

# NEWSLETTER

14 March 2019



Dear Parents/Caregivers  
Nga mihi kia koutou katoa.

## SCHOOL CLOSING EARLY

Remember school will finish at 1.30 pm on Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 March for our learning conferences. Conference times can still be booked online through our school website until 9am, Monday 18 March. Click on the "Conference" menu button. Enter the school code **fn9c** and follow the simple steps. If you require your child to be supervised in the library until 3 pm please email or write a note to their classroom teacher.

## WELCOME TO OUR TEACHERS from the USA

On Monday we held a mihi whakatau to welcome our 4 visiting teachers from the University of Salisbury in America who will be with us for around eight weeks.

They are already enjoying their classes: Miss Farrell Room 22, Miss Lukehart Reception Room, Mr Mosquera Room 28 and Miss Osborne Room 8 . If you see them around I'm sure you will make them feel welcome at Hukanui.



## EXPLAINING ASSESSMENTS

To help parents become familiar with the assessments and continuums we use to track children's learning we have enclosed two explanation papers with this email. One is about reading running records, eastTtle tests and GLoSS maths tests and the other explains the number stages in mathematics. These are also available on our webpage under "Important information Downloads" and there will also be paper copies at the learning conferences. We hope this is helpful to understand your child's achievement levels and their next learning steps.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Thank you to all our parents of English



language learners who attended the meeting on Tuesday morning with Mrs Mossop and Mrs Hopkins. I hope you found the information helpful to understand what assessments and learning conferences are all about at Hukanui School.

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### HUKANUI VALUES:

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

**VISION STATEMENT: "A LEADING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT MAXIMISING PEOPLE'S POTENTIAL"**

## HUKANUI SCHOOL

### TEACHER MEETING - Wednesday 20 March

Next week teachers are holding one of their two paid union meetings they are entitled to under their contract to discuss how their ongoing negotiations with Government have progressed. Issues which have led to the crisis still remain with the recruitment and retention of teachers and principals a challenge with current conditions and pay. Raised workload, a lack of support for the growing number of students with additional learning and behavioural needs and the undervaluing of the profession remain key points. A number of teacher representatives from Hukanui will be attending meetings at 9.30 am on Wednesday 20 March. This event does not affect your child's attendance at school nor the learning conferences. Please make sure your child is at school as normal before 9 am. Thank you for your support.

### TUI RIDGE A HIT WITH YEAR 6



**Winter Sports - Notices for Hockey, Netball and Miniball (Mini basketball) will be available at the school office on Monday.**

Scholastic Bookclub No. 2 order form is now out.  
Orders will close on  
Friday 29 March

## PTA NEWS

Thank you to those families that came to our AGM this week. **Congratulations** to Lisa Armstrong (Secretary) Cara Giles (Treasurer) and Jen Tilley (Chairperson) for taking up roles on the committee for the coming year.

### Entertainment Books

will be released at the end of March - look out for the info sheet coming home today.

This book is full of hundreds of \$\$ worth of discounts and 2 for 1 deals to local restaurants, activities and more. Digital and Book memberships available. Every book sold earns the school \$13 - what a win-win situation! Pre-orders can be made at <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15e4024> - get in quick to receive a limited number of bonus voucher sheets that can be used straight away.



## SPORTS NEWS

### TOUCH RUGBY

**Gold** 5 HDS Storm 3. Lily Tocker & Paula Tau-moepeau

**Silver** 11 Rototuna 0. Aaron Zeng & Miah Porima

### MINIBALL

**Breakers** 24 Flyers 23. Campbell Bushell

### CRICKET

**Sixers** 47 St Josephs 114. Cole Towner-King & Zeb McGee

Please return any sports uniforms that are not being used.

**FRUIT JUICE**

**DRINKS**

Fruit juice still contains sugar and only a small amount of goodness for our bodies. 250mls = 6 tsp sugar, so should be kept to a SOMETIMES drink.

**TIP:** Eat fresh/frozen/tinned fruit rather than drinking fruit juice for more goodness.

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**STARS OF THE WEEK**

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



Room 1	Lachlan Gibbs	Room 2	Harrison Fenwick
Room 3	Tina Guo	Room 4	Skylar Doherty
Room 6	Whole Class	Room 8	Whole Class
Room 9	Elizabeth Lord	Room 10	Caitlyn Macann
Room 11	Jacob Ross	Room 12	Jamie-Lee Paikea
Room 13	Kordell Tai-Rakena	Room 14	Noah Mes
Room 15	Sophie Jones	Room 16	Casey Oldfield
Room 17	Rapita Jones	Room 18	Kenny Zheng
Room 19	Brooke Prestidge	Room 20	Nouran Noorzai
Room 21	Ruby Stirling	Room 22	Hiva Raj
Room 23	Fergus Rankine	Room 24	Landon Phoenix
Room 27	Lily Ritchie	Room 28	Mylee Whibley
Reception	Wenze Zhu		

**WRITING FROM ROOM 13**

I see the fluffy sheep that feels like a pillow. I see the villagers working like scattering ants. I can hear the sheep having fun like they are on a playground. I can hear the wolves howling in the distance like a dinosaur, roaring as loud as they can. I can smell the fresh air like an orange. I can feel the grass tickling me like a feather.

*By Rawiri Jones*



As I sit under the shady tree, I glance over at the undulating hillside. I hear the sparrows singing their quaint tune. I see fluffy white clouds with faces chomping up the lime green grass mixed in with wildflowers. I see the long grass waving like fierce winds destroying a city. I see the villagers trotting around houses like tiny ants whispering hello as they pass each other.

*By Ashleigh Ridge*

As I glance down at the small quaint village, I sit on the soft tickling grass. I peer out to the villagers who look like mini spiders. I smell the fresh wild flowers and see the wind blow the petals of the flowers like a butterfly fluttering its precious wings as it lands on a flower. The sun shines down on me and it reminds me of swimming in the glittering sea.

*By Devon Bodey*



COMMUNITY NOTICES


**Market Day** at Hamilton Boys High School, Saturday 23 March, 10am - 2pm. Food, crafts and fun.

**Northern United Sports Club.** Registrations are now open for the 2019 football season. Head to [www.northernunitedfootball.com](http://www.northernunitedfootball.com) for muster dates and details.

**Hamilton Wanderers Juniors Football.** Registrations are now open for 5th grade and above - boys and girls, through <http://hamiltonwanderers.co.nz/club-info/registration/>. Grading/Muster for 9th grade and above (born 2010 or earlier), Sunday 17 March - Porritt Stadium. For further details and timings, please contact [wanderersjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:wanderersjuniors@gmail.com)

**Hamilton Model Engineers** Open Weekend 16 & 17 March, 10.30 am - 3 pm and Twilight Night run Saturday 16 March 5 - 9 pm at Minogue Park in Forest Lake. Both days weather permitting.

**Conductive Education Superstock Challenge** Saturday 16 March. Gates open at 3pm, racing starts at 5pm. Located at Kihikihi Speedway (just south of Te Awamutu). Tickets available at the gate. Bring the family, bring a picnic dinner and enjoy a night of action packed racing. Proceeds from gate sales will support our playground rebuild, designed to enable our children to enjoy and participate in outdoor play.



**Martial Arts at Hukanui School**  
 Friday evenings in the school hall  
 Juniors (4-11) and seniors (12 plus)  
 6.30 to 7.30pm

ENROLLING NEW STUDENTS NOW  
 FIRST CLASS FREE

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*Kind regards,  
David Mossop  
Tumuaki  
PRINCIPAL*

*Choose safety over convenience*  
**GOOD PARKING  
 PROTECTS KIDS**  
*- before and after school*



**Calendar of Events  
for the Coming  
Week**

**15 March**  
- Year 0-2 Assembly 9.15 am

**18 March**  
- Electives Programme starts this week

**19 March**  
- Interschool Swimming Sports 9 am - 12.30 pm

**20 March**  
- Learning Conferences, Early closing at 1.30 pm

**21 March**  
- Learning Conferences, Early closing at 1.30 pm

- Postponement date for Interschool swimming sports

**22 March**  
- Year 3 - 4 Assembly 9.15 am

**26 March**  
- New families induction 9 am

- School tours for prospective Families

**5 April**  
- PTA Second hand uniform Sale

For our full school calendar of events go to our website [www.hukanui.school.nz](http://www.hukanui.school.nz)