

Huia Range School

Term 4 Week 1 Thursday 18th October, 2018

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He mihi mahana kia koutou – A warm greeting to you all

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Term 4

Welcome back to all our students and their whanau to a very full term.

Welcome also to our 15 new students, who are new entrants and 2 new families to our school. We hope you enjoy your time with us, and most importantly learn a massive range of academic, sport, cultural and social knowledge and skills.

Important events in term 4

Dojo Day was held yesterday and children were very excited by the different events organised for the different class level across the morning and especially the hot chips in the park for lunch.

Shake Out earthquake practice drill was planned for this morning - ask your child what they did.

Touch rugby registrations were completed yesterday and the draw is expected out early next week.

Junior swimming lessons are about to start.

Athletics practises have begun for most classes in preparation for our school athletics in mid November.

We have 24 children, some teachers and parents off to Tauranga next week end to compete in the interschools national Jump Jam competition. We are currently organising a dress rehearsal for next Wednesday evening for parents and friends. A suitable venue is proving a challenge - info home to you all early next week.

Fund Raising

Please be very aware of the difficult situation that can occur if fundraising occurs, using the school's name without school permission. The only raffle which has just finished is for jump jam, which is due to be drawn.

Sun Hats

Sun hats are a requirement in term 4 or children may not be in the sun in the playground and are required to sit under the shade cloth, under the trees or in the shady part of the verandahs - not much fun!

Plain black or burgundy hats are the school uniform - the broad brimmed hats are best for sun protection and are currently available at the Warehouse.

The school doesn't have second hand hats for borrowing or buying.

Swimming

Our year 0 to 3 children in rooms 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 14 are starting their swimming lessons on Wednesday of next week.

The year 4 children in rooms 5, 6 and 7 who have not had swimming lessons this year, will also be doing swimming - parents if you aren't sure check with the class teacher.

Parents please check your children have their swimming gear (in a plastic bag) and that all their gear (including undies!!) are well named.

Please do not name the children's clothes on the label because these are easily removed.

We are hoping that your little delights are able to dry and dress themselves after their swim.

There is no cost to parents for these lessons and given the incredibly high drowning rate in New Zealand, we are expecting that you will ensure your child is ready to participate in these lessons and learn how to swim.

As always children are sent to and from swimming at WaiSplash by bus.

Instructors are employed and teachers help supervise.

Upcoming Dates

October

22 - Monday Labour Day - school closed

24 - 26 Wednesday - Friday Interschool science fair

24 - Wednesday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

35 - Thursday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

26 - Friday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

26 - Friday Jump Jammers leave for Tauranga

27 - Saturday Jump Jam North Island finals

30 - Tuesday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

31 Wednesday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

November

1 - Thursday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

2 - Friday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

3 - Saturday Kapa Haka dress rehearsal

5 - Monday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

6 - Tuesday Year 0 - 3 Swimming

6 - Tuesday BOT Meeting - staff room 6.30pm

Ka kite ano. Kia nui te ra.

Robyn Forsyth Principal

