



Hiwinui School

Week 2 - Term 1
8th February 2018



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope everyone enjoyed the four day weekend, and wherever you were in New Zealand you had nice weather.

Today we said farewell to Tim Jones, Harold and the Life Education bus. Tim certainly puts a lot of passion and drive into his lessons and it is a great way to begin the year while getting the message of 'keeping ourselves safe' out to all our students. The juniors certainly enjoyed having Harold the giraffe chasing them in the playground at lunchtime today.

"What an absolute pleasure being back at Hiwinui School - surely the very best place to start our Life Ed year at! So many excellent discussions around being safe - both physically and emotionally - especially how we can make others feel safe, valued and welcome. Thank you also for your generous support of our Harold merchandise - it is very much appreciated. Harold also enjoyed getting to have a go on the playground on Wednesday, and he managed to keep himself safe, which was both incredible and fantastic! Thank you so much again for having us at your amazing school - take care, stay SAFE and have a wonderful rest of the year!" ... Love from Tim & Harold

All students have been given a **School Sunhat** which is compulsory to wear during the very hot weather that we have had. Sunhats are to be worn during Terms 1 and 4. We ask students to arrive at school with sunblock on and although each room has sunblock that the children can use, we certainly would appreciate it if parents supplied their children with their own. If your child is walking home after school please make sure they have a sunhat in their bag to wear on their way home.

Even though Wednesday was windy and a tad cooler please make sure you send your **child with their togs every day**. We hope that we are going to have a long and successful swimming season.

Today the Year 7 and 8 students went to Monrad Intermediate for **Technology**. They go to Technology fortnightly on a Thursday by bus. Often the bus arrives before parents have left the car park so please be mindful that you may find a bus parked in the Car Park on alternate Thursdays.

Playgroup began today in the Activity Centre. This group meets fortnightly and all pre-schoolers and their parents are welcome. We appreciate the work that **Tracey Mouat** and **Tracey Badger** do to keep this group together and growing. The next session is on 22nd February - please bring a gold coin per child and a piece of fruit to share. See Hiwinui Playgroup on facebook.

Each Friday **Kieran Kraan-Douds** collects our recycling and empties the containers of paper at the Ashhurst Recycling Centre. This is a big commitment for one person and we would really appreciate it if someone else would be prepared to work in with Kieran to lighten his load. If you are prepared to help out please let Brenda know.

Many thanks to our very supportive families who have already paid for **stationery** so that the children can begin work in their own books. We try extremely hard to get good quality stationery at a very competitive price as a service to our families.

Hiwinui School Picnic & Camp Out

Friday 16th February in the School grounds ...

Our Annual School Picnic is to be held in the school grounds next Friday, 16th February from 5pm onwards. This is a time to meet other families and just enjoy being part of a wider community. There is no definite starting or finishing time. When you are ready to go you go. The swimming pool will be open and parents/staff will make sure that there is always an adult supervising. The P.E. gear will be available and the finale for some will be the lolly scramble. This is a special time when all school families can get together out on the field and enjoy relaxing while having tea. Each family brings their own food and drink, a variety of food is eaten and that is entirely up to families - Fish and Chips, Pizza, BBQ, left-overs ... The school BBQ can be used to cook the sausages etc.



Parents and families are also welcome to bring their tents and stay overnight. You just need to provide your own gear; we provide a toilet, swimming pool and facilities to boil a jug etc. We'd love to see the paddock full of tents this year. Some families packed up and went home for breakfast, others had breakfast and then left. Let's make the most of the warm weather.



Kapai Kids

Wondering 1: **Millar Mathews** -

"I can be really helpful with all the new children in my room."

Terrific 2: **Amelia Barr** - *welcome to Room 2; you have fitted into our whanau so well.*

Room 3: **Nathan Mitford** - *for trying hard in class and making good choices.*

Room 4: **Zachary Ireland** - *you've made a great start to 2018! Keep up your hard work!*

Room 5: **Bella Smout** - *you have had an incredible start at Hiwinui School and have developed great working habits.*

Room 6: **Michael Burr** - *for your fantastic start to the year.*

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

16 th February	Hiwinui School Family Picnic at school any time after 5pm
2 nd March	Hiwinui School Swimming Sports – all children
5 th & 6 th March	Parent / Teacher / Student – goal setting meetings
7 th March	Kainui Junior Tabloids at Mt Biggs – Years 1 – 3
15 th March	Parents' Forum
16 th March	Kainui Swimming Sports – Years 4 – 8
30 th March	Good Friday – School is closed
2 nd & 3 rd April	Easter break - School closed
13 th April	Parents Assembly – Term 1 ends

Towel Roster - ORBELL family



kindest Regards,

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

‘E tipu e rea’ - In our children lies our future



ASHHURST
Community **MARKET**

on the Ashhurst Village Green

Saturday 10th February

FOOD, CRAFTS, PLANTS & ENTERTAINMENT

10am-1pm • Second Saturday of every month from Oct-June

 Ashhurst Community Market is a project of The Society for the Local Economy of Ashhurst & Pohangina (LEAP)

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New families please feel free to call at the office if you have any queries and remember to contact Debbie **by 9am** if your child is going to be absent for the day - phone 3268-078 or email office@hiwinui.school.nz Thank you.