



Houghton Valley School

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Newsletter

Thursday, 2nd September 2021

Week 6 of Term 3

HVS Reminders

All HVS School Playgrounds/Bike Track/
Fields & Courts are closed at Level 3.

Kia ora te whānau o Haewai,

Welcome to spring! The past few days have been beautiful weather. A great opportunity to get out for a walk and stretch your legs.

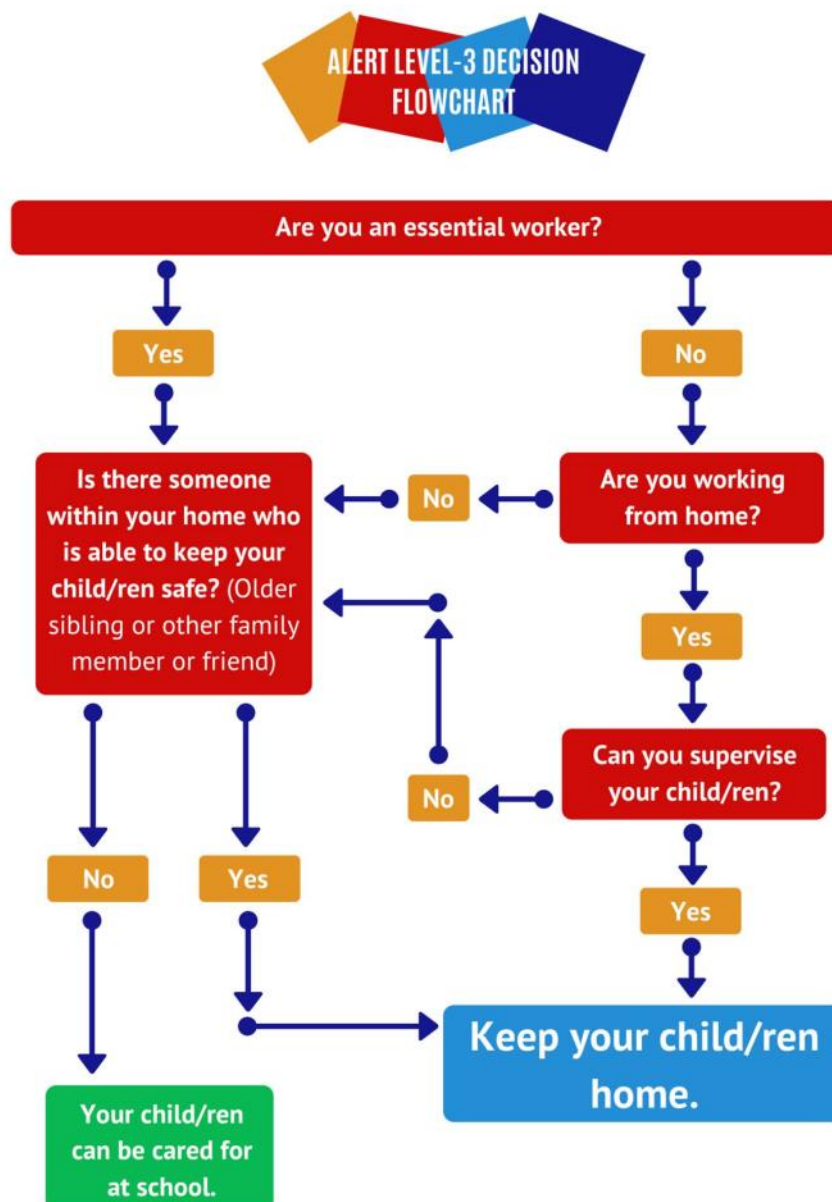
We would like to thank everyone for their support with transitioning into Level 3 as this is always the hardest one for us here at school.

One of my principal colleagues shared this diagram with me to help guide whānau in understanding whether their children can return to school on Monday 6 September.

If you are a YES please complete the form. We don't need to hear from those who are a NO.

Jill Holmstead will be the teacher in the Bubble class and she will be supported by our teacher aides. There will be 2 staff members in the class at one time and the class will have up to 10 students.

Students Returning at Level 3 FORM



Home and School Zui - Tuesday 7 September

Please join us from home for the Home and School meeting on Tuesday 7 September from 7.30pm.

Agenda:

- Update from principal
- Update from BoT
- Using our fundraising money
- Quiz debrief
- Upcoming events (disco and fair)
- Any other matters

Meeting ID: 932 3561 9282

Passcode: 673030

Returning to School at Level 2 will be Different

We are starting to plan for returning to school at level 2. At this stage we wanted to signal that things will be different this time from previous Level 2. We will prepare our children for the changes via Zoom/Google Meets once we know all of them.

We are expecting stricter rules this time as we have experienced this during Level 4 and 3.

One of the changes will be that no adults/parents who aren't staff can not come onsite during level 2 at all.

We will provide more information when we get it. We are looking forward to returning to school when we can!



Wellington Public Library

You can join the Wellington City Library online during lockdown for access to ebooks and other digital resources.

<https://wcl.govt.nz/about/joining/>



Learning from Home



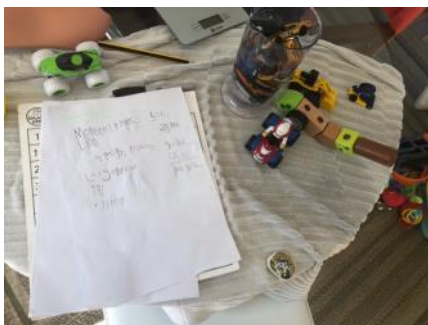
Logan has been learning about dinosaurs - here is a Trex and Spinosaurus he has drawn!



Izzie created some Alphabet Bunting - it's longer than her!



Lola made delicious rainbow pasta for her family! It looks delicious, Lola!



Measuring	
Monster + Milk	50ml
Lion	25ml
4 more boxes	50ml
Lo + 50ml can	55ml
TR	100ml
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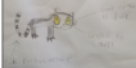
Sam's Archimedes measuring project. Sam was inspired to measure liquids after reading Mr Archimedes takes a bath with three of his friends.



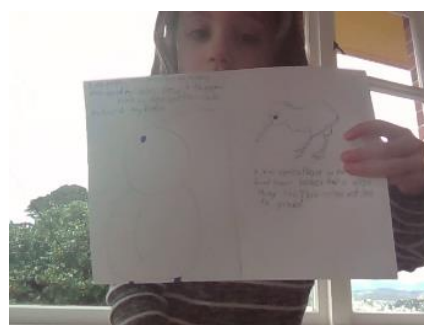
Elijahs Treasure
My special treasure is a rock.
Because it is painted and it is colourful....



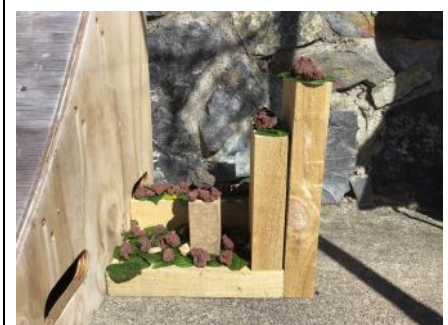
Wynne has been carefully looking for groups of numbers in her baking.

My Animal: Ring Tailed Lemur		
Habitat Live in Madagascar in open areas and forests.	Diet Fruit, berries, sap, leaves, flowers, and bugs.	Life Cycle Up to 17 years
Labelled picture 	Camouflage The rings on their tails act as camouflage in shade dappled trees.	Other interesting information They are very LOUD! Ooii

After reading about camouflage, Michael researched his favourite animal which uses camouflage. He then wrote up some facts about the Lemur and drew a great diagram! Ka rawe Michael!



Freda drew some diagrams of the Blue Penguin and the Kiwi and wrote some facts about them and their camouflage. Tino pai Freda!



Rupert, Olive and Flynn made this house for the snails in their garden, and they seem to like it a lot!



Zara the scientist has been testing out her hypotheses around objects that will float or sink. Ka rawe, Zara!



Fonzie has been reading the Moomintroll books, and he made a costume so he looks like one of his favourite characters, Snufflin!



Arlo created a 'Handscape' - what a wonderful scene you have drawn! Tino pai to mahi!

*Our kowhai tree swirls and twirls, it's pretty flowers blooming.
Our kowhai tree pushes up against our window.
Our kowhai tree is crisp and soft at the same time,
Our kowhai tree is unique.*

- A poem by Te Maihi



Marlow tried out the food science activity. He was very interested in cooking spaghetti and colouring it. Once we were done he found it really tasty and ate it all day, including in his bun for lunch! Awesome work Marlow!



Teigan listened to the story Watercress Tuna and the Children of Champion Street. She drew a picture of a special treasure that she owns and wrote about it. Kai pai Teigan!



Logan went rock pool hunting. He drew a picture of what he could see and labelled it in his science journal. You are a super scientist Logan!



Grace and Nev have been working on Jill's bird watching task. They sat on their deck and recorded what birds they could spot on a table. Tino pai Grace and Nev!

Lachie wrote a great story about the donuts he was getting delivered!

Donuts

I think that the donuts we are getting today will be ... amazing fluffy chocolate goodness. When I eat it I think the glaze will get stuck on my fingers, then I'll have to lick it off. mmmm can't wait! I think it's funny that my teacher said to drop her one off. She doesn't think I can eat 7! Oh but I can, watch me!

By Lachie

On Monday me and my mummy went on a walk. This is what we saw on the way. We have been doing long walks almost every day. Sometimes I go on my bike. Sometimes I walk. I like going to the rock pools. On Monday we saw our friend Amy. We have been leaving presents for people in their mailboxes.



Jed and his mum have been going on walks together and taking photos of the cool things they see along the way. They made a map together when they got back home.

Āwhinatia ētahi atu - Help others

Kia atawhai - Be Kind

Me toro ki ētahi atu - Check-in on others

No reira, kia kaha ra,
Ngā Mihi Nui,

Luana and the whole team at HVS

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB UPDATE



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

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