

NEWSLETTER

3 September 2020



*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.
Like the majority of New Zealand schools, our team within Hukanui continues to work within the boundaries and restrictions that Alert Level 2 brings, which as you can all appreciate, hasn't been easy. Having to cancel and postpone treasured events, maintain distancing in classes, maintain gates and avoid large gatherings has often left me feeling like the Grinch that Stole Christmas! That said, amongst all this frustration and challenge our staff and students continue to get creative, find ways to celebrate learning and provide me with a sense of positivity. I certainly take my hat off to them and value all the small things they do.

This week I had the rare privilege to hear some of the junior children performing their poetry recitals in front of their peers. This is a massive undertaking



for a 5, 6, 7 or 8 year old and something that probably would still make me nervous. Seeing these relatively new juniors standing with apparent confidence and bravely performing was incredible. It also highlights how quickly our staff can build confidence, oral language ability and a willingness to engage. Thanks to the parents who helped with costumes, the preparation of props and helping with the rehearsals, nerves and deal with the breakdown.



I do have to acknowledge the large number of students who came into the office this week to share their work and celebrate their success. It's always great to have children being sent to the principal's office for great work! I have to admit that the only time I ever got sent to the principal's office was for something quite different. The advertisements and persuasive writing from the Year 5's was inspiring. I really do think any Real Estate Agent would have been impressed by your sales pitches. I also enjoyed reading about; bike safety, helmet designs, weekend adventures and scary stories. On top of all of this

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excellence, I was then invaded by the learners from Room 23, whom I had challenged a few weeks ago to impress me with their writing. All I can say is "Wow!" I had no idea that Year 1's could write that fluently. I might have to get Mrs de France and Mrs Flynn to help me with my writing.

Road Safety - Last week we made a desperate plea for help from all our parents who drop off and collect students by car. The response to this has been greatly appreciated and we received emails of support from families, had a follow up from the local community constables and even got a cheeky mention on the 'Breeze' which was awesome. Please do continue to help keep our roads and children safe. We know that winter conditions, queues, congestion and dodgy drivers don't help, but we urge you all to stay calm, be patient, count to 10 and when appropriate, enjoy a walk.

Building Works - We are delighted to announce that after many months of delay, we are underway! Woodview Construction will be arriving on site this week, temporary fencing will be established on the Council Park area and we are hoping that digging work will begin next week. This does mean that we will have to make a few gate changes, alter a few walkways and put up with a bit of inconvenience, but on the whole we couldn't be more excited!

Coin Trail Reminder - As you all know, each class is preparing to build a coin trail design tomorrow as part of our Pool Fundraising process. So please do clean out the piggy banks, car ashtrays, bottoms of the glove boxes and wherever else you collect change! Every cent really does make a difference and we need your help.



Kind regards,
Leo Spaans
Tumuaki
PRINCIPAL

Scholastic Bookclub

Orders close
Friday 11 September.

Mufti Day

On Friday 18 September, Hukanui School will be having their first mufti day of 2020. Please bring a gold coin or pocket money towards our school pool. Do you like to wear comfy, sporty or fancy clothes? Help us to repair our Hukanui School pool and plug the leaks. We encourage all students and staff to participate.

Student Leaders

PTA NEWS

Coin Trail - This is happening tomorrow. Bring in as many coins as you can find and add them to the classroom designs. All money raised will go to the school pool repairs.

Entertainment Memberships - These are still available and every membership sold before 13 September earns us an added bonus. To order go to <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15e4024>

Yummy Stickers - These are due back to the school office by Friday 18 September. Help us earn a share of free sports gear.

Calendar Art - Your child's art has been shared on Seesaw. These calendars make great gifts. The last day for orders is Friday 11 September - you can pay by cash or eftpos in the office, or online via ezlunch. Remember no matter how you pay, the order form still needs to be returned to the office.

Pool Fundraising - We've had some awesome donations recently to **auction or raffle** off. Watch this space for more details to come.

Our **next PTA Meeting is Thursday 10 September, 7.30 pm** in the school staffroom. Everyone is welcome

SPORTS NEWS

NETBALL

Fernz 9 Te Rapa 1. Mieke Meyer & Olive Archer

Stars 12 Southwell 7. Kaitlin Smith

Flames 12 St Columbus 7. Abigail Beetge

HOCKEY

Dynamos vs Hamilton East. Scarlett Lemin & Yuan Sun

Quicksticks 4 Gordonton 6. Ava Martyn, Haylee Carter & Matthew Tilley

Tacklers 2 Woodstock 0. Kobi Browne & Alice Hill

Strikers vs Tamahere. Mieke Meyer & Isabel Ferguson



STARS OF THE WEEK



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

Room 1	Annabelle Martin	Room 2	Molly Robbins
Room 3	Myeongjo Seo	Room 4	Isabelle White
Room 5	Shifa Farah	Room 6	Harshil Vansia
Room 7	Yeji Choi	Room 8	Yavonne Diwaniyan
Room 9	Kalina Byczek	Room 10	Ngatai-Ware Naera
Room 11	Jade Pace	Room 12	Oscar Kosal
Room 13	Damian McDonald	Room 14	Brax Frederick-Bishop
Room 15	Daania Afzer	Room 16	Sophie Roberts
Room 17	Kylie Louw	Room 18	Sophia Ritchie
Room 19	Yuan Cao	Room 20	Liam Kenny
Room 22	Nancy Du	Room 23	Daniel Kang
Room 24	Connor Roberts	Room 25	Braxton Reiri
Room 26	Myra Li	Room 27	Genika Nehra
Room 28	Sparsh Gupta	Room 30	Zander Pullan-Apelu
Reception	Alex Chesham		

CHILDREN'S WRITING



Helmets

Do you have a helmet? Do you use it? Helmets protect your head and they have a lot of features. Helmets have a clip so they don't fall off. Some helmet clips are pinch-proof. The outer side of some helmets have vents so it's breathable. Helmets are super sturdy and they have to be lightweight. An aerodynamic helmet helps with speed.

By Brayden Wright, Room 14

Helmets

Have you ever wondered why you need to wear a helmet? Do you know what the purpose of a helmet is? Helmets have a smooth outer shell. Some are visible because they are bright. There are different types of helmets. Did you know that a motorcycle helmet has a visor to protect your face? If you have a collision, the crash may cause serious head injuries. So wear your helmet when you are biking!

By Britney Kosal, Room 14



COMMUNITY NOTICES

YMCA Before & After School Care at Hukanui School. To make a booking please click - https://ymca-aki-ham-bop.aimyplus.com/?To view our programme please click - https://www.ymcauckland.org.nz/find-your-local/hamilton-recreation-centre/out-of-school-care/

Hamilton BMX Club. Open Days 13 & 20 September, 11 am - 2 pm. Family sport, all ages, balance bikes. Book a visit/track. Email hiltonbmx@xtra.co.nz website www/hamiltonbmx.co.nz or phone 0272733169 for more details.

Fairfield Intermediate School Open Days will now take place on the following dates: Tuesday 8 September and Tuesday 15 September. Drop in anytime between 9 am and 2.30 pm and have a guided tour of our school in action! We look forward to seeing you.

KELLY SPORTS logo, Facebook icon, 'It's School Holiday Time!! 28 September to 9 October 2020', 'Bring the kids along to have a fun filled time with our awesome staff. We have loads of fantastic activities planned.', 'Hamilton Girls' High, Southwell & Te Totara Schools in Hamilton & St Peter's Catholic School in Cambridge.', 'We are OSCAR/WINZ Approved', cartoon children illustration, 'Programme and bookings www.kellysports.co.nz', 'Email: waikato@kellysports.co.nz', 'Phone Kim or Mark 07 839 9017'

Portrait of Jamie Strange, 'Jamie Strange', 'List MP based in Hamilton', '07 839 6803', Labour logo, 'Authorised by Jamie Strange, Parliament Buildings, Wellington'

'Call Ray', '021 990413', 'Harcourts', portrait of Ray

Calendar of Events for the Coming Weeks, 16 September - Fairfield Intermediate orientation visit (re-scheduled), 25 September - Last day of school for Term 3, 12 October - Teacher Only Day. School Closed for students, 13 October - Term 4 commences 9 am, For our full school calendar of events go to our website www.hukanui.school.nz, All events are subject to change due to COVID regulations

