



Huia Range School

Term 1 Week 5 Thursday 27th February, 2020

Website: www.huiarange.school.nz

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

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Parent/Teacher

Parent/Teacher interviews are planned for next week on Monday the 2nd and Tuesday, the 3rd of March.

The purpose of these interviews is for you to inform the teacher of any information you think the teacher should know about your tamariki/whanau and for the teacher to give you feedback on how the year has started for your child.

Whanau who have returned their invitations should have a day/time attached to this newsletter.

If you haven't returned your interview invite and want an interview, please urgently ring and talk to Suzie and she will try and fit you in.

I put 5 questions on sheets of paper for adults to reply to during the whanau BBQ last week and we received some very thoughtful and useful responses.

If you missed the opportunity, or you want to add to what you wrote, the sheets will be available outside the office during parent interviews. Please add to these sheets because your answers are important to us.

So you can have time to think, the questions are:

- * How could the school provide more opportunities for family/whanau to share their knowledge and experiences with school?
- * How could the teachers make learning more relevant for our students/tamariki?
- * What local 'things' could our students/tamariki learn about?
- * Reading, writing and maths are important, but what else would you like your child/tamariki to learn about?
- * What haven't we asked about that you would like to tell us?

I'm looking forward to your responses.

Breakfast Club

The breakfast club is well settled back into the original room.

Our tamariki are welcome from 7.45am until 8.45am, daily except Fridays.

Thank you to the parents who have offered to help with the breakfast club and we are hoping to have a roster in place by next week.

There will always be space for helpful adults - please contact me if you are available to help.

Cohort Entry

Our school has 2 start dates per term for our new 5 year olds.

Children have to have turned 5 before they start school.

The next start day is Monday 9th March.

Swimming Sports

Our school swimming sports for year 4 + students are planned for Thursday 19th March.

To have a successful day we need strong adult support in the area of timekeeping. If you are available, please ring and leave your name with Suzie.

It would be appreciated if the 2019 winners could return the cups asap so that they are clean and available for the 2020 winners.

Bike Riding

It has been wonderful to have Phil and his team from Manawatu sports working with our year 5 to 7 students over the last 2 and a half weeks.

The children have learned a lot and have loved the experience.

Up Coming Events

March

2 - Monday
Parent/teacher interviews

3 - Tuesday
Parent/teacher interviews
Swimming Room 4

5 - Thursday
Swimming
Rooms 3,4,5,8,9,10,12,16

9 - Monday
New Entrant cohort start date

10 - Tuesday
BOT Meeting - 6.30pm Staffroom

11 - Wednesday
Room 4 tech swap to Thursday
Swim Room 4

18 - Wednesday
Weetbix triathlon Palmerston North

19 - Thursday
School Swimming year 4 - 8

26 - Wednesday
Interschool Swimming

Kia nui te ra.
Ka kite ano.

Robyn Forsyth
Principal

Whanau BBQ

A really good turnout of adults and children was seen at the family BBQ last Wednesday evening.

Many parents took the opportunity to check out the new interactive panels in Rooms 5 and 8 and were very impressed, especially when the children took over and worked on them.

Thank you to the BBQ adults who kept the sausages and fizzy drinks flowing.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jah-Taea Rautu-Bristowe, the first student receiving gold badges this year. Jah-Taea has earned her academic gold badge and sports gold badge.

Congratulations to these students who received certificates at this week's assembly:

- Room 2:** Asher – working hard and progressing in reading and early words. Kapai Asher.
Rylan – applying himself and progressing in early words and reading. Tino pai.
- Room 3:** Bridie – showing kindness and for sharing her knowledge by teaching others.
Jazzmyn – using multiple strategies to solve a variety of maths problems.
- Room 4:** Bernie –being a focused independent learner, who constantly STRIVES to produce work to the best of her ability.
Madison-Roze –being well organised and completing her work to the best of her ability. Your positive attitude and enthusiasm is fantastic.
- Room 5:** El-Roi – showing STRIVE during bike skills lessons with Sport Manawatu.
Braxton – writing a great story that includes his learning intention for the week.
- Room 6:** Kilarney –using simple descriptive words in her stories.
Tialah – writing interesting recounts about her personal experiences.
- Room 7:** Faith – being a great role model and showing amazing enthusiasm for Jump Jam.
Harley –making a fabulous start to his return to Huia Range and consistently showing STRIVE.
- Room 8:** Abel – showing an increased positive attitude towards learning and STRIVE values.
Erin – working towards self set goals and striving to be the best
- Room 9:** Jay – showing persistence in using own initiative when struggling during independent learning time.
Reko – staying focused and on task in his learning.
- Room 11:** Jack – for roaring into reading. Wow Jack you are stretching and blending your sounds excellently!
This is what great readers do.
Nate – Wow Nate, you are showing great leadership by always helping in anyway you can. Your ICT skills have helped the moon shooters create cool digital art. The world needs more people like you.
- Room 12:** Andre – showing persistence during phonics.
Jaylynn – being a role model in our class for STRIVE.
- Room 15:** Keegan- progressing onto spelling! Well done!
Romy – progressing onto spelling! Well done!
- Room 16:** Jai – using his initiative to fulfill duties when others are absent – a great leadership quality.
Lucas - using his initiative to fulfill duties when others are absent – a great leadership quality.

SPORTS AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

Dannevirke Library

Book Club for 8 – 12 year olds returns for Term 1.

Have you ever **read** a book that was so GOOD you told all **your** friends they had to read it? Or a book that was so AWFUL you can't stop talking about how bad it was?

Come and share stories about books – good and bad. Fun activities.

Next session Monday 2 March 4:00pm – 5:00pm

For ages 5+

We supply the LEGO. You supply the imagination and skills! Free drop-in sessions Wednesdays after school.

Dannevirke Basketball Association

The start date for A&B Grade teams has been changed to Tuesday 3rd March with Mini ball Cross Court and Full Court Wednesday 4th March.



#10 WISE WAYS

TO CONSERVE WATER THIS SUMMER

#1

COOK FOOD IN AS LITTLE WATER AS POSSIBLE. THIS ALSO HELPS IT RETAIN MORE NUTRIENTS.



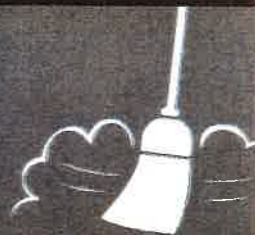
#2

TURNING OFF THE WATER WHILE YOU BRUSH YOUR TEETH CAN SAVE UP TO 15 LITRES A MINUTE. THAT'S UP TO 750 LITRES A WEEK FOR A FAMILY OF FOUR!



#3

USING A BROOM INSTEAD OF A HOSE TO CLEAN PATIOS, SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS WILL SAVE WATER EVERY TIME!



#4

KNOW WHERE YOUR MASTER WATER SHUT-OFF VALVE IS. WERE A PIPE TO BURST, THIS COULD SAVE LITRES OF WATER AND PREVENT DAMAGE.



#5

FLUSHING THE TOILET USES BETWEEN 5 AND 12 LITRES EVERY TIME - FLUSH WHEN YOU NEED TO AND AVOID USING THE BOG AS A BIN!



#7

SHOWERS ARE ONE OF THE BIGGEST CULPRITS IN THE HOME FOR WATER USAGE. SHORTENING YOUR SHOWER BY A MINUTE OR TWO CAN SAVE UP TO 500 LITRES PER MONTH - EVEN TURNING OFF THE WATER WHILE WASHING YOUR HAIR CAN MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE.



#6

BE A LEAK DETECTIVE! A DRIPPING TAP CAN WASTE UP TO 90 LITRES OF WATER PER WEEK. CHECK ALL HOSES, CONNECTORS, AND FAUCETS REGULARLY FOR LEAKS.



#8

WAIT UNTIL YOU HAVE A FULL LOAD OF WASHING BEFORE USING YOUR WASHING MACHINE. A FULL LOAD USES LESS WATER THAN TWO HALF LOADS.



#9

WATERING THE GARDEN IN THE HEAT OF THE DAY CAN CAUSE LEAF BURN AND EXCESSIVE EVAPORATION. WAIT UNTIL A COOLER TIME OF THE DAY BEFORE WATERING.



#10

WHEN YOU FIND YOURSELF WITH REALLY GRUBBY HANDS, FILL THE BASIN RATHER THAN WASHING UNDER THE RUNNING TAP.



