



Huia Range School

Term 1 Week 6 Friday 10th March, 2023

Website: www.huiarange.school.nz

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

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STRIKE Action

Our teachers have agreed NOT to strike on Thursday and has accepted the offer from the teachers' union of an exemption for strike action.

School will be open as usual on Thursday.

The teachers union, NZEI, has produced the following information for whanau:

Our tamariki need a quality education and we want to give that to them.

Unfortunately, the funding for our schools and kindergartens is not enough for us to give us the time we would like to support all our kids to thrive.

We need to attract and retain educators by ensuring that teaching is a valued and attractive profession. Principals and teachers in primary and area schools and kindergartens have considered at length offers from the government to settle our respective collective agreements.

The offers did not meet our expectations, nor make sufficient steps towards the changes we need for our children to succeed.

You may have seen that we voted to take industrial action on 16 March.

It's the last thing we wanted to do. And the decision was not taken lightly.

We felt that this was the only way the government would listen and recognise that when they support our children to learn and succeed, we are supporting whānau and communities to thrive.

We look forward to another great year in 2023 – and together with your support, building the case for better investment in our tamariki.

Measles

Are you and your whānau protected from measles?

With people travelling overseas again, there's a risk that someone with measles could unknowingly bring the disease back to Aotearoa.

Measles spreads easily and quickly, usually between people who are unimmunised or only partially immunised. It can be serious and life threatening. In the 2019 measles outbreak in Aotearoa more than 30% of the people infected had to be admitted to hospital.

The best protection against measles is the free MMR vaccine. It will protect you and your whānau, and prevent the virus from spreading.

You will be protected against measles if you:

- had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine
- had measles before
- were born before 1 Jan 1969.

If you're unsure if you or your tamariki have had any or both doses of the MMR vaccine, check by calling your GP or hauora provider. Alternatively, check your Plunket Well Child Tamariki Ora book. If you're still not sure, be safe and get immunised – there are no safety concerns with having an extra dose. MMR vaccines are free at your local health provider and many pharmacies.

Swimming Sports

Planned for next Friday 17th March for rms 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12 and yr 4 from rms 8 and 9.

These sports will be held at WaiSplash from 9am until 3pm. The school day starts and finishes at WaiSplash.

We still need further adult helpers.

Up Coming Events

March

16 - STRIKE Day
School closed

17 - Friday
School swimming sports - rooms 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12 and year 4 from 8 and 9

21 - Tuesday
Weetbix Tryathlon

22 - Wednesday
Interschool swimming - WaiSplash

April

4 - Tuesday
Board Meeting - Staffroom 6.30pm

6 - Thursday
Final day Term 1

7 - Good Friday
School Closed

24 - Monday
Teacher Only Day
Dannevirke Schools Closed

25 - Tuesday
ANZAC Day - School Closed

26 - Wednesday
Day 1 of term2
Cohort start date

Ka kite ano.
Kia nui te ra

Robyn Forsyth
Principal

School BBQ

This was planned to be held next Thursday, on the 16th March, but needs to be postponed due to the strike action across Aotearoa, which is effective from 7.00am until 7.00 pm.

A new date is still to be decided.



Congratulations to the students who received class certificates this week:

- Room 2: Toby** - settling into routines and expectations quickly and effectively.
Noah - for generating relevant ideas and structuring them into a narrative that entertains the reader.
- Room 3: Ellie** - for working more independently to succeed in challenging tasks and new skills.
Elijah - for persevering in backstroke during swimming and not giving into your fears for the unknown.
- Room 4: Iris** - for showing perseverance when practicing different swimming strokes.
Brock - for displaying a great work ethic by completing all set tasks on time.
- Room 5: Ezekiel** - For writing independently, listening carefully to feedback and using it to edit and improve his mahi.
Alaynah - for being a focused and engaged learner who always strives to produce her best work in all areas of the curriculum.
- Room 6: Kansas** - for working hard to become more independent at writing stories and using your phonetic knowledge to sound out unknown words.
Hoani - for listening carefully to instructions and working independently.
- Room 9: Charlotte** - For a positive and enthusiastic start to your Huia Range journey. Keep up the awesome work!
Benji - for a positive and enthusiastic start to your Huia Range journey – You are a great strength for our class waka!
- Room 10: Layne** - For always doing the right thing and working independently on tasks, well done Layne!
Andrew - For persevering in swimming when it becomes challenging, awesome Andrew!
- Room 11: Izzy** - Showing STRIVE in the classroom, always having a positive attitude and working hard.
Faith - For working independently and efficiently to ensure she catches up on work and finishes tasks.
- Room 12: Nate** - for working towards excellence by persevering to understand simplifying fractions. Ka pai to mahi!
Johnny - working to complete all learning tasks within the time set. Ka pai to mahi!
- Room 15: Tupusolo** - for having a cheerful smile and a positive attitude. Welcome to Huia Range School
Cole - for hearing many sounds in his reading and writing. Keep up the hard work.