# HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# 2019 TERM 3: Week 3 - Monday 5th August

**Dear Parents and Caregivers** 

Welcome to Week 3 and what looks like the beginning of winter! Please ensure students come dressed appropriately for this cold snap to ensure they stay warm and keep any winter ailments at bay.

Our focus this term is on 'Fairness', and we are encouraging children to remember to be patient and to take turns. This is an important trait for us all to have here at school and in the wider community.

Staff have noticed an increase in inappropriate language being used by some children on their return to school for the term. We are all capable of the occasional slip in language, but here at school we model, and expect, the use of good words at all times. Please talk to your children at home too, about avoiding falling into the habit of using inappropriate language, as it is a 'bad' habit that can be broken. It is also about being 'Accountable' for our own actions/ words and being 'Respectful' towards others.

Our students are very busy this term preparing for the upcoming production - 'Kaitiakitanga' as well as the Cluster Cross Country for the whole school and the Cluster Speech Competition for the Year 4, 5 & 6 's. Thank-you to the group of parents who have already put in hours of their time in the lead up to the production. Later in the term we will be asking parents to help the Home & School at the Cluster Cross Country with home baking and help on the food stall. Please offer an hour or two to help the Home & School on the day.

The BOT and staff are currently working with the Ministry of Education on our 5 Year Property Plan. With the key services [plumbing/roof/weather tightness etc] in good shape it looks positive that we can modernise indoor spaces and we are focussing on Rooms 1, 2 & 3 in the near future. We will continue to keep you up to date on progress.

Kind Regards

Tony Williams

**Principal** 



Term 3: Important Dates	
AUG Mon 5	BOT meeting 6.30pm
Thur 15	Mobile Library Bus
Thur 29	Mobile Library Bus
SEPT Tues 3	Cluster Speech Finals Urenui – Year 4, 5 & 6 only
Wed <b>11</b>	Whole school all day at Knox & Production matinee
Thur <b>12</b>	Production night performance at Knox
Fri 13	TEACHER ONLY DAY School closed
Thur 19	Cluster Cross Country [whole school]
Fri 20	Postponement date CC
Wed 25	Hawera Cross Country Champs
Fri 27	Last Day of Term 3
OCT Mon 14	First Day Term 4
NOV Sat 2	PETS DAY

## Notices:

**Everett Park Planting Trip:** Some of our children will be attending this planting day tomorrow. It was a last minute decision last week to take part, so sorry about the late notification, in this newsletter. Separate notices have been sent out to those going. Transport is all sorted and parents of the children attending have had a separate notice last Friday regarding the requirements for the day.

Pets Day 2019: Thanks to everyone who have, so far, returned the 'Entry forms' for children wishing to enter animals at Pets Day this year. Wednesday 14th [next week] is the very last day to request a chicken, so please return the entry form before then. Once the chickens have been ordered there will be no opportunity to get any more. A booklet regarding the raising of a chicken, and the chicken competition along with the date the chickens can be picked up from school, will be sent home in Week 5.

**Summer Hockey:** Please contact school if your child would be interested in a summer hockey league. It will be played on Saturdays and the cost per player is approx. \$40.

**Person of Character:** At last weeks assembly the following children had their names drawn out from the POC cards won during the week:- **Jett George** for completing a 50 word challenge; **Maddie Oliver** for super reading homework; **Indi Ryan** for super tidying; **Jet Leslie** for being Fair and **Allie Pokere** for super writing. Well done everyone!

COMMUNITY NEWS:- Waitara High School is preparing for their 75th Reunion in 2022. A meeting is being held on Thursday 22 August, 7pm at the Waitara High staffroom for anyone interested in being part of the organising committee.

#### **School App**

It is SO important you are on our school app! This is how we can promptly keep in touch with newsletters and important alerts...

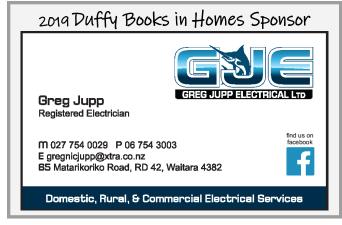
Go to the App store on your Apple or Android device and search **SchoolAppNZ** to download. Then search **Huirangi School** to find our app.

Children's absences can be notified easily through the app via the email option and should be done before 9am that day.

## **IMPORTANT**

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.



# **HUIRANGI SCHOOL**

Start - 9am [children are <u>not</u> 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

[children to be picked up by 3pm]



Huirangi Home & School Executive

President: Adam Pearce Ph 0274 745315

Secretary: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538

Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

Next meeting: THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER at 2pm

### **♦** PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE **♦**

Our Public Health Nurse is Gillian Boyce.
Gill can be contacted on
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