

**Term 2** began with a bang. Yes the 'hook' for our whole school Student Science Inquiry this term, The Planet Earth and Beyond, was the arrival in the playground of a Meteorite!! It certainly got the imaginations running wild and has stimulated some wonderful learning. The knowledge gained has been phenomenal. The Inquiry has been celebrated school wide with a sharing of information and then an afternoon tea which the children had prepared for themselves.

### Year 8 Students

Our Year 8 students have had a wonderful time mixing with other students off to secondary school next year. Their first experience was with the other Year 8 students from the Cluster when they all walked the Tawa Loop on a really beautiful day. Weather permitting we hope to be able to continue these walking experiences next term.

The same group of students then went to the National Young Leaders Day along with 2,500 other Young Leaders. The highlight for the girls was a very motivational speech by Kelly Wilson, author and rescuer of the Kaimanawa Horses.

An extremely proud moment for both the school and the Board of Trustees was the oral presentation to the Manawatu District Council of the students' submissions written by the Student House Leaders. Yes the topic was the safety of the students getting to and from school and the request was 'Safe Walkways'. A lot of time and thought went into this and after some extremely positive media coverage we believe it is still on the 10 Year Plan. The students found it very emotional when the District Counsellors joined them with their waiata.



We have said *farewell* to **Miss Ellery** who has gone on Parental Leave and *welcome* to **Mrs Brown** who has taken over from Miss Ellery. We wish both the very best and look forward to hearing Miss Ellery's news.

### 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration Book

\$35 each – Order NOW at the office

Here it is, your opportunity to purchase our wonderful 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration Book compiled by Katie Whitefield - 216 colour pages. This is a great collection of memories of our wonderful school and all for a mere \$35. We have limited it to a one-off print so if you don't order now you will miss out. Please ring the school office to place an order by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

### Cross Country

Training is over and the muddy trainers can be thrown away!! We have been extremely fortunate to have had the Pirie family allow us to train in and around their property. Our school Cross Country was held on a beautiful sunny afternoon at Irene and Ted Curtis's. Our special thanks go to both families – this allows our students to experience a real Cross Country with hills, water, leaves and sheep manure!!

We took all the children who placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> to the Kainui Cross Country and once again our students placed extremely well.



We even won the competition for the most shoes left behind on the course!!

## Open Classrooms

These were held between 3 and 5pm which allowed working parents to share their students' learning. Even though the weather was anything but kind we had a great turn out of families.

## Parent Forum

Our second Parent Forum of the year was well attended as Mums and Dads returned to hear what Literacy looks like at Hiwinui School in 2018 and beyond. Liz Kane, our presenter certainly has got us all motivated and keen to learn more about the explicit teaching of Literacy.

## WORM WEE FOR SALE

Made right here at school – great for your gardens and pot plants. Gold coin payable at the office.

Our term finishes on the 6<sup>th</sup> July with 144 students after welcoming the **Connor, Duker, McCrae** and **Middleton** families. School begins again on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018.



Room 1 & 2's

## Solar System Display

## Preparing Kai for our Matariki Celebration



## Hiwinui School Vision

At Hiwinui School we will support students to reach their potential with:

- Confidence
- Positive Relationships
- Active Involvement
- Skills for Life Long Learning

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*If you are considering schooling options for your child please contact our Principal, Brenda Leigh.*

At Hiwinui School the values we want to encourage in our students are Respect and Honesty for Self, Others and the Environment



## Hiwinui School Term 2, 2018

A semi-rural school with rural values, where children learn in a small and friendly environment.



*"Seeds planted today will flourish and blossom tomorrow."*