



NEWSLETTER

Thursday, 2nd August 2018

Week 2 of Term 3

Kia ora koutou, ngā mihi kia koutou katoa,

This week has been very busy with 3 Way conferences. It is so nice to see so many whanau around school. I would like to congratulate all the students and staff for making this conference a success. There is a huge amount of time and thought that goes into these.

We also would like to acknowledge the support from our whanau. It is fantastic to have you working alongside us in your child/ren's learning journey.

Waharoa

We are going to be redesigning our current Waharoa at the bottom entrance. With the new classroom being built onto Room 9/Rata they need to be moved. We thought this would be a great time to get students and whanau involved in redeveloping what we currently have. The waharoa will be repositioned closer towards the orange gates. If you are an artist, carver, designer or just interested in getting involved please contact me - principal@houghton.school.nz or pop in.



Louise's Farwell Assembly

On Friday at our school assembly we will also be farewelling Louise Conwell. We would love for you to join us and help us to farewell her from Houghton Valley School.

We wish Louise all the best for the next step in her teaching journey. She has made a huge impact in her 18 months here at Houghton Valley and we appreciate all that you have contributed to Nikau and HVS. Go well Louise and keep in touch!

Swimming

It is great to have started swimming. Next week the students will start their lessons. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Sophia Bridgwater - sophia@houghton.school.nz. Please remember all students need to bring their own goggles, towel and hair ties (long hair). We had quite a few who didn't bring these and unfortunately we can't provide these.



BOT Update

The NZEI Teacher's Union has advised the Houghton Valley Board of Trustees that the teaching staff at our school will be taking strike action on Wednesday 15 August 2018, for the full day.

This means that our school will not be open that day. We wanted to give you as much notice as possible so you can begin to make alternative childcare arrangements for the day.

The Board have carefully considered whether to close the school that day. Given that all teachers will be participating in the strike action there will not be staff available to provide normal teaching services. We know that this is an inconvenience to our families. We hope that you will bear in mind that the reason the primary teachers and principals are taking strike action is that they are concerned about the future of our students. The strike action is about attracting and retaining teachers, having more time to teach and having truly inclusive schools where all children can learn and thrive.

HVS Board support the teachers' claim for better pay and conditions.

Ngā mihi kia koutou katoa

Luana Carroll, Te Tumuaki – Principal

Reminders

- Swimming every week –
Bring togs
- Louise's Farewell
Assembly Friday 3rd
August @ 2:15pm

HVS School Terms Dates for 2018

Term 3 - Mon 23rd July to Fri 28th Sept

Term 4 - Mon 15th Oct to Thurs 20th Dec

LUCKY BOOK CLUB



Brochures have been sent home. Purchases are to be made on-line. Please follow the instructions for LOOP orders (Payment Option 1) on back page.

Orders close at end of **Sunday, 5 August** and items are delivered about 2 weeks later. Please send a reusable bag to school for your child to collect their order in. I can hold orders for parent collection if they are gifts/surprises; please email me (joanna@houghton.school.nz) if you prefer this. Many thanks. Joanna

SCHOOL LUNCHES IN 2018 - WWW.EZLUNCH.CO.NZ



Sushi Lunches

Sushi Lunches – delivered every Thursday and Pita Pit delivered on Friday's. Place your order via www.ezlunch.co.nz. Order are accepted up to 9am on a Thursday and Friday morning. Menu and pricing you can see online. One account for the whole family!



SWIMMING PAYMENTS – TERM 3 – MONDAYS



Payment: The cost for the 2018 swimming programme is **\$55 per child**. This includes transport, pool entry and instructor costs for the 9 lessons.

We would prefer payment to be made by internet banking to the:

Houghton Valley School BOT Bank – ASB - 12-3481-0045763-00 (preferred)

Please use details below and clearly state "HVS Swimming" in particulars column and your child's name in "reference" column (or similar) however cash or cheque can be paid through the class pot system.

“Please return your Fair interest forms”

At the end of last term we sent home a newsletter update which included a form to fill out if you were interested in finding out more about supporting the school fair. If you are interested - please drop the form back into the school office.

Here’s a link in case you have misplaced it:

<https://houghtonvalleyschool.files.wordpress.com/2018/07/hvs-home-and-school-newsletter-update-june-2018.pdf>



School Fair - Bring on the Donations!!!

We are delighted to say that we have solved our storage dilemma and now have a storage place for books, and another one for clothes and toys. Please feel free to bring donations to school and leave outside the library door in the foyer area. Please note the following:

- We do not have a white elephant stall, so cannot take any used items that don’t fall into the **TOYS, BOOKS** and **CLOTHES** categories.
- However, we will gratefully accept brand new household or other items that we could use in the **SILENT AUCTION**
- We usually have lots left over after the Fair, so this year would like to focus on **QUALITY** rather than quantity. Please do not donate damaged or dirty items. Thank you for understanding.
- Due to our storage options, it would be much appreciated if you could **SEPARATE** books, toys and clothes where possible.

Volunteers

The lead coordinators will be contacting people over the coming weeks about working on stalls, but if you have a preference of stall or activity, please let us know now. We would still love some help with the co-coordination of **GAMES, MARKETING** and **CRAFT** (particularly craft ideas and potential craft evenings to create items for the fair).

Any questions, or offers of help, please fill in the Fair Interest Form (see above) or contact Karen: parr.karen@gmail.com Cell: 027 209 4832



Foxy needs you!

The countdown is on for the HVS Quiz night – **Thursday, 23rd August.**

A team of six costs just \$90. Once you’ve got your six, nominate one person to email hvsquiz@gmail.com and we’ll let you know how to pay (preferred payment is direct credit into our Home & School account but we will also accept cash). We will confirm your registration and your team’s reference code once we have received payment.

Not got a full team? That’s okay, you can register as an individual (\$15/person) and we’ll allocate you to a team on the night – it’s a fantastic way to meet others from the community and school.

Tickets will be issued on the night but please note there will be no door sales so you will have to get in quick to be one of the 25 teams in the running for Quiz Champions 2018.

TERM 3 EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 30 th -3 rd August	SWIMMING STARTS	3 Way Conferences Goal Setting <hr/> <hr/> ICAS English Exam	Home and School Meeting 7:30pm	3 Way Conferences Goal Setting	Te-hui-a-kura –Assembly at 2:15pm to Farewell Louise
Week 3 6 th -10 th August	Swimming	Year 5/6 Camp meeting 7.00pm			Powhiri for New Whanau 9.10am
Week 4 13 th -17 th August	Swimming	ICAS Maths Exam	“NO SCHOOL” Teacher’s Strike Day		
Week 5 20 th -24 th August	Swimming		Road Patrol Training 9-11am	Home & School Quiz Night @ The Pines	

COMMUNITY NOTICE

KELLY SPORTS TERM 3 2018: Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 with their fun and exciting classes.

“Play Like a Sports Hero” (Yrs 1-4) – Thursdays 3:05-4:05pm

Come and try Football, Netball, Ripa Rugby and Handball. 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 adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

Marrzipan Drama Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome classes at schools, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a Trial Lesson via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)

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Ezlunch.co.nz • Thursdays • Sushi – go online to www.ezlunch.co.nz before 9am to order

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

HV School FAIR – Saturday 27th October 2018

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