



HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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Huntermville Pride... "Together We Strive"
Quality Work * Quality Behaviour * Quality Environment

Dear Parent / Caregiver

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

What a cold, miserable weekend! We're quite fortunate here at school. Mr Matson gets the coal burner going at around 6.30am so that when students arrive from 8.30am the rooms are nice and warm.

The Community Newsletter was distributed around town over the weekend and to rural delivery agents today. Please let us know if you've missed your copy.

Our Reading Assistance Programme has been up and running for two weeks. Parents and community members come to school for the hour before morning tea to hear students read. The roster currently is:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Juniors	Kath Nimmo	Vicky Watson	Liz Houltham	Jill McManaway	Cathy Douglas
Seniors	Bet Taylor	Jo Charlton	Sandra Halliday	T.B.C.	

- We could do with a person for the seniors for Thursdays.
- Mrs Halliday is unavailable for most of term three and we're looking for someone to take her place.

If you are able to assist with the above we'd be pleased to hear from you. If this sounds like you, please contact myself or Mrs Harding at the office. Thanks!

Choir to Suzanne Prentice Next Tuesday

Students in the choir were today issued with a notice outlining organisation for next Tuesday's two trips to Palmerston North. (One for rehearsal, and then returning for the concert).

Tickets for the concert, paid for at school, were issued to students last Friday.

If you have not received yours, please contact Mrs Harding. There have also been a couple of cancellations and we have a few more tickets available.

Kapa Haka to Perform Saturday 20 June
School Hall, Saturday 20 June 7.30pm
As the opening item in the variety concert, "William & Friends".
(See advertisement later in this newsletter).

ARGYLE LUNCHES

Please note there will be NO LUNCHES AVAILABLE from the Argyle this Thursday.

Electives Due to Start This Friday 1.30pm

All Yr5-8 students will tomorrow receive confirmation of their elective activity for the next four Friday afternoons. (Students were issued selection sheets on Friday, to return today). Thanks to the generosity of 24 elective providers we are once again able to offer this valuable programme.

Pandemic Planning

We're taking the current 'wake up call' that has arisen from the threat of the swine flu pandemic, to ensure our contact details for parents are up to date.

If you've had a change of address/phone number/emergency contact details in recent years and have reason to believe we at school don't have your most up to date details, please complete the slip enclosed in this news letter. Thanks!

4 Yearly Parent Survey (Yellow Covered Booklet)

Every 4 years we issue a comprehensive survey to parents on aspects of the schools' operation and on the future direction parents wish the school to move on.

This follows previous surveys of this type in 2005, 2001 and 1997.

The survey is being issued to all families today with a stamped, self addressed envelope. The completed survey can be returned.....

- By post, or
- By returning to school, depositing it in the lunch order box.

PLEASE DO TAKE 10 MINUTES TO FEED BACK YOUR VIEWS TO US.

Saturday Morning Sports Club Meeting

Tonight 7pm in the staffroom

WILLIE AND FRIENDS VARIETY CONCERT

Sat 20th June – 7.30pm Hunterville School Hall

This former Hunterville School pupil returns to Hunterville to host a variety concert of talented young musicians and others, before embarking on a scholarship to Nova Scotia in Canada. Includes a variety of musical instruments, choral items and the magic of the highland bagpipe played with traditional instruments.

The evening opens with the Hunterville School Kapa Haka group and finishes with a traditional Haggis ceremony and a light supper.

See New Zealand's solo piping champion, NZ's highland dance champion, and the top under 18 piper in NZ perform live!

Members of NZ's highest ranked pipe corp will perform items of their latest CD "Twelve thousand Miles" and the talented young musicians from P.N.B.H.S will perform numerous instrumental and choral items.

Tickets available at:

- Hunterville Bookshop.
- Bruce Cameron 06 3228281
- Richard Rowe 06 3228608
- Jim Whittle (Taihape) 06 3881441
- Hunterville School 063228210

Adults -	\$20.00
Children	\$10.00
Family	\$50.00
(2 adults, 2 children)	

C Netball Team

Practice this week will be Wednesday after school and not the usual Thursday.

SORRY NO PHOTO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES

Last Week's Classroom Award Winners

- Room 1: Liam Hughes - A1 quality excellent writing skills.
Dylan Needham - top effort in reading & writing.
- Room 2: Caleb Goodwin - trying hard to improve his handwriting.
Great Reading too!
Guy Petersen - quality spelling, maths, reading & writing.
- Room 3: Chloe Watson - using her knowledge of letter sounds and blends to
decode unknown words when reading. A huge improvement. Well
done!
Tim Swainson - a 100% success rate with our 'rocket maths'! Being
able to instantly recall his doubles, halves and number bonds.
- Room 4: Dylan Harris - instantly recalling your 2 times tables. Keep
practicing.
Finn Carlyon - writing answers to Reading comprehension questions
clearly and accurately.
- Room 5: Jimmy James Duncan - great maths & great character.
Kimberley Simpson - great linking in handwriting.
- Room 6: Emmy May Barry - continued improvement with presentation and
writing skills.
Jade Deadman - improved writing skills.
- Room 7: Cassidy Cross - excellent effort and output in all areas, especially
homework.
Georgina Hobson - excellent effort, positive ideas to develop to hold
readers interest for written English.
- Room 8: Hamish Berrett - top all round attitude and effort in class activities.
Lucy Marshall - excellent improvement in written English. Always a
great read, especially biography.
- Kapa Haka: Tsarnee Taniwha - ka mau te wehi. (Awesome!). So keen. Always
offering to help and trying to extend himself.
Karma Peeti - ka mau te wehi. (Awesome!). Always on task, doing the
right thing, and with a wonderful attitude.

FOR SALE- Gorgeous Bunnies

English Mini Lops - \$25.00 each. Phone Ellen Carlyon 3277711.

SCHOOLWIDE AND CLASSROOM FOCUSES

School wide	Resilience - what is it and how do we develop it?
Room 1	We are learning to make addition stories either by one to one counting or by counting on. Publishing - we are learning to be illustrators. We know we are successful when our picture looks like a picture, has lots of colour, no scribbles & coloured in like paint.
Room 2	We are learning to group numbers into sets. (The start of learning to multiply) and skip count in 2's, 5's and 10's forwards and backwards. We are learning to publish our own stories.
Room 3	Numeracy - we are learning to solve multiplication and division problems by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skip counting forwards and backwards in 2's, 5's and 10's. • recalling groups of 2, 5 and 10. • using repeated addition and adding and subtracting from known addition and subtraction facts. • Using the language shared between and groups of. Physical education - we are learning to confidently catch, throw, pass, kick and dribble in a variety of winter ball skills.
Room 4	Sorry - Miss Jeynes away sick today
Room 5	I am learning how many tens there are in numbers less than a thousand. I am learning to add by splitting numbers into parts to make tens.
Room 6	Research, organise, and record factual information to classify mini beasts. E.g. description, habitat, diet, etc.
Room 7	Mathematics - Room seven students are currently learning to develop further strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication & division. Homework - room seven is continuing to learn more about our country. They have looked at rivers, mountains & now lakes and have to find information about them for their homework.
Room 8	We are learning to read for an audience - we need to read to the punctuation, read phrases quickly and fluently, and to speak clearly with appropriate expression. Science - we are learning to investigate invertebrates.

So, our new buildings have finally landed!

The Board has accepted a tender from Noels Building and Maintenance for the next stage, with subbies including Chris Price and Barry Lennox. Work is due to start after the long weekend. Scope of work allows for the top building to be given a thorough make over ready for Julie and kids after the holidays, and the lower building to be given just the necessities and to be left to upgrade as money allows later in the year...

Senior Lunch Area Building *Includes:*

- Total exterior repaint
- Total interior repaint
- Vertiface wall linings
- Decking and full length steps whole length of building
- Covered way over decking and extending past girls' toilet, linking in to existing roof line which joins R6 corridor to toilets
- New classroom furniture

Canteen Area. *At This Stage Only:*

- Permanent wall southern end and made weather proof
- New wall and underfloor insulation
- Services connected
- Baseboards added

(The long term plan is to upgrade this building to a similar standard as the other one. Also to build full length decking and full length steps around the southern *and* western walls, and to verandah that entire area. Also to link in covered way to canteen area.)

Regards



Stephen Lewis
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