



HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Caregiver

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

Yes, as per yesterday's notice, this is some serious weather! Also as mentioned yesterday, this polar blast is forecast to continue tomorrow, and if things get nastier some bus runs could be in doubt.

If you're unsure please check the school website, or ring the school and Mrs Harding's pre recorded 'Welcome' will be replaced with a notice about bus runs being cancelled if that should occur. Failing all that, feel free to ring me on 027 778 1995 for up to date information.

Also

Parents, regardless of whether or not you're a townie or a bus family, feel free over the next f day or two to keep your children at home if you'd like to.

- You might have concerns over getting to (or from) school safely.
- You might have concerns that your child might be cold at school.
- You might like to have some family fun at home in the snow!

.....just let us know as you normally would for an absence, so we know your child is not expected at school.

Look Out For Separate Notices Today or Tomorrow

1. All Year 7/8's re Spanish or Maori or English classes!
2. All Year 4/5/6 boys re special CO² cars programmes coming up.

Kapa Haka Parent Meeting Last Week

Five people were in attendance at the Wednesday after school meeting. Discussion included:

- Whole school marae trip has been organised for Tuesday 15 November.
- Resource people are being pursued for activities on the marae.
- Maori language classes are to begin on Friday 26 August and operate each Friday (for an hour) for ten Fridays.
 - First offered to Y 7/8 and then to younger kapa haka members to a maximum of twenty students.
- A group of parents are to sort the kapa haka uniform (this afternoon) to check on the state of the uniform and to match with this year's group.

School Robotics Team off to Wanganui on Saturday

The school's robotic team under the guidance of Mr Jeffery is preparing to compete in a regional competition in Wanganui on Saturday.

CHECK OUT DETAILS IN NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER!

LAST WEEK'S CLASSROOM AWARD WINNERS

- Room 1: Liam Harding – A1 top quality effort in story writing.
Alex Kiesanowski – A1 top quality effort in story writing.
- Room 1a: Alec Murray – awesome effort & attitude. Top quality achievement.
Crawford Cook – settling well into Room 1a.
- Room 2: Aimee Hopkins – making a huge improvement in handwriting.
Ethan Watson – having such a great attitude towards his learning! Well done.
- Room 3: George Lambert – fantastic work ethic during Reading and Maths.
Shardae McKenzie – fantastic work ethic and attitude towards all her work.
- Room 4: Caleb Goodwin – A1 quality effort in reading and Writing.
- Room 6: Dalys Maraku – enthusiasm during the maths measurement unit.
Teresa Davenport – great progress in handwriting.
- Room 7: Patrick Takurua – great results in Otago Maths Challenge.
Thomas Stratton – improvement & effort in Maths.
- Room 8: Brooke Picken - putting top effort and concentration into learning new maths skills.
You have mastered the two main subtraction strategies.
Anna Lambert – excellent attitude and effort at the Cluster Science Extension programme. You learned lots of new investigation and scientific skills.
- Mediators: Oscar McVerry – a top sportsPERSON, with top sportsmanSHIP!

SPCA – ANNUAL CUPCAKE DAY

On Monday 29th August the SPCA hold their annual cupcake day. Last year as you might remember 2 of our senior students ran it at our school. This year Charlie Nimmo and Ellen Carlyon are doing the same. They will send an order form around with the book and you have to pay when you order. Cupcakes will be \$3.00 each. You can also make donations through Charlie and Ellen to the SPCA.



Any one wanting pet lambs for lamb & calf day – please ring Nigel Price 3228424. He will start a list and contact you as lambs become available

HUNTERVILLE 125TH REUNION EASTER 2012

1. Register now

- Online see the link at the school's website www.hunterville.school.nz
- Or pick up a registration form from the Hunterville Bookshop or from our school office.

2. Old Photos/Memorabilia Etc

Have you access to any old photos/archives etc that we may be able to use?

We're having a 'sorting' day on Friday 16 September in Room 5, to sift through our stock of memorabilia, take photocopies, scan items onto a computer database, etc.

Please, if you have anything you think may be of interest for the reunion, bring it all to school on 16 September.

- We will photocopy or scan while you wait or
- You can register it with us and leave it with us for the reunion.

FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER – 125th REUNION SORTING DAY!

SCHOOL SPELLING BEE FINALS

Tomorrow 17 August 1.15pm School Hall

Six finalists in each of four sections as per last week's pinky.
Parents and interested others most welcome.

Upcoming Meetings

Reunion Committee	:	Tuesday 23 August	7.30pm
Board of Trustees	:	Wednesday 7 September	5.00pm

HOME & SCHOOL QUIZ NIGHT

This MAJOR social event on the school's calendar is on
Friday 30 SEPTEMBER at 7.30pm.

Teams of four or five adults & children's section - \$25.00 per team.

Room One Art – we are making worms for our soil study. We need lots of old knee high stockings. It doesn't matter if they are laddered and colour is not important. Please if you have some can you send them to school a.s.a.p. Thank you, Mrs Hatfull & Mrs Parkes.

Key Dates This Term

August	17:	School Spelling Bee finals 1.15pm.
	23:	Cluster Spelling Bee finals, Marton 1pm.
September	7:	BOT meeting 5pm.
	9:	Y8 Ski Trip.
	21:	Wanganui Mathex competition 5pm.
	22:	Y 7/8 cross country team to Wanganui.
	27:	Y 7/8 cluster winter sports tournament, Marton.
	27:	Y 5/6 cross country team to Wanganui (Aranui).
	29:	Y 5/6 cluster winter sports tournament, Marton.
October	5:	School and Saturday Morning Sports Club Photos.
	5:	Y 5-8 speech finals 7pm.
	5:	Whole school music concert 1.30pm.
	6:	(Thursday) Final day of term.
	7:	(Friday) All teachers at seminar Taihape Area School.

ADVANCE NOTICE.....

- **No school Friday 7 October**

(Last day of term Thursday 6 October)

We always factor in at least one day during the year as a 'Teacher Only Day'. This year we have just one & it is on the above date, when all teachers will be attending a seminar on "Behaviour Management" run by the renowned expert Bill Rogers, from the USA.

SCHOOLWIDE AND CLASSROOM FOCUSES

Room 1	We are learning to hold our pen correctly. (See photo below). We are learning to make our writing sit on the line. We are learning to start at the top of the letter, either from the top line or the middle line (but never from the bottom).
Room 1a	We are learning to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Write descriptions using great adjectives to make our stories interesting. - Make number stories using 'groups of' (X) multiplication.
Room 2	Maths: We are learning to: BLUE – subtract by counting back. GREEN – know the groups to 20. ORANGE – count forwards to and backwards from 1000, in 1's, 10's and 100's.
Room 3	Inquiry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Investigating fossils using a variety of resources. - What is a fossil. - Who finds fossils. - How old are fossils. Reading – reading for fluency and expression and looking at specific vocabulary in a story or article.
Room 4	Maths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Find a set using halving. - Read and order fractions with the same numerator or denominator. - Read and order fractions with different denominators.
Room 6	English – we are learning to add personal voice to our writing, such as thoughts, feelings and opinions. We are learning to use 'wonderful' words in our writing.
Room 7	Reading – Room Seven are learning to find key words/information in texts. They will do this by highlighting/drawing/writing down key words while reading.
Room 8	Written English We are learning to entertain by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adding impact with more effective use of personal voice • using more interesting words and sentences that show rather than tell.

Regards



Stephen Lewis
PRINCIPAL

WANTED
HOUSE KEEPER/CHILD CARE
(SUBSTITUE MOTHER)

Must have a full current drivers licence, sleepover a couple of nights a week. Basic cleaner/cook etc.
Location near South Mak School.
Ph Rachelle Millar 3278816 or 021356275.

