



**NEWSLETTER**

Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Week 3 of Term 3

**Houghton Valley School Website: [www.houghton.school.nz](http://www.houghton.school.nz)**

**Term 3 Calendar**

*Swimming Lessons every Monday this term @ Kilbirnie Pool: Reminder bring togs*

Week 3	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	6pm	BOT Meeting No Assembly
<b>Week 3 "Tremendous Trees Makeover" – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August 8:30am-1pm</b>			
Week 4	Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	All Day	<b>SportsFest (Year 5/6 Optional) Netball – Dodgeball - Minipolo</b> <b>Lucky Book Club ORDERS CLOSE</b> <b>ORDER ONLINE - <a href="http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz">mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz</a></b>
Week 7	Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	7pm	Home & School Meeting
Week 10	Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept		Last Day of School
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASB Banking days are FRIDAYS</li> <li>• Bee Healthy Dental Clinic – 0800 825 583</li> </ul>			
Sushi available Thursdays – Term 3 - go online to <a href="http://www.ezlunch.co.nz">www.ezlunch.co.nz</a> before 9am on Thursday to order			
Kelly Club After School Care – Helen Cell 022 010 9981 or email <a href="mailto:houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz">houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz</a>			
<b>HVS School FAIR – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b>			

**TREMENDOUS TREES MAKEOVER**



**The big day is looming.**

***Please note this event will run rain or shine – they've never cancelled!!***

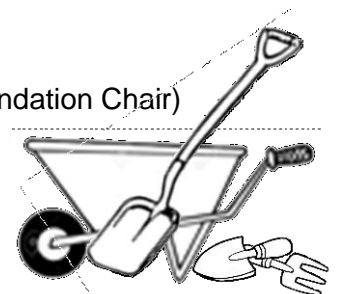
Firstly a big shout-out to Jill Holmstead who has been working tirelessly with coordination and organisation to ensure we're all go for Saturday.

We have around 20 guests attending, including representatives from Project Crimson and the Mazda Foundation, our plant supplier Wayne Turner from the Rimutaka Nursery, James Gardner – WCC Ranger, Arihia Latham & Micheline Evans – EnviroSchools representatives and Green MP Teall Crossen.

⇒⇒ **Most importantly of course is that we have as many school whanau as possible to help out!** ⇐⇐

The day is planned as follows:

- 8:15 am Volunteers (YOU) start arriving. Drone flyover taking before shots.  
Ruud Kleinpaste (Project Crimson Trustee) will be our MC for the day.
- 8:30 am I'll welcome everyone to the school, give the health & Safety Briefing and an introduction/explanation of what we are doing - the different tasks to be completed.  
Monnie will lead the blessing and students will sing a supporting waiata.
- 8:45 am Start work, tasks include; Planting, mulching, Edging the path with ponga logs, spreading lime chip on the path and maybe just a little extra clearing.
- 10:00 am Break for morning tea
- 10:20 am Back to work, complete makeover
- 11:55 am Clean up, photos and drone flyover to show progress (after shots)
- 12:00pm Speeches –David Hodge (Mazda NZ Managing Director and Mazda Foundation Chair) and a final thank you from Raewyn.
- Finally** Lunch (sausage sizzle) /finish work/clean up and go home!



We'd really appreciate some home baking for morning tea  
*You may want to bring your own water bottles - especially for kids*

**Please bring wheelbarrows, shovels, gardening trowels/forks, spades and buckets. (a good idea to name all anything you bring so you can easily recognise yours to take home!)**

Thank you to those of you who helped out on Sunday – we really appreciated your commitment on such an awful day! These two pre-working bees have made a huge difference and mean we're on track to achieve so much more of what is intended for our project on the Tremendous Makeover day.

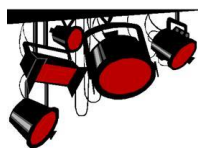
The building projects are keeping me pretty busy as usual – there have been the ongoing meetings for the current build, meetings for the upcoming Nikau/Karaka remodel and now meetings for the roll-growth classroom! All very exciting for HVS – a long time coming! Tenders have been invited for the Nikau/Karaka work and is scheduled to start 15 September. There's a lot of pressure to get Pohutukawa and Kowhai completed and things are motoring along on this now.

Hopefully see you Saturday ☺. Nga mihi nui

Raewyn Watson, Principal/Tumaki

**A BIG WELCOME IN NGAIO CLASS TO:  
☺ Claude Ferrari & ☺ Charlie Ririnui**

### HVS SCHOOL PRODUCTION



To all Houghton Valley School whanau, re "Production 2017"

It is with regret that we have decided to postpone this term's production until Term 1, 2018.

This decision was not easy to make and was discussed several times, including investigating a range of alternatives. There were many factors contributing to the decision, however the main one was the lack of a genuine rehearsal space at the time when it would be required. The renovations to Rms 1 & 2 have been protracted due to a number of factors, and the period which had been arranged for the hall to be free has disappeared.

HVS prides itself on delivering a great live experience for both the audience and the students. We believe our productions showcase the talent, creativity and hard work of the students, and are carefully managed to achieve success - something which we felt would not be achievable in the current situation, or through other means.

The decision was made by the staff as a whole. We understand that the Year 6s this year will be those most affected, and we are currently working on a way in which they can be involved in the preparation and delivery of a live performance this year, incorporating some of the elements of a full school production.

Thanks for your understanding. HVS staff ☺

### ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE FOR TERM 3

#### **ASSEMBLY's Schedule for Term 3 2017**

Due to the hall being used as classrooms we will be making the assemblies into smaller groups as below for this term. They will start at 2:15pm on Fridays.

Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
	Junior	Middle			Junior	Middle	Whole
No Assem	Senior	Senior	Senior	Senior	Senior	Senior	School

**Junior** = Ngaio, Mahoe, Ti Kouka and Harakeke (rm 8, 7, 6 & 5) **will be in Ngaio class.**

**Middle** = Rata, Pohutukawa, Kowhai and Rimu (rm 9, 1, 2 & 10) **will be in the Hall.**

**Senior** = Nikau and Karaka (rm 3 & 4) **will be in Room 3 or 4 TBC.**

### HELATH INFO

**"Slapped Cheek"** most commonly affects children under 10 years of age. Some adults may get it if they are not immune from childhood. How is slapped cheek spread? Slapped cheek is caused by the human parvovirus B19 (no connection to the animal parvovirus). Slapped cheek is passed on in droplets from the respiratory tract of an infected person, mainly by close contact, coughing and sneezing. Once infected the time until symptoms appear is between 4 and 20 days. If you catch slapped cheek, you'll be infectious for 5 or 6 days before the first symptom appears. You'll stop being infectious once the rash appears. Slapped cheek rapidly spreads through schools and childcare facilities and is most common during winter and spring.

## LUCKY BOOK CLUB

### LUCKY BOOK CLUB...

Brochure No. 5 is going home today.

If you wish to order, please follow the LOOP payment instructions on the inside back cover.

All orders are done online at [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](http://scholastic.co.nz/LOOP) or [mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz).

Orders must be placed by **Sunday 20 August**. Books are usually delivered to school about 2 weeks after that. Thank you. Joanna



## SPORTS INFO

### Swimming Lessons

Friendly reminder if you have any questions or concerns please direct them to Matt Titcombe.

The Pool (WRAC) has asked us that parents not contact them direct for School Swim Lessons

[matt@houghton.school.nz](mailto:matt@houghton.school.nz)



### Regional Sports Fest:

A very exciting event is taking place next week for primary schools in the lower north island.

10 different sports will hold Tournaments on Tuesday the 15th August in the Wellington area. HVS is so lucky to get one of the few spaces available in Dodgeball, Minipolo and Netball. It's a great opportunity for over 30 year 5/6 children to compete and meet with other children from around our region. **Remember to get your offers of help returned by Friday 11th August**

### Sports Dates to diary for Term Three

☺ Tuesday 15 August Regional Sports Fest Year 5/6

We are competing in MiniPolo at the WRAC

Netball at the Haitaitai Courts

Dodgeball at the Kilbirnie Rec Centre

☺ Friday 25 August Southern Zone Swimming WRAC

☺ Friday 14 September Interzone Swimming WRAC

If you have any stories or photos of sports-related events that we can use in the newsletters and are happy to share them with everyone else, please e-mail me on [matt@houghton.school.nz](mailto:matt@houghton.school.nz).



REMINDER: BRING TOGS EVERY  
MONDAY FOR SWIMMING!

COST PER CHILD \$50 PLEASE PAY TO HVS BOT ACCOUNT THANKS



## KELLY CLUB SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME SURVEY



### Holiday Programme Survey

Kelly Club would like to explore the viability of running the October 2017 Holiday Programme for the children of Houghton Valley School in the next holiday break from 2 October 2017 - 13 October 2017. The prices are:

**Full Day** (8am-6pm) - \$50.00

**School Day** (9.30am-12.30pm) - \$40.00

**Morning half Day** (9am-3.30pm) - \$30.0

**Afternoon half Day** (12.30pm-3.30pm) - \$30.00

**Please note Trip Day** - extra \$15.00

Please register your interest if you think you would like your children to attend - provide details by e-mail to: [houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz). Please ensure you specify how many children you would look to enrol and on which days.

**Please have your responses in by Monday 14 August at latest. Once all responses have been compiled a decision will be made as to whether the programme is viable.**

These are some of the activities done at Kelly Club Island Bay for the July Holiday Programme:



**Home & School - next meeting Thursday 07 September, 7pm staffroom**

Home and School meetings are open to all parents. They are a great opportunity to find out what is going on in the community, and we would love to see you there. Thanks to all those who made it along to last week's meeting, it was a good turn out. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

**HVS School Fair - 11 November 2017**

Another Fair Meeting will be coming up soon - watch this space! Many thanks to all those who contributed to the first Fair Meeting, and those who have dropped notes into the 'ideas boxes'. We have a few new ideas, which we're excited about. Thanks also to those who have offered to take on key coordination roles ... there are a few roles that need to be filled ... details to follow shortly.

**Wanted:**

We have a couple of people who have volunteered to preserve lemons for the Deli counter at the fair. If anyone has access to a lemon tree or the lemons themselves can they let me know please?

If anyone has any excess fruit suitable for making jams chutneys etc please also let me know! Finally if you or someone you know is able to make something in large quantities suitable for a food stall please let me know - we are always keen to offer something new and have a bit of extra space this year.

Thanks [Sarahduncan99@hotmail.com](mailto:Sarahduncan99@hotmail.com)

**Collection:** Reminder that we are happy to start receiving clothes, toys and books for the fair, do if you are having a clean out keep the fair in mind!

*"Important note re. clothes" ... In previous years we have had a problem with dirty and damaged clothes being donated. This has added to the amount of time spent preparing for fair day, and can make the job unpleasant. Please if you are donating clothes, only drop off washed, decent quality clothes. Thank you!*

There are two suggestions boxes for ideas for the fair, at the school. They are located opposite the noticeboard, near Denise's office; and by the sign out sheet for Kelly Club After School Care .... If you have any thoughts we'd love to hear them, so feel free to pop an idea into the box!

**HVS School Disco**

The school disco will take place on (provisional date) 21 September. We cannot use the HVS School Hall this year due to the building projects requiring the Hall to be used as classrooms for the duration. We are planning for the Disco, but are still looking at alternative venues. If you are interested in helping out, or have any venue suggestions please contact [sarahduncan99@hotmail.com](mailto:sarahduncan99@hotmail.com).

## COMMUNITY NOTICE

**Houghton Valley Playcentre Presents:** The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Debate Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> August Doors open 7pm \$20 a ticket – "To be, or not to be a politician – that is the question". Speakers; Annette King, Pinky Agnew, Barry Soper, Lloyd Burr, Chris Hipkins, Grant Walker, David Townsend, Brent Edwards – Chair: Grant Robinson Tickets available from Amanda Berkahn [hvplaycentre@gmail.com](mailto:hvplaycentre@gmail.com) or ph 0277333894.

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