



# HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau

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We have had very busy days over the past few weeks, with lots of hard work in literacy and maths as usual, along with some very interesting science lessons, student based inquiries in a wide range of social studies, science and environment studies, Enviroschool activities, trackathon running, electives, a band gig, and thankfully, some good, old-fashioned, outdoor play on the newly-mown field.

Today, our year seven and eights, and some year sixes to make up the teams, are at the annual Quad Tournament in Marton, playing one of football, netball, rugby or hockey. On Thursday, if it is fine, our year fives and sixes, with the odd year four to make up teams, will be going to Marton for their tournament. We are most grateful to all the parents and whanau who offered transport and help with teams and supervision, and to Paulette Bremner for all the organization this end. Also, a huge vote of thanks to Michelle Cameron, principal of James Cook School for organizing these events this year! Also today, Shane Smith and a crew of parents have taken our year five and six cross country running representatives over to Aranui School in Castlecliff for the huge interschool competition. We wish them every success and a fun day running!

Just a reminder about events and changes in room six next term: Cheryl Gray is planning to be on parental leave from the end of week two and Mrs Tris Weston will be teaching the room six students from then on until the end of the term, on 18 December. The year fives from room six will be going on camp during week one next term, with Shane Smith in charge, although much of the planning and paperwork is currently being completed by Cheryl.

Cheryl is also preparing and partially entering data on the room six students' end of year report forms. She has been instrumental in helping us develop a different, simplified report format, based on our Etap Student Management System, in which key student achievement data is recorded. This format is a trial for us and for parents/whanau to see if it is an effective reporting tool. We will publish some mock samples next term so that everyone can be aware of the simplified features before the actual reports are issued after the prizegiving assembly. We will run a mini survey and arrange discussion sessions early next year to evaluate the trial report.

## **Agricultural and Horticultural Science with Mrs Bremner:**

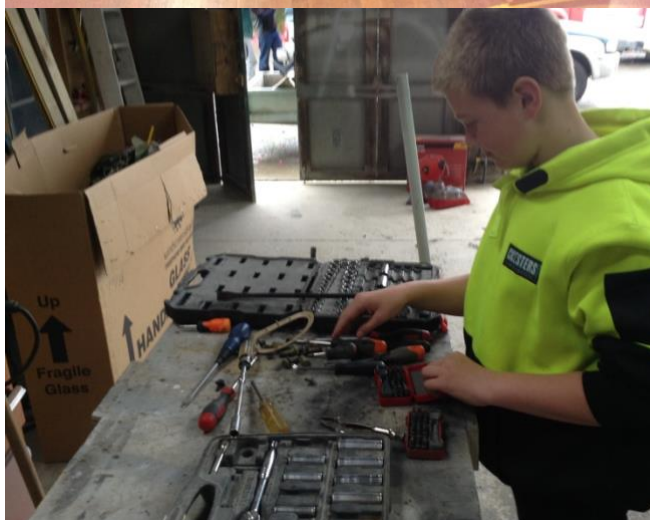
Rooms seven and eight had their dissection session with Marty Walshe, our local Huntermville Vet Club guest tutor, teaching about biology, anatomy and physiology of small animals. We are very grateful to Marty and appreciate him giving his time and expertise to our kids as part of our Agricultural Science programme, which is most generously sponsored by the Mangahoe Bus Company.





## Electives Update...

Our wonderful elective providers survived the second sessions and the students had a great time along with some real-life learning experiences. We are so fortunate that so many whanau and community members are prepared to share their time and expertise with our kids. Remember that all the adults involved are very warmly invited to afternoon tea this Wednesday at 3pm in the staffroom to show our appreciation of their generous support. There is NO show and tell session in the hall this year. Students will be showing their appreciation individually to their electives adults during their last session. Below are some further photos of elective action...





## Last Wednesday's Band Gig

Our rock band put on a really good performance at Marton School last week. Several staff at Marton School, when I was at a course there on Thursday morning, passed very positive comments, with particular mention made of Brooklyn's excellent bass guitar playing for our band and for Marton Junction as well! Thanks to Donna for transporting them down, and to the Vennell family for organising the return van trip. Congratulations, and keep up the great musical progress. Here are a couple of photos of the gig...



### **SPORTS CLUB PRIZEGIVING TOMORROW WEDNESDAY SCHOOL HALL 3.30**

Order: Netball, football, rugby, hockey  
Uniform – tidy school uniform

### **SWIMMING CLUB AGM**

Next Thursday 27 September  
3.15 – school library  
All welcome!

Please can we also have all the swimming club trophies back to the school office

### **BOT NEWS**

The Board of Trustees are busy this week shortlisting from the twelve applicants that they received for the position of Principal.

The Board are very pleased with both the number and quality of applicants and plan to interview the shortlisted candidates on October 1. (J Vennell – Board Chair)

## Home & School Meeting

Next Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

### Calendar of Events Coming Up:

- Wed 19 Sept: Last session of Electives Programmes 1.30 – 3pm then AFTERNOON TEA!  
Tue 18 Sept: Year 7 & 8 Quad Tournament in Marton  
Tues 18 Sept: Aranui Cross Country Y 5 & 6  
Thu 20 Sept: Year 5 & 6 Quad Tournament in Marton  
Fri 21 Sept: Assembly @ 2.15pm  
Wed 26 Sept: ?Year 8 Ski Trip (weather/snow dependent)  
Fri 28 Sept: Tough Kids Competition in Ohingaiti & last day of term 3 (No Assembly)

### Term 4:

- Tue 16 Oct: Raukawa Year 5 Camp until Thur 18 Oct  
Mon 22 Oct: Labour Day – No school!  
Thurs 25 Oct: Year 5 to Year 8 Speech Comp finals 7pm in our hall – top two Hvlc year 7 or 8 speakers represent us at the Interschool Comp here on Sun 28 Oct  
Sun 28 Oct: Lions Taihape/Huntermville Interschool Speech Comp Y7 & 8 @ 4pm here.  
The two highest scoring speakers from this competition will represent our region at the Hawera Regional Lions Junior Speechmaker Competition on Sun 4 November.

**Football: No football this week or next week as Matt is away.** Sadly we were put behind with the weather at the beginning of term and this has left us in a less than ideal position with two sessions remaining. I will work out how we are going to manage this and get back to you.  
Rosie 0272 414 439

### Huntermville Sports Club

Final reminder for all travel forms to be completed and into the office by Wednesday, final day, no late forms accepted.

And available at Sports Prize giving:

Huntermville Saturday Morning Sports Club Fundraiser Raffle  
A signed Hurricanes Jersey – kindly donated by: Ratima Shearing Huntermville  
\$2.00 per ticket  
Drawn at The Huntermville Huntaway Festival Saturday 27th October 2018 Nicky Livingston

*Kind regards*  
*Colleen Dalley*  
*Principal*  
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### RANGITIKEI HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PRIZEGIVING 2018

**Wednesday 26 September**  
**Marton School Hall**  
**6.00pm start**

- Guest Speaker
- Meet the 2018 reps
- Quick Fire Quiz

All teams, coaches, managers, umpires, sponsors, supporters and families welcome to join end of season celebrations.

**(NOTE Friday night hockey players must attend) Lizy Bunn**