



Huia Range School

Term 3 Week 5 Thursday 14th August 2025

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Farewell

After 16 years of working at Huia Range School (in a variety of different roles) Gayle Sutton has resigned to move on to other adventures.

As a valued member of staff at Huia Range School we will certainly miss Gayle and I want to personally acknowledge all the wonderful support Gayle has given to our students over the years.

Gayle's last day is tomorrow and we wish her all the very best. On behalf of our BOT, staff, students and whānau thank you very much Gayle for everything!

Phones

To comply with Government and MOE regulations and requirements schools have to ensure that tamariki do not use cell phones during school hours, including on school grounds before school, break times etc.

Students can bring their cell phones to school but are required to hand them in to the office when they arrive at school including any senior students heading to Technology at DHS. Most students leave cell phones at home because parents can contact the office and leave messages for their children.

Phones that haven't been handed in before school will be looked after in the office where a parent or caregiver will be contacted to collect them.

Attendance

Please let the office know if your child is going to be absent and the reason of the absence such as sickness, a tangi, a medical appointment etc.

We are required to text or call you to follow up if your child is absent and we don't hear from you. We follow our school attendance process for any students who fall below 90% attendance.

With winter here and all its chills, bugs and colds, knowing if your child is well enough to go to school can be tricky at times.

Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora have refreshed their guidance for schools and parents to use to help make that call. Check out the Ministry of Education [website] (<https://parents.education.govt.nz/.../attendance.../>) for more information.

Chocolate update

The chocolates are proving to be very popular. We have sold almost all of the 250 we ordered.

Thank you to every family that have contributed so far. This will go a long way towards our annual year 8 leadership camp in February.

Reminder all money needs to be returned by 29th August and any unsold chocolates please be returned ASAP to the school office so they can be passed onto someone else. If you would like more boxes please contact the office.

Up Coming Events

August 2025

15 – Swimming NE- Yr 3
15 - Swimming Yrs 4-6
19 – Swimming NE- Yr 3
19 - Swimming Yrs 7-8
20 – Swimming NE- Yr 3
22 – Swimming NE- Yr 3
25 – Swimming NE- Yr 3

29 - Daffodil Day

September 2025

10 – HRS Showcase
10 – BOT Elections
16 - BOT meeting
16 – Kapa Haka Festival (changed from the 17th)
18 – STRIVE Day
19 – House colour mufti Day
19 – Interhouse dance comp
19 - End of Term assembly
19 - Last Day of Term 3

October 2025

6 – Start of Term 4
9 – Library Quiz
14 – BOT meeting
16 – Shake out
24 – HB Anniversary Day (School closed)
27 – Labour Day (School closed)

Ka kite ano. Kia nui te ra.

Lindsey Randall
Tumuaki/Principal

A big thank you to our breakfast club volunteers!



Swim to Survive

All of our children are enjoying this programme. They are learning vital water safety skills and are having fun at the same time!

