HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2019 TERM 4: Week 3 – Tuesday 29th October

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are currently well into planning for the 2020 school year and this is the time we ask that you contact the office to update details - eg. Change of address / contact numbers / email address etc. If you are moving from the area and changing schools or know of families who are in zone intending to enrol we would appreciate notification to assist in making 2020 class lists.

This is a big week here at school with the Kapa Haka group performing at the Puanga Festival this Thursday afternoon, and of course our annual Pets Day this Saturday. Children are busily putting the final touches to their creative class entries, and these will be on display on Saturday after the animal judging has taken place. Do make sure you have a look in each classroom on Saturday, as well as at the amazingly creative chicken boxes in the hall.

Looking forward to seeing all families on Pets Day.

Kind regards

Tony Williams

Principal

Notices:

Measles: We have a suspected case of measles in the school, not yet confirmed. We do ask that all parents, especially parents of children who are NOT immunised, be extremely vigilant for the early signs of measles - running eyes, nose, cough, fever, then a rash. Please err on the side of caution and keep your child/ren home and seek medical advice and let us know. Please keep in mind that if you are keeping your non-immunised child away from school as a precaution to prevent possible infection, or the child has what could be the start of measles, then you will also need to keep them away from school events [Puanga Festival / Pets Day] and other public events for a couple of weeks. Immunised children should not be affected by anyone in the community having measles.

2020 School Hours: With no bus in 2020 our school hours will change to :- Drop off in morning no earlier than 8.15am - start of day is 9am / end of day 3.00pm, latest time for pick up is 3.15pm.

Dates for 2020:

Term	Starts	Ends	Public Holidays [School closed]
1	Tuesday 4th February	Thursday 9th April	Thurs 6 Feb - Waitangi Day
			Mon 9 Mar - Taranaki Anniversary
2	Tuesday 28 April	Friday 3 July	Anzac taken on Mon 27th April
			Mon 1 June - Queens Birthday
3	Monday 20 July	Friday 25th September	
4	Monday 12 October	Tuesday 15th December	Mon 26 October - Labour Day



Term 4: Important Dates				
OCT Wed 30		Rehearsal – Pet Day animals		
Thurs 31		PUANGA festival 4pm		
NOV S	at 2	PETS DAY		
М	on 4	BOT meeting at 6.30pm		
Thur 7 & 21		Mobile Library		
F	ri 22	Cluster Athletics at Inglewood		
F	ri 29	H&S Bought Lunch day		
DEC Th	nur 5	Mobile Library		
Tue	es 10	Graduation Evening		
Thu	ır 12	Last day of term		

Notices:

PETS DAY 2019 - Please refer to last weeks newsletter for the full details. Arrival time for Chickens, Calves, Lambs, other small animals is between 9am and 9.15am. Judging will begin at 9.30am.

Chickens to the Hall / small animals in cages to the Hall stage / small animals [tethered or on a trailer] at designated spot on the field / Calves in their designated FARM areas by child's 'name plate' / Lambs by the child's 'name plate' / preschool Lambs in their own area by child's 'name plate'.

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

The following students had received a POC card during last week and their names were drawn out at assembly:

Boston Cooper Funnell [10 point card] for being respectful on the mat *all* the time, **Ryley Jupp & Zayde Lawrence** both for super Buddy Reading, **Sienna Caldwell** for great homework and **Nixon Kemp** for amazing 'Go Noodle'. Well done everyone!

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...

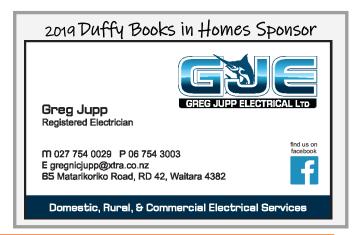
Go to the App store on your Apple or Android device and search **SchoolAppNZ** to download. Then search **Huirangi School** to find our app.

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. **School App:** Hopefully by now all our families will be using this app to receive newsletters and other alerts. *If you are not on the app you are missing vital information from school. We do have paper copies of newsletters at the office, if you would like to collect one.* Please remember to use the app for notifying absences, don't send emails directly to teachers. If more than one child in the family is away for the same reason, you can make one absence notification with both or all names on it. Please ensure to put the correct classroom number/name on the notification too!

Touch: Thanks to families who have already paid their child's Touch sub. Please check with the office to see if you have a credit that this sub can be taken out of. Reminder there is no Touch this week due to the Puanga Festival.



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

