



# Houghton Valley School

*Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together*

*Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou*

## Newsletter

Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Week 1 of Term 3

### HVS Reminders

- **Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> August** – Year 5/6 Health Hui 5:30pm
- **Fri 6<sup>th</sup> August** – Hui/Assembly Rm 5, 2,9 at 9:15am
- **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August** – HVS Tremendous WORKING BEE
- **Mon 9<sup>th</sup> August OR Tues 10<sup>th</sup> August**  
3- Way Conferences - Unique Code **3phvr**
- **Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> August** – HVS H&S QUIZ NIGHT 7pm

### **Kia ora te whānau o Haewai,**

Nau mai and welcome to term 3. I hope that you were able to spend time exploring Aotearoa as a family during the recent term break. We start the term with a warm welcome to new teacher Jo Rosario (Room 7/Mahoe) and new teacher aide Warwick Mackie.

During our break, some of our teachers engaged in Professional Learning and all of our teachers got themselves ready for an active, explorative and inspiring term of science. Ngā mihi to our teachers for being active learners and curious professionals.

We have a number of hui this term so please ensure you check the events calendar and the google calendar on the Parent app so you don't miss anything.

### **3 Way Conferences**

During week 3 (*Monday 9 August 3.15-7.30pm and Tuesday 10th August 3.15-5.30pm*) we are holding our term 3 goal setting sessions. These hui are an excellent opportunity for our students, whānau and teachers to share the progress that they have made and to set goals for terms 3 and 4.

We hope to see 100% of our tamariki and whānau at these meetings.

You can do this through the Parent App. You need to click on to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and enter our event code - this is unique to HVS. NOTE: The new class Mahoe Room 7 will not do 3-Way Conferences this time.

**3phvr**

### **Roll and Opening the Zone for 2022**

As you are aware we have had a lot of movement of whānau out of Wellington in the past 12 months. The BoT have agreed to open the zone for Years 1-3 (includes new entrants) for 2022. We are not expecting to open the roll again for 2022 as this includes students who would start in terms 3 and 4 2022 as well. If you know people who want to send their tamariki to HVS please let them know.

All of this information is available on our school website.

### **The applications need to be made by Wednesday 1 September, 2021.**

*Each year the board will determine the number of places which are likely to be available in the following term for the enrolment of students who live outside the home zone. The board will publish this information by notice in a daily or community newspaper circulating in the area served by the school. The notice will indicate how applications are to be made and will specify a date by which all applications must be received.*

- *New entrants/Year 1 - 14 places*
- *Year 2 - 10 places*
- *Year 3 - 5 places*

*Applications for 'out of zone' enrolments will be processed in the following order of priority:*

- *First Priority special programmes. Houghton Valley School does not run a special programme, therefore this priority is not applicable*
- *Second Priority will be given to applicants who are siblings of current students*
- *Third Priority will be given to applicants who are siblings of former students*
- *Fourth Priority will be given to applicants who are children of board employees*
- *Fifth Priority will be given to all other applicants*

*If there are more applicants in the second, third, fourth or fifth priority groups than there are places available, selection within the priority group will be by a ballot conducted in accordance with instructions issued by the Secretary under Section 11G(1) or the Education Act 1989. Parents will be informed of the date of any ballot by notice in a daily or community newspaper circulating in the area served by the school.*

*Applicants seeking second or third priority status may be required to give proof of a sibling relationship.*

*Please contact us for information or an enrolment pack - [admin@houghton.school.nz](mailto:admin@houghton.school.nz)*

### Term 3 Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1</b> 26/7-30/7	BoT Meeting				
<b>Week 2</b> 2/8-6/8				Year 5/6 Health Hui at 5.30pm in Rata	Hui te kura Harakeke, Kowhai and Rata 9.10am
<b>HVS Working Bee Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August 10am-12pm</b>					
<b>Week 3</b> 9.8-13.8	3 Way Conferences 3.15pm-7.30pm	3 Way Conferences 3.15pm-5.30pm		<b>HVS Quiz at The Pines 7pm</b>	
<b>Week 4</b> 16.8-20.8					Hui te kura Ngaio, Pohutukawa and Rimu 9.10am
<b>Week 5</b> 23.8-27.8	BoT meeting 7pm				Fun Friday with Physics - swap across the school
<b>Week 6</b> 30.8-3.9					Hui te kura Mahoe, Ti Kouka, Nikau and Karaka 9.10am
<b>Week 7</b> 6.9-10.9					
<b>Week 8</b> 13.9-17.9			Maths Evening for whānau 6.30pm		Hui te kura Harakeke, Kowhai and Rata 9.10am
<b>Week 9</b> 20.9-24.9	BoT meeting 7pm			School Photos All day	
<b>Week 10</b> 27.9-1.10		Kura Ataahua (outside)/ beautifying our school 9.00-11.00am  =====	Kura Ataahua (outside)/ beautifying our school 9.00-11.00am		Last Day of Term 3 Finish at 2:55pm
		Performance Assembly 2.00pm			

#### Parent App

We have received feedback that the app is logging people out after a month. They have turned this feature off so it shouldn't happen anymore. Please let us know if you are having any other issues.



Nga Mihi Nui,  
Luana Carroll

A BIG WELCOME IN MAHOE CLASS TO:

☺ **Alex Johnston**    ☺ **Lina Clift**

☺ **Wren Prior**



**Matariki Tremendous Working Bee** is planned for **Sunday 8 August 10am till 12 noon** near the Rata sculptures. We still have ground cover plants and small shrubs to plant in this area. We would greatly appreciate your help if you can spare some time to continue the planting or weeding. Please bring your own labelled tools if you can help.

**Green Geckos** continue to meet at lunchtimes this term on Mondays and Friday to care for our school and environment. As we learn practically about contribution through Kaitiakitanga or Guardianship, we will collect litter, sweep leaves for the compost and worm farms. This keeps our courtyards clear for ball and wheel games. We will have plenty of compost for the gardens. We will also be planting in various areas around the school.



**Vegetable Gardens** - We are keen to weed regularly and prepare our garden beds, then enjoy healthy foods we have grown ourselves. We will continue to germinate seedlings at school to plant out as the weather improves. Thursdays after school, may be a good day to stay for working bees with your keen gardening children.

If you would like to help with gardening, working bees or have any other Sustainability ideas for HVS, please come and chat with the Sustainability Team: Charles, Nicola, Emma and Jill.

## **Plastic Free July is Important - By Hattie**

1. You can only recycle stuff that have number 1, 2, 5. That way we can help the world faster.
2. People have been really naughty and throwing stuff away. We need to help our world and save it! If we don't do something soon, it will be hard for us!
3. Sometimes when I'm going on YouTube, I can see so many islands that are over flowing with plastic and it looks terrible! Looking at it, I realise how much plastic we have used. It is too much, so we **HAVE TO DO SOMETHING AND FAST!** Help us keep our world clean, fresh and tidy!

## **Nikau's Classroom Plastic – By Annabel**

Nikau uses lots of plastic in our class and sometimes it can be useful. But sometimes it is not useful, here's an example.

Tohu – they are laminated and that's plastic. But the thing is our tohu go on the window and if they weren't laminated, the condensation on the windows would make them wet. Also chairs are plastic so we could make wooden chairs instead of plastic chairs.

Now here's an example of plastic that's not OK, plastic straws and take away cups.



## SEXUALITY HEALTH PARENT MEETING – YEAR 5/6

**Sexuality Health – Year 5/6 Parent Meeting on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August 5:30pm**  
**Venue: Karaka Class Room 4**

Starting in week 3, we are looking to starting a hauora unit called Navigating the Journey: Sexuality Health for Year 5/6 students. Themes covered are:

- Who am I?
- Relationships
- Growing and Changing
- Staying Safe

This is an enriching and highly educational programme created by Family Planning NZ that aligns itself strongly with the NZ Curriculum.

There will be a parent information session to inform whānau of the content and answer any queries you may have. Please come along to learn more.

At the end of the meeting, it would be beneficial to discuss fundraising opportunities for the Term 4 Noho Marae as well.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB



Issue 5 Scholastic Book Club brochures were sent home yesterday!

Orders are completed and paid **ONLINE** at [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](http://scholastic.co.nz/LOOP). You could also download the LOOP APP.

Please note in your diary the Book Club CLOSING DATE of **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021** so we can ensure the books are delivered to HVS before the end of the term.

## KELLY CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM & KELLY SPORTS



**PLAY LIKE A SPORTS HERO! – TERM 3 (Yrs. 0-4) –**  
Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm (STARTS THURSDAY 5 August 2021!)

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 Week 2 with their fun and exciting classes.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

***Football, Hockey, Ultimate Frisbee and Dodgeball!***

This weekly programme gives children the skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability.!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz) or call 04 972 720

# HVS QUIZ is ON!! 12 August at The Pines

Book the Babysitter, get your team together & get asking Siri!

Teams of (up to) 6, \$90 entry. Contact Anna [goannac@hotmail.com](mailto:goannac@hotmail.com) for registration and payment details.

Keen but don't have a team? All good, email and we can set you up with a team. Need a babysitter? We can help with that.

Other help needed:

- We'll need a couple of **volunteers** on the night (eg runners to take answers up to the marker, etc). Be great to hear if you're able to help.
- **Spread the word!** The Quiz is all about whakawhanaungatanga. It'd be cool to see HVS friends, whanau, neighbours, ex-students, smart siblings.
- It'd also be amazing to hear from anyone who might be able to hook us up with **donations** (café voucher, a baked cake, flowers anything really!) to contribute to spot prizes.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ONLY \$15PP  
What's Included?....

Amazing prizes  
Cheese platters  
Loads of fun!  
Mulled wine  
on arrival

HVS  
QUIZ  
NIGHT

AUG  
12  
7PM

THE PINES  
50 THE ESPLANADE  
HOUGHTON BAY

RSVP

TO BOOK YOUR TEAM, EMAIL [GOANNAC@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:GOANNAC@HOTMAIL.COM) LIMITED SEATS



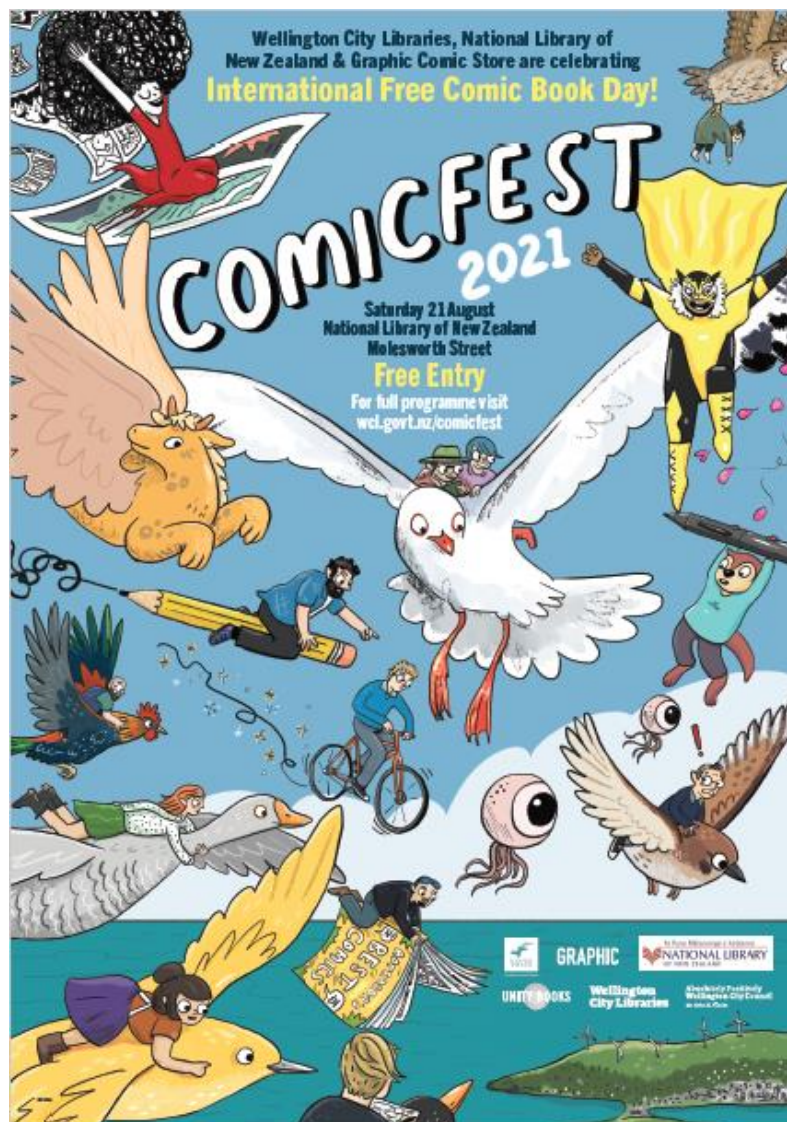
**Zumba** for Women every Tuesday at 6:45pm South wellington Intermediate school.  
With Nat Zumba Wellington. 0212589580



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**BOLLYWOOD  
ZUMBA**  
7 pm Fri 6 Aug

 Wellington Indian Association 48 Kemp St, Kilbirnie  
1 hr of Bollywood/Bhangra dance - Light refreshments included  
\$10 pre sales (available until midnight 2nd Aug) - \$15 door sales  
To register text Nalini 021 427166 - Natasha Macaulay 021 2589580


**Wonderplay:** Join Wonderplay's production of The Wonderful Wizard of Oz! Register now for Wonderplay drama classes and join our cast of The Wonderful Wizard of Oz! Thursdays 5-8yrs (3.30pm), 9-12yrs (4.30pm) at Island Bay Community Centre. Also ask about our famous Wellington Young Actors class for teens (Weds, Abel Smith St). Free to try thi week! Please contact Debs [debs@wonderplay.co.nz](mailto:debs@wonderplay.co.nz) 021-172-2836, [www.wonderplay.co.nz](http://www.wonderplay.co.nz)



Wellington City Libraries, National Library of New Zealand & Graphic Comic Store are celebrating  
**International Free Comic Book Day!**

**COMICFEST  
2021**

Saturday 21 August  
National Library of New Zealand  
Molesworth Street  
**Free Entry**  
For full programme visit  
[wcl.govt.nz/comicfest](http://wcl.govt.nz/comicfest)





# A Houghton Valley Compost Hub

Kaicycle and a group of locals are working to create a Compost Hub on the lower field, near the school. People can subscribe to divert their food scraps from landfill and help create a compost resource for community use. We would love to hear your thoughts on our proposal.



For more info, to share your thoughts, or to register your interest: head to [livingcomposthubs.org.nz](http://livingcomposthubs.org.nz), email [compost@kaicycle.org.nz](mailto:compost@kaicycle.org.nz), attend Koha Coffee at the Community Hall in early August, or call Kate on 0275144643.

## HVS Information

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HVS Facebook page

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

School Office Email: [admin@houghton.school.nz](mailto:admin@houghton.school.nz)

Healthline or COVID-19 Info - 0800 611 116

[Bee Healthy Dental Clinic](#) • 0800 825 583

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go online [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz) before 9am to order.

[Kelly Club After School Care](#) - [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz) Cell 022 010 9981

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