



NEWSLETTER

Thursday, 10th May 2018

Week 2 of Term 2

Kia ora koutou, ngā mihi kia koutou katoa,

Wow! What a great Cross Country yesterday.

To all the students who participated, well done and be proud of yourself for giving it your best!

I would like to thank Sophia, Matt and the rest of our team for organising a successful event. It was nice to have whanau there to support and encourage all of our tamariki. Thank you Houghton Valley Playcentre for coming. It was great to have you participating too.

We wish the successful year 4's, 5's and 6's all the best for the Southern Zone Cross Country on Tuesday 29th May at Houghton Valley School. (PP Thurs 31st May)



Edconv18

At the moment the government are holding Summit events as a part of Kōrero Mātauranga, a national conversation about education, which was launched by the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern, on 23 March. This represents the Government's desire for a more collaborative approach to education. The goal is to bring together the wider community and the education sector to achieve shared ownership of a vision for the education system for the future.

It has been 30 years since the introduction of 'Tomorrow's Schools' so it's time to think about where we are going, to prepare our tamariki for the future.

This is your chance to have your say on the future of New Zealand education, for all our children and young people, for the next 30 years or more. This closes on 31st May.

<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/education/korero-matauranga/>

Education Conversation Survey Questions

- 1. If you were the boss of education in New Zealand, what would you do first?*
- 2. What does a successful student of the future look like to you?*
- 3. What will they need to know and be able to do?*
- 4. What things need to be in place to make sure every learner is successful*

Staff Only Day – 5th JUNE

We have planned to have one staff only day this term and we are going to attach that to Queen's Birthday weekend. There will be no school for our students on Tuesday 5th June.

**Me
kōrero
tātou!**

**Join the
conversation!**

#EdConvo18

Paid Union Meeting – 19th June

The NZEI have informed the Board and school that they intend to have a meeting with all members at 2pm on Tuesday, June 19. All of our teaching staff are union members and will therefore be attending this meeting. As a result, the school is unable to safely look after all our students on this afternoon, and we ask that whanau make alternative arrangements for their children and all are collected by 1.30pm. I appreciate that this is a significant inconvenience for families but we appreciate your support.

Property Update – New Classroom

We have been working with the Ministry of Education to finalise our plans for the new classroom as building costs have escalated in the past 18 months. They have approved the increased budget. We have had the sign off so it is going out to tender next week and we are expecting the classroom to be ready for Term 1 2019.

Powhiri

A powhiri for all new students and their whanau is tomorrow at 9:10am in the Hall.

Ngā mihi kia koutou katoa

Luana Carroll, Te Tumuaki – Principal



HVS Production Dress Rehearsal

Please remember to let us know if you require us to organise transport to Wellington High School for our dress rehearsal practice on **Wednesday 23rd May from 8.40am-9.00am**. Email principal@houghton.school.nz

Huge aroha to you all for helping us with this. It is greatly appreciated!

Welcome to HAEWAI

This year's HVS school production will be held at
Wellington High School's School Hall – The Riley Centre
on

Wednesday 23rd May and Thursday 24th May 2018

6:30pm to 8pm(approx)

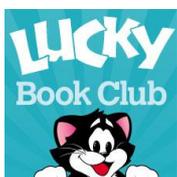
Door Entry - Adults \$5, Children gold coin, pre-schoolers free.

Note: There is no charge for performing children.

Please ensure your child is fed, toileted and dropped off at 6.00pm
both nights in their costumes. Thanks

Please note: No parking in WHS car park due to the Community Education Night!

LIBRARY



Scholastic Book Club

Brochure No 3 has been given to students to take home.

Please note, the school does not handle orders or money.

Follow the first method of payment listed on the back page.

Go to scholastic.co.nz/LOOP and order and **pay online only**.

Orders close on Sunday, 20 May, and are delivered to school about 2 weeks later. If orders are a gift or surprise for your child, please email me (joanna@houghton.school.nz) and I can hold them for you to collect. Thank you. Joanna - Librarian

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Ezlunch orders this term - Thursday Sushi orders available and Pita Pit on Fridays. With two suppliers, this will ensure your kids have a great variety of healthy and tasty school lunches. Order any time **before 9am** on the day or schedule in advance. A full menu, prices and allergy information can be obtained via your ezlunch account. Lunch orders will be delivered to school at lunchtime.

Thursdays



Fridays



ezlunch orders are made online through www.ezlunch.co.nz One account for the whole family!

Mothers' Day Gift from ezlunch.co.nz

ezlunch is offering a Mothers Day gift! Place an order for delivery 7th – 11th May and be in the draw to win one of TWO \$50 magazine vouchers to gift to Mum on Mothers' Day. The winner will be notified by email and/or phone on Friday 11th May. Go to www.ezlunch.co.nz Thanks for your support and all the best for a great term.

TERM 2 EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 7 th -11 th May	<i>"Pedal Ready" here at school</i>	<i>Home & School Meeting @ 7:30pm</i>	<i>HVS Cross Country Start @ 11:10am</i>	BOT meeting @ 7:30pm	<i>"Powhiri" at 9:10am in hall</i>
Week 3 14 th -18 th May					No Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly
Week 4 21 st -25 th May		National Young Leaders Day for Year 6's	9am Production Dress Rehearsal (drop off at Wgtn High School) & 6:30pm Production 1st Show	6:30pm Production 2nd show	No Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly
Week 5 28 th -1 st June		Southern Zone Cross Country for Y4-6 @ HVS		Postponement Southern Zone Cross Country for Y4-6 @ HVS	Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly 2:15pm
Week 6 4 th – 8 th June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday	Staff Only Day School Closed			No Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly
Week 7 11 th – 15 th June		BOT Meeting 7:30pm			Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly 2:15pm
Week 8 18 th – 22 th June		Teacher Paid Union Meeting 1:30pm			Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly 2:15pm
Week 9 25 th – 29 th June					Te-hui-a-kura - Assembly 2:15pm
Week 10 2 nd – 6 th July			Student Learning Reports go Home		Performance Assembly 2pm

A Farewell to Chris as Home and School Chair

At Tuesday's Home and School meeting we bid farewell to Chris who has been the Home and School Chair for the last few years. Chris has done a fantastic job over this time.

The Board of Trustees presented him with a gift of appreciation. The incoming officers also want to express their thanks to Chris, along with Monique and Susan, for all the work they have done running the Home and School Association.



Wanted - Fair Co-ordinator

Our school fair is our biggest fundraising event of the year, raising just over \$25,000 which helps with all those extras around the school. It's also a really fun day out enjoyed by the community.

We need a new fair co-ordinator (or a group of people prepared to work together on this). There is lots of information on what needs to be done and the previous fair co-ordinator would talk you through what it all involves.

If you are interested, please contact Megan: homeandschoolsecretary@houghton.school.nz

Entertainment Books for Sale



Houghton Valley School is selling Entertainment Books™ for a fundraiser again this year. Entertainment Books include hundreds of discounts for activities, shops and restaurants around Wellington. The books are \$65 but there are thousands of dollars worth of discounts. To order your book online visit: www.entbook.co.nz/1097k91. Please pass this link on to family and friends - our school gets about 20% from every sale.

Any questions, please contact Kate (Te Maihi's mum) ph 383 5234.

HVS Home and School Association

Final Word from Outgoing Chair

Kia Ora HVS Whanau,

I want to extend a big welcome to Ian Long, who joins the H&S team as the new Chair, and thank the current and recent officers Megan Taylor, Monique McDougall, and Susan Hall for all their fantastic work.

The HVS Community comes together to do some pretty amazing things every year. Please continue to support H&S, get involved, volunteer some time, organise an event, (we're looking for a Fair Coordinator just quietly) to ensure we can continue to support the School Staff, BoT and Tamariki!

It's been three years and it's been fun. Big thanks to all those who have given their time to supporting the school community.

Ngā mihi nui, Chris Taylor



KELLY CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMS TERM 2

KELLY SPORTS TERM 2 2018: Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes. **“Wicked Winter Sports” (Yrs 1-4) – Thursdays 3:05-4:05pm** – Come and try Football, Basketball, Hockey and Volleyball. Try 2 weeks each of these sports. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play.

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 email adminwgtm@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

COMMUNITY NOTICES

AFRICA DAY Saturday 12th May – Celebrating African Unity - Starting at noon and finishing at 7pm. Venue Shed 6, Queens Wharf, arts & crafts, live music, food stalls, poetry and fashion. Come along.



CLOTHES Wanted: *Brr, it's got chilly, and while most of our children are fortunate enough to have warm clothes to keep them dry and warm through the winter months, there are some children who don't. So if you have any warm winter clothes in good condition that you no longer need and would like to pass on, drop them in the collection box outside the school office. The clothes will be given to two organisations, Kokiri Marae in Lower Hutt and the Kura Kaupapa in Seatoun, who work closely with families and can pass them on to those they know need them. Any questions feel free to contact Laura Vasquez at kiwilaura@gmail.com*



The National Library invites families to celebrate the first birthday of the He Tohu exhibition at a Whanau Day. There is something for everyone!

Attend the speaker series to learn about the three documents that shaped Aotearoa New Zealand or take a tour of He Tohu in either te reo or English throughout the day.

Enjoy contemporary music in te reo, hip hop, kapa haka, pasifika music, storytelling and 3D printing, plus lots more. Get creative in the arts & craft spaces, **suitable for all ages**.

- **Date:** Saturday, 19 May, 2018 • **Time:** 10am – 2.30pm • **Cost:** FREE No bookings required.
- **Location:** Te Ahumairangi (Ground Floor), National Library, corner Molesworth and Aitken Streets, Thorndon • **Contact Details:** events.natlib@dia.govt.nz



Let it move you, Zumba® fitness. **First class free** for beginners, New classes start now! Groove to gorgeous tracks from around the world. Bollywood to Latin, Hip hop to pop. Zumba Gold (less jumpy) Monday 9:30am - Indian Assoc hall 48 Kemp St. Just **\$2!**



Wednesday 7 pm \$12-15 and Thursday 12:10 pm \$5-7 - Newtown Com Hall, 7 Colombo St. Tuesday - Miramar Uniting Church at 9:30 am 56 Hobart St \$12-15 <https://www.facebook.com/groups/natzumba/> Natasha Macaulay 021 258 9580

Instep Dance Studio- Houghton Bay & Island Bay. Offering dance classes in ballet, jazz & contemporary for ages 3-18years. Taking new enrolments now for term 2. FREE trial classes available. For more information visit www.instepdancestudio.co.nz Contact Lesley 021 202 7750 instepdance@hotmail.com

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Ezlunch.co.nz • **Fridays** • **Pita Pit** – go online www.ezlunch.co.nz before 9am to order

Kelly Club After School Care • Helen- Cell 022 010 9981 or email houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz

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