

NEWSLETTER



4 April 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers
Nga mihi kia koutou katoa.

ELECTIVES HUMMING!

Our children are loving their learning in our electives programme, it's always an exciting day. What an amazing range of opportunities for them to extend their knowledge and talents and skills. Computer coding, art of Picasso, Italian language and culture, song writing, art and craft, connecting bees and chickens, Spanish language and culture, recycling, mini beasts and that's only a few of the choices throughout the school!



CELEBRATING CULTURAL DIVERSITY

This year 33 different languages are spoken by our children at home. Our growing cultural diversity makes us richer and stronger as a community. Mrs Mossop has started a display in the foyer celebrating our countries of origin. Over the last 2 weeks we have featured Afghanistan and Bangladesh. Susadei! Hello! Our country of the week this week is Cambodia. Check out the map in



the office foyer when you pass through and learn more about another country of origin of children who are in our school.

MATHEMATICS DAY - this Friday 5 April

Parent Maths Information forum: All parents are invited to a maths information meeting to share how maths is taught in the school. It is on Friday 5 April with coffee and muffins in the school hall from 8.20 am with the forum starting at 8.30 am.

Maths Classes Open Day: Following the parent maths meeting all parents are invited to visit their child's maths class to meet their maths teacher and see part of a typical maths session. Please try to keep to these times, do not go to classes earlier as it can be disruptive. Let teachers take the roll and settle children down first.

Juniors	9.15 - 9.45 am
Year 3 & 4	9.30 - 10.00 am
Year 5 & 6	9.45 - 10.20 am

The Juniors will be assembling at 10.00 am under the junior shade cloth where certificates for the week will be awarded.

CELEBRATING AUTISM WEEK

This week has been National Autism Week. We have been promoting this on our Facebook page over the week as we have a number of children diagnosed as autistic. We all need to be understanding about autism. If you don't have Facebook, check this link to grow your understanding of what it is about. <https://www.altogetherautism.org.nz/what-is-autism/>



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HUKANUI VALUES:
Respect, Excellence, Co-operation,
Integrity, Individuality.

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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

A reminder that our Board of Trustee Election is on 7 June this year. Have you considered putting your name forward as a Trustee? A form calling for nominations will be sent home in the first week of next term. More questions and answers about Boards.

Who can be a Trustee? Parents, caregivers or even people from the wider community can be nominated for election to a school Board as a parent representative.

How do I get someone to nominate me? You can nominate yourself if you want to.

What would I have to do on the Board?

- Attend at least two main meetings per term. Be prepared to read reports, comment, ask questions, think strategically, vote on recommendations and make decisions in the best interests of all children in the school.
- Be part of a sub-committee using personal skills or experiences to work with others in one goal area of the school, e.g. finance, property, community etc.
- Be able to work collaboratively with others and at times accept majority decisions even when they may not be your personal choice.
- As an individual, act honestly with integrity, supporting school direction, maintaining the confidence of meetings and engaging with and representing all groups in our community.
- Above all have a genuine interest in the welfare of our Hukanui children and our Hukanui school community.

2019 PARENT DONATIONS

Parent donations are set by the Board of Trustees and are used to supplement short falls in government funding for children's learning programmes. Our suggested donation of \$145 for the first child in each family has not increased for many years. The Board appreciates the high number of families who pay this donation each year. It is used to fund or subsidise such things as our school-wide outdoor education programme, iPad programme, extra support staff assisting teachers in each team and



funding extra teachers to support mathematics, writing and electives. All things that directly impact on our children's learning. Thank you again to all those families who regularly pay this donation.

UKULELE LEARNERS

We have some spaces for ukulele learners in our groups. The lessons are once a week and students will need their own ukulele and a commitment to practise. There is a small charge to cover materials and photocopying music of \$30 for the year. At this stage the lessons are for Year 3 up, but we can consider a Year 2 if they are very keen and enthusiastic to learn and practise regularly. Please pick up a notice from the office.



PTA NEWS

Do something different next Tuesday night and come along to our **monthly PTA meeting!** All welcome! **Tuesday 9 April 7.30pm** in the school staff room. Catch up on PTA and school news and meet your new PTA chairperson and secretary, Jen and Lisa, and our treasurer Cara. We'll be there from 7.15pm, so feel free to arrive early for a hot drink and a chat.

Order your **Entertainment Book** now! The book is full of discounts such as 2 for 1 deals for lots of places that families often visit. Each book raises \$13 for the school, and it doesn't take long at all to recoup the cost of the book. Digital and hardcopy book memberships are available. Pre-orders can be made at <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15e4024>

Lovely to meet so many parents and caregivers at our first **coffee morning at Chartwell!** Gotta love a free hot drink and the chance to catch up with other school parents! These are a monthly event on the first Wednesday of each month during term time, so put the date of the next one (**Wed 1 May, 8.30-10am**) in your diary now!

SPORTS NEWS

MINIBALL

Breakers 25 SC Pythons 26. Amelia Hamilton & Medha Chanadi

CRICKET

Blasters vs Te Totara. Lachlan Stent, Landon Phoenix & Fergus Rankine

Arrows vs Knighton. Sandy Wang & Percival Tau-moepeau

Sixers 109 HOB Falcons 134. Ryan Attanagoda & Quintin Nikoro



STARS OF THE WEEK

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





Room 1	Zara Mes	Room 2	Sarah Greenland
Room 3	Gabe Brown	Room 4	Poppy Goodin
Room 5	Sebastian Richards	Room 6	James Embleton
Room 7	Gemma Martin	Room 8	Jamie Bird
Room 9	Tyler Percy-Graham	Room 10	Levi Shaw
Room 11	Bella Crisostomo	Room 12	Muneeb Noorzai
Room 13	Adrian Jacome	Room 14	Blake Allan
Room 15	Ashton Delaney	Room 16	Marshall Pakinga
Room 17	Elliot Akerboom	Room 18	Daniel Xing
Room 19	Bella Ye	Room 20	Heidi Ashton
Room 21	Harlow Warrington	Room 22	Mia Savage-Hooper
Room 23	Sam Richardson	Room 24	Erin Edwards
Room 26	Blake Pevreal	Room 27	Aaliyah Ruwhiu
Room 28	Davis Bodley	Room 30	Lucas Pinny
Reception Anna Wu			

CHILDREN'S CONTRIBUTIONS

*Frog Haikus (5 syllables, 7 syllables, 5 syllables)
Room 30 had 4 tadpoles - now we have two tadpoles, a froglet and a frog. Their names are Shrek, Fiona, Kermit and Tiana*

The Frog Poem by Lucy
Frogs can climb walls fast
Frogs are sometimes apple green
Some frogs are purple

Kermit by Tessa  
Look at the tadpole
It is moving side-to-side
It has arms and legs

Slimy Little Frogs by Ella
Frogs leap, croak and gulp
Frogs change in just a few weeks
Moist amphibians

The Jumping Frog by Afaan
Tadpoles are slimy
Their legs are so slippery
Tadpoles change to frogs

Tadpole Change by Toby 
I'm inside an egg
In the pond I hatch...tadpole
I've got back legs now

Change by Zech
Metamorphosis
Frogs always change from tadpoles
Frogs are so slimy

Wiggly Jiggly by Manaia
Shrek has legs and arms
Fiona has arms and legs
Kermit has back legs

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Northern United Sports Club. Registrations are now open. Head to www.northernunitedfootball.com for muster dates and details.

Kelly Sports Holiday Programme. 15 - 26 April, venues - Hamilton Girls' High, Southwell, Te Totara and Leamington Schools. Programme and bookings www.kellysports.co.nz or phone Kim or Hine 07 839 9017.

YMCA Holiday Programme. Check out our website for details www.ymcahamilton.org.nz Fun and engaging Easter Holiday programme.

Hamilton Library School Holiday events. www.hamiltonlibraries.co.nz Wednesday 17 April 10.30 - 12.30 pm Take on the Big Three at Chartwell Library. Other days, other libraries - see the website for further details.

School holiday pony rides. Tuesday 23 & Wednesday 24 April, 9 am - 1pm at Hamilton RDA Indoor Arena, 1340 Pukete Road. Half hour pony and horse rides, just \$20, bookings essential. Phone or text 0275 426732. All proceeds go towards the running of our RDA programme.

The Peak School Holiday Programme. Kimbrae Drive, Rototuna High School, 15 - 26 April excluding public holidays, 7.45 am - 5.30 pm. For more information contact Megan on 07 854 0546 or email recreation@thepeak.co.nz

Calendar of Events for the Coming Week

5 April

- Mathematics Information Forum 8.30 - 9.15 am in our School Hall

- Mathematics Open Day
Juniors - 9.15 - 9.45 am
Year 3 & 4 - 9.30 - 10 am
Year 5 & 6 - 9.45 - 10.20 am

- Year 0-2 Stars of the Week at 10 am under the shade cloth.

9 April

- PTA Meeting in our school Staffroom at 7.30 pm. All Welcome.

12 April

- Last day for Term 1 - School closes 3 pm

29 April

- First day for Term 2 - School commences 9 am

30 April

- Year 4 Science Roadshow Trip 11.45 am


1 May

- Kids Lit Quiz 6.30 - 9.30 pm At Southwell School

2 May

- Year 5 & 6 Education for Sustainability Museum Trip 9.30 am - 1.30 pm

For our full school calendar of events go to our website www.hukanui.school.nz



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

Contact Marie
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Kind regards,
David Mossop
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PRINCIPAL

Advance Notice - There will be a Teacher Only day on Tuesday 4 June. There will be no school for children on that day.
School will now finish for the year on Monday 16 December.