



Hiwinui School

Week 10 - Term 1
5th April 2018

NO EGGS



PLEASE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

An extra-long weekend always brings the children back refreshed and excited to see their friends again. Yesterday was no exception with lots of lovely stories of where they had been and who they'd seen. Some very good fishing stories were heard too, congratulations to the fisher people amongst us.

It is great to have Debbie back in the office today after her extended leave - certainly makes you appreciate what she does in a day. Welcome home Debbie.

DRONE footage will be taken of the children walking home on **Friday afternoon** as well as the congestion in the Car Park (due to the rain preventing this happening last week.)

➔ **SWIMMING POOL KEYS** need to be returned to the office before the holidays.

A huge **Thank You** to **Sarah** who has been busy giving the garden an extra special tidy up before the winter arrives - our shrubs are looking very trim and tidy. Thanks Sarah. This weekend coming is the last opportunity we have to remove the flax at the front entrance - while we have people wanting them we don't have people wanting to remove them. It'd be great if we could get a tractor and a few people to help at the weekend as it wouldn't take long. The new fencing goes up in week one of the holidays and the flax needs to go before this can happen.

Congratulations to **Angela Strawbridge** who successfully competed for and won the title of 2018 Manawatu Dairy Manager of the Year. This is a real credit to Angela and her dedication to farming. She is quoted as saying, "It is a privilege and great responsibility to be able to make a living from the land."

It was also wonderful to note that Karl Wood, an ex-student of Hiwinui School and son of David and Johanna, was 2nd in the same category.

Tennis Coaching: The students have their fourth and final tennis coaching session at school next Tuesday. We have been very fortunate to have the weather hold for us and it is great to see the progress that children have been making. Their coach Kurt McNamara says that we have some very talented tennis players at Hiwinui School.

Cross Country training begins next term so look out for the old shoes and suitable clothing as we'll begin training as soon as school goes back. We are grateful to have the opportunity to train on the Pirie's farm just down the lane which means we won't need to be walking on the roads. The School Cross Country will see us go down to Ted and Irene Curtis's as we did last year. We are most grateful to both these families.



SUNHATS: At the end of next week we'll be washing the children's sunhats and putting them away until Term 4. As we have so many hats now we would appreciate a family or families offering to take some hats home to wash for us please over the holidays. If you can do this please just ask your child's teacher for the hats.

Kapai Kids

Wondering 1: **Levi Palmer** -

*"I am trying to do more of my work independently.
I am more focused."*

Terrific 2: **James Mouat** - *"I am applying my new Literacy skills to my Story Writing. I am a reliable and friendly class member."*

Room 3: **Madison Cotton** - *for being positive about your learning and trying to be the best 'me' you can be.*

Room 4: **Ciara Quartley** - *for a great effort with all of your learning. You are trying hard to be focused and show that you are a good role model.*

Room 5: **Monty Cavanagh** - *you have had such a focused week, it is great to see you taking ownership of your learning. Keep it up!*

Room 6: **Isabella Little**
- *for giving and earning respect through your care and consideration of others. Thanks for being a great member of our class.*

SCHOOL BANKING

in the Principal's office
every Wednesday
morning before school.



Swimming Sports Survey:

Thank you so much to the people who responded to our survey.

- 8 surveys responded that they enjoy the current format of the swimming sports. 1 responded with some suggestions that the teachers will address next season.
- 8 surveys responded that they didn't have any concerns and 1 responded with a number of issues which teachers will address prior to the next swimming sports.
- 3 responded that we should go off site and the others liked the atmosphere at the school pool. 1 person thought only Year 4 up should go off site and 2 thought everyone should go. 1 person thought a 25metre pool was necessary and thought of Freyberg, Makino and also Ashhurst.
- 1 person responded that they liked the sports on a Friday and the other responses said anytime.

We have looked at the cost associated with going off site and with the hireage of Makino, Freyberg and Lido being approximately \$400 for 3 hours, plus another \$500+ to get the children to the pool via bus and the fact that we only had 9% of our families respond we'll keep the Swimming Sports at Hiwinui for another year. The staff will take on board some of the suggestions made by one survey during the next season.

Melody's "Go for Gold" - we are privileged to have been offered the opportunity to participate in the Melody's New World "Go for Gold" programme again this year. When you shop at Melody's, for every \$50 you spend you get a token which we hope you'll pop in the Hiwinui School box as you leave the supermarket. Last year Melody's donated us a handsome cheque for \$1,500 which we quickly spent on Chromebooks for the Year 7 and 8 students to use. These are a wonderful tool and we certainly appreciate the support of Melody's. "Go for Gold" everyone and let's watch our tokens grow. The programme runs until the end of November 2018.



HORIZONS COLOURING COMPETITION:

colouring competition available at the school office promoting 'World Fish Migration Day' (on Saturday 21st April). These can be coloured-in or decorated using any materials you wish. Get your entries into Horizons by Friday 18th May.

FEILDING JUNIOR HOCKEY:

6 weeks of Skills and Drills from 7th May – 18th June (for 5-13 year olds). Sign up on their Facebook page or email ldodunski@feildinghigh.school.nz, or come down to the FAHS Turf on 9th or 30th April from 3.30-5.30-m. \$30 per person. Bring shin pads, mouth guard and a big smile. Hockey sticks and coaches provided.

BIG RIG FUNDRAISER for CHILD CANCER:

Sunday 8th April – the parade is leaving Rangitikei St at 9.45am, arriving Railway Land about 10am. Rides between 10-3pm – gold coin donation.

HIWINUI PLAYGROUP – Thursday 3rd May:

Pre-schoolers and their minders welcome to join us in the Hiwinui School Activity Centre at . Please bring a piece of fruit to share and a gold coin donation per child. Follow us on Facebook.

ART AUCTION supporting SPELADD N.Z. Inc:

Saturday 7th April at the P.N. Community Leisure Centre – 3pm start - \$5 entry fee.

CARTOON DISCO at ASHHURST LIBRARY - Friday 13th April:

7yrs and under from 5.00-6.00pm and 8 yrs and over from 6.00-7.30pm. Gold coin Kōha.

FRENCH SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME:

Learn French during the holidays with our fun and interactive Holiday Programme for all children aged 5 to 15 years old. The theme is Easter, but we will also offer as usual cooking, arts, crafts, and lots more. For more information, call [06-560-0749](tel:06-560-0749), email info@french.org.nz or visit www.french.org.nz

ASHHURST POHANGINA JUNIOR RUGBY:

Family-friendly club whose primary focus includes development of core skills, mateship, fitness, and emphasis on playing for each other. Team numbers are capped. Contact Asa on 0272-706-365 or asa.palatchie@nzdf.mil.nz Follow them on Facebook.

IBIKE4KIDS – ENTRIES OPEN NOW:

A fun event for kids who love being out on their bikes. Sunday 20th May at Victoria Esplanade, P.N. Enter online at www.ibike4kids.co.nz – only \$15 and all entrants get a medal and goody bag. Events start 9.45am for all ages up to 3 - 15 years. Course lengths to suit and 3-5 year olds only \$10. Loads of cool spot prizes. More information at www.facebook.com/IBIKE4kids

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Towel Roster – ROSACKER family

kindest Regards,

Brenda, Debbie, Sarah, Fiona, Kate, Jo, Irene, Mark, Rebecca, Rochelle, William, Odette, Lynne and Colin

Mahi Ngátahi – Collaboration Naku te rourou nau te rourou ka ora ai te iwi
With your basket and my basket the people will live

Dates to Remember ... *this is a guide only - dates may change*

13 th April	Parents Assembly 2.15pm – all families welcome Term 1 ends
30 th April	Term 2 begins
11 th May	Kahurangi Dance Group performing at school to everyone
16 th May	B.O.T. Meeting
21 st May	National Young Leaders Day for Year 8's
22 nd May	Combined staff meeting at Newbury – children need to be collected promptly please
31 st May	Parents Forum: Liz Kane and "What is Dyslexia?"
1 st June	P.N.B.H.S. – visit the senior boys re schooling for Year 9 Hiwinui School Cross Country - afternoon
4 th June	Queen's Birthday – no school
7 th June	Open Classrooms 2 – 3.30pm
8 th June	Kainui Cross Country
20 th June	B.O.T. Meeting
21 st June	Shorts for Hospice – Fundraiser
26 th June	Kainui Concert
29 th June	Reports Home
6 th July	Parents Assembly – Last Day of Term

