



Houghton Valley School

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Newsletter

Thursday, 26th August 2021

Week 5 of Term 3

HVS Reminders

All HVS School Playgrounds/Bike Track/
Fields & Courts are closed at Level 4.

Kia ora te whānau o Haewai,

We are pleased to bring you our latest newsletter, knowing that our tamariki and whānau are safe.

It has been wonderful to hear and see so many of our tamariki at the online sessions. The way that you have adjusted to Learning from Home has been impressive. We thank you for connecting with us when you can.

We know the next announcement about levels is happening tomorrow so we will be in touch if things change to let you know our plans.

We will continue to keep you updated but not to overwhelm you with information or work. We will continue to send out all of the learning for the week on Monday morning and that everything is optional.

The feedback we have received so far is that this is working.

This week we have been able to hand out packs of books or devices to those who requested them. If we are to stay in Level 4 for longer we will check in to see if people need anything else to make Learning from Home accessible to all.

Remember if you have any questions or need help please give us a call 9393318 (school number answered remotely) or email us on principal@houghton.school.nz or admin@houghton.school.nz



Ngā Mihi Nui - Home and School

It seems like a lifetime ago that we had our successful Home and School Quiz evening 2 weeks ago. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank the Quiz team who organised a fabulous evening. It was lovely to see so many of our whānau and having an opportunity to get together. Great timing team!

HVS QUIZ

Thanks heaps to everyone who helped make the Quiz so much fun, from entering teams, helping on the night or in the lead-up, bringing a plate, or dragging flatmates along to join in. It was a sellout, with money raised from team entry fees and prizes generously donated by businesses from our local community, going to our ongoing maintenance costs of the flying fox and bike track.

We're definitely looking for helpers for next year, so if you'd like to make the Quiz 'your thing' (or get a few peeps together) let Anna know goannac@hotmail.com/02108458118 or at school sometime. Also – we are really fortunate to have generous local businesses who did not hesitate to provide vouchers and other prizes. Many are associated directly with school, many not. Hope we can all return the favour and support locals when they're back trading. Thanks Anna Ririnui



School Grounds and Playground

This is a reminder that the government has closed all schools and playgrounds at Level 4 so we ask that you help us by staying out of them and kindly reminding others in our community if you see them.

Be Safe...

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against
COVID-19

**PLAYGROUNDS
CLOSED until
further notice**

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Learning from Home

We thought it would be good to share some of the wonderful things our tamariki have been up to:

 <p>Exploring Length. Inspired by the picture book Mopoke and our measurement learning in the classroom. Ella</p>	 <p>Amaia. Inspired from our day in space.</p>	 <p>Anna</p>	
 <p><i>Mrs Weasley has hair like fox's fur. She likes to be on time. She can't tell Fred and George apart. She uses magic and spells for her housework!</i></p> <p>Josie has done a great character description of Mrs. Weasley from Harry Potter.</p>	 <p>Hermione has been on a Simple Machine hunt at her house!</p>		 <p>Harry practiced making a sling using Denise's tutorial</p>
 <p>Etienne has been practicing his cooking and baking skills.</p>	  <p>Sylvie has been exploring science at home. She made ice cream in a bag. Ka pai Sylvie!</p>	  <p>Quin has been investigating items in his house that are smaller or bigger than a piece of chalk. Tino pai Quin!</p>	  <p>Isobel has been writing letters to her whanau. What a lovely idea Isobel!</p>

			
<p>Dylan has been a scientist at home creating a volcano with baking soda and vinegar!</p>	<p>Harriet completed Ashleigh's science experiment task of melting ice! Ka pai scientist Harriet!</p>	<p>Jed went on a hunt around his house to find examples of simple machines. He found examples of all the simple machines - just like what we are learning about at school in Nikau this term! Tino pai Jed!</p>	

We ask that you keep in touch, stay safe and stay home!

Nga Manaakitanga

Luana and HVS Staff

A BIG WELCOME IN MAHOE CLASS TO:

😊 **Clementine Andrews**

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB UPDATE



Orders can still be completed and paid **ONLINE** at [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.co.nz/LOOP). You could also download the LOOP APP. Please note in your diary the Book Club CLOSING DATE of **Thursday 2nd September 21.**

Note: Book deliveries to HVS will be on hold until at least Level 2 as the Scholastic Books come from Auckland Region.

HVS Information	
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<p>Bee Healthy Dental Clinic • 0800 825 583</p>	<p>Ezlunch.co.nz • Thursdays • Sushi • Fridays • Pita Pit go online www.ezlunch.co.nz before 9am to order.</p>
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