

HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2021 TERM 1: Week 4 – Monday 22nd February



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Dear families

This term we are trialling fortnightly newsletters. Any additional messages or notices will be sent out as an app alert.

Today we welcome Evie Wilson into He Puāwai. The month of March is traditionally a busy one for us with Swimming Sports, Cluster Swimming Sports, Bike Week, Triathlon and Cluster Triathlon. For families new to the school, Cluster events involve the four schools in our 'Cluster' - Lepperton, Urenui, Tikorangi and us. There is an outline of each event in the notices.

A couple of weeks ago we put out a call for anyone who may have had a spare bar leaner type table for our deck area. As a result we have been donated a beautiful new bar leaner table from Gary & Charmaine Sarten. Thank-you both very much for this very generous donation. It is a great place to sit for morning tea or lunch and a fantastic vantage point to see children at play.

Huge and grateful thanks to our wonderful Home & School group who, after a rather disastrous 2020 Covid year have still managed to donate \$4500 to school. Much appreciated.

Kind Regards

Kristy Barnao

Acting Principal

Notices:

School Swimming Sports - Friday 5th March. As in past years this is split into two sessions: Seniors & Juniors:-

Senior Swimming - Year 4, 5 & 6 children [Rooms 3 & 4] will start at 10.30am

Junior Swimming - starting at 12.30pm for He Puāwai skills demonstrations and 1.00pm for Rooms 1 & 2 skills demonstrations.

The Home & School will be having a sausage sizzle from 10.30am which will include coffee/tea/hot chocolate. Pre-order/pay forms will come home with the eldest/only child this week to make for efficient catering. Extra sausages will, of course, be cooked for 'extra' sales on the day.

Cluster Swimming Sports - Friday 12th March. A team of swimmers from Years 4, 5 & 6 will be chosen after our swim sports to represent our school at this event at the Bell Block pools. Transport will be needed from parents for this team please.

Bike Week - Monday 15th - Friday 19th March. Our organisation for this week is as follows:-

Monday - all bikes to come to school at 9.00am [the Friday before is good too, if that is what works for you] Bike safety checks and triathlon practices.

Tuesday - Bike Park Day. All children travel to and from Bell Block by bus. The Year 4-6 [Rooms 3 & 4] children leave for the bike park at 9.15am and their session there ends at approx. 12.noon when they are bussed back to school. The Year 1, 2 & 3 children [Rooms He Puāwai, 1 & 2] arrive at the bike park at approx. 12 noon for their session and arrive back at school at around 2.15pm. **We need help please to transport 114 bikes to the park.** If you have a trailer or ute, and are available on the day, please contact Nicky Tapp directly or the school office.

Wednesday & Thursday - We will be continuing practising for the Triathlon. This will involve bike rides on the road and for this we would like **help please**, either in the form of cycling with the children or being a road marshal.

Friday - TRIATHLON DAY PTO

Term 1: Key Dates

FEBRUARY	
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	QUIZ NIGHT @Huirangi hall
Fri 16	Last Day Term 1

Everyone takes part in this annual event. Approximate times are:-

9.45am Year 6 Boys, then Y6 Girls

10.05am Year 5 Boys, then Year 5 Girls

10.35am Year 4 Boys, then Year 5 Girls

10.55am Year 3 Boys, then Year 3 Girls

11.15am Year 2 Boys, then Year 2 Girls

11.30am Year 1 Boys, then Year 1 Girls

11.50am Prizegiving/Spot prizes



Note: All week the children will need suitable closed toe shoes for cycling and running [there are prickles] as well as shorts and t-shirts suitable for running and cycling in. On Triathlon Day the Year 4, 5 & 6 children need an extra change of clothes in their bag to change into after their swim *as they cannot access their transition area to retrieve* the t-shirts and shorts they have taken off. For safety reasons cyclists must wear shoes and shorts. Boys togs are considered shorts, but girls need to wear shorts over their togs even if they are wearing 'rash tog shorts'.

Help on the day - we do need some adult helpers on the day to either cycle on the road or be a road marshal. If you are able to help please contact either the school office, or Nicky Tapp directly [nicky@huirangi.school.nz]

There will be a coffee cart present on the day. **Bikes** are to be taken home at the end of the triathlon please. Please check over your child's bike now so that they come to school in a roadworthy condition.

Person of Character - The following children had their names drawn out from the POC cards issued over the last couple of weeks:- **Jakobi Hopson** for quiet organisation, **Seth McAnelly** for settling straight into work, **Makani Topia** for super tidying up, **Aylah Kettle** for sitting nicely on the mat, **Taya Tai** for being a good 'talk partner' and **Emma Lane** for being a good 'talk partner', **Coby Bevins** for doing the right thing at the right time, **Indie Cragg** for being a great class member, **Tetabo Nakaoti** for super tidying up and **Neko Kettle** for working hard. Well done everyone.

Surplus - We have an aluminium window and two older style interior doors which are surplus to our needs. They can be viewed at school. Doors are free, and we'd like a small donation for the window. First in first served!

And Finally.... A reminder to families who are using the pool after hours to please, please remove any rubbish you may have. We don't want to have to pick up dirty nappies /sanitary products before the children use the pool. 😞

Huirangi Home & School Report

Congratulations to Tara Honnor and Nicola Jupp both of whom were re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer respectively at the AGM.

Huge thanks to Jo Alldridge for all her past work in fundraising and who has stood down from the President role to focus more on her Kindy role. The position of President was not filled.

So, we are looking for a person or a team of two to take on the President role for the year. Ideally this person/team should have a passion for fundraising and an eye for detail and be a great team player! This role involves running the meetings throughout the year and being the coordinator of fundraising events [and/ or delegating] as well as liaising with school staff and product suppliers to ensure events run smoothly.

Is that you ?? If so please call either Tara [0279118880] or Nicola [0274314113] and have a chat about it. Don't worry, you will have support, and as for being thrown in the deep end – well the deep end is not that deep !

YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU !

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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