



# 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)**

Our "What Now Slam" team continues to shine on nationwide tv! On Sunday they were one of four teams still alive in the competition, and now they are down to the top two – and so the show goes on! Now it's just HUNTERVILLE and KAIKOURA and that final, is, I'm assured, this SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST.

Our team of **Jack Bonnor, Suzanna Turner and Jaykob Peel** are certainly becoming television stars as this Sunday will be their 4<sup>th</sup> time featuring on "What Now" in recent weeks.



## SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

School Hall  
Next Wednesday  
12 August, 1.15pm



Congratulations to the following students selected to represent their class level:

### **Year 1/2**

Rebecca Hurley  
Letischa-Raye Johnson Tipu  
Rebecca Perry  
Hannah Mitchell  
Guy Petersen  
Djay Peeti

### **Year 3/4**

Caleb Taniwha  
Finn Carlyon  
Tsarnee Taniwha  
Israel Jones  
Karma Peeti  
Grace Godfrey

### **Year 5/6**

Quinn-Connor Barry  
Penny Lilburn  
Stephanie Turner  
Rosa Marshall  
Patrick Takurua  
Serenity Barry

### **Year 7/8**

Jack Bonnor  
Shannon Harrison  
Kiriana Houltham  
Holly Ormond  
Annalise Phillipson  
Jack Webb

## **FLU UPDATE**

Nothing to report, really. Absentee rates reflect normal winter patterns – if anything better than normal! (Touch wood!!) I guess the message is to continue to be vigilant and to stay home if symptoms develop. Thanks parents for your help regarding this to date.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY 12  
AUGUST SCHOOL STAFFROOM**

## Clarifying Homework Expectations

Over the years we have tried to develop a homework policy that reflects the wishes of parents. The recent survey once again very strongly reinforced the status quo in relation to homework.

We thought it timely though to clarify things for you.

Firstly, we report below the official statement from the School Information Booklet issued to all families at the start of each year:

*Regular homework is expected throughout the school. E.g. reading for all levels each night. Each teacher will notify parents of their specific homework requirements early in term one.*

*Whilst all students are expected to fulfil homework requirements, family circumstances or other commitments make this impossible on occasions. In such cases a written note from a parent will ensure a student does not suffer a consequence from not doing their homework!*

ALSO, we'd like to reinforce that we expect students to spend no longer than 15-20 minutes (juniors) or 20-30 minutes (seniors) per night. It's not meant to be a punishment, or a negative experience; certainly we don't want to set parents up for a daily struggle with their children over homework.

For further clarification on homework, please feel invited to contact your child's teacher or myself.

### FIRST AID COURSE

13 AUGUST 9am - 3pm  
Hunterville School

Provided by MediTrain. Basic  
first Aid & recertification.

\$95.00

Workplace unit standards  
6400,6401,6402 \$150.00  
Ph Sandra 027 6881109  
to register.

**Ice cream containers** – if you have a few of these at home that you don't need them please could Room 1 have them?  
Thank you.

**LOST** – 2 polar fleeces, named Watson. Please could you check at home as we have had at look at school and cannot find them?  
Also Hannah Mitchell has lost her named scarf and beanie. Please return to Hannah in Room 2 if found. Thank you.

## SCHOOL PROPERTY AMNESTY

Please could parents and students check at home for school items. Lots of items unaccounted for at the moment are our maroon/black school jackets, sports singlets, school library books and journals.

We would appreciate these being returned to school as soon as possible. Thanks.

## Year 7 Boostrix Vaccinations

These will be given to those students with parental consent on Wednesday 23 September here at school by the local Public Health Nurse. Information & consent forms will come home with all Year 7s in the next few days and these should be completed and returned as soon as possible. These should be completed for both consent and non consent. Thanks.

Shop space available for long term rent. 5 Bruce Street Hunterville. Contact [teresa@propertybrokers.co.nz](mailto:teresa@propertybrokers.co.nz) phone 027 289 2329 or 06 32 28443 or contract Graham or Karen on 021 871 520. \$120 per week. Terms and conditions negotiable.

## Results of the Holiday Colouring Competition Sponsored by Hunterville Bookshop

Junior School – 1<sup>st</sup> equal                      Rebecca Hurley & Sharda Mckenzie  
Middle School – 1<sup>st</sup> equal                      Kelly Smith & Abby Davenport  
Senior School – no entries

Vouchers can be uplifted from the bookshop.

### Country Sevens Rugby

Thank you for the wonderful support for transport for the country sevens tomorrow in Taihape. The teams will leave school at 9am and be back by 3pm

Can parents please meet at school to arrange who will be in which car?

Children will need to bring Saturday Morning rugby playing strip and food & drink for the day. Mr McManaway & Kiwi Can Vincent will be taking the senior team and Mr Perry & Mr McAlley the junior team.

If you have any queries about tomorrow's event please don't hesitate to ring me on 3228030 tonight.

- Shane Smith.

#### **Room 1/2 Dairy Farm Trip**

Room 1 & 2 are off to visit Annabel Woods dairy farm next Tuesday.

Details are included in a separate notice issued to Room 1/2 students today.

#### **Gym Lessons All Classes**

Rooms 4-8 have completed their three sessions with the YMCA on gymnastics. For the next three Mondays Rooms 1, 2 & 3 will have their 45 minute lessons.

**Next Home & School Meeting** – Wednesday 25 August 7.30pm Staffroom.

**Courts Committee AGM** – Wednesday 25 August 7.30pm Library.

### Good Luck to our Rugby Teams Tomorrow

Our Year 7/8 and our Year 5/6 seven aside rugby teams head to Taihape tomorrow for the country 7's tournament run by the Wanganui Rugby Union.

### Saturday Morning Sports Club Travel Subsidy

Included in this week's newsletter is the travel subsidy application from the Hunterville Saturday Morning Sports Club. When sports are finished for the season these should be returned to the school office as soon as possible.

Please note that as our funding application for this is considerably lower than the past couple of years (like about ¼ of our normal grant) remuneration this year will be **considerably less**.

- J Harding, Treasurer Saturday Morning Sports Committee

## Schoolwide and Classroom Focuses

School wide	Treat others the way you would like to be treated. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The power of the tongue.</li> <li>- Walk a mile in someone else's shoes.</li> </ul>
Room 1	Reading - we are learning to point to the beginning of a word. At difficulty we are learning to say the sound of the first letter or blend (sh, bl, tr, etc) and check with the picture to try to "unlock the puzzle". We are learning a large fund of basic vocab that we are able to recognise instantly. We are now learning to write a lot of these words fast. I.e. I, am, here, going, to, it, etc.
Room 2	We are learning to form all letters correctly; start by the margin all of the time; rule off straight and hold our pens and pencils correctly all of the time. Just a few basics to get right!
Room 3	<b>We are learning to understand changes.</b> We will know we've achieved this when we can conduct experiments to show we understand the physical and chemical changes in milk. <b>Maths</b> - we are learning to estimate and measure different lengths using standard and non-standard units.
Room 4	Written Language - we are learning to write <b>longer</b> , more <b>interesting</b> sentences. Success criteria * use adverbs with verbs. E.g. I <u>quickly</u> raced. * use commas and conjunctions.
Room 5	I am learning to add by splitting numbers into parts to make ten. I am learning to jump through a tidy number to solve problems like $17 + \_ = 91$ .
Room 6	Maths - use a variety of strategies to solve multiplication & division problems. English - Procedural Writing. Explore and identify the language features of procedures in order to write up <b>science experiments</b> .
Room 7	Written English - Room seven are learning to write procedures for written English. Science - Room Seven are learning to complete and understand science experiments.
Room 8	Science - we are learning to experiment with chemical reactions resulting in changes in heat, colour and gases produced. English - we are learning to write much more accurately across all surface features, spelling punctuation and grammar and improving sentence & paragraph structure.

## This Week's Classroom Award Winners

- Room 1: Regan Harris - A1 top quality reading.  
Lily Sherriff - A1 top quality handwriting, story writing & a great attitude.
- Room 2: Rebecca Perry - awesome spelling!  
Dylan Needham - displaying tremendous effort and great improvement in reading.
- Room 3: Kaleb Hale - having an awesome attitude to school with a positive and huge improvement in his behaviour. Keep it up Kaleb, you're a star to have in the class.  
Caleb Taniwha - always being willing to help others with editing their draft writing. Your amazing editing skills are a credit to you Caleb. Thank you so much!
- Room 4: Holly Marshall & Lydia Price - writing longer, more interesting sentences. Great use of adverbs.
- Room 5: Lawson Jones - really putting effort in with maths. Finished early and helped others. AWESOME.  
Kavana Goldsbury - A1 quality everything! Maths, reading, spelling, attitude. WELL DONE!
- Room 6: Paige Somerville - A1 top quality work effort and attitude in class.  
Alix Munn - an excellent "recreational reader". A top effort.
- Room 7: Isaac Taylor - excellent effort and knowledge during science experiments. You always impress me with how you have challenging questions that you want to find out!!  
Annalise Phillipson - excellent effort, determination and "give it a go" attitude towards gymnastics. It's great to see you willing to overcome some of your fears in gymnastics.
- Room 8: Zoe Smith & Hamish Berrett - excellent learning and progress in algebra knowledge and strategies work.



# The Weekend's Sports Results

Team	Versus	Result	Score	Player of the day
Netball A	Marton Junc A	Lost	13-12	Georgia McKay
B	Sth Mak B	Lost	15-11	
C	Marton Red	Lost	24-11	Jenny Collie
D	Bulls	Lost	24-5	
Kiwi	Cancelled due to weather conditions			
Rugby U 13	Game called off due to weather. Result draw.			
U10	Kaierau Maroon	Lost	8-4	Tane Guiniven
U8 Mr G	Kaierau Gold	Won	15-2	Israel Jones & Harry Godfrey
U 8 Mr K	Pirates White	Won	8-6	Dareese Deans & Guy Petersen
Hockey 11 aside	Marton	Won	3-2	Thomas Walshe & Georgina Hobson
8 aside 1 & 2	Versus each other	Hville 2 Won	3-0	Georgie Dalgety & Rosa Marshall
6 aside	Bye			
Soccer 12 grade	Bye			
10 grade	Opiki	Won	6-0	Shannon Harrison & Emmy May Barry
8 Grade	?			

Regards



Stephen Lewis  
PRINCIPAL

Is anyone interested in starting a Hunterville Football Club?  
Please contact Grant Collie.  
Ph 3228680.

# HUNTERVILLE SATURDAY MORNING SPORTS CLUB

August 2009

## ***MONEY AVAILABLE TO SUBSIDISE TRAVEL TO SPORTS!***

Dear Parents

The Hunterville Saturday Morning Sports Club has been successful yet again in gaining a grant from the New Zealand Lotteries Grants Board administered by the Rangitikei District Council. Please note however this year's grant is considerably less than the past couple of years. (1/4 of the normal amount only received).

The grant is specifically for the purpose of subsidising travel for Hunterville Saturday Morning Sports Club members to attend and play hockey, netball and rugby each weekend. The grant we have received recognises rural families have extra costs involved in their children participating in sport and is aimed at supporting and promoting such participation.

The funds cannot be used by our club for any other purpose, so you are urged to make a claim on the attached form and return it to the treasurer Mrs Jacquie Harding at the Hunterville School office as soon as possible after the last game of the season.

Funds are *usually* distributed on a per kilometre basis, and are for *club* games only; not practices or rep fixtures. As late notification was received of this grant the subsidy forms can be back dated to the start of the sports season.

As this year's grant is considerably less than the last couple of years, remuneration will too, be considerably less, or not even guaranteed.

**Regards**

**Jacquie Harding**  
**(Treasurer, HSMSC)**

