

NEWSLETTER

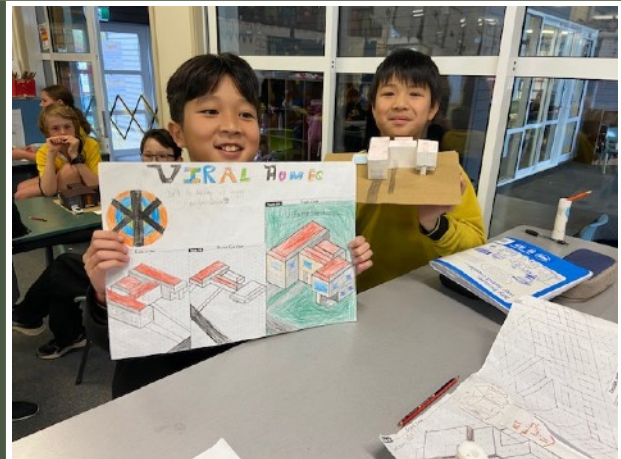
23 September 2021



*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 matē, Ki te hunga ora. Tēnā koutou katoa.*

Kia ora parents and whānau
 The last week within Hukanui has been a really pleasing one and it is obvious that our children are delighted to be back with their peers and teachers on-site. I have relished the visits to my office over the last five days from children who have; excelled, produced incredible writing, taught me new things, created art works for my office, or made great progress in their learning. I think at last count over 30 students left with awards this week! Seeing the pride on their faces and watching the confidence levels flourish is both affirming and satisfying. It also helps to brighten the days when I am inundated with meetings and stuck to the screen.

I always enjoy Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori within Hukanui and I am most impressed with the increasing levels of fluency, the creativity demonstrated by students and the way that the language is being more and



more consistently used across the curriculum. Some of the highlights of the week in this regard have included; listening to waiata, hearing children sharing their pepiha, viewing children exploring local histories and watching children practicing their rakau skill. This also serves to highlight how powerful it is for all students to learn multiple languages. Being bilingual or multilingual is certainly an advantage.

We did have a few moments this week where we thought that COVID might have crossed the Bombay border and that the potential for a transition to Level 3 might be required. Thankfully this hasn't been the case and we continue to enjoy the relative freedoms at Level 2. What we have appreciated is the support of our community, the mask wearing and the care demonstrated around drop off and pick up times. This really does help. It is our earnest hope that a return to Level One can occur in the new term.

Finally this week I'd like to share some learnings I gained about the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival, which is also known as Moon Festival or Moon-



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cake Festival and something I was introduced to this week by some of our students. I was also treated to a mooncake and a lesson in lantern making. Some East and Southeast Asian countries also celebrate this. For many of our Hukanui Chinese families, it is the second-important festival after Chinese New Year and it marks the traditional autumn harvest. This year the Festival fell on Tuesday 21 September. Many celebrate the festival by appreciating nature and enjoying the moon, which is the brightest and fullest in China at this time. Family reunions and lantern lighting are other customs linked to this big festival and the Chinese typically have a three day public holiday. When the Chinese catch up with their loved ones, they usually have mooncakes and some tea as traditional treats. My thanks to the children for sharing this with me and 'Happy Mid-Autumn Festival! May the round moon bring you a happy family and a successful future.'

祝福中秋佳节快乐，月圆人圆事事圆满。
Zhùfú Zhōngqiū jiā jié kuàilè, yuè yuán rén yuán shìshì yuánmǎn.

Leo Spaans
Tumuaki
PRINCIPAL



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Just an update with regards to your photos. Unfortunately both our photo printers are based in Auckland and so were unable to process any photos in level 4 as they are not deemed essential! We are hoping for some good news shortly as they (and we) are all poised for printing, packing and delivery. Many thanks for your understanding and patience.
Masterpiece Photography



Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Bookclub books from issue 5 will be delivered when Auckland reaches Level 2.

PTA News

Gully Working Bee - Save the date 30 October 10am - 1pm. Come along and help us plant some plants and pull out some weeds!

Entertainment Membership - For a limited time you can get a free upgrade to multi city, plus an extra month. This is a great way to support our fundraising while saving yourself heaps of \$\$\$.
<http://nz.entdigital.net/orderbooks/15e4024>

Calendar Art - Hukanui students will be busy working on their calendar art masterpieces this term. These will be available to order early Term 4 and delivery will be before the end of Term 4. Lots of great Christmas presents - calendars, cards, sketch pads, diaries, and mouse mats.

Yummy Stickers - Please collect as many Yummy stickers as possible before **Friday 24 September** and we get a share of \$200,000 worth of sports gear. Please hand your sticker sheets into the school office.

Jack 'n' Jill Portraits - On Saturday 6 November we have a fundraising photo shoot. For \$10 you will receive a professional photo shoot and one free digital image. Please see the Hukanui School PTA facebook page for more information. For bookings - <https://jnportraits.co.nz/schedule.php?id=10732>

Sports News

HOCKEY

Strikers 6 Whatawhata 0. Mahlee Evans & Bella Ye
Quicksticks 4 Ngahinapouri 4. The Whole Team
Tacklers 0 Hillcrest 10. Sam Richardson
Whistlers 1 Puketaha 4 . Kiki Zhang Carlos Duan
Blasters 7 Aberdeen 2.

Summer Sports Teams

If your child is interested in playing Cricket, Touch Rugby, Miniball or Summer Hockey in Term 4, registrations are now open. The Google form is available on the school website under Team Sports Page or follow this link <https://forms.gle/5r4mjXNKX9XtqyME8> Registrations close Wednesday 29 September.

PLEASE NOTE: All dates and time frames for sports teams are provisional and competitions will be run according to Covid Alert Level guidelines. This may differ between sports. Teams will be made up as close to the time of competition as possible and turn around times may be short. **Teams will only be able to go ahead if we have enough coaches and managers.** Any enquiries regarding team sports can be directed to deidreb@hukanui.school.nz



Stars of the Week



Room 1	Zech Rangitutia	Room 2	Addison Sumner
Room 3	Edward Scott	Room 4	Angus Ma
Room 5	Summer James	Room 6	Heidi Xu
Room 7	Elizabeth Lord	Room 8	Kahvarna Tulaniu
Room 9	Ryan Lourens	Room 10	Ariella Stevens
Room 11	Aubrie Champion	Room 12	Hiva Raj
Room 13	Azaelia Cummins	Room 14	Dylan Du Preez
Room 15	Aarshiya Sharma	Room 16	Icey Feng
Room 17	Olivia Windle	Room 18	Ethan Lei
Room 19	Zoe Rong	Room 20	Myra Ram
Room 21	Maan Alzاهر	Room 22	Dean Winchester
Room 23	Lara Chernishov	Room 24	Andoné Knoetze
Room 25	Chris Chang	Room 26	Coco Reid
Room 27	Cam Gavin	Room 28	Brooklyn Binnie
Room 30	Luca Sole	Reception	Valentino Keller

Enviro News



Photos show our Living Room Guardian Group planting the Titoki tree that the PTA gifted as part of our 50 year Jubilee celebration. The tree was planted in the gully, near the fence prior to lockdown and a blessing was devised and said by Toby Gwyn.



Community Notices

School Holiday Programme

YMCA holiday programme with some amazing experiences. Play-Lu, cake decorating, Circus in a Flash, learn to ride a unicycle, Extreme Edge, spring festival, Bricks 4 kids, Redwoods tree walk and so much more. To see what we have on offer <https://www.ymcauckland.org.nz/find-your-local/hamilton-recreation-centre/holiday-programmes/> To make a booking <https://ymca-akl-ham-bop.aimyplus.com/Account/Login> Numbers will be limited due to COVID restrictions.

Kelly Sports. Book online at kellysports.co.nz. Contact Mark and Kim Innes on 07 839 9017 or email waikato@kellysports.co.nz



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Calendar of Events for the Coming Weeks

23 September

- Vision & Hearing testing postponed to 6 December

29 September

- Fairfield Intermediate visit for Year 6 students
9.30 - 11.30 am

1 October

- Last day of Term 3

18 October

- Term 4 commences 9 am

19 October

- Fairfield Intermediate accelerate testing
- PTA Meeting 7.30 pm
All welcome

20 October

- ICAS Writing exam 3.30 pm

25 October

- Labour Day Holiday

26 October

- Teacher Only Day, no School today

For our full school calendar of events go to our website
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All events are subject to change due to COVID regulations