. The pizza was made and sold frozen. Marketing included intercom announcements, posters at school and in the community and word of mouth.



## MIDDLE YEARS CURLING



L-R: Mason Gurr, Brenna Kirk, Holden Norrie, Sebastian Tolton



L-R: Liam Caldwell, Joelle Little, Kassidy Heapy, Taylor Good

Hamiota sent a team of Grade 7 and a team of Grade 8 curlers to the divisional bonspiel held in Shoal Lake on 19 February. Both teams had a very successful day, bringing home both the A Side and the B side banners. Winner of the A Side banner was the Grade 7 team skipped by Joelle Little, The B Side winner was the team skipped by Holden Norrie. Thank you to Mrs. Facey and Mrs. Caldwell for accompanying the students to Shoal Lake.

## VARSITY CURLING



L-R: Chelsea, Eveline, Emily and Jaden



L-R: Will, Mark, Alex and Derek

Hamiota Collegiate hosted the Divisional Varsity Curling Zones on Friday, 31 January and Saturday, 1 February. The girls were represented by Jaden Hemrica, Emily Hunter, Eveline Juce and Chelsea Lawn. They played well throughout the bonspiel and lost in the finals to Russell. Will Chappell, Mark Lawn, Derek Feschuk and Alex Lints represented the boys. They played well but came up short in the finals to the team from Russell.

Thank you to Mr. Allan Lawn and Mr. Randy Lints for coaching the girls and boys teams respectively. Thank you also to Mr. Neil Gregory for all his help the weekend of the bonspiel. Thanks to Mme Hodgson for coordinating the teams and playoff.



## MIDDLE YEARS BASKETBALL



Back: Edgardo Taborlupa(coach), Mason Gurr, Holden Norrie, Ben Murray, Joun Abdel-Mesih, Liam Caldwell, Ms. Ryan Waddell (coach)  
Front: Brody Robinson, Jamie Waddell, Layne Norrie, Sebastian Tolton, Gary Sheane

The Middle Years students have been busy with basketball since our return to school in January. We have 20 girls and 10 boys playing. The schedule has included practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as games against other schools in the division.

The boys have been successful against Inglis and Shoal Lake but were not able to play against Wayway and Binscarth due to scheduling conflicts and the pesky weather. Russell proved to be a very tough team and gave the boys their first loss.

The girls have been playing against other teams as well and have defeated Shoal Lake, Inglis and Russell. Strathclair was too strong for them.

The divisional finals took place on Tuesday, 25 February. The boys played in Hamiota and the girls were in Strathclair.

The boys played a very good first game against Inglis, which put them in the A side semi-final against Wayway. Unfortunately, they lost that game but deemed the season a success as they all learned valuable new skills and had fun doing so. Many thanks to Ryan Waddell and Junjun Taborlupa for their many hours of coaching.

In the girls' playoffs, Hamiota entered 2 teams, one on the A Side and one on the B Side of the tournament. The A Side team lost a tough overtime game to Strathclair and defeated Inglis. The B Side team lost their games to Binscarth and Wayway. Thank you to Pastor Orland Usick for coaching the teams.



Back: Kara Kent, Joelle Little  
Middle: Jessica Hunter, Korinne Alexander, Ashlyn Kirk, Sydney Murray  
Front: Emily Usick, Savanna Lynn, Chantelle Chappell  
Missing: Brenna Kirk, Michelle Bell



Coach Usick



Back: Sheena Johnson, Emma Dmyterko, Olivia Tolton  
Front: Sierra McTavish, Daisy Martinez, Mikayla Grabowski  
Missing: Eve Routledge



# Basketball

## Varsity Girls

The girls' basketball team has had a good season so far. They have played five tournaments in the season, finishing tied for first in Glenboro in December, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 8 at Souris, 6<sup>th</sup> out of 12 at Neelin, 4<sup>th</sup> at our home tournament, and 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 12 at Elton's tournament. The girls will next try to qualify for provincials on March 10<sup>th</sup> as they go to Minnedosa to play Gladstone in an inter-zone game. The girls have also scheduled an exhibition with Boissevain on March 12<sup>th</sup> at Hamiota. If they qualify the girls will be going to provincials in Sprague on March 20-22.



The boys have competed in 2 tournaments thus far. The boys first tournament was in Souris where they lost a close first game to Gilbert Plains, but bounced back and defeated Souris to finish 3<sup>rd</sup>. The boys also travelled to Neepawa. They started the tournament off strong beating Elton to advance to the top half of the draw. The boys however, were unable to defeat Virden and Neepawa giving them a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish. The boy's season started on January 22<sup>nd</sup> where they hosted Russell and came away with a victory. The boys have also competed against Rossburn, once again coming away with a win. The boys travel to Russell February 19<sup>th</sup> and then host Rossburn February 26<sup>th</sup> to finish off the regular season. The boys are looking to advance to Provincials the weekend of March 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> in Somerset.

## Varsity Boys

The Varsity Boys Basketball team is off to a good start this season. The team is made up of grade 9 to 12 students. James Hunkin, Nathon Hawkins, Conor Clegg, Junjun Taborlupa, Nico Miranda, Jordan Leronowich, Riley Madsen, Mark Lawn, Randy Kirk, Cody Pope, and Will Chappell make up the team.



Good luck the rest of the season.



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Grease rehearsals are underway. Under the direction of Val Caldwell students are learning lines and stage directions. Jana Tannas has choreographed the numerous dance scenes and Tom Dowden has students crooning the 50's style music.

Performances are planned for **Friday, April 11, Saturday, April 12 and a Sunday Matinee on April 13.** There will be reserved seating with tickets going on sale after Spring Break on **Monday, April 7.**



## **BIRDTAIL RIVER FINE ARTS FESTIVAL**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5**

**- 9:00 AM Hamiota Elementary School**

-Vocal Solos, Choirs including: Hamiota Kindergarten Choir, Hamiota Grade 1-3

**-1:00 PM Hamiota Elementary School**

-Choirs including Hamiota Gr. 4 & 5 Choir, Hamiota Collegiate Choir, Vocal Solos

**-6:30 PM Hamiota United Church**

- Vocal Solos

**FRIDAY, MARCH 7 - 2:00 PM & 7:00 PM Hamiota Collegiate**

- Dance Groups & Solos including Mid-West School of Dance students

**MONDAY, MARCH 10 -10:00 AM & 1:00 P.M. Hamiota United Church**

- Piano Solos

**THURSDAY, MARCH 13**

**-9:30 AM Hamiota Collegiate**

- Instrumental Solos, Groups including Gr. 4 Recorder Group, Gr. 5 Recorder Group, Gr. 6 Band

**-12:30 PM Hamiota Collegiate**

- Bands including Hamiota Gr. 7 Band, Hamiota Gr. 8 Band, Hamiota Senior Band

**FRIDAY, MARCH 14-FINAL CONCERT-7:00 P.M. Hamiota United Church**



## Student Council Updates



### Senior Council by Quinn Smith

The school was full of energy as everyone came back from the two week Christmas Break holiday. The energy was very short lived because January in high school means the half-way point which means exams. This is a slow time for the student council, but we are now planning upcoming events for the next few months. We just recently hosted the varsity girls tournament where our girls did very well with a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish. We are also hoping to have some fun activities planned for the week before spring break to give everyone a start to their holiday. On the first home playoff hockey game we did canned food drive. Something we have in the works is a presentation planned for the school in mid-march that will hopefully be a lot of fun. We are still working on the details but it is guaranteed to be a good time for all. As grade 12 students we are continuing our Spares with Seniors program where we use one of our spares a week to go and help out local senior citizens with any jobs they require. So we are all in planning mode for these upcoming events which should be a lot of fun.

### Middle Years Council by Kara Kent

The Middle Years Student Council has been very busy over the last couple weeks. Everyone in Middle Years powered through the tough week of exams and then got to enjoy an extra long weekend! On February 12th, all MY students went down to the oval, everyone had the option to skate, toboggan or snowshoe. Even with the cold weather, a good time was enjoyed by all. When students returned to the school, there was a movie to be watched with a cup of hot chocolate to warm up. Thankyou to all the teacher supervisors who helped to make the day run smoothly. On Valentine's Day, students who purchased their match maker got to see who their possible match could be, so that was fun for those who bought. All students enjoyed watching the Olympics and cheering on Canada. All student council members plan on having another great month in March.

Stay warm,  
Middle Years Student Council





# HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY



**Hamiota High School Huskies**

**2013-2014**

Back row l-r: Coach Robin Kimpinski, Trainer Cody Hunter, Jack Routledge, Derek Feschuk, Joe Woodley, Blaine Lee, Jonathon Shurvell, Blake Mervyn (AP), Devin Allen, Logan Clark, Dylan Kimpinski, Dale McTavish, Coach Tom Mollard, Coach Joel Germain

Front Row l-r: Sawyer Norrie, Blake Cramer, Zack Koscielny, Theoren Hunter, Nathon Hawkins, Lane Routledge, Missing: Rudy Pedersen (AP)

The Hamiota Huskies Hockey team had a good season this year. Players from Shoal Lake and Strathclair joined the Hamiota skaters and the team ended the season with a 5-11-2 record. They hosted a pre-season tournament and attended others in Virden, Killarney, and Carmen. Hamiota hosted the WHSL All-Star game this year and for the first time in many years had two players on the team, Nathon Hawkins and Theoren Hunter.

The team played in the Consolation League Finals against Minnedosa and after a 5-4 loss and a 4-2 win, lost a heartbreaker in the deciding game 3-2 in the second overtime. The Huskies would like to thank their coaches, manager Mrs. Norrie, their parents and their fans for the great support all season.

Starting to do some spring cleaning?! The Foods & Nutrition class is in need of various kitchen supplies. If you have any extra items that you are wanting to get rid of, we would gladly take them off your hands! Specific items we are looking for: measuring cups, cookie sheets, electric griddles, hand-held beaters but will accept anything that we are offered!

Thank you.  
Mrs. Whelpton and the Foods & Nutrition Class