



Huia Range School

Term 3 Week 6 Thursday 1st September, 2022

Website: www.huiarange.school.nz

He mihi mahana kia koutou – A warm greeting to you all

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Attendance

The Ministry of Education have started a new campaign to improve attendance across New Zealand. You may well see ads and comments on tv, the radio and newspapers.

This campaign is not aimed at tamariki who have genuine illness, but is aimed at the tamariki who have regular time off, without an acceptable reason.

It is difficult for tamariki to learn when they don't regularly and consistently attend school.

The main message is:

Going to school every day is really important for our tamariki to achieve their aspirations. As parents and caregivers, we play the most important role in helping our ākonga to regularly attend school. It's up to us to make sure our children attend and engage in learning from when they first start school until they are 16.

Illness

There are still a lot of tamariki and staff that are struggling with coughs, colds, vomiting and diarrhoea. Not at all pleasant!

Parents are finding this difficult to manage and to decide if their tamariki are well enough for school or should stay at home.

No we aren't doctors or nurses either so it can be very challenging.

Thank you to the families who rapidly organise a pick up from school when it becomes necessary.

We have also hit the second round of Covid for 3 families. At this stage there is obvious Covid around, but not in the large numbers it was earlier in the year.

Daffodil Day

Well done to everyone who participated in Daffodil Day last week.

Just over \$300.00 has been donated to the Cancer Society.

School Swimming

Because the school swimming sports were cancelled in term 1 due to Covid, we have decided to hold the event on Tuesday 20th September.

Teachers of our year 4 to 8 tamariki are entering them into competitive and non competitive events that will be held across the day.

The event will be held at WaiSplash and children are expected to arrive between 8.40am and 8.55am so they can be changed, ready for the morning roll and ready to swim.

More information in a fortnight's time.

Hair Colour

The school uniform policy states that hair colour is to be a 'natural' colour.

This week we have a number of tamariki with orange, white and/or yellow streaks or patches.

Please keep these hair colourings as a treat for the holidays with hair of natural colour for school terms.

Thank you to the parents who are complying with this policy.

Jump Jam

Well done to our 3 jump jam teams. They weren't placed in the competition, but whanau and staff have reported that they competed with pride and sportsmanship.

Thank you to the staff and parents who coached these teams and the tremendous whanau support.

Up Coming Events

September

5 - Monday
Swimming Room 3
Magician Trip rooms 5, 6, 7, 8 and 15

6 - Tuesday
Swimming Room 3

8 - Wednesday
Surprise Circus performance

12 - Monday
Swimming Room 3
Footsteps Week

13 - Tuesday
Swimming Room 3

14 - Wednesday
Parent Afternoon Event for Rooms 4, 9, 10, 11, and 12

16 - Friday
New Entrant Cohort visit

20 - Tuesday
Board meeting 6.30pm Staff Room
School Swimming Year 4 - 8

21 - Wednesday
Parent Afternoon Event for Rooms 5, 6, 7, 8 and 15

23 - Friday
New Entrant Cohort visit

28 - Wednesday
Library Quiz

29 - Thursday
STRIVE Day
Final Day of Term 3

30 Friday
Teachers Only Day - all of Dannevirke

Ka kite ano. Kia nui te ra

Robyn Forsyth
Principal



Congratulations to the following students who have received classroom certificates for Week 6:

- Rooms 1 & 2: **Ella** - for working independently, only seeking support when necessary and having a positive attitude.
Willow - for working independently in all curriculum areas with a positive attitude.
Jayden - for displaying leadership within his dismantling team.
Zain - for contributing to group and class discussions & engaging fully in his dismantling project.
- Room 5: **Genevieve** - For making progress towards independent writing by attempting to sound out unknown words. Tino pai to mahi!
- Room 7: **Caleb** - making great progress in maths - both in number knowledge and strategies.
- Room 10: **Jade** - for her growing confidence with bonds up to 1000. Ka mau te wehi!
Korbyn - for his fantastic understanding with bonds up to 1000. You are a fantastic math-magician.
- Room 11: **Manaaki** - For showing hard work in writing and an amazing talent with poetry.
Cairo - For showing great commitment, enthusiasm and perseverance in his Jump Jam team.
- Room 12: **Jacob** - For his focus and determination with learning languages.
Nathan - For his focus and determination with learning languages.
- Room 15: **Raukura** - for your effort and enthusiasm in the Jump Jam performance.
Laylani - for becoming more confident with maths problems and solving addition sums accurately on a number line.



Congratulations to these students who have earned the following badges:

Kath - Sports Gold, Cultural Gold badge

Chase - Sports Gold badge

Jayden - Sports Star badge

Jaylynn - Sports Star badge

Lily - Cultural Gold badge

Lexie - Sports Gold badge

From the Ministry of Education:

Who is responsible for school attendance?

Our tamariki need to feel like school is a safe community where they belong and can thrive. Improving the attendance of most students is largely our responsibility as parents and caregivers, working with schools and kura.

Schools and kura are responsible for taking all the steps they can to ensure our tamariki are not only attending but are engaged and actively involved, and their schools are places where ākongā and their whānau feel like they belong. In our research with parents, you told us that one of the keys to improve attendance is to have stronger connections and involvement between yourselves and your local school.

Ensuring regular attendance and engagement for all our young people is a complex issue. We know it's not a quick fix and will require a whole-of-government and community-wide approach to re-engage children and young people in learning following COVID-19.

Why are you encouraging kids back to school when we have winter illnesses?

Attendance has been in decline since 2015 - before COVID-19. However, with the additional impact of a global pandemic, we know that schools need to offer more support and reassurance to those of you who have been reluctant to return to school regularly.

Specifically, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education strongly recommend that all schools and kura amend their mask policy for the first four weeks of Term 3 to recommend mask wearing indoors for students Year 4 and above, where it will not have a significant impact on teaching and learning.

Wider access to the flu vaccine this year also aims to provide more of us with an extra layer of protection against winter flu.

However, if your tamariki are sick, they should stay home and limit the spread of illnesses.

What if there is no public transport available to get my child to school?

The primary responsibility for transporting children to and from school rests with us as parents and caregivers.

If you need help to get your child to school, talk to your local school in the first instance. Te Mahau may be able to help where distance and/or accessibility may be a barrier for your child attending the closest state or state-integrated school at which they can enrol

Does my child have to go to school every day?

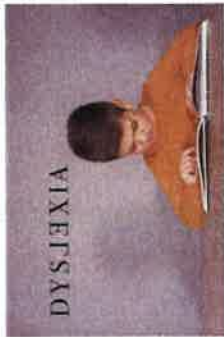
Yes. Under the Education and Training Act 2020, parents and carers of school children up to 16 years old can be prosecuted if their child is away from school without a good reason.

However, if your tamariki are sick, they should stay home and limit the spread of illnesses.

Can I take my child out of school during term time to go on holiday?

No, while we all enjoy a break as a whānau, a holiday is not a good enough reason to take your child out of school, so holidays should be planned outside of term times.

Events like a birthday or a special day's shopping aren't considered valid reasons for being away from school either.



Great Minds Think Differently

"Many people think that if you cannot read, write or spell you must be a bit thick – but you aren't – there are literally thousands of examples worldwide of very intelligent people who struggled with education but have been extremely successful in life."

Do you have a loved one with dyslexia? It may be somebody special to you. Or it may be you. Mike's book is also written for the families, partners and close friends of people with dyslexia.

Book sales will be available on the night for \$40.00 – cash or bank transfer

Details

Monday 26 September

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Fully subsidised

Dannevirke Library

Light refreshments will be available

Mike Styles is a dyslexia practitioner, researcher and consultant who helps find potential in those with dyslexia. Come along and listen to Mike speak about the talents of someone living with dyslexia and how you can use your skills to assist them in their journey



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Rural Education Activities Programme

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LUNCH
BY
LIBELLE

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TOTARA WEEK

08/08 - 12/08

MONDAY

Burger Bites, Baked Beans & Mash

Burger bites with baked beans,
mixed veggies & cheesy mash.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, VE: Mushroom super sausage.
GF, EF, NB, SF: Chicken. DF, VE:
DF mashed potato. SF: SF baked
beans.

Snack: Popcorn

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
None.

TUESDAY

Loaded Beef & Bean Wedges

Potato wedges with beef &
bean sauce and cheese.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, H, NB, VE: Mexican style beans.
DF, VE: Vegan cheese. SF: 4 bean
mix.

Snack: Brownie

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
Trail mix, chickpeas or popcorn.

WEDNESDAY

Honey Soy Chicken

Honey soy glazed chicken and
veges with brown rice.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, VE: Tofu. H: Halal chicken.

Snack: Cookie

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
Trail mix, chickpeas or popcorn.

THURSDAY

Ham Sandwich

Wholemeal bread with ham,
cheese & salad with carrot
sticks.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, DF, VE: Falafel. GF: GF pizza
base. DF, VE: Vegan cheese. H,
NP, SF: Chicken.

**Snack: Yoghurt
+ Fruit for High Schools**

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
Trail mix, chickpeas or popcorn.

FRIDAY

Cheesy Chicken Pasta

Wholemeal pasta with cheese
sauce, chicken, cheese and
mixed veggies.

Dietary Alternatives:
V: Cannellini beans. GF: GF pasta.
DF, VE: Savoury lentil and tomato
sauce, vegan cheese.

Snack: Trail Mix

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
None.



Key: (V) Vegetarian (GF) Gluten Free (DF) Dairy Free (EF) Egg Free (H) Halal (NB) No Beef (NP) No Pork (SF) Soy Free

Meals will be prepared to cater for children with specific allergies or cultural requirements. If you need these options please make the school aware two weeks in advance. Meals are prepared in a non-allergen controlled environment. If you have low tolerance towards certain allergens please notify the school immediately. Items may vary subject to supply.

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LUNCH
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LIBELLE

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PURIRI WEEK

12/09 - 16/09

MONDAY

Beef Stew & Mash

Beef pieces with mashed
potato, mixed veggies and
gravy.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, VE: Mushroom and grain super
sausage. H, NB: Chicken.
DF, VE: DF mashed potato.
H, NB, DF, VE: Vegan gravy.

Snack: Popcorn

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
None.

TUESDAY

Pizza

Wholemeal pizza base with
pizza sauce, ham & cheese,
served with carrot batons &
corn chips.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, DF, VE: Falafel. GF: GF pizza
base. DF, VE: Vegan cheese. H,
NP, SF: Chicken.

**Snack: Yoghurt
+ Fruit for High Schools**

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
Trail mix, chickpeas or popcorn.

WEDNESDAY

Butter Chicken

Butter chicken sauce with
chicken, chickpeas & veggies
served with brown rice.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, VE: Butter chickpeas with
brown rice.

Snack: Muffin

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
Trail mix, chickpeas or popcorn.

THURSDAY

Cheese Burger

Wholemeal burger bun with
beef pattie, cheese, salad &
kumara rosti.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, GF, H, VE, SF: Black bean
burger pattie. NB: Chicken pattie.
GF, SF: GF SF Burger bun. EF,
VE: Vegan mayo. DF, VE: Vegan
cheese.

Snack: Cookie

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
Trail mix, chickpeas or popcorn.

FRIDAY

Pasta Bolognese

Wholemeal pasta with beef &
lentil bolognese sauce served
with carrots & cheese.

Dietary Alternatives:
V, NB, VE: Lentil Bolognese. GF:
GF pasta. DF, VE: Vegan cheese.

**Snack: Trail Mix or
Chickpeas**

Snack Dietary Alternatives:
None.



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