



# HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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## Hunterville 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)

### SCHOOL PICNIC Hunterville Domain - Friday 11 December

- 11.30 : Whanau activities run by Y7's
- 12.00 : Jnrs eat/snrs swim
- 12.45 : Snrs eat/jnrs swim
- 1.30 : Games – separate snr/jnr
- 2.15 : Arrival of Father Xmas



Free BBQ for all provided by Home & School Association. PRESCHOOLERS, FRIENDS, FAMILY WELCOME!

*If the weather is against us we'll send out an alert via the app and a text to those who have given me their number for the oparent group text. If wet the BBQ will still go ahead at school 12.40-1.30 for everyone & Father Christmas will arrive at school 2.15.*

### SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING: Tuesday 15th December Town Hall 7.00 - 8.45pm

**Students Please Assemble 6.45pm:** Students are asked to report to their teachers under the shop covers near the Town Hall at 6.45pm.

**Dress:** Y8 will wear their 'number ones' from the Y8 Dinner. All other students to be in their tidiest school uniform, please.....

- **Strictly no rugby shorts.**
- Either the knee length shorts, or for girls a skirt is optional. (And it does gets too hot for track pants)
- Polo shirts. No polar fleeces/long pants as it get really hot & stuffy inside the hall.

**Reports:** Issued to all students immediately after the prizegiving. (Students leave the hall with their teachers first and then the rest of the hall empties).

**After Prizegiving Function – And a Chance to Catch up with Mrs Fitz-Herbert and Mr Jeffrey:** Also at the Town Hall again this year. Absolutely no formalities. It is a chance for leaving students (accompanied by parents) to reflect on the glories of the night and for parents and staff to mix and mingle. It is also a chance for people to catch up with our leaving teachers Mrs Fitz-Herbert and Mr Jeffrey

ALL parents and friends of the school are welcome. Supper/refreshments supplied.

## One Weekly Assembly to Go

We will hold our last weekly school assembly this week. Parents as always, are more than welcome to join us – 2.15-3pm. These are the assemblies where we recognise student achievements as well as welcoming new students and farewelling any leaving students. We will also award any 100% attendance certificates for the year.

## **Mini Assembly on the Last Day of School – A Shortened Affair**

This will be a ten minute assembly (11.50-12.00) on the last day of school, 16 December, essentially to reflect on the previous nights' prizegiving, conjure up support for the Christmaas parade float and to wish everyone a good holiday. (All formal farewells will have been covered at the previous Thursday's assembly or at prizegiving).

## Make Up Of Classes Next Year – A repeat of Last Week's Notice / Invitation...

As was the case this year, we will again start next year with six classes.

Exact numbers will definitely change from those below as unexpected arrivals and departures come to light. (For instance we have three new students from two families notified to us yesterday ☺.)

For this reason we do not tell students which classroom they will be in until day one next year.

We have 18 five year olds listed to start next year, with two of them starting on day one.....

Room 1	Mrs Hatfull	<u>Yr 1</u>	10	+10 going to 22 Dec
Room 2	Miss Viles	Y2	14	
		<u>Y3</u>	4	+18 going to 22 Dec
Room 3	Mrs Spencer	Y3	14	
		<u>Y4</u>	10	24
Room 6	Miss Gray	Y4	12	
		<u>Y5</u>	15	27
Room 7	Mr Smith	Y5	5	
		Y6	18	
		<u>Y7</u>	5	28
Room 8	Mrs Dalley	Y7	15	
		<u>Y8</u>	13	28

We finish this year with 151 students which is exactly where we predict to finish again next year.

## Parent Preferences for Classes?

In most cases above there are splits in class levels, just as there always are. Mrs Hatfull, Mrs Dalley and I meet in mid January to put names to numbers, and in many cases we will not have a strong preference as to which of two classrooms a student is best placed. (In some instances though, we will have a strong preference).

If you as a parent do have a strong preference, you are invited to register that preference with me by the end of this term. Our thinking is that wherever we reasonably can, we do our best to accommodate your request.

## Winning Whanau Lunches

Parakaraka – last term's winning whanau group will be shouted a Fish & Chip lunch this Thursday & Tawa this term's winning whanau group will have theirs tomorrow.

## CRICKET CORNER

1. Tuesday Kiwi Cricket this evening 6.00 - 7.15pm. The last session of the year.
2. Friday Night Kiwi Cricket in Wanganui (Y5/6 Non competitive Grade)
  - Last Friday vs Wanganui East won 98-60. Player of the day was Boston Linklater for his bowling.
  - This week's team: Emma Hurley, Alex Glasgow, Alec Murray, Ben Duncan, Josh Richmond-Deacon and Jack Flower. (Balloted out this week: Sam Livingston, Riley Somerville & Boston Linklater).
  - This is the last game this year.
3. Hardball Last Week
  - Yr 5/6 Vs St Georges lost 103 to 105. St Georges won with one ball to spare. Harry McVerry the best of the bowlers, Matthew Florence the star batsman (32 not out) and Hayden Lourie a brilliant catch. An exciting game!
  - Yr 7/8 vs WIS Blue won 135 to 103. Zane Munn (31 not out) Freddie Lane (14 not out) and George Simpson (17 not out). Best team bowling performance of the season - George Lambert excellent into the strong wind, Sam Simpson 2 early wickets and George Simpson accurate & economical were the best of a good bunch.
4. Hardball This Week - Draw not yet to hand, but....
  - Yr 5/6 will be at Hunterville, with team trophies awarded at the end of the game
  - Y 7/8 will be in Wanganui, with team trophies awarded at the end of the game

### Farewells for Mrs Fitz-Herbert & Mr Jeffrey

At prizegiving on Tuesday the Board of Trustees will be making presentations to Gaylene and George to recognise their service to the school.

You are all invited to join us afterwards back in the hall for complimentary eats and drinks and to catch up with our two leaving teachers.

### **ROBOTICS NATIONALS**

We wish our two three person teams all the best for the national tournament at Massey University on Saturday.

A separate notice went home to team members yesterday.

**Update: Departing Hunterville 7.45am and return by 6.30pm**

### **SWAN PLAT SEEDLINGS**

These are the plants that attract the MONARCH BUTTERFLY. Richard Swainson has a large number to give away FREE to good homes. Call him 3228033. evenngs.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone that helped in any way last Monday. Everyone that supplied slices a big thank you - it was amazing what came in.

To the sandwich makers for being at school at 8am to make the sandwiches, and finally the servers who made the day pleasant for the family – thanks very much.

This was a great little fundraiser with Home and School making \$1000 to go towards the children of Hunterville School.

Thank you again to everyone that helped.

- Rachel Williams (Home and School Chairperson.)

# SCHOOL FLOAT HUNTERVILLE CHRISTMAS PARADE 24 DECEMBER

**\*Thanks to Home & School Association for Organising this ...**

**THEME:**

**RUGBY CHAMPIONS**

- Our Y 5/6 Ripa to Nationals
- Our Y 7/8 Country 7's Chamnpions
- Our All Blacks win World Cup!

**FLOAT WORKING BEE:** Tuesday 22 December 6-8pm  
BBQ/drinks at 8pm

**ON THE DAY (24<sup>TH</sup>):**

- Meet school hall at 12.30pm
- KIDS: wear black, black, black (with some students to wear Hunterville rugby jersey)
- All participants go into the draw for \$50voucher again!

## TERM FOUR DATES:

Dec 8: Y 8 dinner, Station Hotel 6.15pm  
11: School picnic, Hunterville Domain from 11.30am  
15: School prizegiving, Town Hall 7pm  
16: School closes 12 midday  
22: Float working bee 6pm  
24: School float in Hunterville Christmas Parade.

Feb 1: Teacher preparation day  
2: Day one of 2016 school year  
8: School closed. Waitangi Day observance  
17: School family BBQ  
25: Junior & Senior swimming sports

Mar 5: (Saturday) School fundraiser Hunterville Domain TBC  
11: Taihape interschool swimming sports TBC  
17: Marton interschool swimming sports  
18: Harvest Festival TBC  
25-29: (Friday to Tuesday) Easter break  
31: (Thursday) Senior athletic sports

April 1: Junior athletic sports  
8: Interschool athletics sports at Hunterville  
15: Final day of term one.

May 2: Day one of term two.

School Accounts have gone out this week. Please could these be tidied up by the end of school? Thank you.

### School Property Amnesty

No questions asked! Please can any school sports jackets & singlets, library books & journals all be returned to school before we finish for the year?

### LOST PROPERTY

We have a HUGE amount of lost property located behind the office. Please come and have a look though it if you have missing items.

Over the holidays left over & unnamed lost property will be binned or relocated to our second hand items.

Regards



**Stephen Lewis**  
PRINCIPAL

### New Teachers Visited Us Last Week

Miss Viles (Rm 2 next year) and Miss Gray (Rm 6 next year) spent the day with us last Wednesday and were introduced to all students.

It will be our pleasure having Alecia and Cheryl as integral memberes of staff next year.

### For Sale

Feilding High School uniforms, Palmerston North Boys High uniforms. Cricket/rugby gear. Heaps boys clothes/shoes etc.

Ph Jacquie Harding 3228325 or see me at school.