



Houghton Valley School

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Newsletter

Wednesday, 17th June 2020

Week 10 of Term 2

HVS Reminders

- **Tues 23rd June** - Student Conferences
- **Thurs 25th June** – Student Conferences
- **Tues 30th June** – HVS Cross Country
- **Thurs 2nd July** – Matariki Celebration 5:30pm

Kia ora te whanau,



Matariki Evening

On Thursday 2nd July we are hosting a whole school Matariki evening. Home and School are doing a sausage sizzle (\$2) from 5.00pm. Then at 5.30pm we will do some waiata in the Hall. From here we will go out for a night walk into the forest and a long other tracks around school. We will all come back to the Hall for a hot chocolate. We ask that you bring your own cup!

If it rains we will still go ahead but will leave out the walks.

To assist us with our planning can you please RSVP to Denise - admin@houghton.school.nz

Why are we celebrating Matariki?

Matariki is a time for growth and change. ... Matariki is the Māori name for a star constellation that rises up into the sky in mid-winter. This signals an important time in the New Zealand calendar - the Māori New Year. Matariki is a celebration of people, culture, language, spirituality and history.



Ngā mihi nui to all of our whanau who have booked into conferences. As this is the major part of our mid year reporting we would like to see all our whanau. If you can't make either of those dates can you please let us know.

The smooth running of our interview evening relies on parents and teachers keeping to the timetable. Note that the interviews are 15 minutes each. Please consider other parents by ending your discussion on time. If you miss your interview time, please come to the office and we will arrange another session that evening if possible. If you need more time with a teacher, please arrange a separate meeting or a follow-up phone call with the teacher.

The library will be open so you can wait in there between or for interviews.

To book an interview you need to click on to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter our event code - this is unique to HVS.

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Ngā manaakitanga
Luana Carroll

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

School Board Trustees Needed

The school board would love to hear from anyone who might be interested in being a board member in the near future. Being on the board allows you to contribute to the school direction and be a part of decisions that underlie key aspects of how our school runs. Any parent with an interest in the school can contribute substantially, and you don't need to have any particular professional skills or previous board experience. It's very rewarding and I would encourage anyone who feels they might be interested to contact either me or another board member to chat further. Please feel free to come along to a board meeting or two if you like to get a better feel as to what being a board member involves.

Best wishes Richard Carroll

HVS SPORTS



Basketball - Term Three

Reminder Basketball registrations: With COVID-19 restrictions currently at Alert Level 1 Wellington Basketball (<https://www.wellingtonbasketball.co.nz/kids-leagues>) is now preparing for Term 3. Your child was entered in a team in Term 2 but of course this did not go ahead. This is to confirm if you would like to attend Term 3 basketball. Games for Year 3/4 mixed teams will be on a Tuesday, between 4-6pm at the ASB centre. These will take place between 21 Jul - 15 Sep. All equipment provided. Games for Year 5/6 mixed teams will be on a Monday, between 4-6pm at the ASB centre. These will take place between 20 Jul - 14 Sep. All equipment provided. Check website for form – return by Wed 24th June.

SPARE CLOTHING FOR THE OFFICE



We are desperate for some spare clothing in the school office so if you have any spare trousers, pants, trackpants, tights, leggings (aged 5-11years) that would be great. Please drop off to the school office. Thanks

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Please order and pay **ONLINE** at [scholastic.co.nz/loop](https://www.scholastic.co.nz/loop) by **Friday 19th June**.

Term Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 10 15 th -19 th June	BOT Meeting 7pm ----- Year 6 Open Day @ EBIS	Home and School AGM 7.30pm All Welcome			Scholastic Book Club Closes
Week 11 22 nd -26 th June		Student Conferences		Student Conferences	
Week 12 29 th June- 3 rd July		HV School Cross Country		Mid Year Summary and Goal Reports go Home ----- Matariki Celebration 5:30pm @ HVS	Last Day of the Term 2 2:55pm
Term 3 starts Monday 20 th July 2020					

SCHOOL PATROL



We are waiting to restart school patrol as soon as possible, before and after school.

If you can help email: miriam@houghton.school.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Winter Basketball Camps Improve your game and have fun at our winter basketball camps. Our Hoop Kids and Junior College Winter Camps offer a safe and fun environment for your child to make new friends, get fit, and build confidence. Your child will learn fundamental basketball skills at their own pace and ability. Our professional staff and coaches will make sure your camper has a great time and improves their game. Register now to secure your place! HOOP KIDS WINTER CAMP Have fun and develop fundamental basketball skills. Open to girls and boys of all abilities from Year 3 - 8. Date: Mon 6 - Wed 8 Jul 2020, Time: 9am - 3pm, Venue: ASB Sports Centre

South Wellington
Intermediate School is
hosting Open Days for our
contributing schools.



South Wellington
Intermediate School

This year we have organised this over two different days so that YOU get to experience what the school is like with our students present and WE get to know you a little bit better.

**Houghton Valley School will be visiting us on Tuesday 11th
August.**

When you come along you'll get to have hands-on experiences in our Food and Hard Tech rooms, Textiles and our Art room while getting to meet the teachers.

Houghton Valley School Dates for 2020

	Start	End	Exceptions
Term 2 <i>(12 weeks)</i>	Wednesday 15 th April	Friday 3 rd July	
Term 3 <i>(10 weeks)</i>	Monday 20 th July	Friday 25 th September	
Term 4 <i>(10 weeks)</i>	Monday 12 th October	Friday 18 th Dec 20	Labour Day Monday 26 th October Teacher Only Day Tuesday 27 th October – No School

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