

## Hutt Central School Newsletter No 10 – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2008

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to school for Term 2 2008.

A little bit of a wet and cold start, but it is our winter term.

Term 2 looks to be another busy term with lots of different activities on, various sporting events, a show and our school concert.

School concert is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 6.00pm - please mark this date in your diary.

**Term 2 finishes on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2008 at 1.00pm.**

### Reminders

- **Driveway** - No parents/caregivers should use the car park and school driveway for drop off or pick up before and after school i.e. between 8.30am-9.10am and 2.30pm-3.30pm. It is very dangerous at this time with so many small people moving about.
- **Crossing** - Please make use of the school crossing - it is there for your and your child's safety. Police have noted a number of parents either crossing the road with children outside the school or even worse call their child to cross the road. The school entranceway is a very dangerous and unsafe place to cross Railway Avenue and it is only going to get worse as traffic volume increases.
- **Board of Trustees Annual General Meeting** - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2008 - 7.30pm - School staffroom - All welcome.
- **Statements** - These will be sent home in week 3 - they will show all outstanding amounts owing, please pay these amount as soon as possible.

### Cultural Group – Toka Tu Moana

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June the cultural group Toka Tu Moana will be visiting Hutt Central School to present "Waiata", a show of song, dance and story.

This show will support our school-wide Maori Language focus very well. It will also give us creative ideas for presentation as we prepare for our end-of-term school concert.

**The cost to attend "Waiata" is \$3.00. The whole school will be attending. Please pay the \$3.00 to the office by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you.**

### Reading for Life

We have the opportunity to be involved with Unilever in the "Reading for Life" programme. Middle school is currently using the programme for 10 readers. We would like to extend this programme to allow other children in the school the opportunity to improve their reading. Unilever use some of their workers as reading volunteers. However, to extend the programme we need volunteers from our school community, parents, caregivers etc.

The expectation is that you give 45 minutes a week to read one to one with a child over a 15 week period. A volunteer must complete a 3 hour training session with the Reading for Life tutor.

Volunteers are also required to be police vetted by Unilever/Reading for Life.

Children currently on the programme have made huge progress in reading.

If you can spare 45 minutes a week to help or want further information please see Alison Butler in Room 11 or Kirsten Reid in Room 8.

### Science Fair

Science Fair Fundraiser! Guess how many lollies in the jar correctly and you win the whole jar! 50 cents per guess. Monday after school and Tuesday lunchtime by the gate behind the Hall.

### Sports News

- School cross-country 11.00am Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May - postponement day 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Southern Zone cross-country Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May - postponement date 29<sup>th</sup> May
- Senior/Middle soccer tournament 20<sup>th</sup> May
- Junior soccer tournament 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Senior Basketball is due to start next Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May. Children need to have paid their \$20.00 by then please. Many thanks Judy McKenzie

### Have your photo taken with "The Bledisloe Cup".

Support the Waterloo/Naenae Plunket and come and have your photo taken with the one and only Bledisloe Cup.

\$5.00 for the whole family - bring your own camera or we will have one available.

17<sup>th</sup> May 2008 - 9.00am to 4.00pm at the Waterloo Plunket Rooms, Trafalgar Square, Waterloo, Lower Hutt.

Tony Horsfall

Principal