



# 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)**

This is the 'Tuesday Pinkie' on a Monday, as tomorrow is the last day of term – for all students, and we thought we should give you one final reminder of that.

A group of eighteen staff plus Board of Trustees chair Fi Dalgety leave tomorrow at 4pm for Napier. On Wednesday we visit two schools, plus another on Thursday before returning to Huntermville around tea time.

The object of this exercise is to look at best practice in high achieving schools and to look to apply good/new ideas here where appropriate. At the very least it will stimulate discussion and get us thinking about the areas we can do better in. We might think at times that our school 'stacks up well' in our neck of the woods, but just how does that compare with what high achieving schools are doing in distant parts of the country? What can we do better; how can we improve?

The Napier trip is a follow up to a similar very successful trip to Blenheim schools five years ago.

## **Community Newsletter out Tomorrow**

- Full details of interschool athletics held on Friday, where our students performed outstandingly.
- Gala/athletics/disco photos ..... and more

**We Will Have A School Assembly Tomorrow  
2.30 start, School Hall All Welcome**

No class certificates but .....

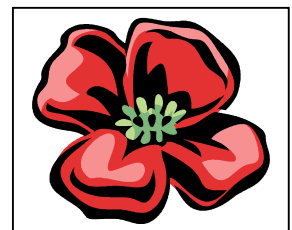
- ❖ Acknowledge interschool athletic achievers
- ❖ Slide show of athletics, gala & disco.
- ❖ Room 3 skit
- ❖ "Treasure Chest" draws for positive behaviour.

## **ANZAC DAY DAWN PARADE SERVICE**

As usual the school will be part of the parade that marches to the cenotaph for the dawn parade service.

All students are invited to join in the parade. Please be wearing school uniform and be ready to fall in by 5.45am, Sunday 25 April, outside Huntermville Bookshop.

During the service our head boy and head girl Pippa Dalgety and James Wilson will lay a wreath on behalf of the school.



# School Trip To New Zealand Symphony Orchestra Performance

Friday 8 May

Depart Hunterville by bus : 11.45am  
Venue : Regent on Broadway  
Return to Hunterville : 3.30pm



COST Students \$10.00, Adults \$15.00

First in first served until all tickets gone.

This is a special schools' concert. The concert acts as a lively and informative introduction to the symphony orchestra and is of one hour duration. The aim is to "inspire, educate and encourage New Zealanders of all ages in the enjoyment of and participation in music".

BOOKINGS (WITH PAYMENT) CAN BE MADE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

## HAIR CODE REGULATIONS AND DRESS CODE

The Board of Trustees at its most recent meeting, took on board the feedback from parents and has relented on their intention to not allow boys to have long hair. 'Rats tails' though, are out, as from the start of next term.

Below is the full, official hair/dress code:

- All Boys' and Girls' long hair is required to be tied back. (This comes into effect the start of Term 2, 2009).
- 'Rats tails' are not permitted (comes into effect start of Term 2, 2009).
- No unnatural hair colouring; colour to be close to child's natural colour.
- No extravagant hair styles, (e.g. spiked hair) or excessive hair product.
- No visible tattoos or body piercing.
- Summer headwear is sunhats only which are to be worn outdoors during summer. Woollen hats may be worn outdoors and during the two winter terms only. (Note all hats must be official school uniform items).
- Hair accessories (e.g. hair ties) should be of school uniform shades – burgundy or black.
- All students are expected to wear correct and tidy school uniform.

***The levels of acceptability for enforcing dress and uniform code are at the determination of the principal, deputy principal and assistant principal.***

**Saturday Morning Rugby** – a newsletter from Shane Smith (Rugby Co-coordinator) was issued to all players today as well as a form to sign and return to school hopefully tomorrow or early next term.

**Gala** – guess the number of lollies in the jar.  
Winners Georgia Hodgson & Dakota Tipu 127.


## **Student Achievement Spelling**

Attached (at the end of the newsletter) is a summary of our whole school achievement data in spelling from the end of last year.

We are required by the government to isolate achievement of boys as a group and Maori, hence the reason for the separate columns.

This report follows other student achievement reports in Reading, Written Language and Maths last month.

## Parent / Community "Reading Helpers" Request ...

- ❖ Beginning next term.
- ❖ Daily 9.40 - 10.40am. 
- ❖ Needed: parents or community member volunteers to go on a roster for ONE DAY PER WEEK.
- ❖ What Would It Entail? Simply hearing a student read. Probably four different students in that hour.
- ❖ **Full training Given!** Our students enjoy the chance to read one on one to an adult. We'd love to hear from you - or your neighbour, or friend, etc.

### Tea at the Ritz!

Are you tired of a mug of tea and a stale muffin for afternoon tea? On Sunday 19 April at 2.30pm in the Centennial Hall, Hunterville, you can have a grand tea party, take part in a cake auction (bake one yourself?), meet the Queen (hats and gloves), prizes to be won, hear our own Mrs Mills playing all the old favourites, be entertained by the Rangitikei Scots Pipe Band - all for \$10 - what more could you want?

All funds to the Australian Bush Fire Relief Fund and the Rangitikei Scots Band tour to China.

For tickets please phone Pauline Wilce 3228 215  
or Joan Price 3228 424

Come on Hunterville and help make this fundraiser a success!

## WHAT NOW HERE 4 MAY

This is one week and one day into next term!

What now have been in touch and it's definitely all go. Three of our students will win through into the finals, and be flown to Christchurch at mid year!!

- Helpers needed on the day!
- Spectators/supporters needed on the day.
- Come along to school and enjoy the fun ..... Monday 4 May.

**SCHOOL FINISHES FOR THE TERM .....**  
**TOMORROW TUESDAY 7 APRIL 3.00PM**  
**(AND RESUMES Monday 27 April 9.00am)**

Thank you parents once again, for all your support, for sending us such great kids and for all your help during term one. Have a great break with your children.

Regards



Stephen Lewis  
PRINCIPAL

### Offers to be a Reading Helper

Yes! I'd be prepared to go on a roster ONE DAY PER WEEK,  
9.40-10.40 as a reading helper.

Please indicate which day(s) would suit. Thanks!

Name .....

Day .....