



Houghton Valley School

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Newsletter

Thursday, 6th May 2021

Week 1 of Term 2

HVS Reminders

- Fri 14th May - 9:10am Assembly – Hui Rm 5,2,9
- Tues 18th May – 11:15am HVS Cross Country
- Fri 21st May – **PINK SHIRT DAY**
- Mon 24th May – Southern Zone Cross Country
- Tues 25th May – Home & School AGM 7:30pm
- Fri 28th May – 9:10am Assembly – Hui Rm 8,3,10

Kia ora te whanau o Haewai,

It is lovely to be back and have such happy children. The nice weather helps!

Matariki

We thoroughly enjoyed our whānau event last year so we want to continue this and build this into a week-long celebration with the theme being ‘whanaungatanga’. All of the teams will be looking at different aspects of Matariki in their learning programmes throughout the term.

On Monday and Tuesday 28 and 29 June we will be doing a whole school sharing of art (weaving, painting), food making, music, gardening planting, drama and more from 9.00-11.00am and would love whānau who have strengths in these areas to run sessions or volunteer to help.

Week 9 - Matariki Monday 28 June - 1 July

Monday and Tuesday 9.00-11.00am - Matariki creative sessions

Wednesday 2-2.55pm - Open afternoon for whānau to come in and see what we have been doing, read and tell stories Thursday 5.30pm - 7.00pm - Matariki evening with performances and kai. We ask that people bring their own cup for soup and hot chocolate

Flying Fox

During the holidays the cables were replaced on the flying fox. We appreciate the support we get from Home and School to maintain this fabulous resource for our school and community. Enjoy!

Cross Country

We will be holding our school cross country on Tuesday 18 May from 11.15am and the ppt date will be Thursday 20 May. It is important that all children have the right gear to run in during the next few weeks.

Southern Zones will be hosted here for Years 4-6 on Monday 24 May.



Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Parent Gut Buster Challenge
11:20	11:30	Boys 11.40	Boys 11.50	Boys 12.00	Boys 12.10	12.30ish
		Girls 11:45	Girls 11:55	Girls 12:05	Girls 12:15	

Future Enrolments 2021 and Beyond

We are in the process of gathering data for our future roll - 2022 - 2025. If you have a child under 5 can you please email the office or pop in and give us the name and date of birth - admin@houghton.school.nz

Policy Review for Term 2

This term (term 2, 2021), the policies to be reviewed are **Reporting to Parents on Student Progress and Achievement** which will be reviewed by the board, staff and the school community. **Protected Disclosure and Visitors Policy** which will be reviewed by the board and staff.

If you want to make some recommendations on Report to Parents please go to our website and follow the instructions - <https://houghton.school.nz/publications/>

Term Two Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 3-7 May	School starts for term 2 ----- BOT Meeting				
Week 2 10-14 May					Te-hui-a-kura at 9.10am Harakeke, Kowhai and Rata
Week 3 17-21 May		HVS Cross Country 11.15am		HVS Cross Country (ppt)	Pink Shirt DAY
Week 4 24 - 28 May	Southern Zone Cross Country Year 4-6 at HVS	Home and School AGM meeting - 7.30pm in staffroom All Welcome			Te-hui-a-kura at 9.10am Ngaio, Nikau and Rimu
Week 5 31 - 4 June					
Week 6 7-11 June	Queen's Birthday	Staff Only Day - School Closed			Te-hui-a-kura at 9.10am Ti kouka, Pohutukawa and Karaka
Week 7 14-18 June					
Week 8 21-25 June	BoT Meeting 7pm				Te-hui-a-kura at 9.10am Harakeke, Kowhai and Rata
Week 9 28-2 July	Matariki Creative Session 9.00-11.00am	Matariki Creative Session 9.00-11.00am	Open Afternoon to Whānau 2-2.55pm	Matariki Evening 5.30-7.00pm	
Week 10 5- 9 July		Performance assembly 2.00-2.55pm	Mid Year Reports via Parent App		Last Day of Term 2 finish at 2:55pm

No reira, kia kaha ra,
Nga Mihi Nui,

Luana Carroll

A BIG WELCOME IN HARAKEKE CLASS TO:

😊 **Ethan Fox** 😊 **Marlow Birdsall**

😊 **Lilly Grant** 😊 **Lucie East** and

😊 **Gabriel Fox** in Pohutukawa class

PINK SHIRT DAY

This year we are thrilled to be supporting Pink Shirt Day at Te Kura o Haewai. Pink Shirt Day is a national anti-bullying event that focuses on being an upstander, and helping to make Aotearoa a kinder place for all New Zealanders. Students and whānau across the school are encouraged to wear pink on **Friday the 21st of May** as a way of celebrating together. We will be gathering a **koha** to gift to the Mental Health Foundation on the day, so if your child would like to contribute to this, it would be greatly appreciated. The koha will go directly to support the MHF to continue providing bullying prevention resources to schools.



HVS HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Community, Connection, Contribution

Bake Sale Success

What a wonderful event the first bake sale of 2021, and our first bake sale in over a year. A big thanks to the teachers, students and whanau of Rimu and Pohutukawa. We raised just over **\$600!** Look out for another bake sale or two this term.



Home and School Association AGM

Our AGM will be held on 25 May 2021 at 7:30pm.

This is an important event for the Association as it is where we elect the officers for the coming year. We would love to have another co-chair to join Kate (many hands make light work). It would also be great to have someone interested in learning the ropes of being the secretary with an eye to taking those over later this year or next year.

If you are interested in finding out more about what that means, talk to Kate, Megan or Dougal. Or e-mail: homeandschoolsecretary@houghton.school.nz.

EGGS FOR SALE



We now have eggs for sale – every Friday cost \$8 for a dozen (cash only) please email laurens@houghton.school.nz in Room 10 class Rimu to place your order. Thanks

KELLY SPORTS



KELLY SPORTS WINTER WARM UP SPORTS! – TERM (Yrs. 0-4) – Thursday's 3:05-4:05pm

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 2 with their fun and exciting classes. Come and try **Football, Basketball, Netball and Ripa Rugby!** 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! Sessions start Thursday 13 May 2021, Cost is \$96 for 8 weeks

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Massey University - Biodiversity and Childhood Health Study



Massey University is conducting a study looking at how exposure to the natural environment affects health in **children** aged 6-11yrs. The aim of the study is to investigate if exposure to greater biodiversity may have health benefits, which may lead to better treatment options for common health conditions such as asthma and allergies.

If your child is **6-11yrs**, the research team would be grateful if you would consider taking part. For this research to be successful, the study needs children with and without asthma and allergies to take part.

The study initially involves completing a questionnaire and your child taking part in two tests, a breathing and an allergy test. The research team will later invite a smaller number of selected participants to take part in some further clinical tests.

To take part in the research, please **return the consent forms** in the invitation pack, which will be given to your child this week.

If you would like further information about the study and the tests involved, please refer to the invitation pack, click this [link](#), or contact the study coordinator:

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HVS Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/houghton.school.nz/>

School Office Email: admin@houghton.school.nz

Healthline or COVID-19 Info - 0800 611 116

Bee Healthy Dental Clinic • 0800 825 583

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

Kelly Club After School Care - www.kellyclub.co.nz

Cell 022 010 9981 email houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz

Roadworks in your area – View Road

What's happening?

Further to our previous notification, this is to advise you of upcoming maintenance work to the kerb, channel and footpath. This notice is to let you know work will start soon.

WHERE View Road, sections between Hungerford Road and Houghton Bay Road.

WHEN

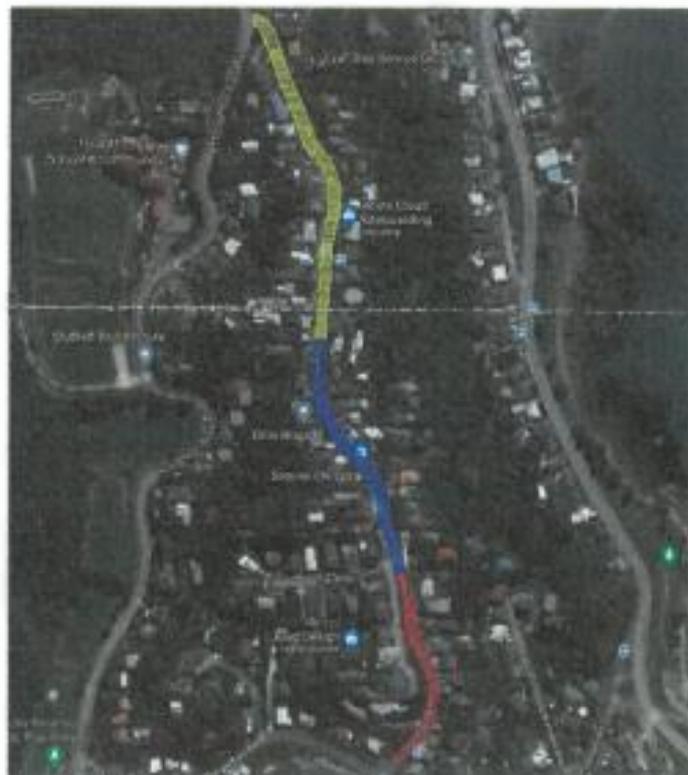
- RED SECTION – 27th April 21, time frame 3 weeks.
- BLUE SECTION – Fourth week of May 21, time frame 4 weeks.
- YELLOW SECTION – Third week of June 21, time frame 4 weeks.

WORK HOURS Between 7am and 5pm



This work is weather dependant and in the event of unsuitable weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the work will possibly be delayed. You will be updated accordingly.

Map of work areas



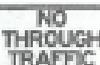
Coloured Areas – Work Areas / No parking. See above for section timeframes.

**Will we be back?**

Yes, this work is in preparation for road resurfacing within the next 6 months.

**Please ensure your vehicle is parked clear of the worksite.**

To do this work we need the site to be clear of vehicles and other obstructions so parking will be affected. We will do our best to minimise disruption as much as possible but please ensure your vehicle is parked clear of the highlighted work area. If your vehicle is parked in the way we may have to tow it to a suitable park nearby. Should your vehicle be moved and not returned to its original location, please check nearby streets first before ringing the contractor listed on the reverse.

**What access will be available during this time?**

A no through traffic closure will be in place with only residents having vehicular access during working hours. During this time please follow the detour route provided around the work area. This detour will be accompanied by a reduced speed limit. Pedestrians and cyclists will still be able to use the route but please follow the directions of our crew when passing through the work site. During works street entrance will operate on a one way system. **During both the red and blue section entrance will be via Houghton Bay Road only. Once the yellow section starts entrance will be via Hungerford Road only.** You will receive a letter with dates on when the change is due to start.

**Will these road works effect access to my property?**

Residents and / or business owners will have access to their property but during phases of resealing you may experience some delays. In the case of an emergency, essential services will be given priority. If you are expecting a delivery or have a tradesperson needing access we will navigate them through the work site. Rubbish collection and recycling will continue as usual.

**Will there be impact to bus services?**

Bus services will be closed on View Road during works. There will be temporary stops on Houghton Bay Road at View Road and at the bottom of Houghton Bay Road at Hungerford road.

Thank you

We know this work can be disruptive. We appreciate your cooperation, patience and understanding as we work to ensure our city's roads are well looked after.

Contacts

If you have any questions or there is anything we need to be aware of, please contact:

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