

Hutt Central School

Empowering our children to meet the future with confidence

Hutt Central School Newsletter No 6 Term 4 20 November - 24 November 2017

Kia ora Tatau,

I hope that everyone is enjoying this spell of great weather! Our students are choosing to play a huge variety of games outside and it is great for them to be able to use all of our fantastic grounds. In particular I have noticed, Rithma Perera showing responsibility and respect by including others in his games at lunchtime. Holly McKenzie, Lucy Davenport and Zoe Sammons have also made sure that others are included in games and social groups.

We had an unusual 'Lockdown' experience yesterday. A bee swarm moved above our school for a small period in the afternoon. This is a natural phenomenon and all staff and students did a great job of keeping everyone safe and calm by remaining inside the classes whilst the bees explored our neighbourhood.

Inter-Zone Athletics

Congratulations and best of luck to the following students who have qualified to represent Hutt Central School and the South Western Zone at the Athletics sports on Tuesday 28 November:

Jaia Nair, Emma Perry, Kiera Tilby, Nynke Turner, Lucy Channer, Nate Amaru, Ethan Nash, Toby Webb, Yvonne Kingi, Jessica Owens-Blackmore, Ashton Tietjens, Arlo Hofmann, Maddie Marshall, Ellie Johnson, Elle Collingwood, Drew Tilby, Emily McCormick, Kyan Nair, Leo Sanders, Foy Kerkin, Kaan Austin-Aschebrock, Mason Carey and Cooper Marshall.

Swimming

Next week we start our school swimming programme at Huia Pool. This will take place on Monday to Thursday for the next two weeks and our students will require their swimming gear on these days. Thank you to the fundraising group for your support through funding our swimming programme.

Holiday Programme for December 2017 and January 2018.

We have received submissions to run a holiday programme at our school hall over the upcoming break. The Board are currently reviewing these in order to make a decision about a provider on our site. We will email you information as soon as this is available.

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) by noon Friday 24th November.

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

Great Students:

Sienna Williams, Beatrice Jenkins-Wilson, Emily Parry and Nikita Gandhi from Room 6 shared their writing with me. I am very impressed with the ideas they include in their writing and the sounds in their words.

Professional Learning and Development

Mary Wootton is providing Professional Learning and Development for our school for the next 18 months. Mary has been in the school this week helping us gather information from our children about their learning to inform our professional development for 2018.

End of Year

We will hold our final assembly for 2017 at 11:30am on Friday 15 December. We will finish the school year at 1pm.

Kia ora, Naku noa
Michael Gendall

Scooter Skills:

This week the Junior and Middle Syndicate children have had valuable and fun sessions with instructors learning about riding their scooters safely. The Junior Syndicate children have extended their learning by working in groups out on the footpath working on learning to predict possible hazards and riding and braking safely.

Thank you for the family support in helping your child bring their named scooter and helmet to school. Thank you to Sheree, Simon and Ben from the Wellington Regional Council and Youth Wise Trust for working with us.



Lost Property:

**Please check the lost property as there is a lot of clothing in it waiting to be claimed.
Please name all clothing and swimwear ready for the swimming programme next week.**



Hutt Central School Annual Christmas Carol Evening

Please put in your diaries the Hutt Central School Carol Evening

Wednesday 6th December

The Carols will start at 6pm in the Hall, finishing around 6.45pm

Please bring a cushion or rug to sit on, and feel free to wear your favourite Christmas outfit!!!

We are really looking forward to seeing you all there.

Middle Syndicate EOTC



What a great EOTC the Middle Syndicate have had! We have had the best weather to do all our outdoor activities. So far we have had a shared picnic lunch, scootering skills, tent day and Top Town Relays. We are looking forward to Hutt Valley Sports tomorrow. Thanks to all the parents who have helped out and joined us for our activities this week.

Camp 2018

The Yr 5&6 Camp will be at El Rancho from the 20-23rd March 2018. If you are interested in supporting our students as a parent helper at camp there will be a notice coming out at the start of next year to inform us. We will be seeking parents who can be available for the full 4 days. A ballot system is used to select parents as this is often a very popular opportunity. All Year 5 and 6 students are expected to attend camp and our Year 4 students will be involved in an exciting and purposeful EOTC programme.



SPORTS and ROOM 8 CLASS PHOTOS

Reminder that the group photographs taken on 8th November are available to preview and purchase at inphotography.nz Photographs are \$15 each.

All orders placed by 5pm 24th November will be delivered to school the last week of term.

Any orders placed after this date will be mailed directly and incur a shipping charge.

The photographs are password protected and are subject to INphotography's full website terms and conditions and privacy policy as indicated on the website.

The password is !HCS2017!

You must take reasonable steps to safeguard your password and not disclose or transfer it to any other person who is not authorised to access this Website.

For any queries please email orders@inphotography.co.nz



THE VILLAGE PRESS

Reminder that tomorrow is the last day to get your orders and money to the school office.

Please contact the school office if you require another order form to be emailed to you. The school will receive \$5 for every pack sold.

If you wish to pay via direct credit details are National Bank A/C 060996 0379750 00. When paying by direct credit please include your child's name with Olive Oil as reference. Remember to indicate on the order form that you have paid online.

It would be great if you could circulate the form round your work colleagues and families.

They make for great Christmas gifts too.

The last day for orders is **Friday 24 November** and we expect delivery to school to be between 6-13 December.

Offers available while stocks last.





CHRISTMAS GROCERY RAFFLE

As is the tradition at Hutt Central School, the fundraising group are planning to have another wonderful Christmas Grocery Raffle.

We are asking each child to bring along a grocery item as specified in the list below. We will be collecting these items at the school office FROM NOW until the raffle is drawn and will be packaging up some fantastic hampers just in time for Christmas and who couldn't use some extras around that time of year!!

Rooms 1 & 2 – Chippies and snack food
Rooms 4 & 5 – Soft drink and juice
Rooms 9 & 10 – Sweet biscuits
Room 13 – Confectionery

Rooms 3 & 6 – Canned food
Rooms 7 & 8 – Jars and bottles
Rooms 11 & 12 – Crackers and plain biscuits

The eldest child at school from each family has been given a numbered raffle sheet (with 10 tickets on it) to sell to friends, family and workmates over the last few weeks of school. Tickets are \$2 each and all we ask is that you sell as many as you can on your sheet. These sheets and money need to be back into school by Tuesday 12th December to be entered into the draw.

It would be great if we could get lots of support for this final fundraising event for 2017 and make sure our children continue to get extra resources and equipment, and who knows, you might even WIN!

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.

Hutt Central School Calendar

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

Week 6 Term 4 (20 November - 24 November)	Friday 24th - BOT By Election nominations close at noon.
Week 7 Term 4 (27 November - 1 December)	Monday to Thursday - Whole school swimming at Huia Pool
Week 8 Term 4 (4 December - 8 December)	Monday to Thursday - Whole school swimming at Huia Pool Wednesday 6th - Carol Evening at school 6.00pm 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://hcroom7.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/hcroom112017/
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. Next week we have 5 healthy, hot lunches on offer, including 2 new ones - let us know what you think of the Chicken Cordon Bleu and the Baked spring rolls!

- Monday - Chicken Cordon Bleu
- Tuesday - Baked Spring Rolls
- Wednesday - Mac and Cheese, with bacon (easy to omit for vegetarians)
- Thursday - Beef (and vegetable) kebabs with homemade pita
- Friday - Salmon cakes and homemade tartare



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

Hutt Valley Badminton Association

2018 Term 1 Year 5/6 Interschool Competition

- Games to be played at Naenae Badminton Hall, 25 Vogel Street, Naenae
- Teams will consist of two players – boys, girls or mixed
- Format for the Competition will be two singles and 1 doubles per player per tie
- All games will be on Tuesdays 4-6pm
- Commences Tuesday 27 Feb 2018 and will run for 5 weeks (last game 27 Mar 18)
- Each team will need a Manager to accompany the team to the games
- Players should wear sports clothes i.e. tee shirts, shorts and sneakers
- Racquets will be available
- Entry Fee: \$45.00 per team



If your child is interested in playing badminton next year please let the school office know and we can help.



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.

“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!



Kids Domain School Holiday Programme bookings are now online!!

5-14 year olds, lots of fun trips and activities, WINZ subsidies

Limited placements available

To book or for more information please go to our website www.kidsdomain.biz

Hutt Central School has been given 2x Junior girls pedal bikes to pass on free to a good home. They are both in good condition apart from having some rust. Please talk to Penny or Jo at the school office if you are interested in taking one one.

