HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2019 TERM 4: Week 10 – Monday 14 October

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 4! Today we have welcomed 3 new students:-Madison Drinkwater into Room 3, Hunter Collingwood and Haygen Hewson, both New Entrants in He Puāwai.

This week we have a trainer from Taranaki Hockey taking hockey coaching sessions for all classes. Please ensure your child has covered shoes for this.

This term we start our 'No Hat No Play' policy. Hats are supplied through school at a cost of \$12 however all new 5 year olds receive their hats as part of their \$30 per year stationery money. So if your child has started school recently please check with the office regarding payment of this stationery fee.

Looking forward to another great term!

Kind regards

Tony Williams

Principal



Term 4: Important Dates		
ОСТ	Mon 14	First Day Term 4
	14-18	Hockey sessions this week
	Thur 17	H&S Meeting 2pm
Thur 24		Mobile Library
Mon 28		Labour Day - school closed
Wed 30		Rehearsal – Pet Day animals
Thurs 31		PUANGA festival 4pm
NOV	Sat 2	PETS DAY
Mon 4		BOT meeting
Thur 7 & 21		Mobile Library
DEC	Thur 5	Mobile Library
Thur 12		Last day of term

Notices:

Bus in 2020: The Board has made the decision that in 2020 there will be no bus run to our school. This has been a difficult decision based mainly on economic reasons. Current bus user families were notified by individual letter at the end of last term detailing the reasons for this decision. For next year there will be an adjustment to our daily timetable and to the times when children can be dropped off in the mornings and picked up in the afternoons, and these will be notified later on this term.

Touch:- The Waitara Whanau Touch Junior competition starts Thursday next week. Children who have indicated some interest have been given a consent form today. The team fee is \$120 so we would need to have approx. 10 children per team. Games are played at the Waitara High and Manukorihi Intermediate school fields and start from 3.30 through to 5pm. There are U 12 [11 yrs and under - cannot turn 12 this year] / U 10 [9 yrs and under - cannot turn 10 this year] / U 8 [8 yrs and under - cannot turn 9 this year] mixed teams.

There is also an Under 6 [6 yrs and under - cannot turn 7 this year] competition. Last year we didn't enter an Under 6 team, however if your 'under 6' child is interested please contact the office. U12 and U10 teams only are eligible for rep selection. We will need managers for each team too please.

Please return the consent form by Monday 21st AT THE LATEST to allow us to register the teams.

Person of Character:- Respectful Accountable Fair Trustworthy [RAFT]

The following students had received a POC card during the last week of term and their names were drawn out at the final assembly: **Jett George** [10 points card] for being a responsible student; **Allie Pokere** for being responsible during a wet lunch break; **Isaac Downer** and **Max Barrett** both for being great during Buddy Reading time. Well done everyone!

Notices:

PETS DAY 2019 - CALVES In response to a queries from some parents, Calf judging will take place on the day as planned. We have been in contact with the Ministry for Primary Industries today and despite the Micoplasma Bovis issue now being closer to home that we first knew, they are satisfied we have in place all the necessary measures to minimise risk on the day. We thank our farmers for their vigilance and ask on behalf of MPI that their NAIT records are kept updated. The changes on the day will be :-

- Calves from differing farms will be separated AT ALL TIMES during the judging process
- Calves will NOT be paraded around in the Grand March prior to prize-giving
- Calves will *NOT* be presented with their owners to receive trophies and ribbons [they will remain tied up while the children walk round]
- Calves will be required to be taken home *STRAIGHT AFTER* the prize-giving ceremony so that there is no opportunity for visitors to pat/be licked/ cross contamination to other calves etc.

As usual, parents and other family members will not be permitted into the judging arena during judging and we ask that other children /families keep out of this area prior to judging too, to help minimise the risk of calf to calf contamination.

CHICKENS - A reminder that all chickens need to be presented on the day for weigh-in. If your child doesn't wish to decorate a box, that is OK, but their chicken MUST come in for weighing and stay at the Hall for a couple of hours so people can have a look! **LAMBS** - keep on practising that calling and leading...... Also please teach your children how to tie up and untie their lamb using their lead, without it escaping!

On the day, calves, lambs and chickens will all have a special spot to tie up [child's name plate for calves and lambs and child's competition number for chickens]

PROGRAMME /TIMES for the day will be in next week's newsletter.

Home & School:- Our H&S kindly ask all parents to send some grocery items along to school to make up the bumper grocery raffle [lucky bucket raffle] which will be displayed and drawn on Pets Day. These items can be handed into the school office from tomorrow onwards and no later that the Thursday before Pets Day.

Juicie Fundraiser:- All orders and money to be returned to the school office by Monday 5th November. They are \$8 per pack, with 10 juicies in each pack. These are great to have in the freezer at home for those hot summer days!

Thanks for your support in advance!

Huirangi Home & School Executive

President: Adam Pearce Ph 0274 745315

Secretary: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538

Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

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]





LOCKDOWN PROCEDURE

In the event of a real lockdown parents will be alerted via the app and it will say:

' Huirangi School is in lockdown'

When you see this, please refrain from contacting school, or any teacher/teacher aide as this could lead to distraction of their primary focus, which is caring for our students. Please do not drive up to school, or attempt to enter the school.

♦ PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE **♦**

Our Public Health Nurse is Gillian Boyce.
Gill can be contacted on
7537790 extn 7076 or 0274064822

