

HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2021 TERM 1: Week 2 – Wednesday 10th February



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Dear families

This is our second short week and it has been great for everyone to slowly settle into school routines. Next week, a full week will be the test!

Swimming tuition has begun, and small groups of children are being taught vital skills for water confidence and swimming each day, so please always send their togs, towel, swim cap and if available, goggles. It is also a good idea for children to have a warm sweatshirt in their bags - it's often a bit chilly especially after a swim!

In March, we have our annual Bike Week and Triathlon. It's timely now to check over children's bikes to ensure they are roadworthy, and to start some training. This will give your child a good head start for this upcoming event next month. If your child doesn't have a bike [or a suitably sized bike] please contact me and I might be able to help with sourcing one for the week.

Kind Regards

Kristy Barnao

Acting Principal

Term 1: Key Dates

FEBRUARY

Thur 11	Mobile Library Bus
Wed 17	Home & School AGM 2pm
Thur 25	Mobile Library Bus
Thur 25	BOT meeting 6.00pm

MARCH

Fri 5	School Swim Sports
Mon 8	Taranaki Anniversary school closed
Thur 11	Mobile Library Bus
Fri 12	Cluster Swim Sports
15 –19	Bike Week
Tue 16	Visit Bike Park at Bell Block
Fri 19	School Triathlon
Tue 23	Cluster Triathlon
Wed 24	Cluster Tri postponement date
Thur 25	Mobile Library Bus

APRIL

Fri 2	Easter Friday school closed
Mon 5	Easter Monday school closed
Tue 6	Easter Tuesday school closed
Thur 8	Mobile Library Bus
Fri 16	Last Day Term 1

Notices:

Mobile Library Bus - This is due to visit tomorrow. Please have a really good look at home for NPDC library books, and return them tomorrow. NPDC have informed us that there are quite a lot of books still out with children.

Fruit In Schools - Our fruit deliveries actually begin next week! [Monday 15th] When we do receive the fruit there is no need to pack fruit in your child's lunchbox

Pool Keys - The pool is now up and running and pool keys can be hired from the office at \$20. This is for the shortened season. Note that swimming times are out of school hours and the latest time in the evening is 8pm. So, please call into the office with cash [we don't have eftpos] to sign the key contract and pick up your key.

Stationery - All your child's stationery is supplied from school at a cost of \$30 per child. This is to be paid by the end of this month please - either cash to the school office or directly into our bank account:-

Huirangi School Board of Trustees 153945 0210342 00 with the reference 'stationery' and your child's name.



Home & School Meeting - Our wonderful fundraising group are holding their AGM on Wednesday 17th February, at 2.00pm in the staffroom. Some current office holders are stepping down, so please do come to the meeting to support the group and if you would like to take on a role, the opportunity may be available. They will also be planning the fundraising programme for the year, so all ideas are welcome!

And finally..... We are looking for a bar leaner table to use on the deck outside the staffroom. It needs to be all wooden to withstand all weathers. If you have a spare one or know where one might be available, please give the office a call.

2021 TERM DATES			
Term	Start	End	Holidays/Teacher Only Day <i>[Days School closed]</i>
1	Wed 3 February	Friday 16 April	Mon 8 Feb Waitangi Tue 9 Feb TOD Mon 8 Mar Taranaki Ann. Fri 2 April Good Friday Mon 5 April Easter Monday Tue 6 April Easter Tuesday
2	Monday 3 May	Friday 9 July	Fri 4 June TOD Mon 7 June Queens Birthday
3	Monday 26 July	Friday 1 Oct	Mon 6 Sept TOD
4	Monday 18 Oct	Thursday 16 Dec	Mon 25 Oct Labour Day Mon 15 Nov TOD

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.

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.

We will alert you again as soon as the lockdown is cleared.

2020 Huirangi Home & School Executive

President: Jo Alldridge Ph 021 402538
Secretary: Tara Honnor Ph 0279 118880
Treasurer: Nicola Jupp Ph 0274 314113

2021 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 - 3.00pm ** Rm 4 and siblings pick-up is at the school drive entrance area

[The latest time for pick up is 3.15pm]



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