

HUKERENUI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa

Term 2 marks the beginning of all our winter sports! It is very exciting to see how many activities our students are involved in. Thank you to Mrs Jones for organising Turbo touch and Ripper Rugby. We are also beginning to train for our annual winter sports day at Maromaku School and the Whangarei Winter Sports Tournament's. Thank you to all those parents who have agreed to coach our teams.

Just a reminder of the contractor's morning tea on Friday morning in room 3. Please send us a plate if you possibly can. Thank you to those of you who have already returned the form to help us with the catering.

We have acquired a tunnel hot house so that our students can start with their experiments on growing plants more successfully so that we can have enough produce to make products. We are developing our knowledge of science through experiments and planting to achieve better crops.

Our problem solvers will be working with the teachers and classes on developing knowledge, doing experiments and applying this knowledge practically – again to increase productivity. We are hoping to have a science expo at Ag day – for students to display their findings and results.

Thank you to Tessa Foster for her enormous support with teaching our students the science behind bee keeping. We are so excited. On Friday, our Room 2 students will be dissecting flowers to observe the quantities of nectar and pollen. This affects the consistency of the honey! So much to learn!

Room 6 will be developing their knowledge around establishing the vegetable garden and grow herbs and weeds for medicinal purposes!

Room 2 will be increasing trees and plants in our native bush – especially to support our bees and to provide oil for medicinal purposes. They will also track pests and learn how to get rid of those.

Room 1 will be investigating the quality of Alpaca fibre and ways to use it more effectively.

Room 3 will be expanding our lavender production and learn how to ensure a better yield for their maize crops. As part of this, the challenge of real enterprise is lying ahead of them!

Room 4 will be investigating why only some fruit trees were bearing fruit, and find ways to help the trees carry as much fruit as they possibly can. This will include getting rid of nasty pests!

The next step will be to find different platforms to sell different products to support self-sustainability for learning through these projects.

If anyone has knowledge to share – please let us know! We have all these areas of learning – but need the knowledge to grow them successfully.

Country Calendar Filming

We have been advised that the story on our school projects will air on Sunday 4th June.

Questionnaire

We would appreciate it very much if you could take the time to answer the few questions on our consultation questionnaire. Your answers provide us with valuable information for planning programmes for your children. Please take some time to do this and send back to school by Monday if possible.

Thank You

Bastienne Kruger
Principal

Netball Draw - Saturday, 13th May 2017

Hukerenui Gold – 9.15, Court 05B

Hukerenui Diamond – 10am, Court 16

Hukerenui Stars – 10am, Court 1

Hukerenui Blue – 10am, Court 10B

Hukerenui Int. – 12pm, Court 11

Upcoming Dates:

May
23rd
26th

Y7&8 Winter Sports Tournament
Cheese Toasties \$3

June
7th
8th
9th
30th

PTA Meeting 7pm
Y4-6 Winter Sports Tournament
PTA Disco
Maromaku Sports Day