

# NEWSLETTER

13 May 2021



*Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.  
Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa Ki te atua-tēnā koe.  
Ki a papatuanuku - tēnā koe.  
Ki te kura/whare - tēnā koe.  
Ki te hunga mate, Ki te hunga ora. Tēnā koutou katoa.*

Kia ora parents and whānau,  
The last week within Hukanui has been a standout one for me and I would be hard pressed to reflect on a better one this year. My office has been inundated with students who have read to me, shared writing samples, brought in proposals, and even a few who had demonstrated leadership success in our school. These visits always leave me feeling affirmed and positive that we are on the right track. I totalled on Tuesday alone that 26 children had left my office with either stickers or merit awards. I was also very fortunate to have been involved in the Boys Writers League initiative that kicked off on Friday morning. This involved a group of 30 very keen boys from Years 4-6, staff, local personalities, Dads and even the Police. As part of the event the boys were treated to a breakfast cooked by staff, engaged in conversations about writing with their mentors and then got to push and race police cars across the school fields. I have no doubts that the laughter and sirens could be heard for miles.



Associated highlights of the week have included the start of Year 5 Kids on Bikes, the House and Student Leaders tour of the new building, parent tours around Hukanui and sharing a story in my office with the incredible students from Room 22. We must also acknowledge Mr Laird and the Student Leaders for their work organising last week's ANZAC Remembrance Service. This was a lovely way to commemorate, acknowledge and pay our respects to those who have served on our behalf. Thank you to all who supported, spoke and participated.

In closing this week, I would like to make a plea for support in two areas. First, we are set to host a Mufti, Crazy Hair or Crazy Hat Day tomorrow to support the Westpac Helicopter. Any gold coin donations to this worthy cause would be highly appreciated. Secondly, late last week we learned that one of our student families lost the majority of their home to fire and water damage. Thankfully all of the Steven's whanau are all safe and



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**Respect, Excellence, Co-operation,**  
**Integrity, Individuality.**

well. Unfortunately, Christine, Craig and the three girls have lost everything. As a school we were hoping to create a care pack for the family just to assist them in the short term. If you have anything you'd like to contribute to support Mum, Dad and the three girls aged 8,13 and 15, please feel free to place it in my office on the coffee table.

Enjoy the weekend. Ka kite ano.

**Leo Spaans**  
**Tumuaki**  
**PRINCIPAL**



**Jubilee Reminder** - Just a reminder that the Hukanui School 50th Jubilee is set to be celebrated on 13 August this year. We are asking interested staff and students to pencil this date into their calendars. If you do have questions or have information or images to share, please feel free to contact Leo our Principal or Nicky Main from the PTA. [nick-ym@hukanui.school.nz](mailto:nick-ym@hukanui.school.nz)

## MUFTI DAY - TOMORROW FRIDAY 14 MAY

To support the Westpac Rescue Helicopter we will be holding a Crazy Hair and Hat mufti day **TOMORROW**. We would appreciate if the children could bring a gold coin donation to support this worthy cause.

## SPORT & GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

Sports and group photos are now available for sale on the Masterpiece website. Please enter the following address to reach the page for Hukanui. There is no password required.

[masterpiece.queensberryworkspace.com/hpss](http://masterpiece.queensberryworkspace.com/hpss)

Free delivery for orders made before 17 May.

## Scholastic Bookclub

Issue 3 is out now.

Orders can be made online at [scholastic.co.nz](http://scholastic.co.nz) and at the office.

Every book purchased raises funds for our school library.

**The last day for orders is  
9 am Friday 21st May**

## PTA News

**WOF's** - Ingham Automotive have kindly donated \$25 vouchers to have a WOF done by their friendly team, and the best bit is the entire \$25 comes to the PTA to assist with our fundraising. If you'd like to purchase a voucher email us at [hukanuischoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:hukanuischoolpta@gmail.com) Our current vouchers expire in October 2021 so they will need to be used before then!

**Yummy Stickers** - Please collect as many Yummy stickers as possible and in return we get a share of \$200,000 worth of sports gear. Collection sheets are in classrooms or feel free to print one out to have at home on the fridge.

**2nd Hand Uniform Sale** - We welcome all donations for our next 2nd hand uniform sale that will be held on Friday 28 May from 8.20-8.45am in the Senior Hub (cash only please). Please leave any uniform donations at the office.

## Sports News

### HOCKEY

**Strikers** 5 Horsham Downs 1. Hayden Hanekom

**Quicksticks** 3 Newstead 1. Brax Frederick-Bishop

**Tacklers** 2 Southwell 5. Phoebe Brown

**Whistlers** 0 Hillcrest 7. Harry Zhang

**Blasters** 1 Horsham Downs 5. Isabella Lemin

### MINIBALL

**Flyers** 12 Knighton 25. Damian McDonald & Jahvis Boyd

**SOUTHWELL SCHOOL**

### Southwell School Rototuna New World Scholarship

Applications are now open for a prospective student entering Year 7 in 2022

**This scholarship will provide support to one student whose financial situation may not allow them to attend Southwell School. The value of the scholarship (\$5,000.00 per annum) is for the duration of the student's education at Southwell School.**

Download an application form from our website under scholarships.

*Scholarship applications close on Monday 21 June 2022*  
[www.southwell.school.nz](http://www.southwell.school.nz)



## Stars of the Week



Thank you to Smith & McKenzie for sponsoring our Stars of the Week

Room 1	Bruno Laing	Room 2	Alistair Ridder
Room 3	Sofia Ramduny	Room 4	Charlotte MacRae
Room 5	Lionel Chen	Room 6	Kieran Ellen
Room 7	Grace Huang	Room 8	Luke Chernishov
Room 9	Zoe Draper	Room 10	Nancy Du
Room 11	Gary Jiang	Room 12	Callan Embleton
Room 13	Lucas Richmond	Room 14	Isla Wong
Room 15	Nathan Olrick	Room 16	Erin Edwards
Room 17	Damon Jin	Room 18	Reid Asiata
Room 19	Zyana Allatt	Room 20	Logan Holmes
Room 21	Connor Macfarlane-Potts	Room 22	Mayson Murray
Room 23	Holden Barrett	Room 24	Eve Katene
Room 27	Christine Pakinga	Room 30	Taine Boreham
Reception	Te Arani Coffey		

## Children's Contributions

### Autumn Leaves Poems by Rm 27

I like air  
I like sun  
I turn red  
I turn brown  
I am soft  
I am dirty  
I go twirling to the ground  
**By Fergus**



I like branches  
I like the breeze  
I turn red  
I turn orange  
I am soft  
I am crunch  
I go flipping to the ground  
**By Greta**



I like branches  
I like wind  
I turn yellow  
I turn brown  
I am smooth  
I am pointy  
I go dancing to the ground  
**By Emily P**



I like wind  
I like water  
I turn brown  
I turn yellow  
I am soft  
I am crunchy  
I go spinning to the ground.  
**By Lovekaran**

I like rain  
I like branches  
I turn yellow  
I turn red  
I am squishy  
I am long  
I go falling to the ground  
**By Emilie B**

## Community Notices

**Strive Performing Arts Acro Dance Classes.** Chartwell Church, Tuesdays & Wednesday. Acro dance is a mix between dancing and gymnastics. Classes have a focus on strength, flexibility, tricks and learning dances to music. Email [striveperformingarts@gmail.com](mailto:striveperformingarts@gmail.com) for more information or to enrol.

**Chartwell Library.** You can now pay your rates bill at the Chartwell Library up until 28 May, payment is by EFTPOS only. This is a new service on trial to assist Hamilton ratepayers.

**House of Wonder's** unique, innovative holistic approach to early childhood education has gained national and international recognition. Fusing together the latest research in neuroscience and learning philosophy the centre provides a truly remarkable experience for our children and families. Our centre is conveniently located on Rutherford Street. We work closely with Hukanui School to ensure tamariki are ready for their transition to school and visit the school regularly. To book a tour, please contact [chartwell@houseofwonder.co.nz](mailto:chartwell@houseofwonder.co.nz) or call 072820986. Spaces are limited, mention that you have been referred by the school and you will be eligible for our fantastic referral promotion. \*Terms and conditions apply.



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## Calendar of Events for the Coming Weeks

### 14 May

- Crazy Hair & Hat Mufti Day with proceeds going to the Westpac Rescue Helicopter. Gold coin donation please

- Year 3 & 4 Assembly 2.15pm

### 18 May

- Hearing & Vision testing for new entrants and referrals

### 19 May

- Board of Trustees Meeting

- Lit Quiz, 6.30 pm at Southwell School

### 21 May

- Year 1 & 2 Assembly 9.15 am

### 25 - 27 June

- World Vision 40 hour famine, check our Facebook page for further details

**For our full school calendar of events go to our website**

[www.hukanui.school.nz](http://www.hukanui.school.nz)

All events are subject to change due to COVID regulations

**Advance Notice -  
Teacher Only Day  
Friday 4 June**

**The school will be closed on this day for professional development of our staff.**