



HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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Huntermville Pride... "Together We Strive"

*** Quality Learning * Quality Behaviour * Quality Environment ***

Dear Parent / Caregiver

Nga mihi o te wa kia koe me to whanau (Greetings to you and your family)

We look forward to catching up with as many of you as possible at tomorrow's school/family BBQ.

We unashamedly throw in the bribe of an iPad mini for a student with a parent present! We believe there's a lot of value for your child in forging strong home/school relationships and this low key mix 'n' mingle BBQ is a good way to start the year in that regard.

Note: R2 teacher Mrs Brenda Stewart was never going to be able to attend tomorrow evening but R2 will still be open. Mrs Hatfull (Rm1) and myself will be pleased to speak to any parents re specific R2 matters

SCHOOL FAMILY BBQ/PICNIC

Tomorrow, Wednesday 15 February 5.15pm

5.15: Feel free to visit your child's room with your child. He/she will be able to show you his workplace and how the various classroom programmes operate. Teachers will be in their rooms at this time to greet and meet.

6.00: Classrooms emptied. Meet around behind staffroom. Students gather in front of staffroom steps for prize draw...

6.15: **A draw for an IPAD MINI for a student with a parent present will be made!**

Then relax, and mix n mingle. Enjoy the sausage sizzle put on by the school. You're welcome to bring extra food to supplement the sausages. Bring your own drinks – a little beer or wine is fine.

We'll make sure there's plenty of sports gear out for students to occupy themselves with – adults can join in too if they wish! The evening ends when people decide to leave 😊

Instrument Tuition/School Band

We have a total of 21 students enrolled with Mr Munt for tuition in one of guitar, bass guitar, keyboard and drums.

Parents, look out for the schedule for your child if they're involved, issued today.

Due to the demand Mr Munt will take two sessions on a Thursday afternoon and then be here again all day each Friday.



Vocalists for the Band – Auditions

- Thursday morning from 11.10am (Y5-8 students)
- You may sing anything of your choice for your audition
- You may bring along a CD to accompany you if you wish.
- Names will be taken at 9am Thursday.

Hunterville Swimming Club

Mon/Tues/Thurs Swimming Lessons

- Preschoolers 2.50-3.15pm
- Beginners 3.15-3.45, 3.45-4.15pm
- Intermediate 4.15-5.15pm
- Advanced 4.15-5.15 pm

Wednesday Club Night 3.30pm every week.

Firewood for Sale

\$275 truck & trailer

Wet Pine

Free delivery to anywhere around

Hunterville

Ph 0279504907 or 0279498603.

SWIMMING SPORTS

NEXT WEEK

Juniors (Y1-3)

Wednesday 22 Feb 1.30-2.45pm

Seniors (Y4-8)

Thursday 23 Feb 4.30-6.45pm

PARKLEE BULLRIDE SERIES EVENT

HUNTERVILLE SMALLTOWN SMACKDOWN

Friday 24 February
6pm Gates open 4.30pm
361 Aldworth Rd Hunterville

\$15.00 adult

\$5.00 children

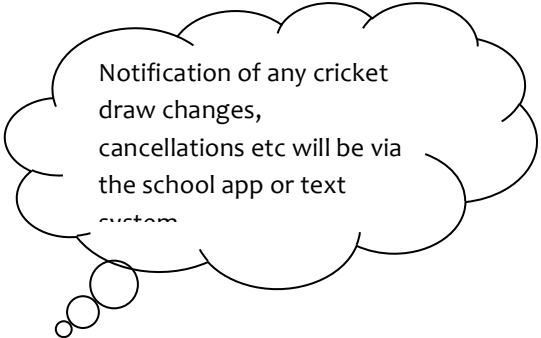
\$35.00 family (2 adults, 2 children)

(No Eftpos – cash only)

Food & refreshments available

WEEKLY ASSEMBLIES: Friday mornings 9.00 – 9.30 while we are swimming and then MONDAYS (not Thursdays as in past years) from 2.15 – 3pm. Parents and friends of the school are more than welcome to attend our weekly assemblies.

CRICKET CORNER



Notification of any cricket draw changes, cancellations etc will be via the school app or text system

1. **Hardball (Y5-8) Saturday Mornings**

- Games start this Saturday (draw not out yet).
- 2 Y 5/6 teams and 1 Y 7/8 team.
- Practises: Y5/6 each THURSDAY 3.15-4.15
Y 7/8 each WEDNESDAY 3.30-4.45
- Teams will be announced on Thursday
- Enquiries Stephen Lewis 0277781995 Paul Keenan 0274494160 Ian Livingston 0276724370

2. **Kiwi Cricket (Y3-6) Fridays in Wanganui**

- Games start this Friday (draw out Thursday)
- **Y 3/4 team for this week:** Cordel Court, Emma Livingston, Hayden Whinn, Jessica Keenan, Harry Weston, Max Arnott. (Not playing this week – Lyrik Maraku)
- **Y 5/6 (Competitive grade) team this week:** Sam Livingston, Josh Keenan, Boston Linklater, James Trow, Te Rau Walker, Jack Goodwin. Not playing this week: Evan & Lucy McIntyre, Josh RD.
- As usual it is parents responsibility to get players to Victoria Park at 5.15pm for a 5.30 start. Games finish approx 6.40pm.
- Dress black shorts & maroon top.

The School Van is available but needs a parent driver. Cost (no profit to the school) is \$30

Enquiries Stephen Lewis 0277781995. Paul Keenan 0274494160 Sam Weston 021445202

3. **Introduction to Cricket (Y1-4) Wednesday Lunchtimes**

- Batting, bowling and fielding skills coached each week. (Last 2 sessions will be modified games).
- 12.40 - 1.10 and then children eat lunch.
- Enrolled to date: Trystan McKay, Noah Spencer, Jack Richardson, Max Arnott, Nate Arnott, Hawaiki Tattersall-Walker, Harry Weston, Joey Keenan, Sam Richmond, Lachie Flower, Hayden Whinn, Harry Rendle, Josh Rendle, Cordel Court, Duncan McIntyre.

Enquiries to Stephen Lewis 0277781995

Key Dates This Term

Feb	15:	Family BBQ 5.15pm
	22:	Junior swimming sports 1.30pm (Yr 1-3)
	23:	Senior swimming sports 4.30pm (Yr 4-8)
March	10:	Harvest Festival – sunflowers, pumpkins, etc
	16:	Marton interschool swimming
	17:	Taihape interschool swimming
	28:	(Tues) Junior athletic sports (Yr 1-3)
	31:	Senior athletics (Yr 4-8)
April	7:	Interschool athletics @ Hunterville
	13:	Final day of term one
	14:	(Friday) Start of Easter break

For Sale:

2 single beds, good condition. No marks or tears. \$50 for both.

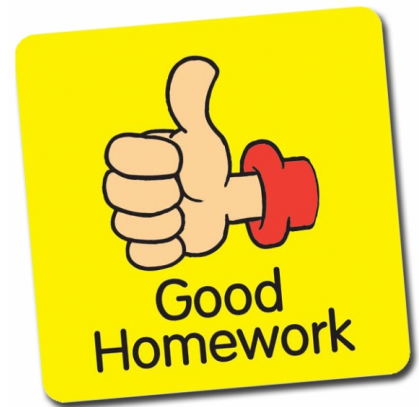
Please phone Tris Weston 322 8066. Can deliver.

Trialling a New Homework System This Term

In previous years, homework has been compulsory.

- Repercussions if not done (including beatings & torture!)
- Often tears at home (and that was just the parents!)
- Busy students/families doing homework at midnight 'because it had to be done'.

This of course is highly counter productive and instead of supporting a child's learning was doing the opposite



So for term 1 this year, following a parent survey in term 4 last year, and the subsequent formation of a parent/teacher 'homework committee' the following general parameters for homework are being trialled:

- Teachers will ENCOURAGE homework, provide a range of stimulating homework options, and provide follow up & feedback for completed homework... but teachers will not chase up homework, nor censure or punish any child not completing homework.
- Set 'homework sharing time' will be allocated as a chance to show how interesting and varied homework learning can be!
- Teachers especially, will encourage and expect home reading.
- The idea of homework being encouraged with a range of choices for children, will help inspire children to take homework, resulting in a positive impact on both motivation to learn and consequently, academic performance.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen Lewis".

Stephen Lewis
PRINCIPAL

HURRICANES SUPER 12 RUGBY
Open Captains Run
FREE

Thursday 16 Feb
Cooks Gardens Wanganui
3.30pm

Wanganui Rugby Union is inviting all school students in the area. We don't mind if you knock off school early that day! ½ hr signing session after training. And yes their All Blacks will be there.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I am the Public Health Nurse working in your child's School.

I am available for teachers and parents to refer students to me for health concerns your child has that you would like support for in the school or home. (Vision, hearing, night/daytime wetting, support and education to the school around allergies, diabetes, asthma, epilepsy or any other health concern you have).

If any child has missed their B4 schools check I will contact parents to arrange a 5 yr old school entry check.

As part of Health Promotion, we offer your Yr 7 and 8 child their Boostrix or HPV vaccinations at school. You should have had an information and consent form from your child. If you haven't received this, or have any questions please contact me.

Please see your child's teacher or phone/email me if you would like any Public Health Nurse support.

Narisa Sargison
Public Health Nurse