

Hutt Central School Newsletter No 30 - 15th October 2009

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A big welcome back to Term 4 - where has the year gone? Just over two months until Christmas!! I hope everyone had a great holiday and are ready for another busy term.

Welcome to Miss Leanne Mahoney our new teacher in Room 7. Leanne comes to us from the sunny Hawkes Bay.

Diwali Celebrations - Tomorrow Friday 16th October

As part of the celebrations we would like all the children to dress in either traditional Indian clothing or wear clothes that reflect the colours of the Indian flag.

Term Dates

Term 4 finishes for the year on Wednesday 16th December at 1.00pm

Term 1 2010	-	Wednesday 3 rd February	-	Thursday 1 st April
Term 2 2010	-	Monday 19 th April	-	Friday 2 nd July
Term 3 2010	-	Monday 19 th July	-	Friday 24 th September
Term 4 2010	-	Monday 11 th October	-	Thursday 16 th December

Reminders:

- Friday 16th October - Diwali Celebrations
- Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd October - Senior School to visit Dowse - \$5.00 per student
- Labour Day Monday 26th October - school closed
- Tuesday 27th October Teacher Only Day - school closed for instruction
- Tuesday 27th October - Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm Staffroom
- Tuesday 3rd November - School Athletics Day - 5th postponement day
- 9th - 18th November - Life Education Van at School
- Friday 20th November Teacher Only Day - school closed for instruction
- 23rd Nov - 4th Dec - Junior School EOTC on various days (Education Outside the Classroom)
- 23rd - 27th November - Middle School EOTC week
- 30th Nov - 4th Dec - Senior School EOTC week
- Tuesday 1st December - Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30pm Staffroom
- 7th Dec - 16th Dec - Whole School Swimming at Huia Pool
- Wednesday 16th December school finishes for the term - 1.00pm

Reminder

Teacher Only Days

Tuesday 27th October

Friday 20th November

These are Ministry of Education allocated teacher only days for schools to work on development around the new curriculum. School will be closed for instruction on these days.

Raise Money for CanTeen

Once again we are supporting CanTeen by selling bandannas.

These are on sale now from the school office for \$4.00 each and come in nine different stunning designs and colours.

Fundraising with a Difference

Hutt Central School is organising a 'Golf Tournament' fundraiser on 25th November.

An entry form has been sent home with this newsletter. If you would like to be involved please get your entry form in as soon as possible.

Major Sponsor: Our major sponsor has fallen through so we are on the hunt for a new sponsor. \$1,200.00 gives major exposure in all advertising and mail outs plus one team entry. If you know someone who may be interested please ask them to ring Tony Horsfall on 566 0059 or 027 6281587.

Feet First

Parents - get walking and win!

As part of our Feet First promotion this term, we would like to share with you a new tool for planning your route to school. Just log on to www.journeyplanner.org.nz plan your route to school, tell us what makes your journey special and win Whitcoulls vouchers for your child and the school. To show the judges you know the route well, write a brief description of the journey you have chosen and a few sentences about things you see along the way.

Winners will be selected on the basis of evidence that your child is familiar with the route.

There are 2 weeks in which to test and become familiar with your chosen route before the competition closes on 30th October.

Email your entry with your school name in the subject line to journeyplanner@gw.govt.nz Please include the student's name with the accompanying text.

Sports News

Congratulations to Tipene Maguren who came 5th in the National Regional Cross Country event held in Christchurch on 24th September.

WHAT NOW & WATER SAFETY have teamed up for summer 2009 and are excited to bring you the "200m Club"!

Launched on What Now on Sunday 27th September we are running a promotion to encourage children to learn to swim 200m and enjoy water activities safely!

To become part of the 200m Club children simply need to register on the What Now website. They will then be sent their 200m Club Passport. Each time they successfully swim a marked distance they need to get their passport signed off by an instructor, parent or teacher.

Once the child has completed as many of the four distances as possible, to the best of their ability, they send their passport back to What Now and in return they will receive a coloured bracelet for each distance they swam, and a certificate.

Register to get your passport by joining the 200m Club this summer!

What Now - www.whatnow.tv

Hutt Valley Inter-Primary Schools Grasshoppers Tournament

Date: Sunday 8th November 2009, 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Venue: Stokes Valley Tennis Club

This tournament is aimed at novice tennis players age 5-10 and those who have been involved in the Grasshoppers in Schools Programme.

There will be two ability stages split into two groups (5-7years and 8-10 years). For more information contact Jeff Lummis on 0272430838/5637815 or check out the school sport notice board for entry details.

Fundraising News

MOOLAH - Anchor Milk is running a promotion until mid December. Buy specially marked Anchor milk and nominate Hutt Central School for a chance to win \$50,000.00.

Go into website www.anchormoolah.co.nz and enter your code.

See poster in school office for more details. To date 17 families have registered.

Fundraising Calendars

The artwork for the calendars/cards is on display in the school office. Order forms were given out to the children this week. All orders and money need to be returned to the office by Wednesday 21st October. The calendars and packs of 8 cards are \$12.00 each.

Tony Horsfall
Principal

