

# Hutt Central School

*Empowering our children to meet the future with confidence*

Hutt Central School Newsletter No 5 Term 2 30th May - 3rd June 2016

Kia ora tatou,

The Southern Zone Cross Country was held in near freezing conditions on Tuesday 31 May. All of our students ran extremely well and I was very proud of their efforts participating and supporting each other. Thank you to the parents who assisted with transporting our students back from Sladden Park.

## **Te Reo Learning**

This week we have been learning the phrases in Te Reo maori:

He inu māu (would you like a drink?)

## **School Vision Evening**

***School Vision Process evening, Wednesday 8 June, 5:00pm, starting in Room 2 and 3.***

We are finalising the organisation for our evening and we would like you to RSVP the school. This is an important opportunity for you to participate in the development of a shared vision that will give us a clear direction as a school. We are asking you to contribute your ideas on 'what' we can do as a school for our learners and our community.

The evening will be organised as follows:

5:00- 5:20pm: Meet in Room 2 and 3, cup of tea and something to eat.

5:20pm: Introduce the Visioning Process.

5:30pm: We will break into two - three groups (depending on number of people) and meet in separate classrooms.

Generation and sharing of ideas process:

- a. Brainstorming Activity to generate ideas on Inquiry Probes.
- b. Clarification and grouping of ideas
- c. Voting process on the ideas.
- d. The evening will finish when we have carried out all 6 Inquiry probes.

Inquiry Probes:

1. What do we currently do so well at Hutt Central that we should retain and build on into the future?
2. What should inform our decisions about the learning - throughout the school - that we will deliver at Hutt Central?
3. What makes a classroom an engaging, rewarding and positive learning environment?
4. How can we ensure that our Maori students and priority learners achieve success as Maori and individuals?
5. In what ways can whanau and community engagement be developed to further grow the academic, social, cultural and sporting opportunities for our students?
6. If we were to hear people we respect talking about the graduates of Hutt Central what would we most want to hear them saying?

Please RSVP by Friday 3 June, 2016 to help with our organisation for the evening.

[admin@huttcentral.school.nz](mailto:admin@huttcentral.school.nz)

## **Board of Trustees Elections 2016**

Voting closes tomorrow at noon (Friday 3rd June, 2016). Voting papers received after this time, or postmarked after this time, will not be accepted in the election.

## **Working Bee**

On Saturday 9 July we are holding a 'Working Bee' to begin our refurbishment of the hall. It will involve some demolition, building and decorating work. If you are able to help out for the day or part of the day please contact the school office, [admin@huttcentral.school.nz](mailto:admin@huttcentral.school.nz).

Kia ora,  
Naku noa  
Michael Gendall  
**Principal**

## **School Disco - Friday 17th June - School Hall**

Junior: 5:30-6:30pm      Senior: 6:45-8pm

The Theme is "**Movies**" - Come dressed as your favourite movie character.

If children would like to enter the competition to design the ticket for the disco, entries close on **Wednesday 8th June**. Hand in entries to the school office. The winners prize package includes a free ticket and other goodies.

Tickets will be on sale outside the office before school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday on the week of the disco.

A huge thank you to Richard Perry for once again being our awesome DJ for the night.



### **150 Year Reunion**

Labour Weekend Friday 21st October and Saturday 22nd October

*'An opportunity for those with an interest in Hutt Central School to join the celebrations and share memories'*

Please have a look at the following website for further information and registration  
<http://www.huttcentralschoolreunion.com/>

### **Review of Sports Zone organisation**

Lower Hutt Primary Schools Sports Association are reviewing the structure of our sporting zones and we have the opportunity to submit our preference and thoughts. The zones are for the organisation and opportunity of sporting events that are both competitive and participatory across a number of schools. Our zone is currently the Southern Zone and includes schools from Gracefield to Petone.

There are four options for a zone structure in the Hutt Valley:

- Option one: School size zone where schools of similar size are part of a zone.
- Option two: Three geographical zones throughout the valley with 13 - 14 schools in each zone.
- Option three: Four Geographical zones through the valley with 10 schools in each zone.
- Option four: Status quo where we are in the southern zone with 9 schools.

The consultation document is available to view in the school office. If you have any ideas or feedback about these options that you would like to contribute to our submission, please email me.

[principal@huttcentral.school.nz](mailto:principal@huttcentral.school.nz)

### **Bike/scooter track opportunity**

*As part of our ongoing focus on active travel we have been working with Hutt City Council, Wellington Regional Council and NZTA. Our enthusiasm for supporting active travel at Hutt Central has opened an exciting opportunity to apply for funding to build a community bike and/or scooter track on part our school grounds, to be used by our children and to be available for the community to use outside school hours.*

*We would be very keen to discuss this with families, and to hear your thoughts, ideas or concerns around this.*

**Please contact:**

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*or feel free to pop into Rooms 4 and 5 and catch up with us in person.*



### **Hutt Central School Calendar**

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

#### **Week 5 Term 2 ( 30 May - 3 June)**

Friday 3rd June - BOT Election

#### **Week 6 Term 2 ( 6 June - 10 June)**

Monday 6th June - Queens Birthday Holiday - School closed for the day

