

HUKERENUI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa

Welcome back to term 2 of 2018!

It seems to be darker when we wake up each morning and it is certainly getting colder too! Term 2 is the term to get ourselves ready for winter and the children are making the best of the last gasps of summer!

Please make sure your children are dressed warmly as the weather is changing. They do not seem to feel the cold, but... they get the cold and spread it all around school!

It is important to understand that when a child falls ill, that they need to stay at home especially during the first few days. When an illness is contained early, kids recover so much quicker, they don't walk around with a continuous runny nose or cough, and they don't spread the illness! Let us try to keep our community as healthy as possible this winter!

Another very important issue is lost property. It is painful to see how hard Shona works to tidy up the lost property bins. If you mark the clothes, it is easy to keep the bins empty, as we will deliver the clothes to the classroom. However, very nice clothes are often lying about for months and because we cannot hold everything at school, and at some point it just has to go. Please help us with this issue – I know all those clothes bought with good money are better off in their wardrobes!

Casino night tickets

This fundraising effort is one of two really important events to help our problem solving team get to the competition in America.

The learning that has evolved around the school because of their programme is phenomenal. They have worked extremely hard to reach the standard they have and I commend them for the independent way they took on board all of their responsibilities. We can only have a successful evening if everyone who possibly can purchase a ticket and enjoy this fun filled event put on by the Rotary Club!

Thank you very much Prem Jordan for stepping in and helping us out with me being away.

Nature Playground: (Extract from e-mail from Rochelle Weston - Arnold)

"Clint and Murray both met me on site this morning to position the logs and the rocks. We now have one area with three huge stumps for climbing on, plus a balancing log. Clint did a great job and was very patient with me especially when I wanted one particular stumped moved.....THREE times!!

This area is pretty safe for the kids to use right now. The ground underneath is soft enough (and will be more so after this weekend's rain) and there is long grass for a soft fall surface. It is also an amazing habitat for skinks as we discovered today! This area was also tested by 7 children this morning and has their approval ;)

However, we also have one area of haphazardly stacked logs, which will need to be taped off as it's not safe for the children to play on. They will be unstable and have protruding sharp bits. These logs will be moved into different areas over the coming months, weather permitting.

The rocks are in place, and are safe to climb on and have approval from the children. They could not wait for the truck to leave so they could climb it! The rocks are huge, heavy and impossible to move without machinery. They will also settle into the ground over time. Mary and Kim were quite excited to see them in place today. **Huge thank you!"**

Thank you so much Rochelle for giving up your time to help organise this!

Another thank you goes to Ursula Buckingham whose is the brainchild behind this nature playground and who has been working extremely hard on organising resources for it.

A special thank you to Clint Smeath, for bringing his tractor up to school, to position the balancing stumps and logs in the Nature Playground.

And to Murray Cutforth, not only for the amazing rocks donated from his property, but for arranging and covering the cost of transportation. It is very much appreciated and the new features look fantastic!

This term is our reporting term and teachers will start with their assessments sometime soon. Please support our teachers and your children with any homework programme as this interaction between student, parent and school makes a huge difference to their confidence and achievement.

Thank You

Bastienne Kruger
Principal

Reminders:

For the safety of our children! Please do not drive up or down the driveway during bus times when the children are walking to and from the buses. Please wait until they are either on the turf or in front of the tech centre. Thank you.

It is Hukerenui School policy that smoking, dogs, motorbikes, golf and skateboarding are not permitted at any time anywhere on school property.

All Board of Trustees Policies are kept in a file in the office and are available to the community for reading.

Upcoming Dates:

May	
4 th	Sausage sizzle \$2
5 th	Casino Night
17 th	Class & individual photos
26 th	Duke of Marlborough fundraiser
June	
4 th	Queen's birthday
29 th	Maromaku Sports Day

Scholastics Book Club orders are due back Friday 11th May, you may also process your order online on the scholastics website. Thank you.

Photolife class and individual photos

Envelopes are coming home this week, please return sealed with your payment asap. Sibling envelopes are available at the office.

ASB children's banking

Unfortunately, due to the closure of the Kamo and Walton branch, deposits will be on a monthly basis. ASB Clever Kash may be of interest, you can read about it on the ASB website.

Family Statements will be sent out again shortly, year 7 & 8 technology fees must be paid by the end of term 2 as the fee covers materials used. We do accept weekly or fortnightly payment plans, please enquire.

Hukerenui School Problem Solving Team



Fundraiser

Saturday 5th May 2018

7pm

**Hukerenui Hall
Domain Road, Hukerenui**

Tickets \$25 per person

Ticket includes \$10,000 "Funny Money" and Supper

Bar & Eftpos Facilities

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Email: office@hukerenui.school.nz

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Hukerenui Netball:

Gold Y3/4 - 8.30am Court 3 – Andrea's team
Stars Y6 - 8.30am Court 13 – Kim's team
Blue Y1/2 - 9.15am Court 5a – Ursula's team
Diamonds Y5 - 9.15am Court 15 Jared's team
Intermediates - 12pm Court 6 – Steve's team

Rhythm & Move Dance Classes - Term 2

Multi genre dance based classes that explore rhythm and creative movement through stretching, dance activities, group work, using props and learning some choreography for class performance.

Twinkle Toes Class:

30 minute fun, high energy class to music that explores different body movements and taking part in creative dance activities/group work using props. Suitable for any beginners but also those with less interest in choreography and routines.

Intermediate Open Class (Groovers/Mover & Shakers Classes combined)

45 minute fun, intermediate class that explores creative dance activities using props with some added focus on learning routines and group choreography. Suitable for more confident dancers and those that want to have input on class content.

*Please note: intermediate class will be split if numbers are high

Term Cost: \$50 (to be paid at the beginning of the term)

When: Classes start Thursday, 3rd May in Room 8 at Hukerenui School

Contact: Adrienne Kehoe for registration

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