

NEWSLETTER

5 November 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
 As with every other week within Hukanui, this one seems to have flown by with a hiss and a roar. So much activity across the board and lots to celebrate and appreciate. It is hard for me to identify the stand out moments! After reflection I would have to say that I relished the opportunity to attend the disco on Friday. The levels of excitement were palpable and there was certainly a great deal of energy (and sweat) released throughout the evening. I was also dumbfounded around how quickly so many pizzas could disappear in such a short space of time! Watching the seniors depart on their Year 6 options over the last few days was also really affirming. Activities like horse riding, tramping and caving are neat opportunities to develop confidence, build resilience and a chance to try something new. The final highlight of the week for me would have to be watching the work of



some of our key community members who came in to assist with a multitude of different activities. To the parents who coached cricket and miniball, the laughter and positivity coming from your sessions was priceless.

To the PTA and disco helpers, the events success speaks volumes about your dedication and lastly to the trip volunteers, in class helpers and lost property sorters, all your work is highly appreciated and we genuinely appreciate your quiet toiling and willingness to do the mahi.

Whānau Hui - There is a Whānau Hui on Friday 13 November in our Living Room classroom at 1.30 pm. This will give us an opportunity to come together and discuss outcomes for learners and our vision for 2021-2030. All welcome.

Road Safety - Thank you to all the parents who have feedback around the new traffic and parking signage. Your support is appreciated, as is your patience, caring and understanding. It was great to also have some support from local police who were speaking to drivers around; parking on yellow lines, double parking, blocking driveways and making U turns within 100m of a corner. Together we can make our school safer for all concerned. A reminder that if you do come across issues of concern these can be shared directly via Report a Driver dial 555.

Gates - Parents, please be reminded that although the gates are open at 2.50 pm and you are most welcome to enter the school grounds at that time, children are not released from class until 3 pm. Only those making their way home independently or after school care, or with siblings are released prior to 3 pm. Thank you for your cooperation.

Book Fair - A big thank you to everyone who bought books at the Book Fair. We were able to raise over \$2,000 for the school library.

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

Assessment Update

The end of the year is a busy time with assessments that provide information for reporting. Over the next few weeks we will give you a bit of an insight into some of the assessment tools we use and what they mean for you and your child.

In writing, the teacher collects three samples for each child in their class (two for Year 1). This will be a mix of samples from their writing book, elective samples and school or team samples. Each of those samples is given a level after the ideas, organisation, sentence structures, punctuation, spelling, and vocabulary is considered. Those levels are then checked within each team and discussed to get consistency. Then ten samples from each class are brought to a staff meeting, laid down in their level order, and every teacher then checks at least ten samples from other teachers. Next, every teacher clips all the writing samples for each child together and averages the three levels to get an overall judgement of that child. These are then randomly sampled for accuracy by the Deputy Principals.

Overall, each of the three sample levels are marked on the continuum and the average of those levels shows what level your child is working at. This is what we use to make judgments about working 'above', 'at' or 'below' expectations. You get a really clear picture of where your child is working in writing.



Kind regards,
Leo Spaans
Tumuaki

BOOK CLUB

Bookclub issue 7 is out!
Final day for Book Club orders is
Friday 13 November.
Orders can be made online at
www.scholastic.co.nz
or at the school office.

PTA NEWS

The PTA would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and staff who helped out at the discos last Friday, these events couldn't go ahead without your support!

PTA Meeting - next Thursday 12 November at 7.30 pm in the staffroom. Doors open at 7.15 pm and all are welcome!

Coffee Mornings - Save the dates!!! The next coffee morning is Tuesday 17 November and our final one for the year is Thursday 10 December. Pop those dates in your calendars now, we would love to see you there!

Booster Wine Group LP - Order forms came home earlier this week, the orders must be in by 13 November, please pay online, feel free to email us if you have any questions hukanuischoolpta@gmail.com

Lost Property - This will be displayed from Monday until Friday in the Cultural Gardens before and after school. The PTA will clear out unnamed and non-school uniform items at the end of the week. Please remember to clearly label all clothes! It is very hard to read and return to the correct owner if it is not clear. Please come past and check for your lost items!

SPORTS NEWS

HOCKEY

Quicksticks 2 Tacklers 3. Andrew Wang

Tacklers 3 Quicksticks 2. Matthew McClinchy

Strikers 6 Hamilton West 0. Ava Martyn & Chase Rangitutia

MINIBALL

Breakers 2 Flyers. Alistair Ridder

Heat 28 Glenview 18. Caleb Morris

TOUCH

Green 3 Vardon 7. Hugo Stephens & Harlow Warrington

Bronze lost vs Te Kowhai. Jazmin Young & Lily Tocker

CRICKET

Sixers vs St Joseph's. Harrison Fenwick

Photo Day Thursday 12 November

On Thursday 12 November the Masterpiece Photography team will be coming for our final photo day. The following **Term 4 sports teams** will need to bring their sports uniforms:

Cricket: Arrows, Sixers & Blasters

Miniball: Heat & Breakers

Touch: Green & Bronze

Summer Hockey: Strikers, Tacklers & Quicksticks

These junior classes will have their class photo taken; **Reception Room, Rooms 28, 27, 26 and 25.**

The following special groups will be photographed; **Maths Mentors, Lit Quiz, Junior Band and Senior Band.** **Junior and Senior Band** members are requested to bring their instruments please.

Order envelopes need to be returned to the blue box in the foyer by **9 am Friday 20 November.**



STARS OF THE WEEK



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

Room 1	Nicky Sroeun & Caleb Morris	Room 2	Yin Qi Tao
Room 3	Xavier Longman	Room 4	Grace Huang & Amber Zhou
Room 5	Brooke Bryant & Tina Guo	Room 6	Jonty Fletcher & Mikey Young
Room 7	James McDonald	Room 8	Eunice Liu
Room 9	Dylan Lawrence	Room 10	Ella Olney
Room 11	Isabel Ferguson	Room 12	Isabella Chamberlin
Room 13	Zach Nikoro	Room 14	Britney Kosal
Room 15	Winnie Liang	Room 16	Cheyse Lowe
Room 17	Callum Chester	Room 18	Izaya Hokianga
Room 19	Priya Murphy	Room 20	Leo Braun
Room 21	Lucas Stockman	Room 22	Greeshma Bandaru
Room 23	Olive Haeata	Room 24	Lucas Bockett
Room 25	Ingrid Ozoa	Room 26	Ryan Lian
Room 27	Rosa Kiely	Room 28	Carter MacFarlane-Potts
Room 30	Cooper Newman	Reception	Rickie Dai



Photographs left - Room 9 and their amazing Emus

Photo below - Halloween artwork from Samantha in Room 1



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Request for Participants in a Survey. My name is Rachel Zakaria and I am a postgraduate student studying towards a Master of Speech and Language Pathology degree at the University of Canterbury. I am currently undertaking a research project that is looking into parents' perspectives on their children's language learning in New Zealand. The target participants of this research are parents/caregivers who live in New Zealand right now or was born overseas/abroad, speaks another language (or more) that is not English, Te Reo Māori, or New Zealand Sign Language, and has one child or more who is at preschool or school. The survey should take approximately 10-13 minutes and it is completely anonymous. Survey link: bit.ly/nzparentsurvey

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/

Parenting course. www.nextchapterparenting.co.nz is offering a free parenting course to parents who might be having a struggle in managing their children or just need some tips or advice. All it requires is for parents to look, read, watch and hopefully gain out of the process. The course offered on our website in video and in written format. Based on filial therapy principles, it is child centred. For further information please contact nextchapterparenting@gmail.com

Calendar of Events for the Coming Week
5 November - Band Cluster Festival
6 November - Year 3 & 4 Assembly, Year 6 Tramping option
10 - 11 November - Year 6 Fishing Option Trip 1
11 November - Hukuleles on tour and Kapahaka performance at St Albans
12 November - Photo catch up day, PTA Meeting 7.30 pm
13 November - Whole school assembly 9.15 am, Whānau Hui 1.30 pm
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

