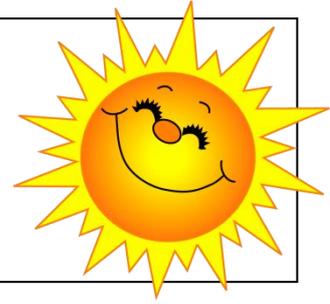




Hiwinui School

Week 5, Term 4
18th November 2021



Dear Parents / Caregivers,

How exciting to have managed to get both camps off in their different directions this week. The air was electric as each group gathered and began to load the vehicles. Camps are certainly always one of those memory building activities. I would particularly like to thank Portia, Kendall and Emma for the many hours and anxieties that have gone into the planning and organisation which go into making the Camps so exciting for the students. To the parents who have braved the cold, rain, lack of sleep and the talkative children - thank you, without you the Camps can't happen. Each and every child on camp will have achieved something special this week no matter how big or small. We are all very proud of you and hope that in years to come you'll be able to tell your family and friends about the wonderful time you had at camp.



We look forward eagerly to the campers return on Friday. Parents coming to pick up children please try and park on the road so that we can leave room for the coach and also all the cars coming back from Highland Home. Once they are back and the coach gone you will be able to come into the Cark Park.

We apologise for the inconvenience but this is a health and safety requirement.



Debbie Stevenson has typed a message for our Hiwinui School Community and with the upmost respect for Debbie I hope that you all read her message and respect her privacy.
Note from Deb:

“Due to covid restrictions I am deeply saddened to say that I won’t be returning to school for the foreseeable future. After 23 years at Hiwinui I am going to miss my school family terribly.”

As the staff come to terms with the enormous gap that has been left, please be mindful of little things that we may miss.

He waka eke noa - We are all in this together.

Another win for the children of our rural communities was the Manawatu - Oroua Boys and Girls Champion Day held at Rongotoea on Saturday. In order that this could meet the necessary restrictions a system was put in place where by the children had to enter their animals on line and the first 50 in each category, were accepted. The Lambs competition was held in the morning and the calves in the afternoon. Hiwinui School was well represented and a number of wonderful prizes were taken out by our handlers and their animals. One of the highlights had to be that both the team of three lambs and the team of three calves won their sections.

The Lamb Team was: Sophie Long, Paige Badger and Tabitha Askin

The Calf Team was: - Lochlan Wood, Ruby Parker-Munn and Kruz Parker-Munn

At the end of the day each schools' points are added up - these include entries, places on the day, the gardens from last year and the diaries are all put together for the Craig Cup. This is highly sort after by all the local schools.

This year the placing went to:

1st Glen Oroua 2nd Rongotea 3rd Hiwinui 4th Colyton

Very proud to see our placing. Congratulations everyone who participated.



On Sunday Bella Smout represented the Kainui Cluster at the Zone 1 Lions Club Speech Competition at Rongotea and we are extremely proud to announce that she won the competition and will now go forward to represent the Manawatu Area at the Speech competition in Hawera at the beginning of December. We might be a small school but we certainly are well represented in all sorts of fields both academic, agricultural and sporting. Congratulations Bella we are very proud of you.

Change of Parents Contact Numbers

Parents please let the office know if you have recently:

- Changed phone numbers, this might include a work phone number
- Changed address
- Changed the emergency contacts and need to replace their numbers
- Please either email office@hiwinui.school.nz or call 06 326 8078

Agility, flexibility and adaptability are now the new norms and with these come uncertainty. Change demands a lot of energy. On Tuesday 16th the Vaccination Mandate came into full effect and with this comes yet more challenges within the school sector. Please note that as we try and manage health and safety within our school and community for the best interest of the children we would ask family and friends to support us by:

- Asking non-essential visitors not to come to school
- That you wear a face covering, even those waiting on the road
- Physical Distancing of two metres is recommended where practicable
- If meeting onsite, please wear a mask and pre arrange the meeting
- Please scan in before entering the buildings
- Please use sanitiser which is available in all rooms
- Any person not feeling well should not come onto the school site and seek advice about getting tested



Community
Notice Board

Stock Cars: It is the beginning of the Stock Car season this Saturday. Starting time is 6.30pm and it will end with a Fire Works display.

Baby Sitting: A wonderful offer has been made by a very qualified Community Member to baby sit children during the Working Bee on Saturday so that both adults in the house can come and help spread the mulch. The more hands available the quicker it will be done. If you would like to use this service, please phone the school.

HOUSE WANTED TO RENT: Pet friendly 2-3 bedroom home wanted to rent for two adults and one child – required as soon as possible / before 17th January. Please contact the office if you know of anything available



A reminder that due to a severe allergy in one of our students, EGGS are not allowed at school; this includes egg sandwiches, bacon & egg pies, boiled eggs, quiche etc.
Thank you for your support with this.

TOWEL ROSTER: Carter family



Kind regards,

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

... Ka rongo,ka wareware. Ka kite, ka mahara. Ka hangaia, ka marama
aaou...
I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand.

