



It is unbelievable to think another school year has just about passed us by. As I get to the bottom of reading over, 1500 report comments I feel the community and parents can be pleased with how the year has shaped up at Hurunui College. The comments from teachers are very positive and reflect the hard work and effort that has been put in by students and staff during the year. This hard work also extends to our administration staff, caretaker, cleaners, teacher aids, music tutors, helpers, volunteers, bus drivers and all that contribute to keeping Hurunui College moving forward. We have a very dedicated and capable staff within the school. As we head into 2018 there are a few minor changes happening. Firstly we are very pleased to be able to advise that we have appointed Mr Tom King as our new hard materials technology teacher. Tom has a wealth of teaching experience, teaching in both New Zealand and around the world and he will bring both an engineering and carpentry background along with strong computer design and production capabilities. Tom will complete a full circle, being born in Waikari and having his father and other family attend Hawarden District High School and with his father fittingly being awarded the Woodworking Trophy. We look forward to welcoming Tom to the school from the beginning of 2018. We are also in the process of appointing Learning Assistants for next year with Paula Beck and Sonya Kelly leaving at the end of the year. Lastly, we will also farewell Ruth Berry at the end of the year. Ruth has worked tirelessly with our Rata Room students and within the South Pacific Educational Curriculum. I am sure we will see her back as a reliever before too long.

As reports go out over the next couple of days, primary parents will also receive letters advising on class compositions for next year. If parents have any concerns they are strongly encouraged to come and talk this through with school. This is always a difficult process trying to balance student numbers, abilities and the wider needs of the students.

Our full school Prizegiving next Tuesday 12th December. We ask that all parents, caregivers and community who wish to attend, please aim to be seated by 10.15, with a start time for the Prizegiving being 10.30. We will be aiming for a finish time of about 12 pm. The buses will run at 12.30pm on this day. Parents and caregivers, please be aware that

students will also be home approximately two and a half hours earlier on Prizegiving day. It will be important that parents also ensure ALL students are in correct uniform as this will be checked prior to the start of the Prizegiving. We ask that all students present themselves respectfully and portray the positive image of the school.

Well done to all of the students who represented Hurunui College at the Canterbury Primary Schools Athletics Sports yesterday. Geordie Hassell did exceptionally well placing 2nd in discuss and 3rd in Shot-put. Our U13 girls' relay team also did very well to progress through to the final.

I wish all families, students and the community a very Merry and safe Christmas and holiday period. For those leaving us at the end of the year, I wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavours and hope you will take away happy memories of your time at Hurunui College. For those returning, we will look forward to seeing you back fit and healthy in the New Year.

Nāku noa, nā

Stephen Beck

Tumuaki - Principal



Waiaporoporo Class held a successful mini market, on Wednesday The intent of the market was for the children to learn about what goes in to making products and understanding the concept of using money.

Week ending 8th Dec 2017 **Surrey and Dallas Earl**

Newsletter sponsored by **Rainbow Funk, Waikari**

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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 **Aurora Smith** by keeping going in maths.

Year 8-13 **Roddy Murchison** by starting the period with a special song to make the teacher's day.

Basketball draw as follows for this Friday 8th December

Hurunui Hotshots v Fernside Thunder RNLS2 tbc
(3rd/4th)

Hurunui Hurricanes v Amberley Bulldogs MEGA2 8pm
(Final)

Hurunui Hustlers v Clarkeville Cobras Kaiapoi High 7pm
(3rd/4th)

Hurunui Hoopsters had last game last week and came 5th overall in your grade.

Results from last week were as follows:

- Hurunui Hotshots lost 39-19
- Hurunui Hurricanes won 68-14
- Hurunui Hustlers lost 34-36
- Hurunui Hoopsters won 64-25

Please can we have all basketball tops returned Friday night, to your coach/manager, so they are not lost over the holidays.... *Many thanks.*

Primary Schools Triathlon at Pegasus on Wednesday 29th November. Congratulations to the three students who participated in this annual event. Well done to Regan Kay 7/61 and Neve Cassidy 61/68 and Ella Ferguson 75/93, shame about the bike chain.....Ella.

Primary Schools Athletics Championships Well done to the 18 students who went to Ashburton this week. Results will be sent to us in due course. Thank you to the parents who took transport.

Congratulations to Josh Allan, 2014 HC graduate for being recognised again as a subject specific top scholar in his third and final year of his Commerce Degree, majoring in Finance and Economics at Canterbury University.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2017

Anglican 10.00am Waikari Anglican
Catholic 8.30am Hawarden
Presbyterian 10.00am Waikari Anglican
Living Waters 10.30am - 12 noon at 47 Princes Street, Waikari

Waikari Gospel Hall Sunday 11:15am, Bible teaching and Sunday School, 5 Denham Terrace

CHURCH SERVICES, CHRISTMAS PERIOD

Anglican /Presbyterian Sun 17 Dec, 7pm Carol Service, outside Hawarden Rugby Room
Anglican /Presbyterian Sun 24 Dec, 5pm St James, Hawarden
Catholics Sun 24 Dec, 8.30am Hawarden,
 Sun 24 Dec 7pm Hawarden

Anglican /Presbyterian On 7th January 2018 we will be entertaining members of the Eastern Churches in Christchurch. There will be a service in St James at 11 am followed by lunch. After the lunch we will visit 'Flaxmere' courtesy of Penny Zino.

Living Waters Christmas Eve Service, Sun 24th Dec, 7pm, Living Waters Outreach, 47 Princes Street. Join us as we celebrate the real reason for the season. Festive Carol singing, entertainment and light supper afterwards. All welcome, the more the merrier. Contact Paster Isaiah Taulamana 03 2615114. If you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS IN HAWARDEN AND WAIKARI

Listen for the sound of carols in the streets, **Saturday 7pm - 9pm, 16th December.**

You are welcome to come and join us for a cuppa and supper at the Living Waters Church, 47 Princes Street at the conclusion of the carol singing.



CHRISTMAS MAIL AND NEWSPAPER ARRANGEMENTS There will be no mail or newspaper deliveries on 25th, 26th December or 1st, 2nd January. Every other day is delivery as normal. The Press will be delivered on the next delivery day after the statutory holiday. Mandy, Alan, Toni, Paul and Katrina wish you a very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.

REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION DAYS

For two weeks, over Christmas and New Year, refuse and recycling collection days are changing. In Hawarden and Waikari, collections will be on the following days.

- Friday 29th December - one day later than normal.
- Friday 5th January - one day later than normal.

Please remember the following.

- Official Hurunui Council refuse and recycling bags only will be collected.
- Bags must be securely tied.
- Bags must be at the kerbside by 8am for collection.
- The crew will not return to collect bags, which are placed out late.
- Refuse and recycling bags must not exceed 15kg in weight.
- Bags split prior to the crew's arrival and non-official bags are not the council's responsibility to clean up.

Please Remember ...

Glass bottles MUST NOT be placed in recycling or refuse bags; but can be recycled via Amberley transfer station.

Hurunui Transfer Stations

All Hurunui transfer stations will be CLOSED on public holidays over Christmas and New Year. At all other times, normal opening hours apply.

Out of hours recycling facilities for glass bottles, paper, card, plastic bottles, food and drink cans are available outside the transfer station gates at Amberley.

For further details on waste and recycling in Hurunui, please contact the council on 03 314 8816 or visit www.hurunui.govt.nz

THE NORTH CANTERBURY FARM SKILLS COMMITTEE

would like to acknowledge the following generous individuals and business' Thank you to module holders who have put a lot of time and effort into this event

Farmsource PGG Wrightson
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Thank you to Farmlands for the delicious lunch

Thank you to our amazing Sponsors. Community days like these would not be possible without the support of these generous business'



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 Balance Ravensdown
 Hanmer Springs Pools Hanmer Artisan Spa
 Hazardco LIC
 FMG North Canterbury Equipment
 Beechbank Dairies
 Congratulations to all prize winners and contestants, there was a high standard of entries.

Hawarden Library

Library Hours

Mon 11 Dec 9am - 4pm
 Tue 12 Dec 2pm - 4pm (School prize-giving)
 Wed 13 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Fri 15 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Tue 19 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Wed 20 Dec 10am - 2pm
 Fri 22 Dec 10am - 2pm (Last day for 2017)

Library reopens Tue 16 Jan 2018:

Tue, Wed, Fri: 10am - 2pm

Normal hours resume Mon 29 Jan

In our temporary location we have Fiction, DVDs Large Print books & Magazines. We can supply non-fiction titles if you need them.

We have free Internet available and we can give you Internet access on your own device.

We can get you items from other Hurunui libraries at no cost.

Even if we are closed you can get eBooks, eMagazines, eNewspapers and audiobooks-**FREE** using BorrowBox, Overdrive, PressReader and RBDigital apps on your smartphone, tablet or computer. We can show you how.

Hawarden Swimming pool keys can be purchased from the library.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & SAFE HOLIDAYS from the Library



Hawarden Library 314-4652
 hawarden@hurunuilibrary.govt.nz



CHRISTCHURCH CITY CHOIR

with the CSO presents Handel's MESSIAH on December 9th at the Charles Luney Auditorium, St Margaret's College on Saturday December 9th at 7.30pm. Tickets from Eventfinda.co.nz. Any queries to Richard McCubbin at 03 314 4410.

HAWARDEN SWIMMING POOL

The main pool is open for the season.

Payment for pool keys (\$60) can be made to Paul in the Hawarden Library, Bronwyn Gunn, Melissa Brown or Internet banked to 03-1582-0012259-00 with your surname as reference and key number as code.

Non holders can pay \$2 per swimmer per day into the honesty box. Please pay the correct amount - in NZ currency! We rely on the honesty and responsibility of pool users to keep the pool available for everyone during the holidays.

A reminder that children Under 15 years, must be supervised by a responsible adult. Children under 8 years must be supervised by a caregiver. Please do not drop your under aged children off at the pool and expect that they will be cared for.

If you have a key and do not want it this season, please return it to Paul, Bronwyn or Melissa as we have high key demand at the moment!

Please note the pool will probably be closed on Mon 18th Dec while Mainpower remove power lines and poles.

HAWARDEN SWIMMING POOL As a member of the Hawarden swimming Club and a regular user of the pool I am very disappointed at the lack of respect and care being shown for our wonderful pool (lids over filters, pool noodles broken, food wrappers **not** in the bin, sitting on the pool covers) and surrounded by our children and adults. The swimming club members work very hard (all voluntary) to have this pool running at such a high standard. It would be sad to have our pool closed because of your lack of care. *Sue Trumper*

FIRE BRIGADE NEWS Whoop whoop, it's time for a seasonal update from your Hawarden Fire Brigade. We are all well aware that summer is upon us and so anytime soon the Council Fire Restrictions will be in place. Hence, there should not be any smoke visible, please ring 111 so we can get it under control ASAP. Please eliminate your fire risk around your home by keeping long grass mown, ensuring your access ways are clear, and your RAPID [road] numbers are clearly visible, at your front gate. Have you checked your smoke alarms and made sure the batteries are functioning? All members of the Hawarden Volunteer Fire Brigade wish our community a fire free, and Happy Festive Season, as we work together, to keep our community safe.

HAWARDEN BOWLING CLUB Club practice nights are held on Fridays, starting at 5pm. Anyone wishing to try their hand is most welcome, with coaching and loan bowls available. The Crackerjack Evenings next year begin on Tuesday 23rd January, beginning at 6pm. This fun evening is spread over the following 7 weeks and is for teams of three. This night is great fun in a casual environment. Anyone wanting to organise a team or just wanting to play contact Paul McKay 03 314 4674. All you need is flat shoes and lots of enthusiasm.

SWIMMING LESSONS For 4 to 10 year olds, starting Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th December mornings. Two to three children in a group or one on one. Will do some mornings in the school holidays if enough interested. Please ring Sue Trumper 314 4232.

ST JOHN AMURI AMBULANCE STATION has a new Station Manager. Her name is Ann Cleaver. She is Paramedic who for many years ran the Cheviot Ambulance Station as a volunteer before being appointed to a permanent paid position in Christchurch. She



has worked at the Culverden station on many occasions as a relief officer for our out-going Station Officer Rob Towl and has built up a great rapport with all the volunteers. She will live in the Station House and will be joined by her husband Kevin in March when his farm contract in Cheviot finishes. Ann hopes to get around the community to meet you but please do drop in if you are passing.

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HURUNUI MAINTENANCE

For any maintenance or painting. Free quotes. Call Cass, phone 027 325 6712.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FREE

Free Furniture Clear out 541 Medbury Road, Sunday 10th December, 10am-12noon. Couch and matching chair. Older style television and cabinet, 2 small television cabinets, large wooden coffee table, small Formica coffee table, 2 sets of draws, dryer. All older but still usable. Enquiries 027 769 2863.

WANTED / FREE

Wanted: Monarch Butterfly Caterpillars Has anyone got any spare. Phone John 314 4266.

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EMPLOYMENT

Hurunui College is looking to appoint a Learning Assistant/Teacher Aide to work across the school in 2018.

If you are interested, please forward a short CV and covering letter addressed to the Principal, Hurunui College. For more information please don't hesitate to contact Stephen Beck sb@hurunuicollege.school.nz or Jane Marsh jm@hurunuicollege.school.nz.

HOUSE TO RENT

House, Wanted to Rent by semi retired couple. Rural or semi rural. 2-3 bedroom. Must allow pets and be long term. Accommodation wanted from late January 2018 / beginning of school year. Phone 03 685 5842 or 022 384 3041.

For Rent, 1 bedroom tidy/cosy home, available for rent in Hawarden. Open plan kitchen/lounge with heat pump. Garage and carport. No indoor smoking, no pets. References/ID required. Ph/text 027 2658853

FOR SALE

SEEDLINGS \$2, \$3, \$4 each pots of: basil, sage, parsley, mystery tomato (cherrie & roma), garden peas, silver beet. Orders also taken. Please call Mel 0273138023.

TE ARA 2017, HURUNUI COLLEGE MAGAZINE

Orders are now being taken. Please return payment of \$15 with order to the school office. Magazines will be available at Prize Giving, to collect.

Name:.....

The magazine is a great collection of students' work, school photographs and 2017 recollections. Limited number, so order yours now!