

We certainly know we are in an election season when we start hearing the rhetoric and the promises coming through from all political parties. It has always frustrated me that Education is such a big political pendulum that can so quickly swing with changes of government and with the bright ideas of those entrusted with setting the educational direction for our children. What all parties seem to inertly lack is the real ability to actually talk with the sector and consult in a meaningful and sincere manner. Often too quickly ideas are turned into policy without any real consideration of the implications and knock on effect for our schools. All our schools are currently grappling with the implementation of Communities of Learning and the 349 million committed to improving educational success. However, after two years of development, we are yet to see any actual impact in our schools let alone our classrooms. We are working with a system that was poorly thought through and because of this has had to constantly evolve and be modified to match with the reality of teaching in our schools. The analogy of building the aeroplane while it is in the air is too often used and quite frankly is a very accurate summation of the experience. However, we are now working through this and alongside our other Canterbury Area Schools and associated primary schools we are nearly at a point to advertise and appoint teachers into the roles of across school and in school leadership positions. Once these appointments are in place we are hopeful that we might begin to see some effective use of the resource. Across our Community of Learners, we will have a strong focus on improving overall achievement with a direct focus through writing. Achievement in writing is a critical tool for ongoing success in all areas and is seen as one of the biggest barriers to achievement across the curriculum. We will look at writing in the very broad sense of conveying and articulating thoughts and ideas in a coherent and meaningful way. We hope to develop students' confidence and independence and through this raise overall achievement. It will be interesting to see how this plays out as it is very new to everybody, including those that are entrusted to implement the policy. It has certainly been a long road to get to where we currently are at and what I hope is that schools are now given the time and resourcing to ensure that it actually makes a difference for our students. After the last week and the multiple additional promises being layered on by all our political parties, I am pessimistic that we may very

quickly be dragged onto the next bright idea before we see any real impact. Fingers crossed, this doesn't happen.

On Saturday night I once again had the pleasure of attending the combined Canterbury Area Schools Formal alongside our senior students. It was a very enjoyable evening, with our students once again being exquisitely presented. They represented the school with demeanour and grace and I hope they all enjoyed their night.

This Saturday night we will be hosting the NetNZ Music Festival. A number of students from across the country will be converging on Hurunui College to perform as part of their NCEA assessment. The concert will start from 5 pm in the school gym and I encourage anybody in the area to come along and enjoy what will be on show.

Nāku noa, nā

Stephen Beck
Tumuaki - Principal



Yesterday we were lucky enough to host the Red Cross, who provided free barbeque sausages for everyone, along with members from the Bounce team. Borne out of the Canterbury Earthquakes, Bounce provides a platform for young people across New Zealand to share their wellbeing tips, positive messages, blog posts, videos, music, photos and stories, around a central theme of "live life well." The Red Cross team also presented the school with a rimu tree.

Week ending 1st September 2017

This week's newsletter sponsored by

Hawarden Waikari Red Cross

SCHOOL NOTICES

RISE AWARDS Congratulations to the people who have received RISE awards last week for demonstrating our school values. You have earned points for your House. The following people have had their names drawn to receive a principal's reward; see Mr Beck on Monday.

- Year 0-7** **Khalani Tuinawaivuvu** for demonstrating Excellence for fantastic effort in Jump Jam.
- Year 8-13** **Hayley Spencer** for demonstrating Service by videoing our speech contestants.

COMING EVENTS

Week 6

- 31 Aug** Senior Course Selection Evening
- 1 Sept** CASA Kapahaka
- 2 Sept** NETNZ Music Festival

Week 7

- 4 Aug** SISS Winter Tournament starts

Week 8

- 11 Sep** Board of Trustees Meeting, 7pm
- 15 Sep** Wheel Day (new postponed date)
- Primary Assembly
- Year 5-8 North Canterbury Basketball starts

Week 9

- 20 Sep** Year 9-13, Brainwave Trust Workshop
- Year 13 PE Trip, Abel Tasman departs
- 22 Sep** Year 13 PE Trip, Abel Tasman returns

Week 10

- 26 Sep** Area Schools Rugby Camp departs
- 29 Sep** Last day of Term 3

Check our website at www.hurunuicollege.school.nz and follow the link to our school calendar for further school events.

All Hurunui College Sports Cups and Trophies, please return to Hurunui College office by Friday 29th September.

School Sport Report

SISS Netball Good luck to the team for next week. They are travelling to Christchurch from Monday 4th - Thursday 7th September for the annual South Island Secondary Schools' Netball Tournament. We would like to thank all the sponsors and everyone else who has supported our fundraising efforts. Results and photos will follow.

We would also like to thank Foodstuffs Community Trust Sth Island for their very generous sponsorship towards our tournament.

Smallbore Rifle Team are attending the school championships in Palmerston North from 30th September - Sunday 1st October. They will be holding a sausage sizzle next week, Year 1-7 Wednesday 6th Sept and Year 8-13 Thursday 7th Sept. \$2 each sausage. They would appreciate your support to help fund this tournament. All orders have been sent home, please return to the office before Monday 4th September.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2017

- Anglican** 10.00am St James, Hawarden
- Catholic** 6.00pm Culverden
- Presbyterian** 10.00am St James, Hawarden
- Living Waters** 10.30am - 12 noon at 47 Princes Street, Waikari

A BIG THANK YOU from Allan Warren and Alayna Donohue for all the cards, food, love and support from the local community.

MEET THE CANDIDATES

For the General Election
The Red Post Café Culverden
31st August 7.00 pm.

Come to hear and ask questions of:
ACT, Democrats, Greens, Labour, NZ First, TOP.

HURUNUI PONY CLUB MEASURING DAY

Saturday 2nd September 10am till 12 o'clock
Amuri Show Grounds. There will be a person helmet tagging.

We also will be holding a Rally at 11am. Anyone can join in and see what pony club is about. Kathy 027 611 2463

HAPPY HEALTHY HURUNUI EXERCISE GROUP, OVER 50

PLUS Friday 8th September 10am onwards Hawarden Hall.
Morning Tea provided. Come for a no obligation look, a cup of tea and a chat. Any queries please phone Sarah Sidey 020 406 83250.

WAIKARI FUN RUN/WALK 10:30 am Sunday 17th September .

Distances of 4km, 7km and 11km. Plus – for children up to Yr 8 - an on-course scavenger hunt with prizes.
Registration from 9:30 am at Waikari Village Green. Adults \$10, Students \$5, Family \$20.
Enquiries to Steve 0279 146 149.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES FOOTBALL / FUTSAL

New Zealand Football and Mainland's action-packed holiday football programme is a great way for young players to have fun and develop their football skills at the same time.
Available from one to three consecutive days per week.
Suitable for children aged 7-14 years old. Children will be placed in groups relative to their age and ability
Girls only sessions also available (numbers permitting).
Each session includes skill-based training, so kids can learn the tricks and techniques to become better players. There are also plenty of chances to play football games in a fun environment, and experience the thrill of putting those skills into practice.



Xavier Morin

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Workplace First Aid

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Refresher Course , 9.00am – 4.00pm

Friday 29th September

Culverden Ambulance Station

23 Montrose Avenue Culverden

To Enquire or Enrol phone 03 315 8306 or 03 315 8272
or email amuri.stjohn@gmail.com

The Hurunui Theatre Group present

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF,

Book by Joseph Stein, lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, music by Jerry Brock. Licensed by Music Theatre International.



Waipara Memorial Hall, 24th August - 2nd September,

Thursday to Saturday. Matinee Saturday 26th August.


Tickets at Sally Mac's, Waikari Auto Services.

For more info plus online tickets go to
www.hurunui theatre.org

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Applications close

5pm
Monday
11 September 2017

Limited funding is available to individuals or groups within the Hurunui for projects that take place between 20 Sept 2017 & 30 Aug 2018, and

- have an art focus,
- will be completed within 12 months,
- will benefit the local community.

Application forms are available via the Council website: www.hurunui.govt.nz

Please direct all enquiries to Maree Hare
email : maree.hare@hurunui.govt.nz

SCARGILL SPRING SHOW

Saturday 30th September at the Tipapa Woolshed,
Greta Valley

Items may be entered between 8:30am and 10:15am

Doors open to public at 1pm, Prize Giving 2:30pm

Check out our Facebook page for more details: Scargill
Horticultural and Home Industries Society

ADVERTISING

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Ken Wilkins has left to pursue other interests.

We wish him well for the future and thank him for his services over the past 4 years,

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Geoff Olorenshaw 0274 543 203

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FOR SALE

Small Hay Bales \$6.50. Small hay feeder with stainless steel trough. Waikari. Phone 03 981 4554.

16 Individually Wrapped Round Bales of Lucerne baleage made 2015/2016 season, \$80 each plus gst. 3 meadow baleage \$50 each. Phone 314 2581.

Free Range Eggs \$5 per dozen. Phone 314 4246

Desiree Tables Potatoes \$5 per bucket, phone John Crean 314 4311.

Firewood For Sale Phone Ken, 027 374 4404.

Lily and Freesia Bulbs For Sale

The Red Cross will again have lily bulbs to order until September 9th. The pictures of the bulbs will be on display in the library and at 79 O'Carroll's Road To order please contact Pat Manning 314 4160 or Joy Roberts 314 4085.

The lily bulbs are in packs of 4 for \$10 and the freesias in packs of 20 for \$5. Payment with order please.

CONTACT DETAILS

Board of Trustees Contact Details (home)

<i>Chairperson</i>	Bernie Dobbs	314 4014
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DOOR KNOCKS ARE HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY...

Tuesday 5th September

HAWARDEN & WAIKARI

The Community Hub will be at the Waikari Hall

Friday 8th September

GRETA VALLEY, MOTUNAU & SCARGILL

The Community Hub will be at the Greta Valley Tavern



Come and have a cuppa and
chat in the Community Hub

How you are getting on 9 months after the 14 November earthquake?

Deputy Mayor Marie Black and her team of volunteers are visiting townships in the Hurunui District with a short questionnaire for you to complete. We want to understand the ongoing needs of our community, so we can work towards the best outcomes for You and Your Family. We would like to make sure you are aware of and able to access the many post-earthquake services available to you. Thank you for your time and cooperation in completing the Hurunui EQ Community Team Welfare questionnaire. The information you provide is, and will be used to help us plan for, and deliver recovery efforts in your community.

Please contact Marie Black on 0212 068 185 if you have any questions.

community@hurunui.govt.nz 0800 155 180



Many of the extra curricular and sporting activities our students take part in, could not happen with out the generous support of organisations and businesses in our local community. We would like to thank everyone who buys our raffle tickets, sausages sizzles, attends quiz nights and other fundraising activities. We encourage everyone to support the groups that support us.



Hawarden/Waikari Lions would like to congratulate Asra Ginders on her achievements of late regarding all the singing competitions she has attended and done exceptional well in. Photo Bruce Forrester, President, handing over a donation towards travel to Asra Ginders.



Thank you to Foodstuffs Community Trust South Island for their very generous sponsorship towards our South Island Secondary Schools' Netball tournament.