



NEWS



Thursday, 19 May 2016

Dear Parents/Caregivers

During this last week I have had the pleasure of spending time in classrooms to observe teaching and learning in action and feel very proud of the wonderful work that our teachers and most children are doing. They are all to be commended on their efforts. Thank you too, to those parents who are supporting their children with supervising homework and ensuring they are well prepared for school each day. This is appreciated.

Assertiveness is our current value and at assembly this week I encouraged children to stand tall, make eye contact and speak clearly when talking to others, have the courage to say no when it is not right, to ask when they don't understand or need help, and have the strength to keep going even when things are hard. These are important messages and if you can reinforce these at home too that would be helpful.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

A reminder that nominations for board of trustee elections closes tomorrow, 20 May. Voting papers that include blurbs from nominees with instructions will have been sent to all parents by 25 May and polls close at noon on 3 June. These will be posted to you so please look out for them in your letter boxes.

A **Meet the Candidates** evening to hear what they have to say is scheduled for **Monday 30 May 7.30pm** in the school hall. This will be helpful when making a voting decision so I recommend you come if you can. Look forward to seeing you.

Further information is also available on the website <http://www.trustee-election.co.nz/becoming-a-trustee>

ROAD SAFETY

This is a firm reminder to parents that you will be prosecuted if you park on yellow lines to drop off or pick up children even momentarily. Two vehicles have been reported to the police this week alone! Also please **do not** do a u turn on the corner of Jutland Rd and Waitemata Rd where children are crossing. It is recommended you exit by driving around the block.

KEY DATES

Tuesday 24 May 9am
Annual School Cross Country event

Friday 27 May
Sausage sizzle

Monday 6 June
Queen's Birthday-school closed

Wednesday 8 June
Inter-School Cross Country

Friday 10 June 9am
Open Day for prospective parents and students

Tuesday 5 July
Staff development day for staff - school closed

Friday 8 July
Term 2 ends.

Monday 25 July

Term 3 begins.



Garden Club harvesting in unusually mild May weather!
Lettuces, beetroot, herbs and more



Beautiful room 5 art that depicts living and non-living

CHESS CLUB

A chess club is to begin next **Wednesday 25 May at 8am** in the library for children in years 4-6 who can play the game. Thank you to parent Mark and Lucy Moffitt for offering to supervise this activity on a regular basis. We are most grateful and the children are excited.

SCHOOL MUSICAL SHOW

A school musical show *The Button Box* involving all senior students (year 5 and 6) is progressing well and is to be performed on the 28, 29, 30 June and 1 July. Keep a look out for further details nearer the time as it promises to be great entertainment for the whole family! In the meantime if anyone can assist by lending us the following props please let me know principal@hauraki.school.nz or pass on a message via your child.

- Two fold up light deck chairs
- Beach sun umbrella but not too big
- Anchor
- Old telescope
- Buoys/ rope, life jackets etc for nautical scene
- Dhurri rugs or similar
- Persian rug, square or rectangle, smallish
- Snakes and ladders box only- don't need contents
- Brass ornaments or similar, antique reproductions
- Old music record
- Cane baskets
- Also looking for a curved bar - not too big and heavy

SCHOOL CLOSURE

Please note that the board has approved the closure of the school on **Tuesday 5 July** so all staff can attend a professional development day with guru and legend of inquiry learning, Kath Murdoch. She doesn't come to NZ often and is not here any other days. We see this as an invaluable learning opportunity for our staff particularly given that it is a professional development focus this year. The following is a link to the course we will all be attending www.learningnetwork.ac.nz Look under courses and find *The Power of Inquiry* Kath Murdoch.

ROAD PATROL HELP PLEASE

Please could someone volunteer to do road patrol supervision for 15 minutes on a Tuesday afternoon. We would be most grateful! Please let Mr Pipes know chris@hauraki.school.nz or else advise the office. Thank you so much!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Great specials at all age levels. You can order online (directions on the brochure) or by filling in the order and placing in the box in the foyer. Please make sure both your child's name and room number are written on the form. Fill in the credit card slip or put cash or cheque, made out to Scholastic NZ in an envelope with the form. If you wish to keep the order a secret from your child, you can enter the office as the room. Orders close Friday 27 May. The books will be distributed from the school approximately two weeks after closing date.

CROSS COUNTRY

As you are aware the School has been practising cross country running for the annual school event that will take place on:

Date	Tuesday 24 May (Saving Day Thursday 26 May)
Who	The whole school event will begin with 5 and 6+ year olds followed by 7 / 8 / 9 / 10 + year olds in the middle / senior school. (ages as of 8 June, to match the interschool event)
Where	Course on which the students have practised.
When	9 am until finished. At the conclusion of the last race children will have interval. An awards ceremony, to which you are invited, will be held after interval, in the hall, probably around 11.15 am but please understand that this may change.

We look forward to seeing you at this event, in fact to run it successfully we will need some adult supervision on the day please, especially for the 7-11 year old course. This would involve an adult being placed at various stations on the course. In response to the request in the last newsletter for help we had one parent offer! A big thank you to that parent but we do need more. If you are able to assist on the day please email Christopher Pipes, chris@hauraki.school.nz as soon as possible.

Children on the day are not expected to run in their school uniform but should wear appropriate running clothing to school, (black or dark shorts, house coloured t-shirt, running shoes) Students are to have their uniforms in their school bags to change into after the event. This is important as children may be wet/muddy at the end of the run. We encourage children to wear House T-shirts or shirts the colour of their house. North=green, South=blue,

West=red, East=yellow. These are available from the School Office at \$ 20 each. There must be NO handwritten markings on their shirts or bodies. All children must also bring any preventative medication that may be required and have a drink bottle with water and sweat shirt.

Please understand that it is difficult to be accurate with the start times for each age level but they will be run in age order.

We look forward to this event and your anticipated support.

SPORTS

North Shore Zone Swimming Championships

Medals and certificates for this event have now arrived and will be presented at our next school assembly on Tuesday 31 May 1.30pm. North Shore Swimming have apologised for the delay with the arrival of these. All welcome!

North Shore Tackle and Rippa Rugby Tournament

Last Thursday over 70 students from year 3 to 6 competed in the first of three North Harbour Rugby rippa and tackle field days. We had seven teams compete, some for the first time playing rippa rugby or indeed representing Hauraki School. We are very proud of our students. All conducted themselves extremely well throughout the day.

Thanks to the parents who coached teams and also transported and supervised children throughout the day. We look forward to the next field day on Thursday 23 June and then in term 3, 18 August.



Basketball Results

Week 1:

Hauraki **Flames** VS Mairangi Bay All Stars 9:24 (loss)

Hauraki **Rockets** VS Verran Pumas 13:8 (win)

Hauraki **Magic** VS Homeschool Heat 4:28 (loss)

Week 2:

Hauraki **Flames** VS Sunnybrae Stingers 17:13 (win)

Hauraki **Rockets** VS Willow Park Phoenix 2:8 (loss)

Hauraki Magic VS Belmont Breakers 6:12 (loss)

Hockey

The winter hockey season began last week with 4 teams competing each Monday evening at the North Harbour Hockey fields. The next few weeks will be grading

games. We are very grateful to the parents and coaches from TGS willing to give up their time to support this sport. Results from Monday 16 May.

Year 3 / 4 Girls	Pinehurst Strikers	1-2 loss
Year 5 Thunder	Coatesville Lightning	5-0 win
Year 5 Hurricanes	Red Beach	1-3 loss
Year 5 / 6 Boys	Oteha Valley	2-1 win

Netball

Netball is also now underway. Thank you again to all those wonderful parents and teachers who have volunteered their time to coach and/or manage Hauraki teams. We are very grateful to you and once again ask all those on the side line to show utmost respect to volunteers who do their best, even when they may not get it quite right. We can ill afford to have them being criticised and walking off the job! Thank you for your cooperation. I wish you and your child a very happy winter sports' season and look forward to seeing you at games too.

Sincerely,

Clarinda Franklin
Principal

PTA NEWS

Thank you all who attended the PTA meeting on the 5th May. It was great to see old and new faces come together to plan some excellent fundraising activities for the school in 2016.

Please note these upcoming dates in your diary:

Sausage Sizzle-the dates for this term are **Friday 27th May** and **Friday 24th June**. If you would like to help out, please email Ivy nicebright0809@gmail.com or come along to the pergola at 12.15pm.

We need servers to help with the morning tea for the **Open Day** on **Friday 10 June**. It would be great if you were able to spare an hour that morning to help welcome new parents to the school. Please email Susie on signalfamily@xtra.co.nz.

Entertainment books- Brochures have gone home about these. Please order if you are wanting one.

The date of the next **PTA meeting** is **Thursday 26th July at 730pm**. All are welcome to attend.

Fundraisers planned for term three:

Bingo with a difference- **Saturday 27th August**
School Disco
Art Calendars
Knowledge-a-thon

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Homestays Wanted

Belmont Intermediate School is hosting 2 cultural exchanges in Term 3, from South Korea and Japan. This opportunity provides a valuable cultural exchange for students from these countries, as well as for our own students. They also generate fundraising revenue for our school and our community. We are looking for caring home-stay families from our school community to support us.

- Korean students: we require 20 homestay placements to host 2 students each, for 3 weeks at the beginning of term 3.
- Japanese Students: we require 15 single placements for 2 weeks from 22/08/16 to the 2/09/16
- Students will require: a bedroom (can share a room), and 3 meals a day, pick up and drop off at school (though students can catch the bus or walk to school if they are with their homestay student) Support from our school and the staff from the visiting school is provided 24/7. \$270.00 per week per student will be paid to cover costs.

For more information, or to take a home stay email Janine O'Hearn
johearn@belmontint.school.nz



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Session one
Laying the foundations - Building your family on anohu

Session two
Parents are the roof - Protecting your whānau

Session three
The walls of the whare - Boundaries to keep the good stuff in and the bad stuff out

Session four
Keeping it sweet - Atmosphere is everything!

Session five
Cool korero - Communication

Session six
Outside the whare - Living in the big wide world

Windsor Park Baptist Church
550 East Coast Road, Mairangi Bay
Thursday 2nd June - Thursday 7th July 2016
From 7:30pm - 9:30pm
Contact: Diane McKinstry
Mobile: 0212924105
Email: aucklandnorth@theparentingplace.com



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