HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2020 TERM 2: Week 5 - Monday 25 May

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Week 1 under our 'new normal' has gone very smoothly! Thanks again to parents who are dropping children off at the gate each day and refraining from coming onto the school grounds unless absolutely necessary. The staggered afternoon pick-up also seems to be working well.

Our children have settled back to work quickly with classes concentrating on teaching and learning as well as re-establishing the relationships between peers.

Last week we welcomed Charlotte Gray into He Puāwai, and this morning we welcome Cohen and Riley Longstaff, into Rooms 2 and 3 respectively.

At the Board meeting last week we discussed how our school events will look going forward this year. All events including Cluster events for Term 2 have been cancelled. This means, no Art Extravaganza, and Year 5 & 6 Cluster Quiz. Term 4 is still a way off but due to the long planning time required for the Fancy Dress/Folk dancing event and Pets Day the Board will monitor the situation and make a decision early in Term 3 as to whether these events will be held, or held in a scaled-down form. We will keep you updated.

Since we returned to school under Levels 3 & 2 of COVID-19 we have been required by the MOE National Crisis Monitoring Centre to report daily attendance numbers. This data is to inform and support planning for students returning to school as well as the evaluation and monitoring on the effectiveness of initiatives implemented by the Ministry of Education during this time. Our data/attendance numbers here at Huirangi is on a par with many of the nations schools, and our numbers of children returning to school in Level 2 is steadily rising — as it is in schools across the country.

Kind regards

Tony Williams

Principal

Notices:

Netball 2020: This looks to be going ahead in Term 3. You may remember registering your child's interest prior to lockdown. We did register the teams, and those students have a paper copy sent home with them today or tomorrow.

If you **DON'T WANT** your child to play, please contact the office, or Mrs Woodward directly asap.

If we don't hear back from you we will assume that your child will be in the team.



Term 2: Important Dates		
JUNE	Mon 1	Queen's Birthday holiday
	Mon 22	BOT meeting at 6pm
	Wed 24	School Photo's
JULY	Friday 3	Last day of Term 2
Monday 20		First Day of Term 3

Pick Up in the Afternoons:

He Puāwai and Room 1 [siblings included] - from 2.45pm.

Students from Rooms 2, 3 & 4, - at 3.00pm.





Casual Vacancy for an Elected Trustee

A casual vacancy has occurred on the Board of Trustees for an elected parent representative. The Board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the Board, within 28 days of this publication, to hold a by-election, then a by-election will be held. Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the Board to hold a By-election should write to:

The BOT Chairperson

Huirangi School RD 3 New Plymouth

by 22 June 2020

Mobile Library: This won't be visiting us until next term. All books that are currently out with children have been 'renewed' until 30 June. Over the next week or two please return the books to school and we will get them back to the NPDC Library.

Thank-you: A huge thank-you to the Pokere family who nominated our school to receive a \$500 donation from McDonalds Real Estate following the recent sale of their property.

Property Upgrade: Our property upgrade [mainly the older block which houses Rooms 1 & 2] which has been on the drawing board for some time is progressing nicely.

The upgrade will give us modern learning environments in Rooms 1 & 2, some upgrade of Room 3, a relocated Reading Recovery space, an internally extended staffroom with new kitchen and an additional breakout space/working room adjacent to He Puāwai.

There will be inevitable disruption to some areas of the school however, we do have comprehensive plans in place to minimise this as much as possible. The final result is going to be AWESOME!

Huirangi Home & School Executive

President: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538

Secretary: Tara Honnor

Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

No fundraising events until further notice

No H&S meetings until further notice



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.

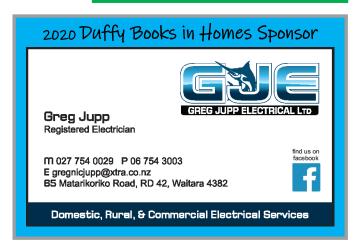
2020 HVIRANGI SCHOOL hours

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]



♦ PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE **♦**

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