



Hiwinui School

Week 3 - Term 1
18th February 2021



Dear Parents & Caregivers,

What a pleasant relief it is to know that we are back in COVID Level 1 this morning. The past three days have been fabulous for fostering our students' independence.

Many thanks to everyone who swung into the old ways of waiting in cars, or at the gate, for your children. The school still had many of our good COVID practices in place so not a lot had to change except of course the use of the swimming pool. That will be back in full use again today and after school. The temperature this morning is a lovely 26.7 degrees so a great temperature for our children. The drinking fountains will also be back in use again.

Remember that any sudden changes for the school will be announced to you via Skool Loop or as a group email. If you don't have Skool Loop and are not sure what to do please see a staff member and we'll help you.

If you have Skool Loop but have found that you are not getting messages this year close your current app and set it up again and you'll find you'll be okay. Skool Loop is free to the school, however in order for it to be free the company (which was set up by two Mums in the South Island) seek out sponsorship from the wider school community. If you or someone you know gets a random email asking for support it hasn't come from the school but company itself.

On Monday the Year 7 and 8's had a new experience at Technology at Monrad. This year they are going every Monday morning and will work in seven week rotations. Within the year they will cover the following topics - music, art, science, cooking and hard materials. There was a lot of positive chat on their return. The only issue being that they need to be at school **by 8.40am** each Monday morning. They need to wear covered shoes and those with long hair need it tied back.

Next Friday we will hold our Year 4 - 8 Swimming Sports. This will begin at 1pm in our school pool and we welcome everyone along to watch. If you would be prepared to hand out rods to place getters we would really appreciate your help. Please either email your child's teacher or see Debbie or Brenda. The Ruahine Ropu will hold a Swimming Demonstration at a later date.

PARENT/TEACHER GOAL SETTING MEETINGS

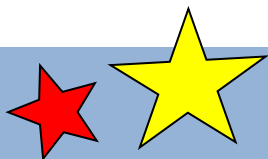
Attached to the newsletter this week is a form to be completed for the 'Parent / Teacher Goal Setting Meetings' to be held here at school on Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd March. This is a really important time to come together to set goals for your child for the next six months. This year our focus is on well-being, literacy and numeracy. Conferences will be 10 minutes each so please be prompt. Please return your forms on Monday.

LIFE EDUCATION BUS

"What a wonderful way for us to start 2021! It was just brilliant for myself and Harold to be among you all and there were so many thoughtful discussions both in and out of the mobile classroom around being a great friend & teammate, the importance of kindness, reputation & identity, the impact of our decisions, and being an 'upstander'. We would love you to go to our Life Ed Manawatu Facebook page and find the Hiwinui School post - please leave a comment, and if you like us:

FANTASTIC! Thank you so much again for having us at your awesome school - take care everyone and have a spectacular rest of the year!

Love from Tim and Harold!"



... KAPAI KIDS ...



Explorers: **Isabel Bartholomew** - you have a positive attitude and you are working so hard in learning time. Ka pai!

Terrific 2: **Ollie Shortall** - when learning new classroom routines you have shown perseverance. Ka Pai.

Room 3: **Zoe Duker** - when working with your classmates, you show respect and consideration.

Púkeke: **Lochie Wood** - for being so respectful and positive. You really are somebody who really makes others feel like somebody!

Room 5: **Taylor Johnson** - you have joined our class seamlessly and inspire us with your enthusiasm and commitment.

Manawanui: **Jayden Thomson** - You have returned to school with Enthusiasm and have been showing confidence in trying new things. It's wonderful seeing you step things up a notch!
Ka rawe!!



YEARS 3 & 4 NETBALL

Netball is split over two days - Tuesdays and Wednesdays, for this Year group and it begins on the 2nd March. At this stage we don't have enough players for one team. Could you please reconsider your child playing so that we can make a team? Please email Brenda if your child can play.



NEWSPAPERS WANTED PLEASE:

If you have any old newspapers you don't want we would love to use them at school. These can be left at the office. Thank you.

ASHHURST POHANGINA RUGBY CLUB REGISTRATION:

Is your son and/or daughter wanting to play Rugby this year? It is time to register for the 2021 season 🏉. Ashhurst Pohangina Rugby Club is a family focused club placing a high value on sportsmanship, community, and camaraderie, skills and inclusion.

Grades range from rippa (from 4 years) to Under 12/13.

Follow the link to register your player and/or look out for our registration days.

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/aprfcjr/Junior-rego-2021/Junior-2021>

PIANO LESSONS AT SCHOOL:

We are very fortunate to welcome back Rachel Holtslag who will be giving piano lessons here at Hiwinui School once a week on a Tuesday. Parents can privately subscribe their children into lessons on a term by term basis, at a cost of \$22.50 per lesson. Please contact the office if you are interested in lessons, or contact Rachel directly at 0273-607-899 or jonoandrach2017@gmail.com

JUNIOR GOLF:

Junior development programme at Feilding Golf Club, in conjunction with Golf NZ, for children aged 7 years and up. 'Introduction to Golf' – twice weekly lesson included - \$30 per term. Full membership – unlimited use of the golf course, and twice weekly lessons included - \$100 per year. One hour each on Tuesdays 3.45pm and Sundays 9.30am. Contact Rebecca Ward for more information or to register – 027-597-3054.



VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR HAY-MAKING

This is a great fundraising opportunity and a lot of fun (*see during and after photos from 2019*). We need your support - this Sunday 21st February from 5pm or weather dependant, Monday 22nd. There is a paddock of hay to be picked up. Please contact Steve Radich - 0273-333-315, or Matt Avery - 0274-245-624 if you can help.



- **Scholastic Book Club** orders are due in tomorrow please

TOWEL ROSTER: **SPEAR** family
POOL COVER ROSTER: 22nd - 28th Feb - **JOLL** family



We need volunteers please for the Pool Cover Roster for the weeks of 8th - 14th March, and 22nd - 28th March. There are relievers available if you cannot make it one night. Please contact Debbie if you can help.

kindest Regards,

Brenda, Fiona, Rebecca, Holly, Emma, Kendall, Portia, Allanah, Philippa, Debbie, Sarah, Irene, Novena, Colin, and Charlotte.

'Manaakitanga - Kindness'
 He aroha whakato he aroha puta mai.
 ... Sow kindness and you will receive kindness ...

Children please bring your
SWIMMING TOGS
 and **TOWELS** to school every day.

A big **THANK YOU** to **Tanya Carter** who spent most of the morning at school sorting school uniforms out. These will be issued at a later date as it is a very time-consuming job. Thanks Tanya 😊

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

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| 26 th February | Hiwinui School Swimming Sports at school |
| 1 st 2 nd March | Parent, students, teacher conferences |
| 3 rd March | Kainui Tabloids – Years 1 – 4 at Mt Biggs |
| 12 th March | Kainui Swimming Sports – Year 5 – 8 – Lido Pool |
| 16 th March | Kainui Swimming Sports – Year 1 – 4 – Makino Pool |
| 21 st March | Hiwinui Community Picnic at Hiwinui School |
| 22 nd March | Penhey Cup |
| 24 th March | BOT meeting |
| 26 th March | Year 8's Day out with Kainui Cluster |
| 30th March | Hiwinui Parents Forum – Play Based Learning |
| 2nd – 5th April | Easter Break |
| 7 th April | Year 6 – Rippa Rugby |
| 8 th April | Year 8 – Rippa Rugby |
| 16 th April | Term 1 ends |

TERM DATES

Term 1:	Weds 1 st Feb - Friday 16 th April
Term 2:	Tuesday 3 rd May - Friday 9 th July
Term 3:	Monday 26 th July - Friday 1 st October
Term 4:	Monday 18 th October - Weds 15 th December