



## NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> April 2016

Week 11 of Term 1

Term 1 Calendar			
Week 11	Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> April	2pm	Performance Assembly
	Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> April		Last Day of Term 1 2016
Week 1	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> May		First Day of Term 2 2016
Week 2	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> May	No School	<b>Teacher Only Day</b> – No School
Week 6	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> June	No School	<b>Queens Birthday Weekend</b> – No School
Week 10	Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> July		Last Day of Term 2 2016
ASB Banking days is Thursday • Bee Healthy Dental – 0800 825 583			
Sushi available Thursdays – go online to <a href="http://www.wrapitup.co.nz">www.wrapitup.co.nz</a> before 9am on Thursday to order			
Kelly Club After School Care – Adam Cell 022 010 9981 or email <a href="mailto:houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz">houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz</a>			
HV School Fair - Term 4 2016 – Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2016			
HVS SWIMMING will be Term 3 Week 2-9 on Mondays			



**\*\*NEW\*\* Houghton Valley School - KELLY CLUB Holiday Programme \*\*NEW\*\***  
**(18 Apr-29 Apr)** – Kelly Club offers full time Holiday Programmes during all school holidays. Our programmes focus on giving children between 5-13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment. They are packed with variety to entertain, inspire and challenge children and most of all to have fun! Contact [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz)

### Kia ora koutou, ngā mihi o te tau hou,

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children

What a great day we had yesterday. It was a really interesting day and an opportunity for all our tamariki (and staff) to have a marae/Ao Māori experience at Ko Rongomaraeroa, The Marae of Infinite Peace. The extraordinarily innovative meeting house Te Hono o Hawaiki, provided an amazing setting for our tamariki to lead and participate in a powhiri. We were really proud of the students, especially those who took on significant roles, Manawa, Kano, Maia and Scarlet. They were amazing, representing us proudly in their roles. It's ages since I've visited Te Papa and I came away thinking I need to make more of an effort to get there again soon. There's still so much I haven't seen. A special thank you to Whaea Monnie who organised this event and to all the parents, caregivers and friends who helped out. There were so many of you and this made the outing so much more manageable and pleasurable.



A special thank you to Astrid who leaves us tomorrow after a term at Houghton Valley School. We have been very fortunate to have had Astrid working at HVS over this term. Astrid, a trainee teacher, completed the research and teaching experience as part of her training. She participated fully in the life of the school and we really appreciated her contribution. We wish her well as she heads back home to Holland - I know Astrid is going to make a superb teacher and will be appreciated in whatever school are lucky enough to employ her.

Hopefully you've noticed that Kelly Club who run our after school care programme are running their first HVS Holiday Programme. See the notice in this newsletter if you want to book your children in for some fun days during the holiday break.

Nga mihi nui

Raewyn Watson, Principal/Tumuaki



## Performance Assembly

This Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April starting at 2pm in the school hall!

## Houghton Valley School - Board of Trustees' Election

Nominations are invited for the election of **five** parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters by 6 May 2016.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself (make sure you sign both parts of the form).

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on 20 May 2016 and may be accompanied by signed candidates' statements.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on 3 June 2016.

Katy MacLeod - Returning Officer

## Library News...

**Holiday Books** This week I'll be lending extra books for Holiday Reading. Students and parents are welcome to come and borrow. Please remember that Red Bags need to be returned to school with the books in Week 1, Term 2.

**"What's On?" Wednesday's** In Term 2 the Library will have book related activities each Wednesday Lunchtime. They will be advertised around school and anyone can attend. Student Librarians will be helping to run them. We hope to cover a huge range of topics, and would love parents/grandparents/friends to join in and pass on their knowledge. If you can talk about a country, sport, activity, book, gardening, cooking, language, dance etc or show a video, sing a song etc please let me know. I want this to be as broad as the books in the Library! I know there are many interesting people out there who can contribute. (Please e-mail me [joanna@houghton.school.nz](mailto:joanna@houghton.school.nz) )



### **KC cards**

This week I've handed out Library KC cards to students who have borrowed more than 14 books this term and had no 'overdues'. Congratulations to you all.

Joanna Librarian



## **Senior School Goal Setting**

By the end of this week the senior school students will be bringing home a "Goal Setting Sheet" to share with you. The students have identified learning goals in literacy, maths and self management. Please support your child to work towards achieving their personal goals. Thanks.



## **Dental Clinic**

The Bee Healthy Dental Mobile Clinic will be here at Houghton Valley School on-site in Week 1 of Term 2 for a couple of weeks. They will be only doing check ups of children as treatment will be completed at the new Bee Healthy Selby House in Adelaide Road, Newtown.



## **Adventure Playground**

Feel free to text Dave 0220 962488 if you would like to volunteer an hour or so over the holidays landscaping the grounds.



**Burger Roster** is up on noticeboard in the foyer asking for parent volunteers to cook burgers to sell to the children on Fridays in Term 2. You will be needed to be available from approx. 11am till 1:30pm. Time slots still to fill week 1 and 3 then 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10. We need the roster full before we can commit to Friday burgers. So please write your name, phone number and email address if you can help then the Burger Co-ordinators will contact you. Thanks



### HVS Floorball Term 1

This season ten HVS teams have played in the Junior League After School Floorball competition. With two HVS teams winning their grade finals yesterday - the Year 4 HVS Heroes and the Year 5 HVS Fire - big congratulations to both teams.

Six HVS players have been playing in the Wellington Storm under 15 summer Floorball series - well done to all of you - especially players that won prizes at the end of season prize giving. If kids want to keep playing Floorball in terms 2 and 3 then players aged 10 (or almost 10) can try out of the Wellington Storm under 15 squads (trainings are Tuesday evenings) and players 9 and under can join the Friday night trainings at ASB. Email me for details: [bilka1972@mac.com](mailto:bilka1972@mac.com)

And lastly well done the over 70 players that represent HVS with such enthusiasm and skill each week and a very big thank you to all the parents who have helped out with coaching and supporting this term :-)  
See you all back in term 4! Billie-Jo



Year 4 HVS Heroes



Year 5 HVS Fire

**Please note: HVS Swimming will be in Term 3 starting on a Monday from Week 2 to Week 9.**



### TE PAPA TONGAREWA TE MARAE VISIT



# Home and School Information

## School Fair Update – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016



Just a (very early!) heads up that we will be collecting clothes, books and toys to sell at the school fair. We also can put any quality/as new general goods in the silent auction. So PLEASE do not send any good stuff off to op shops between now and the fair, but put it to one side. If you need somewhere to store it, you can always drop it off at school or contact Karen directly, and it will be put into safe storage. We won't start collecting goods properly until later in the year, but this is just a reminder in case you have a clear-out over the holidays.

We have had an offer of jam or chutney making - thank you Alex! So if anyone has any pears, apples, fejoas, etc to spare, please drop them at school this week so that Alex can turn them into something amazing.

We still need some key volunteers. Don't hesitate to contact Karen if you are at all interested and want to know more. [parr.karen@gmail.com](mailto:parr.karen@gmail.com) 027 209 4832.

## Community News



### KELLY SPORTS TERM 2

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives children a place to channel their energy.

**Autumn Action** (Yrs 1-4) – Thursdays 3:05-4:05pm - Come and try **Football, Athletics, Hockey and Basketball**. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time! For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 7201

**FOOTBALL April Holiday Workshops** - (Yrs 1–6) Wests Rugby Clubrooms, Wilton (all weather indoor surface) - Improve technique by working on the core skills of control, dribbling, passing, tackling & shooting with head coach Martin. We are running the following workshops; **Week 1**; 19th, 20th & 21st Apr-9.30am-12.30pm **Week 2**; 26th, 27th & 28th Apr 9.30am-12.30pm **Girls Only Workshop**; Wed 20th Apr -1.00-4.00pm.

**NETBALL April Holiday Workshop** - Onslow College Gym. Get ready for the 2016 Netball season! Increase your child's skills & confidence with our netball workshop, focusing on the key skill areas. **Week 2**; 27th & 28th Apr 9.30am-12.30pm

### WELLINGTON UNITED JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB APRIL HOLIDAY FOOTBALL PROGRAMME

Week 1 - 5 days of Football. Boys and Girls from 6 - 15 years old. HEAD COACH: Guille Schiltewolf (WUJFC Development Officer) DATE: Monday 18 April - Friday 22 April SESSION: 9am - 1pm WHERE: Newtown Park (next to the zoo) COST: \$165 per player for all 5 days or \$35 per player for casual days. REGISTER HERE - <http://goo.gl/eszQQH> MORE INFO HERE: [www.wellingtonunited.org.nz/holiday-programmes.html](http://www.wellingtonunited.org.nz/holiday-programmes.html)

### Kids Cross Country Series - come along and have some fun

Athletics Wellington is again running the Kids Cross Country Series over the winter months at various venues around the Wellington region. Venues are Upper Hutt, Karori, Petone, Tawa and Mt Victoria. Races for pre schoolers though to year 8s. This event has grown in the past few years with up to 600 kids taking part, so come along and have some fun. For more information or to enter go to <https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry> or email [jo@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:jo@athleticswellington.org.nz) or phone 021 976116



New Zumba® fitness class!!! Thursday's at 1 pm at the Newtown Community Centre on corner Rintoul and Colombo Streets with Natasha Macaulay 021 258 9580 - [zumbapartywgtn@gmail.com](mailto:zumbapartywgtn@gmail.com) Beginners welcome \$15 total for 3 consecutive classes, or casual \$5-\$7.

Headstart Hairdressing are raising money for a special boy called Felix. He was born with Microtia & Altesia, which is a malformed ear (both internal & external). We are trying to get him to the U.S for life changing surgery by 2019. Come and join us on Sunday 1st May, from 10-5pm, at the Headstart salon.... \$40 wet cuts \$10 treatments Baking for sale, as well as raffles to enter and a donation bucket. Call 3873832 to book an appointment. 10 Rongotai Road, Kilbirnie.

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