## **Hutt Central School**

Empowering our children to meet the future with confidence

# Hutt Central School Newsletter No 5 Term 3 14 August - 18 August 2023

#### Kia ora Tatou,

We are really proud of the resilience / manawaroa displayed by our students this week. The weather has been very changeable and it has had a big impact on where we can play and learn in the school. Our students have shown the ability to adapt to these changes with very little 'fuss' and effort.

#### **Volume of our Values**

It was fantastic to celebrate the Gold Level of the Volume of our Values on Tuesday this week. All of our students had the opportunity to try out a range of 'Discovery' activities across the school. We were really proud of the choices made which brought a lot of joy to our students. It is great to share the success our students have with our values!

#### COVID-19

Public health officials have advised risk from COVID-19 is now considered low compared to other stages of the pandemic and it is safe to remove the final requirements. We thank those within our community who have supported the collective efforts with COVID protocols over the past three years. The latest recommendations from Te Whatu Ora can be found this link: If you have COVID 19

As with any other illness it is recommended that students / ākonga and staff stay at home if they are feeling unwell.

## **Rock Stars**

Congratulations to the students who were awarded Rock Star certificates in assembly last week:-

Room 1 - Lucas and Freya Room 2 - Sam and Aarushi Room 3 - Emilia and Cole

Room 4 - Isabel and Indv Room 5 - Leith and JP Room 6 - Kaelem and Aria

Room 7 - Hadley and Annabelle Room 8 - Cryssie & Guranshjot Room 9 - Taiki and Harlow

Room 10 - Jorja and Taika - Room 11 - Lexi and Alisa Room 12 - Akhil and Elise

Room 13 - Max and Anthea Room 14 - Milly and Vy

Ngā mihi nui, Michael Gendall Principal

#### School absences

Please remember to notify school before 9.00am if your child will not be at school for all or part of the day. You can do this via our website <a href="Absences">Absences</a> or by calling our absence line PH: 566 0059 This reduces the lengthy process of contacting you to check on absences. We use an electronic absence notification system, which means you will be initially contacted via text message and/or phone call when your child is away and no notification has been received. If we dont hear from you, your child will be marked as truant for the day.

Students arriving late for school must sign in using Vistab on arrival before going to class. This is located at the school office.



## LOST PROPERTY

The Lost Property Bin (in the corridor next to Room 3) is over flowing with lovely warm coats, sweatshirts and jerseys. Please take the time to go through and see if anything belongs to your family.

#### NOTICE FROM PUBLIC HEALTH

Te Whatu Ora has been notified by a number of education facilities of an increase in winter illness among staff and tamariki. We are seeing surges of Covid, flu, and gastroenteritis and other respiratory virus around the region.



Capital, Coast, Hutt Valley and Wairarapa

If you are worried your tamariki has symptoms or they have long-term health problems (e.g. asthma, diabetes kidney, heart or immunity problems), then you should phone your usual doctor or Healthline 0800 611 116 for further advice. Most people recover at home and only see their GP if their illness gets worse or is not improving.

Remember - the FREE minor health conditions service is running at a number of local pharmacies until the end of September. Pharmacies can provide free treatments for skin conditions like scabies, head lice, eczema and other skin infections, as well as pain and fever, dehydration, eye inflammation, and acute diarrhoea. The free service applies if you are Māori, Pacific, a community services card holder or aged under 14 years old.

### Things you can do to help control illness in your education community

- Tell a staff member if your tamariki has an illness like the one described above
- Stay home until they're feeling well again, and for at least 48 hours from last symptoms (usually 3-4 days but up to 7 days)
- If you test positive for Covid-19 it is still recommend to isolate for 7 days and report your rapid antigen test (RAT). You can do this through My Covid Record mycovidrecord.health.nz or call the helpline on 0800 222 478
- Sick tamariki should not be at school, sports matches, school productions, or camps. This is so they can rest and recover and don't spread illness to others
- Encourage tamariki to use tissues to cover coughs and sneezes or use their elbow and to be very good about washing and drying hands thoroughly
- www.kidshealth.org.nz/flu-influenza has some good tips for looking after people with flu like illness and stopping it spreading to other people at home
- $\bullet \ \underline{www.kidshealth.org.nz/gastroenteritis-children} \ has \ information \ for \ looking \ after \ tamariki \ with \ gastroenteritis$
- If you are sick, we ask that do not visit hospitals or community care homes or see people who may be at high risk of serious illness, such as pregnant women, young babies, or anyone who has cancer, Lung, and heart or kidney conditions.

# **CHOCOLATES**

Our chocolate fundraiser has gone amazingly well but has now finished.

Thank you to those families that have already returned your chocolate money and a huge thank you to those families who have sold extra boxes. Please return any unsold bars, along with the money you have received, to the office this week so we can give out prizes for the class who was first to return all of their boxes and to the families who have sold the most boxes. Money can be paid as cash or eftpos at the school office or directly to the school bank account (Hutt Central School 06-0996-0379750-00) Please ensure these payments are clearly referenced with your child's name and chocolate. The Fundraising Committee

# **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club is in the school hall every school day from 8.30am-8.50am. Everybody who'd like a bite to eat or some company at that time is welcome. Donations of jam, margarine, honey and rice bubbles would be greatly appreciated. These can be left at the School Office.

CLUB

If you're interested in volunteering at Breakfast Club once a week or once a fortnight, please contact Kathryn Rose at kathrynrose11771@gmail.com.

For the first time EVER Hutt Central School Fundraising Committee is bringing rock (and bingo) to Hutt Central School – it's time for young and old rockers to come out to play!



This is not your standard bingo night; it's a comedy show that will have your feet tapping, head banging and the school hall rocking with your favourite rock tunes. There will be guitar competitions, games, prizes, and guaranteed laughs.

Visit Penny and Jo in the office to purchase your \$25 tickets and let them know your team name (6-8 players per team). Block out Friday 27 October from 7pm and dust-off your black jeans, ugg boots, Guns N' Roses and AC/DC shirts! Get in quick, you don't want to find that the "night you won't forget" is booked out!

This is an R18 event which includes adult comedy and content. There will be eftpos available on the night but don't forget to bring cash for raffle prizes and to prevent bar queues.

# Visit our website for links to the classes, contacts for teachers and an updated calendar <a href="http://www.huttcentral.school.nz/">http://www.huttcentral.school.nz/</a>

Week 5 Term 3 14th August -18th August	Interzone swimming trials
Week 6 Term 3 21st August -24th August	ICAS exam - Science Wednesday - Senior Basketball sessions Friday - Assembly - School hall 2.20pm
Week 7 Term 3 27th August-1st September	ICAS exam - Maths Wednesday - Senior Basketball sessions Friday - Interzone Swimming Comp
Week 8 Term 3 4th September - 8th ASeptember	Wednesday - Senior Basketball sessions - Board of Trustees meeting 7pm Staffroom Friday - Assembly - School hall 2.20pm

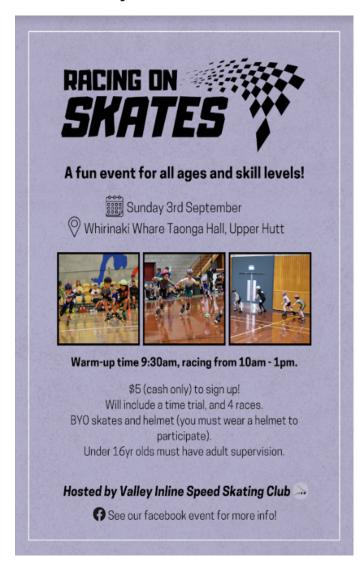
# **Our 2023 Seesaw Blogs**

Please let your child's teacher know if you have any problems viewing their individual learning journal.

Room 1	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma12023	
Room 2	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma22023	
Room 3	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma32023	
Room 4	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma42023	
Room 5	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma52023	
Room 6	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma62023	
Room 7	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma72023	
Room 8	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma82023	
Room 9	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma92023	

Room 10	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma102023	
Room 11	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma112023	
Room 12	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma122023	
Room 13	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma132023	
Room 14	https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma142023	

# **Community News**







HUTT CENTRAL SCHOOL	HOODIE ORDER  Name Class	Cost	Amount to pay
Hoodie	Name on the back as you want it written		
	Size 6	\$52.00	
	Size 8	\$52.00	
	Size 10	\$52.00	
	Size 12	\$52.00	
	Other - Adult sizes	\$60.00	