



Hiwinui School

Week 2 - Term 2

10th May 2018



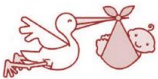
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What fabulous experiences our children have had this week. The teachers have enjoyed preparing and organising the different activities and we have been well rewarded in the enthusiasm and excitement our wonderful students have shown.

I particularly enjoyed the little 5 year old boy who came up to me after the 'meteorite' was discovered in the playground and said, "Mrs Leigh can you please write about the meteorite in the newsletter as my Mummy is not going to believe me when I tell her what happened at school today". Oh the rewards of being a teacher.

Yes a meteorite did land conveniently in the sand at the back of Room 5 on Wednesday, along with the orange fire and horrendous smell that went with it. When it landed it was convenient that it had been roped off by caution tape. It was amazing that the staff all donned Hi-Viz jackets and managed to arrive with their classes just in time to see the main event.

You guessed it; writing time followed and the words and paragraphs flowed with ease. Welcome to Term 2 Inquiry - Planet Earth and Beyond.



A very special welcome to little **Mila Stevenson** who was born early this morning, and a huge congratulations to Granny and Grandpa Stevenson.

Our sympathies are extended to the **Kraan-Douds** and **Bishop** families who have sadly lost loved ones this week.

Last Thursday it was my privilege to be able to take our Year 8 students out to the Manawatu Gorge to complete the Tawa Loop. This was a planned activity with our Kainui Cluster to help support our Year 8 students with their transition to secondary school. What a perfect day for it and huge learning for our students as they walked, talked and began to get to know other cluster Year 8 students.

Kind Hearts Thank You

Many of you will have been surprised as you dropped off your children yesterday to have been greeted by a student giving you chocolates and a Kind Hearts thank you card. Thank you, parents, for driving safely and slowly into our school Car Park. This week is **Road Safety Week** and as you'll be aware the Board of Trustees has worked tirelessly for many years to try and make Watershed Road safe for our children. Yesterday we combined both our Road Safety message with a new initiative which the Room 6 students are beginning; Kind Hearts. Showing kindness doesn't necessarily cost and the Room 6 students are looking at ways that they can show kindness both at school and in the community. A smile is all it takes to show kindness and from small beginnings acts of kindness will be seen at Hiwinui School.



From The BOT ...

Welcome back and we hope the kids have settled back into the school routine. We have an exciting time for the school for the next few terms with the establishment of our fundraising committee. Also we have managed to (99%) sign off with the Ministry a number of well needed infrastructure projects around the school. These will not only benefit the school (kids and staff) but also the community. We will post these projects up as soon as we have our sign off at 100%.

A small rural school like ours is hugely reliant on extra fundraising to enable us to source extra resources used within the school, so we invite you to participate with the fundraising committee. Anna Gordon is the B.O.T. rep on the committee and an official list of all the members will be available soon.

Last but not least we wish Kate Ellery lots of luck in becoming a mother. We have no doubt she will be nothing short of an awesome mum as she is a teacher to our kids. Jointly we are also happy to announce her replacement while she takes maternity leave. Welcome Holly Brown to Hiwinui School. Holly will be a great addition to our team.

Kind regards, Duncan Baker



On Tuesday a group of Senior AgriKids Teams went **Riparian Planting** at the Gemmell's farm. This was combined with an education programme run by Horizons. Our team of students got very busy and surprised the educator at how quickly they planted their 288 trees. I was very proud of the students and the prior knowledge that they took with them. Thank you to the Gemmells for allowing us to be part of their planting.

Our Egg Free Journey:

Yes our egg free journey has begun, and we would like to thank our school community for your support. This is definitely a work in progress and just when we think we have covered all bases something else challenges us. While our paper work has been based on medical research and also guidance from the M.O.E. there are little things that relate to Hiwinui and Hiwinui only. If you do have any queries please ask a staff member and we'll find out the answer for you. Remember we are learning too.

The list of things not to put into your child's lunchbox's includes:

Pavlova, meringue, egg custard and egg mayonnaise, egg sandwich, hard-boiled egg, omelette, frittata, fritters and quiche.



Cross Country Training has begun in earnest this week and we are really thrilled to have the opportunity to use the Pirie's farm for our training. There is something for everyone in this course - flat, hill, trees and water. There is plenty of challenge for our fastest runners and they are challenging themselves to see how many laps they can do in half an hour. Thank you team Pirie for helping keep children at Hiwinui fit and healthy.



Hot Lunches: Thank you to our senior monitors for making this run smoothly - remember any questions ask a teacher. The pie warmer is now in the Staffroom and children are reminded to take their food wrapped in tin foil into their classroom before school and the seniors will collect them from there.

SCHOOL BANKING



A reminder that our School Banking Team of **Jade** and **Curtis** will be in the Principal's Office each Wednesday before school to accept the children's ANZ Banking deposits. They are only too happy to accept new accounts.

Kapai Kids

Wondering 1: **Indie-Rose Blackmore** -

"I am trying really hard in Maths. I know a lot about numbers to ten."

Terrific 2: **Nate Kinaston** - *"I am working hard to learn new number knowledge."*

Room 3: **Kingston Hesseltine** - *Wow, what fantastic reading! You need to believe in yourself and you have improved so much. Always keep trying.*

Room 4: **Cole Isles** - *you have been making a big effort to be a mature learner.*

Room 5: **Fletcher Edwards** - *you are working hard to display a growth mindset in our learning and beating the beast!*

Room 6: **Piper Look**

- for the care, consideration and respect that you show for others. You are a wonderful member of our class. Thanks Piper.

VOCABULARY

Perhaps the greatest tools we can give students for succeeding, not only in their education but more generally in life, is a large, rich vocabulary and the skills for using those words.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

must be in the office
by **TOMORROW**



BUNNYTHORPE FEEDS – CALF FEEDING BOTTLES ON SPECIAL:

Single 2 litre calf feeding bottles (3-speed) on sale for only \$5 each.
Limited stock.

JUNIOR BEGINNER TENNIS COACHING:

Wednesday 4.30-5.15pm and Friday 4.15-5.00pm at the Feilding Tennis Club - \$50 per child.
Phone Kurt McNamara on 0279-454-258

HIWINUI PLAYGROUP – Thursday 17th 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.

MANAWATU STRIDERS MARATHON / HALF MARATHON :

Sunday 27th May - includes run/walk - full/half marathon, 10km, 5km and Kids' MaraFun. Register before 11th May to avoid late fees - www.manawatustriders.org.nz - info@manawatustriders.org.nz or Facebook. Major spot prize is a \$2,000 travel- voucher.

ASHHURST POHANGINA JUNIOR RUGBY:

A family-friendly club with an emphasis on playing for each other – seeking 7 and 8 year olds to play 1st year tackle rugby. Contact Duncan on 0276-787-664 or duncan_powell@xtra.co.nz

Please see the **Notices** in the Library window for more information ...

Towel Roster – ROSSITER family

kindest Regards,

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

Na to rourou na taku rourou, Ka ora ai te iwi

With your food basket and my food basket, the people will thrive

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

- 11th May Kahurangi Dance Group performing at school to everyone
- 16th May B.O.T. Meeting
- 21st May National Young Leaders Day for Year 8s
- 22nd May Combined staff meeting at Newbury – **children need to be collected promptly at 3pm** please
- 31st May Parents' Forum with Liz Kane – '2018 Literacy Learning' for Mums & Dads
- 1st June P.N.B.H.S. – visiting the senior boys re High School next year
Hiwinui School Cross Country - afternoon
- 4th June Queen's Birthday – no school**
- 7th June Open Classrooms 2 – 3.30pm
- 8th June Kainui Cross Country
- 20th June B.O.T. Meeting
- 21st June Shorts for Hospice – Fundraiser
- 26th June Kainui Concert
- 29th June Reports Home
- 6th July Parents Assembly – Last Day of Term

