

Hutt Central School Newsletter No 28 - 25th September 2008

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The end of Term 3 is here already. We finish tomorrow at 3.00pm. Assembly will begin at the usual time of 2.30pm.

Term 4 begins **Monday 13th October at 8.55am.**

Next term looks like it is going to be a very busy and exciting term. Lots of sporting events, maths evenings for parents, visits to the Dowse Art Gallery and Botanical Gardens, EOTC weeks, and of course swimming which this year will be held the last 2 weeks of the term.

A detailed calendar will be available on the school website in the next day or two, plus we will publish a calendar for parents at the start of the term.

Term 4 finishes Friday 19th December, 2008 - 1.00pm.

Sunhats

Term 4 like Term 1 is when sunhats become compulsory again. The school approved sunhat you may recall is the 'Bucket' hat. We will have school hats for sale at the office (all 3 sizes with drawstrings) at the start of next term (all going to plan) at a cost of \$12.00 each. As it is very difficult to name these hats, we are purchasing a white fabric pen and will name hats as they are sold. If you purchased a hat last year and would like it named this way please bring it into the office.

Lost Property

Tomorrow is the last day to check the lost property for the term before it is donated to a worthy cause.

School Travel Plan (STP)

HCS is fully involved with STP identifying issues around travelling to and from school. Our aim is to reduce congestion around the 3 main entrances into our school. Data has been gathered from parents, students and teachers and we are working closely with a travel plan coordinator, police and council research analyst officers to provide safe and easy access to school.

One initiative we will be working on next term will be starting up more 'Walking School Buses' from home to school in the morning. To get our whole school community excited, interested and active we will be having a **Fancy Feet Friday on 24th October**. The whole school will be encouraged to walk to school in some type of

footwear that has been decorated in any way to look fancy & far out! Start collecting bits 'n' pieces and creating some fancy footwear!

Statements

These will be sent home in week three of next term. Included on these statements will be all outstanding items. Could these please be paid as soon as possible.

New Lunches

We are going to trial new options from week 1 next term which means the options we have at present will no longer be available. There is more choice with the new options but the ordering system will be the same, correct money in named envelope with choices written on front. Wholly Bagels will continue to be our supplier. Keep a look out for separate newsletter on lunches in week 1.

Thank you from the Middle Syndicate

Thank you to all the parents who helped with middle school transport to the Petone Settlers Museum this week. - **Alison Butler**

Sports News

Tipene Maguren competed in the inter provincial cross-country meet in Upper Hutt today. Tipene came 6th, congratulations Tipene, great result.

School Holiday Basketball Programme

Hoop Club and Hutt Valley Basketball Association present a school holiday programme 29th & 30th September 10.00am to 3.00pm at Walter Nash Stadium, Tocker Street, Taita. Ages 8 years and up. Activities include: dribbling, shooting, passing, defense drills, fast break, team plays etc. \$5.00 per person, per day. Please bring lunch and a water bottle. Great opportunity to develop your skills. Phone Terry 564 9081 or 027 2749511 for bookings and further information.

Soroptimist Fashion Parade

7.00pm Thursday 16th October. Ballentynes Fashion Central, 41 Victoria Street, Petone. Tickets \$10.00. Includes drinks, nibbles and discount voucher. Tickets available from 569 5439, 568 5715, 565 0671 or 970 8710. Proceeds to Life Flight Trust.

We wish everyone a great holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back well rested to begin our very busy term.

Tony Horsfall
Principal

