

HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2019 TERM 1: Week 1 – Friday 1st February



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Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

Welcome everyone to the 2019 school year! The start of the year, despite the really hot weather, has been very calm and enjoyable. Great to see so many cheerful faces ready for the year ahead. It is weather like this that make us extremely thankful for the air conditioning in each class as well as our own swimming pool. Both are luxuries that many school do not have.

A big welcome to Ms Bernie Perkins who will teach in Room 4 this year, and to Mrs Rochelle King our new Reading Recovery teacher. Along with these two new staff members we have welcomed the following new students:- Harper Jupp and Makani Topia into He Puāwai, Luca and Ziana Webb-Podevin into Room 1 and Ethan Flay into Room 4.

Formal swim lessons, in small groups with a qualified swim instructor, will begin next week and each child will need to bring their togs, towel, swim cap [compulsory] and goggles each day - all named of course! As from next week anyone without a swim cap won't be allowed in the pool.

This newsletter will cover next week too, and the Monday newsletters will begin on the 11th Feb.

Looking forward to seeing everyone next Friday at our school based picnic day.

Kind Regards

Tony Williams

NOTICES:

Picnic Day - Friday 8th February, based here at school. School starts at the normal time, and students will be grouped into their Houses, with their buddy and will take part in a series of fun activities throughout the day. We invite families to come along from 11am to watch and then share a picnic lunch with their children.

Bus - We have some new students on the bus this year, and once again it is now full!. Remember to update your bus fees from \$16.50 to \$18.00 per week per child. The Board of Trustees will be reviewing bus costs again later this term to ensure this new increase will cover the cost of the service.

School Hats - Now compulsory for all students to have one of our school hats which they keep here at school. They are \$12 and available from the office, or you can internet pay and give the office a call for a hat to be issued. [bank details over the page]

Swimming Pool - A reminder to please, please, please take away all your rubbish [including dirty nappies!] The latest time for swimming each day is now 8.30pm so that the cover can be put on to keep the warmth in over night.

Congratulations - Our 2018 Under 12 Grade Touch team won the championship at the tournament on the last week of term last year. Well done!

Personal Contacts - Please update any changes to your address /phones /contacts etc. with the office.

Term 1: Important Dates

FEB Wed 6th	Waitangi Day holiday
Thur 7th	Home & School AGM
Fri 8th	Picnic Day
Sat 16 Sun 17	HAY DAY
MAR 5th/6th	POC parent Interviews
Tue 12	WOMAD workshop
Fri 15	Cluster Swimming Sports

School App - Please ensure you are on our school app! This is how you get newsletters and important alerts...

Go to the App store on your Apple or Android device and search **SchoolAppNZ** to download. Then search **Huirangi School** to find our app.

Children's absences can be notified easily through the app and should be done before 9am that day. A leave request for a holiday during term time needs to be in writing, in advance, to the Principal—via a letter or email please.

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Hay Day , Honnor Farm, Waitara Rd- As part of a glimpse into the days of yesteryear, our children have been invited to learn and perform some maypole dances. We have the maypole set up at school to practise with, so if your child is keen to be a part of this please contact either the school office or Mrs Amy Woodward direct. Your commitment would be to attend the Hay Day for an 11.30am and a 1pm performance on the Saturday and Sunday. The \$10 entry fee to the Hay Day will not apply to children performing this dance.

Stationery & Activity Fees - These are \$50 per child and cover \$30 worth of stationery for the year, and \$20 which goes into an account to be used just for your child for trips throughout the year. We give families the whole of the first term to pay this. Thanks to the parents who have already taken care of this. Payments can be made in cash to the office [we don't have eftpos] or internet payment into the following account:- 153945 0210342 00 *please use your child's first name and surname as well as the word 'fees'* for this payment.

We prefer all payments you may need to make during the year [hats/ sports subs/ bus etc] to be made via internet, please remember to use your child's name and the appropriate reference ie:- 'hat' / 'netball sub' so that payments can be coded appropriately.

Some families have a credit from 2018 which can be used to offset your 2019 fees. Please check with the office before making any further payment.

Homework - In Week 3 class newsletters will come home outlining homework details.

Home & School - Parents are invited to the AGM on Thursday 7th Feb, at 7pm in the staffroom. If you cannot make this meeting, but can give a little time to helping throughout the year, and especially with the upcoming Hay day stall, please give Adam Pearce, Jo Alldridge or Nic Jupp a call or text.

Huirangi Home & School Executive

2018 Acting President: Adam Pearce Ph 0274 745315

2018 Acting Secretary: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538

2018 Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

HUIRANGI SCHOOL

Start - 9am [children are not to be dropped off before 8.30am]

Morning tea - 10.40 to 11am

Lunch - 12.30pm to 1.15pm

End of Day - 2.45pm bus leaves



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When someone says or does something *intentionally* hurtful and they *keep doing it*, even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset, that's

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+ PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE +

Our Public Health Nurse is Gillian Boyce.

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