

HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2020 TERM 1: Week 4 – Monday 24th February



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Dear Parents and Caregivers

We have had our settling in period and are now well and truly focussed on teaching and learning. We have Fernie from Skills4Life [Sport Taranaki] in on Mondays, swimming lessons on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays and lots of class outings too. Year 5 & 6 Camp, WOMAD and tomorrow He Puāwai and Rooms 1 & 2 visit Puke Ariki. So, it's go go go! You may have heard in the media the current education talk surrounding truancy. Nationwide there has been an increased trend in children being away from school for reasons that are not justified. This is truancy. Statistics tell us that with a 10% average absence rate per year over a child's time at primary, intermediate and secondary school they will have missed one whole year's schooling.

We know there has been a lot of adjusting for some families now that we no longer have a bus. Please remember that drop off in the mornings is no earlier than 8.15am and pick up in the afternoons is no later than 3.15pm and please, do not, drop off or pick up children in the staff car park.

Bike Week is coming up and once again all our children will attend the skills day at the Taranaki Cycle Trust bike park at Bell Block on the Wednesday. We need help with trailers and utes to get all the bikes to the park. If you can help, please contact us. The children will travel by bus.

Kind regards

Tony Williams

Principal

Term 1: Important Dates

FEB	Mon 24	BOT meeting 6.30pm
	Thur 27	Mobile Library bus
MAR	3-5	Y5 & 6 Camp
	Fri 6	Teacher Only Day [school closed]
	Mon 9	Taranaki Ann. [school closed]
	Tue/Wed 10 11	POC Interviews
	Thur 12	Swimming Sports
	Thur 12	Mobile Library bus
	Fri 13	Cluster Swim Sports Y 4, 5 & 6
	Mon 16-20	Bike Week/Triathlon
	Thur 26	Cluster Triathlon
APR	Thur 9	Last day of term 1

Notices:

Year 5 & 6 WOMAD Dance Workshop: The following Year 5 & 6 children will be taking part in the rehearsal and performance at WOMAD this year: *Pania Morehu, Jordan Anglesey, Olivia Ratahi, Madison Drinkwater, Alexia Hartley, Paige Mabey, Tylah Goldby, Blake Downer, Maddeline Pearce, Boston Cooper-Funnell, Chiara Hogan-Seijo, Emma Young, Tiana Kettle, Ella Brett, Jai Patuwairua, Lucas Williams-Meston, Rawinia Andrews, Jorja Hanover, Taya Tai and Marcus Sheehy.* More details about the event will come home to these children in a separate note.

Person of Character Interviews: Thank-you to parents who have returned their interview 'time preference' forms. All forms need to be back by first thing Wednesday this week please. Interview times will be worked out on Wednesday and the form returned to you Thursday showing your allocated time. Anyone who hasn't sent back their time preference form will be allocated a time that we hope you can attend.

2019 End of Year Trophies: If you have one of these trophies at home, please return it to school office.

Person of Character: At assembly last week the following children had their names drawn out from the POC cards issued for good deeds! - **Neeve Hendry** for staying in the pool for the whole session; **Elise de Waard** for returning her interview form promptly; **Librius Clarke-Pihama** for fantastic swimming and being a good buddy; **Kelvin Hewson** for being focussed on his work and completing tasks; **Kora Paul** for being a good buddy and **Tui Nagle** for her awesome home reading. Congratulations everyone, enjoy your Duffy Book reward.

Camp 2020 for Year 5 & 6 Students: Huge thanks to parents who have offered transport /trailers/tents for camp, we have had a great response!

So, the following list shows our helpers with transport/trailers/tents/transport to tramp etc. We will accept all offers of help for transport to and from camp as it is lovely for parents to be able to come out and see where their child is staying -we may not however need all offers of trailers, and this is indicated below.

Transport to and from camp: Hartley [3], Anglesey [4], Alldridge [5], Hewson [1], Pearce [6], Drinkwater [4], Downer [3], Hogan-Seijo [3], Brett [4], Young [4], Hanover [3], Morehu [3], Horo [3], Lewis [2]

Transport out to camp only: Kumar [3], Andrews [4], Tai [4], Ratahi [3]

Transport from camp back to school only: Marx [2], Patuwairua [6], Flay [6]

Supply a trailer or ute: Hartley [ute - yes please], Anglesey [ute -yes please] Drinkwater [trailer - yes please], Downer [trailer - yes please], Lewis [ute-yes please] *Thankyou for your kind offer, but we don't need trailers from the following families - Pearce, Hanover, Horo, Mounsey.*

Transport for the tramp: Alldridge [5], Pearce [6], Drinkwater [4], Andrews [6], Marx [2], Downer [3], Brett [4], Young [4], Hanover [3], Woodmass [3], Flay [6]

Tents supplied from: Mabey [3], Brett [3], Mason [2], Lewis [3], Flay [2]. Additional tents will be supplied by camp organisers.

If you are in any doubt about the above information please give school a call to clarify.

The camp organisers have advised that children can bring home baking out to camp if they wish. Any baking is to be handed in at the start of camp and will be distributed appropriately throughout the week. However - it must be in a 2L plastic ice cream container AND it must have a list of ingredients taped to the lid.

This is to comply with dietary requirements of children attending.



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.

2020 HUIRANGI SCHOOL hours

Start - 9am [earliest drop off time is 8.15am]

Morning tea - 11am– 11.20am

Lunch - 1.00pm - 1.40pm

End of Day - 3pm [latest time for children to be picked up is 3.15pm]

Huirangi Home & School Executive

President: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538

Secretary: position vacant

Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

2020 Proposed Fundraising

TERM 1 Events:

- Pre-ordered lunch for children on swimming sports day
- Easter Raffle with goods donated from families and tickets sold by families
- Pre-ordered lunch at the end of the term

TERM 2 Events:

- Staff run Quiz Night at Huirangi Hall
- Staff run sponsored 'athon' [either 'Spellathon' or 'Readathon']
- Pre-ordered lunch for children towards the end of the term

TERM 3 Events:

- Cluster Cross Country Food Stall
- Pre-ordered lunch for Children towards end of the term

TERM 4 Events:

- Kids Art work 2021 Diaries & Notebooks
- Pets Day Food Stall only
- School Disco
- Pre-ordered lunch for Children towards end of the term

2020 Duffy Books in Homes Sponsor



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W'akako'a Maia Tika Pono