



Houghton Valley School

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Newsletter

Wednesday, 22nd July 2020

Week 1 of Term 3

HVS Reminders

- **Mon 27th July** – BOT Meeting 7pm
- **Tues 28th July** – Sth Zone Cross Country
- **Fri 31st July** – Whole School Assembly 9:15am
Followed by Year 1-3 HVS Cross Country

Kia ora te whanau,

Nau mai, haere mai and welcome back to term 3. It is lovely to see everyone after a well deserved break.

MATARIKI

He mea whakamiharo te maha o nga whanau i te ahiahi o Matariki. It was absolutely wonderful to see so many of our whanau at our Matariki evening. The whakawhanaungatanga was awesome! Nga mihi nui to Home and School for organising the sausage sizzle that was in hot demand. I would also like to thank Jos for organising the music and waiata practice here at school.

We are looking forward to having more school events to connect with our community as these are so important.

SCHOOL TERM 3

We are pleased to be back to our 'new normal' here at school. What this will look like:

- Arrival at school is from **8.30am - 9.00am**
- The end of day is back to **2.55pm** for the whole school
- School newsletters will be fortnightly again from now
- No restrictions on trips or school events but in our planning and risk assessment there are extra health and hygiene expectations
- We will continue with current hygiene practices - hand washing, table cleaning, hand sanitiser, eating inside etc.
- Sick children need to stay home. If you have COVID-19 symptoms then they need to be tested. If you aren't sure then contact your GP or Healthline **(0800 611 116)**.

Symptoms of COVID-19 can include new onset or worsening of one or more of the following:

- *Cough*
- *Fever*
- *Sore throat*
- *Runny nose*
- *Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing*
- *Temporary loss of smell*

WHOLE SCHOOL HUI

We will restart our Friday morning hui from Friday 31st July. They are fortnightly. Please check the calendar for which classes are presenting.



CROSS COUNTRY YEAR 1 -3

We are going to run the Year 1-3 Cross Country after hui on Friday 31st July. We are expecting to do this at 10.00am. We hope the grass will be a bit dryer. We look forward to you coming along to enjoy the event with us.

SOUTHERN ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

We wish our Year 4-6 Southern Zone runners all the best for Tuesday 28th July. This year the event is being run at McAllister Park/Liardet Street park.



PRODUCTION – 24th SEPTEMBER

This year we will be pre-selling tickets (but not allocating seating) so that we can ensure all whanau can come to see our Production. We will have 2 shows on the Thursday, 24th September. One will be a matinee at 1.00pm and then our night show at 6.00pm. Once we have more information we will let you know in the coming weeks.

If your child is going to be away on the 24th September can you please let their teacher know as soon as possible.

We have a group of Year 6's who are busy working on the script with Bret McKenzie at the moment. It is sounding exciting!

Ngā manaakitanga
Luana Carroll

SOUTHERN ZONE CROSS COUNTRY 2020



Tuesday 28th July at **McAllister Park, Liardet Street**

The Year 4-6 children who qualified will bus @ 11:45am to and from the park!



(PP1 Thurs 30/7, PP2 Tues 4/8, PP3 Thurs 6/8)

Race Times					
Year 4 Girls	Year 4 Boys	Year 5 Girls	Year 5 Boys	Year 6 Girls	Year 6 Boys
12:40pm	12:50pm	1pm	1:10pm	1:20pm	1:30pm

EZLUNCH TERM 3 2020

Term 3 Ezlunch – Sushi (Thursdays) and Pita Pit (Fridays) Menus link below:

<https://houghtonvalleyschool.files.wordpress.com/2020/07/menu-term-3-2020.pdf>

Update on POLi Payments: Our vision at Kindo and ezlunch is to support schools and their communities as they provide the best possible student experience — and listening to community feedback is a key part of living out that vision. We have decided to hold the introduction of the planned POLi service fee (*due to come into effect on 6th July 2020*). While the feedback from families has been muted, we are very sensitive to anything that could be perceived as an increased burden on school communities under the current, unusual and uncertain, economic conditions. Thank you for your continued support.

Should you have any queries, please get in touch with our Customer Support team on hello@mykindo.co.nz or call 0508 454 636

HVS NETBALL



Good luck to the two year 5/6 Houghton Valley teams starting their season this Saturday at EBIS. *HVS Sapphires* game is at @ 11:30am on Court 7 and the *HVS Diamonds* game is at @ 1:10pm on Court 3. Players enjoy the team spirit and learning new skills and drills. Thanks to the parents for helping out with these teams. Much appreciated. Denise



Dog Training Fundraiser Starting Soon

One of the wonderful members of our school community is offering outdoor dog training from the start of term 3 and donating 25% of the money to Home and School. There will be six weeks of classes covering a range of topics. It will cost \$20 per class, \$35 for two or \$100 for all six. If you are interested, the registrations for all classes can be found here: <https://bookwhen.com/petprotrainer>

Join us for our next meeting

It was great to see some new faces (and old ones) at our AGM at the end of last term. We would love to see old and new faces at our next meeting on **Thursday, 6 August, 7.30pm** in the school staff room.

Coming Events - Watch this space

We are gearing up for some fun events over the next few months with a focus on community. We are aiming to have:

- **Bakes sales;** a great fundraiser and the kids love to getting involved
- **Quiz night;** a fun, social event for our school community
- **Disco;** something for the kids
- **Fair;** something for everyone on Sunday 1st November.

We are looking for someone to help our disco coordinator this year with an eye to becoming the coordinator next year. If you are interested in being a future disco coordinator, let Megan know (homeandschoolsecretary@houghton.school.nz).

HVS School Fair ~ SUNDAY 1st November 2020

Pre Loved Donation Items

We would really appreciate you holding on to these until October. From this point we will have PLENTY of storage available. If however you are in desperate need off-load them before then, please leave outside the library doors in the school hallway. Thank you!

All offers of help or enquiries for the School Fair, please contact Sarah Wylie
(sarah.roseleigh@gmail.com, 027 210 1925)

Houghton Valley School Dates for 2020			
	Start	End	Exceptions
Term 3 (10 weeks)	Monday 20 th July	Friday 25 th September	
Term 4 (10 weeks)	Monday 12 th October	Friday 18 th Dec 2020	Labour Day Monday 26 th October

Term 3 Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 <i>20th – 24th July</i>	Term 3 begins				
Week 2 <i>27th – 31st July</i>	BOT Meeting 7pm	Southern Zone Cross Country at Liardet Street Park 12.30pm-2.30pm for Years 4-6			Te-Hui-a-kura Harakeke, Kowhai & Rimu - 9.00am ===== Year 1-3 HVS Cross Country 10am
Week 3 <i>3rd – 7th August</i>				Home and School Meeting 7.30pm	
Week 4 <i>10th – 14th August</i>		Year 6's Visiting SWIS			Te-Hui-a-kura Ngaio, Nikau & Karaka -9.00am
Week 5 <i>17th – 21st August</i>	BOT Meeting 7pm				
Week 6 <i>24th – 28th August</i>					Te-Hui-a-kura Mahoe, Ti kouka, Pohutukawa & Rata - 9.00am
Week 7 <i>31st Aug – 4th Sept</i>				School Photos ===== Home and School Meeting 7.30pm	
Week 8 <i>7th – 11th Sept</i>					Te-Hui-a- kura Harakeke, Kowhai & Rimu 9.00am
Week 9 <i>14th – 18th Sept</i>					
Week 10 <i>21st – 25th Sept</i>	BOT Meeting 7pm			HVS PRODUCTION DAY Venue Wgtn High School - Shows at 1pm and 6pm	2:55pm Last day of the Term 3

KELLY SPORTS - TERM 3



KELLY SPORTS TERM 3 – Starts Week 2!

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 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 them a place to channel their energy. **Play Like a Sports Hero!** (Yrs. 1-4) – Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm - Come and try 2 weeks of: **Netball, Hockey, Ripa Rugby and Football.** 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. Your child will 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 adminwqtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Marrzipan Drama have gained a huge reputation in New Zealand for the development of shy children, especially those with anxiety, autism and selective mutism. Saying that, this is a class for the super crazy and dramatic types too, as we focus on positive leadership and social skills. Our classes focus on inner and outer self-confidence, and are super fun and exciting for children. Parents are kept up to date with weekly emails about what's been covered in class and why, as well as what you can work on at home. We have two awesome showcases at the end of every term too, so you can see your child's development first hand as they perform in one of our termly productions. Our class this term is 8-8.50am on Thursday's in the **Houghton Valley Hall**. Spaces are limited so please get in touch to secure your child a space. Register your interest by contacting Molly on molly@marrzipandrama.co.nz or 022 436 5608! See you there!"

BIGAIR GYMSPORTS OWHIRO BAY WGTN

Gym is fun for kids but it's exceptionally good for them as well! They gain strength, flexibility, balance and body control but they also learn determination and perseverance, through persistently practicing skills until they are achieved. Kids also gain resilience and confidence, as they extend themselves and learn new skills! Our experienced coaches run classes in Gymnastics, Tumbling, Trampolining, Parkour and Cheerleading! **BOOK NOW!** Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay: 04 3838779 or wqtn@bigairgym.co.nz

GirlGuidingNZ makes sure their girls are resilient, strong, connected, get involved in the community, learn new skills in a safe environment and make new friends. **AND In Term 3 2020 our fees are half price.** There is space for your girl to join. Go to <https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/join-us/#joinform> to register.



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<u>Bee Healthy Dental Clinic</u> • 0800 825 583	<u>Ezlunch.co.nz</u> • Thursdays • Sushi • Fridays • Pita Pit go online www.ezlunch.co.nz before 9am to order.
<u>Kelly Club After School Care</u> - www.kellyclub.co.nz Cell 022 010 9981 email houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz	

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