



# HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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**Huntermville 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)**

That short week last week did the trick in getting us all back into the routines of school and everyone's returned this week hitting the ground running. Thank you parents for organising your children with their stationery needs so promptly – that's certainly a big help.

## **SCHOOL FAMILY BBQ/PICNIC**

**Tuesday 15 February 5.30pm School Grounds  
(Postponement 17 February)**

After the success of last year's event, we're replicating it again this year. The purpose of this event is many fold:

- An early-in-the-year opportunity for parents and teachers to have an informal chat about how children have settled;
- To welcome and meet new families
- A chance to officially 'open' the new staffroom/admin areas and adventure playground matting.
- **Visit your child's classroom and have a look around the new admin area**
- **MATHLETICS (interactive, computerised, maths learning programme we're using extensively) will be set up outside at the BBQ for parents to check out**
- Free BBQ sausages for all supplied by the Home & School Association.
- Bring your own food & drink to supplement the H&S sausages if you wish.

**WIN! WIN! WIN!!** All students with parents at the BBQ go into a draw for a \$50 voucher from the Huntermville Bookshop. Drawn approx 6.15pm.

Bring the whole family down to school. The kids can do their own thing on the courts, field and playground, and parents and staff can mix and mingle!

- We'll be asking all adults to wear a name tag.
- We'd like to see lots of the 'established families' too – the more the merrier!

## **Adventure Playground Matting Completed**

The project to replace the pea metal ground cover with rubber matting was completed early last week. The major contributor financially was the Duddings Trust who gave us an amazing \$40,000 following an application from fundraising committee members Maree Gurney & Kim Petersen. A lot of other parents (and community members) also pitched in significantly along the way with the donation of time, labour & machinery, and BOT property officer CHRIS PRICE once again led from the front from start to finish in seeing the project through.

THANK YOU TO ALL PEOPLE CONCERNED.

### **Bought School Lunches to Resume**

The Bank Café & Takeaways have come to the party and will be providing bought lunches, delivered to school on a daily basis.

Monday, Wednesday & Friday – healthy menu only.

Thursday only – Junk food day!

Ordering lunches is exactly as before – orders with money & clearly named to be deposited in “lunch order box” at student reception window at the office by 9am. The menu is attached for your reference.

## **CRICKET RESUMES THIS WEEK**

A Hardball (Y7/8 Grade) : Practice for you tomorrow (Wednesday) after school 3.30-4.30pm and a game on Saturday.

For queries please contact Shane Smith.

B Hardball (Y 5/6 Grade) : Interested Year 4/5 & 6 players have a practice after school on Thursday 3.30-4.30pm and a game on Saturday.

For queries please contact Stephen Lewis.

Milo/Kiwi Cricket (5 ½ to approx 8 years) : Resumes this THURSDAY lunchtime, and then each WEDNESDAY lunchtime until mid March.

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME ALL GRADES.

**PILATES** - restarting on Tuesday 8 Feb at 5.15pm. All welcome, \$6 per class, Centennial Hall Hunterville. Enquiries to Melanie Walshe 322 8535.

**CHILDREN'S GOLF** - restarting this Friday 11 Feb at 4pm at Rangatira Golf Club. Limited places and priority will be given to those who attended last year. Equipment supplied & class finishes at 5.15pm. Must register by contacting Melanie Walshe on 322 8535. (All those wishing to start this Friday please contact Melanie asap).

**FOR SALE** – brand new size 16 skirt purchased last year and never worn. \$25.00. See Mrs Harding for details.

## **OUTDOOR CLASSROOM PROJECT**

Very late last year we received notification of a successful application to Nestle (Tux) for

\$20 000 for an 'outdoor classroom' project. (The funds were available for an environmental project.)

Our application was based around constructing a large circular concrete pad (large enough to seat the entire school) with four large, standing height planter boxes around half the perimeter.

Our selected site is the area behind our new Room 8 (senior room), where our plant growing unit will be moved to. The intention is to add extensive planting and to merge this area with the existing 'tree area' at the rear of R6/library.

Parents CHRIS PRICE and GREG CARLYON are coordinating this project in consultation with staff.

We must acknowledge too, the impact of Tux employee (and school parent) PETER DUXFIELD for his input earlier last year, in seeing that we were offered the opportunity to apply for the funding in the first place. Thanks Peter!

### **URGENT HELP NEEDED!**

Huntermville Cricket needs your ONLINE VOTES!

We have put an application into the National Bank for grants for our junior cricket and for Huntermville men's cricket.

**Please go online and vote for us!**

Step 1: Google "National Bank Cricket Grants".

Step 2: Scan through the 'pages' of application to find

- a) Huntermville Junior Cricket Club **and**
- b) Hackers Cricket Club.

Step 3: Click on 'vote' button on each of the above two pages.

Step 4: Email all your friends and relations and ask them to do the same!

THANKYOU!



### **CAGE & RABBITS FOR SALE**

Two adult female rabbits (a Dutch cross and a Flemish Giant cross) are for sale together with their huge cage (est 1 m x 1.3m x 2.5 m long). The rabbits are \$20 and they should go together. The cage is \$70 and we can deliver. Contact Zody Takurua to find out more on 06 3228429 (evenings).

### **School Sores/Impetigo**

There has been a case of these at school recently and they are VERY CONTAGIOUS.

If your child comes out in sores/blisters we ask that you have them checked out by the doctor as we understand antibiotics are needed to clear them. Children affected should be kept home until sores & blisters have dried and are no longer 'oozing'.

### **SWIMMING POOL USE DURING SWIMMING CLUB LESSONS**

We have been asked by the swimming club & lifeguards to convey a few points:

- The pool closes at 4.30pm.

- If you are swimming out of your lesson time you are expected to pay.
- During lesson times siblings not in lessons must not be in the pool - unless they have paid.
- After the pool has closed and there are still lessons, sometimes there are no lifeguards on duty so those not involved in lessons must not be in the pool.

## Important Dates This Term:

### February

Tues 15: School BBQ 5.30pm  
 Mon 21: School triathlon at Hunterville.  
 Wed 23: Junior (Y0-3) swimming sports 1.00pm  
 Wed 23: Senior (Y4-8) swimming sports 4.30pm

### March

Thur 10: Cluster swimming sports, Marton  
 Fri 11: Taihape swimming sports, Taihape  
 Fri 18: Autumn Harvest Festival (Pumpkin/sunflower judging)  
 Thur 24: Junior athletics (Y0-3)  
 Thur 24: BOT meeting 7.30pm  
 Fri 25: Senior athletics (Y4-8)  
 Thur 31: Interschool athletics, Hunterville

We at school look forward to catching up with all parents at next Tuesdays BBQ.  
 See you there!

Regards



Stephen Lewis  
 PRINCIPAL

<p><b>SWIMMING CLUB</b>          Club night starts          Wednesday          9th February 5-6pm</p>
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FRESH FISH AVAILABLE AT THE BANK CAFÉ  
 Hangi & raw fish on Thursdays