

HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2020 TERM 1: Week 8 – Monday 23 March



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Dear Parents and Caregivers

There is no doubt that these are indeed difficult times for our communities and our country as a whole. As the Coronavirus Covid-19 situation is changing daily we will keep you fully informed, via the app, of any decisions the school takes to help keep our community safe and healthy.

On advice from the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health we have cancelled events that bring people from other areas into our community. We have currently advised visitors and liaison people who regularly visit our school to stay away until further notice.

If you are intending keeping your children home due to the Covid-19 situation, please use the app [or phone] to let us know this. Unless you have specified in your notification we will assume that this absence is for the remainder of the term.

As notified on the school app - He Puāwai class is closed.

A number of our families have also made the decision to keep children at home until further notice and there is more clarity regarding the Covid-19 situation.

We understand your decision in relation to the current situation.

We have fielded a number of calls today from parents concerning how best to help their children at home to maintain their learning. There are hundreds of internet sites to explore along with ensuring that your child does some reading, writing and maths [basic facts] each day.

Activities can be playing board games with your children, baking, writing a diary, as well as physical activities to help maintain fitness and well being.

We ask that you refrain from asking teachers for work for your child at the moment. If schools are closed we will then give more definitive sites and apps to investigate and use. Also please remember digital devices are a *tool* for learning and are not essential, and nothing can replace the one to one interactions between parent and child.

Kind regards

Tony Williams

Principal

Notices:

Drink Bottles & Hand Towel: Every child needs to bring their own, named, drink bottle of water and hand towel to school every day. We are currently not using the drinking fountains as part of our social responsibility to the health of the children and a separate hand towel per child is advised.



Easter Raffle: We have made the decision to **CANCEL** this raffle. Tickets were due to go out today, but we feel this is something that is best shelved. Huge thanks to the families who have sent in contributions, but to other families - please don't send in anything. If it is OK with the families who have contributed some lovely gifts, we will keep these for a raffle later down the track.

Term 1: Important Dates		
MAR	Wed 26	Transition classes CANCELLED
	Thur 26	Cluster Triathlon CANCELLED
	Mon 30	BOT meeting 6.30pm
APR	Thur 9	Last day of term 1
	Tues 28	Start of term 2
	Thurs 30	H&S meeting 2.00pm

Person of Character: Assemblies are not being held at present to help keep distance amongst the students as much as possible.

Cluster Swimming Sports Official results:

Year 6: Tiana Kettle, 1st in Backstroke & 2nd in Freestyle

Ella Brett 1st in Breaststroke

Olivia Ratahi, 2nd in Breaststroke

Jai Patuwairua, 3rd in Breaststroke

Year 5: Madison Drinkwater, 2nd in Backstroke & 2nd in Freestyle

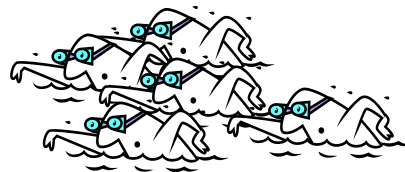
Rawinia Andrews, 1st in Freestyle & 3rd in Backstroke & 3rd in Breaststroke

Jordan Anglesey, 3rd in Backstroke

Year 4: Emma Lane, 2nd in Freestyle

Ryley Jupp, 2nd in Backstroke & 2nd in Freestyle

Penelope Pearce, 3rd in Backstroke



Well done and Congratulations to everyone.

Bike Week: Huge thanks for the help at the Bike Park day, and at our school triathlon last week. A special thank-you to Courtney & Rachel Taylor for supplying us with coffees at the Bike Park [was very much appreciated] and to Rachel for her beautiful photography at our events.

Triathlon Official results Y 4-6: -these would have been our Cluster entrants....

Year 6 Boys - 1st Jai Patuwairua, 2nd Tylah Goldby, 3rd Blake Downer

Year 6 Girls - 1st Tiana Kettle, 2nd Ella Brett, 3rd Pania Morehu

Year 5 Boys - 1st Lucas Williams-Meston, 2nd Kelvin Hewson,
3rd Jordan Anglesey

Year 5 Girls - 1st Paige Mabey, 2nd Maddeline Pearce, 3rd Rawinia Andrews

Year 4 Boys - 1st Aidan Young, 2nd Ryley Jupp, 3rd Max Weston

Year 4 Girls - 1st Emma Lane, 2nd Lilah Elers, 3rd Aroha Morehu

Huirangi Home & School Executive

President: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538

Secretary: Tara Honnor

Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

2020 Fundraising

TERM 1 Events:

EASTER RAFFLE is cancelled

*Thanks to Tara Honnor who has stepped in
as H&S Secretary for the year.*

*Your support is very much
appreciated!*

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]

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Wakako'a Maia Tika Pono