



Houghton Valley School

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Newsletter

Wednesday, 16th December 2020

Week 10 of Term 4

HVS Reminders

- **Thurs 17th Dec** – Year 6 Leavers Farewell 5:30pm followed by a picnic (bring your own food)
- **Fri 18th Dec** – Last day for 2020 finish @ 12:30pm

Kia ora te whanau,

This is our final newsletter for 2020. Thank you for all of your support throughout this crazy year. We look forward to seeing you back on Thursday 4 February 2021. To those who will leave us at the end of this year, we wish you well. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Poroaki

Thank you to everyone who attended the poroaki yesterday for our departing kaiako. It was a very special tribute to Monnie and Jos who have dedicated so much of their time to the tamariki and whānau of HVS



Kowhai Teacher - Emma Hayes-Smith

It is my pleasure to introduce Emma Hayes-Smith, as the new teacher in Kowhai. Emma has been living in Christchurch as she completes her study. She has a background in music and Kapa Haka so we are looking forward to her joining the team.

Emma flew up yesterday so she could meet the tamariki in Kowhai for 2021. She thoroughly enjoyed getting to meet them and is looking forward to starting at HVS in the new year.



Camp - Ngā mihi

Nga mihi nui to Miriam, Fiona and Lauren Sims for a fabulous camp last week. These teachers did an outstanding job to make this happen and to create wonderful experience for our students.

I also would like to thank the parents who went - Bret, Steven, Ciandra, Kelly, Ingrid, Jonny and Ari. Your time, participation and humour were much appreciated.



School Band

School Band have done an amazing job this year at - Production, School Fair, Performance Assembly and other school events. On Sunday night they played at Moon Bar and did themselves and HVS proud. Ngā mihi nui Julian for all of the wonderful work you have done to make this happen this year!



Leavers Assembly - Year 6

We are holding our annual Year 6 and Whānau leavers assembly on Thursday 17 5.30pm, everyone is invited to come along. After the assembly we will have a whānau picnic (bring your own food). It would be a lovely way for our community to farewell 2020 together.

BoT - Farewell and Welcome

We would like to acknowledge and thank Richard Carroll and Susan Hall for their work on the Board of Trustees over the past 3 years. Your contribution is greatly appreciated, especially throughout this tricky and challenging year with COVID-19.

We would like to welcome Georgie Ferrari and Kelly Williams to the BoT and we look forward to working with you in the new year.

Dates for 2021

Term 1 4th February - Friday 16th April - *Waitangi Day Mon 8th Feb (Mondayised)*

Easter: Good Friday 2 April, Easter Monday 5 April and Easter Tuesday 6 April (a school holiday)

Term 2 Monday 3rd May - Friday 9 July - *Queen's Birthday Monday 7th June*

Term 3 Monday 26 July - Friday 1st October - *Labour Day Monday 25th October*

Term 4 Monday 18 October - Thursday 16th December at 12.30pm



Teacher Only Days for 2021

12th March - PLD

1st April 2021 (Kahui Ako Staff Only Day)

8th June 2021 -PLD

26th October 2021 - PLD

Ngā manaakitanga, Luana Carroll

Dates for Term 1 2021

Tuesday 9 February 5.30pm-6.30pm - **Meet the teacher**

Friday 12 February 5.30-7.00pm - **Whole school picnic**

Tuesday 16 and 17 March - **3 Way conferences**

HVS BOT ELECTION UPDATE

Houghton Valley School Board of Trustees Parent election results

Parent representative votes:

| Name | Votes |
|---------------------|----------|
| Georgie Ferrari | 97 |
| Vanessa Smith | 52 |
| Kelly Williams | 87 |
| Invalid Vote | 0 |

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Georgie Ferrari

Kelly Williams

Signed, Felicity Morris, Returning Officer

HVS HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Community, Connection, Contribution



Another chance to order t-shirts and tea towels if you missed out.

Now that you have seen your t-shirt orders or those of others, you might be regretting not having got some more. There is a very last chance to do this.

Please complete the following order form asap but by 31 December at latest and pay at the same time. Details on order form attached. Second round orders will be delivered in late January.

If you want to make a second round order please contact Michael at ciandra.michael@gmail.com to let him know you will be doing this. There is also a very small supply of tea towels on hand which could be delivered to you before Christmas if you contact Michael.

Second round Fundraising T-shirts and teatowels...

COUNTDOWN DATES FOR 2020

Thursday 17th Dec @ 5:30pm – Farewell Year 6 students in the school hall followed by a picnic on the field (Bring your own food). There are 43 students leaving this year!

Friday 18th December @ 12:30pm – School finishes for the year!

| HVS Staffing for 2021 | | |
|-----------------------|--|---|
| Junior Team | Morgan Jones Nicola O'Halloran Miriam Gaynor | New Entrants in Harakeke/Room 5 Year 1/2 in Ti Kouka/Room 6 Year 2 in Ngaio/Room8 (<i>Deputy Principal/Team Leader</i>) |
| Middle Team | Ashleigh Kulwant Emma Hayes-Smith Stephanie Bosch | Year 3/4 in Pohutukawa/Room 1 Year 3/4 in Kowhai/Room 2 Year 3/4 in Nikau/Room 3 (<i>Team Leader</i>) |
| Senior Team | Fiona Crossett Charles Daily Lauren Sims | Year 5/6 in Karaka/Room4 Year 5/6 in Rata/Room 9 (<i>Team Leader</i>) Year 5/6 in Rimu/Room 10 |
| Across School | Jill Holmstead | Teacher release (sustainability), Leadership Release and Reading Recovery |

KELLY CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

KELLY CLUB ISLAND BAY PRE-XMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - Island Bay School – 21 to 23 Dec 20



HO HO HO - We're taking over Santa's workshop for the Pre-Christmas Holiday Programme with lots of fun and exciting Christmas activities planned! **Messy Xmas Day, Christmas Party Day plus a trip to Laserforce!**

KELLY CLUB ISLAND BAY JAN 2021 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – 5 JAN – 3 FEB 2021

Kelly Club Island Bay Holiday Programmes focus on giving children aged between 5 and 13 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment.

The programme is packed with activities to entertain and inspire children. We have some exciting days planned: "Minute to win it", Crazy day, Super Hero Day, Summer Tea Party, Harry Potter Day, Star Wars Day, H2GO Day, Hawaiian Luau Day plus Trips to Wellington Zoo, Staglands, Te Papa, Cure Kids Day plus we are off to see the movie Peter Rabbit 2! To enrol www.kellyclub.co.nz email islandbay@kellyclub.co.nz or call 022 198 6316

Term 4 Events

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--------|---------|-----------|---|---|
| Week 10 <i>14-18 December</i> | | | | Leavers Year 1-5 9:15am ===== Year 6 Leavers Assembly Evening 5:30pm followed by a Picnic | Last day of the Year 2020. We will finish at 12:30pm |
| First Day of Term 1 2021 – Thursday 4th February 2021 | | | | | |



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