

Hutt Central School

Empowering our children to meet the future with confidence

Hutt Central School Newsletter No 5 Term 4 13 November - 17 November 2017

Kia ora Tatau,

Thank you to everyone for supporting our children to get to school today with the temporary shut down of train services impacting on traffic around our school.

South West Zone Athletics

A team of 47 students went to Naenae Park on Tuesday 14 November for the South-West Zone Athletics. I was extremely proud of our students and their participation throughout the day. We had some fantastic results and it was great to see our relay teams finish the day strongly! Thank you to our parents and caregivers who helped out and supported us on the day.

Alicetown Afterschool Care

Alicetown Afterschool Care have informed us that they will closing their business on 15 December 2017. I would like to thank Sue, Terry and Zerlina Blackett for their care and support of our students out of school hours. I wish Zerlina and the staff of Alicetown Afterschool Care all the best with their future endeavours.

The Board of Trustees will be making a decision about the long term future for out of school care on our site at our meeting on Wednesday 22 November. We have a great facility that we would like to see utilised to provide the best quality service for our children and community.

Holiday Programme for December 2017 and January 2018.

The school is currently seeking proposals from OSCAR (Out of School Care and Recreation) accredited providers to run a holiday programme on the school site for the upcoming summer break. Please ask interested people / companies to contact the school for an information pack. admin@huttcentral.school.nz We will be able to give you more information by the end of next week.

Community Information Evening

We are holding an information evening tonight, Thursday 16 November at 7:00-8:00pm in the staffroom in relation to our structure for 2018.

Board of Trustees By Election

Hutt Central School Board of Trustees are holding a By Election on 8th December to elect two members to take office on December 15 2017 until the next Board election in June 2019.

Our Board of Trustees have a clear focus on improvement of student progress and achievement within Hutt Central School that provides inclusive education. The Board ensures effective school performance using a strong and effective governance framework that incorporates legislative requirements and good practice.

The Board meet monthly through the term time of our school calendar.

Please consider if you would like to be a member of the Hutt Central School Board of Trustees. I am happy to talk to anyone about becoming a Trustee, alternatively, you may talk with one of our current Board members.

We need to ensure that we have up to date email address and postal addresses for all eligible votes (both parents of all the children). Nomination forms were sent via email to all parents last week. Hard copies are available upon request at the school office.

Nominations need to be with the Returning Officer (school office) Friday 24th November.

The By Election, if required, will take place on Friday 8th December.

Great Students:

Emma McLaughlan has created a website for Librarian Training. She has put a lot of thought, time, technical expertise and effort into this site and it will be a fantastic resource for our school.

New Students:

Welcome to our new students Max Chambers and Harry Waddington. It is great to have you at our school.

Kia ora, Naku noa
Michael Gendall

Important Dates

The last day of Term 4 is Friday 15th December.

The term dates for 2018 are as follows:-

- Term 1 31st Jan - 13th April
- Term 2 30th April - 6th July
- Term 3 23rd July - 28th September
- Term 4 15th October - 14th December

Dates of interest :-

- Waitangi Day — Tuesday 6 February
- Good Friday — Friday 30 March
- Easter Monday — Monday 2 April
- Easter Tuesday — Tuesday 3rd April (NZ School holiday)
- ANZAC Day — Wednesday 25 April
- Queen's Birthday — Monday 4 June
- Labour Day — Monday 22 October

The Yr 5&6 Camp will be at El Rancho from the 20-23rd March 2018.

Lost Scooter

One of our students has lost their scooter. Please check whether you have taken one home by mistake.

Description: White MGP scooter with a bell, purple wheels with black handgrips and metallic red on the sides.



If you have seen this scooter please let the office know or return it to school so we can get it back to the owner.

Hutt Central School Calendar

Visit our website for an updating Calendar <http://www.huttcentral.school.nz/>

Week 6 Term 4 (20 November - 24 November)	All week - Middle School Education Outside the Classroom Wednesday 22nd - BOT Meeting Staffroom 7.00pmS Friday 24th - BOT By Election nominations close
Week 7 Term 4 (27 November - 1 December)	All week - Whole school swimming at Huia Pool
Week 8 Term 4 (4 December - 8 December)	Wednesday 6th - Carol Evening at school Friday 8th - Parent Helpers afternoon tea
Week 9 Term 4 (11 December - 15 December)	Thursday 14th - Year 6 Social Friday 15th - Last day of school for the year.

Check out our Class Blogs

Room 1	Mrs Campbell	https://blog.seesaw.me/teamtahi2017/
Room 2	Miss Mahoney	https://blog.seesaw.me/teamrua2017/
Room 3	Mr Burgess	https://blog.seesaw.me/teamtoru2017/
Room 4	Miss Tiffen	http://kowhanga.blogspot.co.nz/
Room 5	Mrs Fleming	http://kowhanga.blogspot.co.nz/
Room 6	Mr Hodge	http://centralroom6.blogspot.co.nz/
Room 7	Mrs Burrell	http://hccroom7.blogspot.co.nz/
Room 8	Mrs Ronchetti	https://room8hcs.blogspot.co.nz/
Room 9	Mrs Scott	https://blog.seesaw.me/theamazingroom9
Room 10	Mrs Braddock	https://blog.seesaw.me/room10hcs
Room 11	Mrs Gould	https://blog.seesaw.me/hccroom112017/
Room 12	Mrs Butler	http://room12hcs.blogspot.co.nz/
Room 13	Miss Smith	https://blog.seesaw.me/tekaumatorublog/



Community Notices

Korokoro Kitchen

Korokoro Kitchen lunches offer hot lunches which are delivered to the school each school day. On the menu next week we have 5 hot healthy lunches, each with a side of yummy fruit/vegetables.

Monday - pizza quesadillas

Tuesday - free-range chicken filo parcels

Wednesday - dumplings

Thursday - pork twisty sticks

Friday - Sloppy Joe's



Korokoro Kitchen lunches are available by ordering online at www.korokorokitchen.co.nz



Maungaraki Tennis Club

Open Day and BBQ on Sunday the 19th of November from 1pm -3pm.
New members welcome!



Race around Lower Hutt completing fun challenges for the whole family! Be explorers for an hour or full-on adventurers for three. It's a mystery course on wheels or feet. Move as a team. Bring balance bikes or buggies, scooters or skates, all welcome. There are plenty of spot prizes, and the event is fully accessible. Enter online: from \$10pp, kids race FREE. Online entries close 26 November. On the day registration from \$30pp. Visit HuttUrbanAdventure.co.nz to enter and for more information.



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"Experience Christmas in Petone" - All events are FREE

 **Santa's Mail-Box:** the lovely red mail-box is now sitting outside the Jackson Street Programme's front door – children can come and deliver their letters directly into Santa's mailbox and they will receive a reply so please remind them to put their return address on their letter. We've also attached a template if you'd like to use it.

Letters need to be here by 10 December – no stamp required.

 **Twilight Christmas Parade:** is on rain or shine (preferably shine!) on Friday 24 November, 7pm along Jackson Street (from Buick St. to Petone Ave.). We have over 40 amazing floats and many from the community.

 **Santa's Grotto:** we have five magical rooms and it is stunning! Not only is it FREE entry but we also have a professional photographer who will take FREE photos. One of the rooms will be a gift room where unwrapped gifts can be left for underprivileged children. The last three years we have given hundreds of gifts to children in Women's Refuges around the Hutt Valley.

 **Treasure Hunts:** most probably suit 3yrs-13yrs but bring along the whole family as many parents and grandparents enjoy their time along Jackson Street too!

