

# HUIRANGI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2021 TERM 1: Week 6 – Tuesday 9th March



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Dear families

I trust everyone had a lovely long weekend! The weather has turned a little cooler so it is timely to remind children to bring a warm sweatshirt each day. Later on in the term we will be holding interviews. This time they will not be compulsory for all children, instead they will be an opportunity for parents to have an interview if they wish and for teachers to request an interview if they need to have that catch up. Later in the year, *compulsory* interviews will be held. A 'time block' preference slip will come home to all families shortly. The interviews will be on Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st March and will be after school so we will not be closing early.

At the last Board of Trustees meeting a date was set for a public meeting to form a committee to organise the 150th School and Community Reunion which we will be celebrating next year, 2022. So, please attend this meeting on Thursday 6th May at 7.00pm in the Huirangi Hall if you would like to be involved in the organisation.

Kind Regards

*Kristy Barnao*

Acting Principal

## Notices:

**Cluster Swimming Sports - Friday 12th March** After our swim trials last Friday the following students have been selected to compete in the Cluster Swimming Sports this Friday at the Bell Block pools:-

Year 4 - Kadynce Anglesey, Kaylee Lepper, Matilda Johnson, Jett George, Neko Kettle, Tyler Hendry, Lennox Mabey

Year 5 - Phillipa Andrews, Penelope Pearce, Katie Alldridge, Emma Lane, Ryley Jupp, Max Weston, Isaac Downer

Year 6 - Madison Drinkwater, Rawinia Andrews, Maddeline Pearce, Jordan Anglesey, Kane Alldridge

Transport will be needed from parents for this team please. We will depart school at 11.45am to be at the pools by 12 noon, and be ready for races to begin at 12.30pm. **Please give the office a call if you can help with transport.**

**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. 12noon 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

MARCH	
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
Wed 30	<i>Optional</i> Interviews
Thur 31	<i>Optional</i> Interviews
APRIL	
Fri 2	Easter Friday <b>school closed</b>
Mon 5	Easter Monday <b>school closed</b>
Tue 6	Easter Tuesday <b>school closed</b>
Thur 8	Mobile Library Bus
Fri 16	QUIZ NIGHT @Huirangi hall
Fri 16	Last Day Term 1

Everyone takes part in this annual event. **Please note that the junior children will race in age groups rather than Year groups.** Approximate times are:-

**9.45am** Year 6 Boys, then Y6 Girls [Room 4]

**10.05am** Year 5 Boys, then Year 5 Girls [Room 3 & 4]

**10.35am** Year 4 Boys, then Year 4 Girls [Room 3]

**10.55am** **7 year old** Boys, then **7 year old** Girls [Room 2]

**11.15am** **6 year old** Boys, then **6 year old** Girls [He Puāwai /1 & 2]

**11.30am** **5 year old** Boys, then **5 year old** 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:- Devy Kettle for homework completion, Indy Cragg, Elise de Waard & Tito Uatiree for great tidying up and Aidan Young for perseverance to complete a task. Well done everyone!

**Class & House Councillors** - Last week the following children were voted by their peers to be Class Councillors and House Captains -

**KIWI** House Captains - Rawinia Andrews & Jordan Anglesey

**TUI** House Captains - Marcus Sheehy & Taya Tai

**PUKEKO** House Captains - Paige Mounsey & Paige Mabey

He Puāwai Class Councillors - Aylah Kettle & Jonny Sheehy Room 1 - Conner Alldridge & Charlotte Gray

Room 2 - Makani Topia & Maria Monroy Felix

Room 3 - Ryley Jupp & Katie Alldridge

Room 4 - Brock Oliver & Maddeline Pearce

**Sports** -

**Netball** - expressions of interest forms were sent home last week. If your child wishes to play, please return the slip asap.

**Hockey** - if there is enough interest we will enter a Year 3 & 4 team into the Mini Sticks league. Games will be in New Plymouth on a Saturday, fees are \$42 per player, and we would need 8 players, and a coach, before we can enter the team. Danita Drinkwater would support the coach with practise games at school. Players would need a hockey stick, mouth guard, shin guard and long socks. Please phone the school office to register your child's interest – before 19th March.

## 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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