

Kia ora Parents and caregivers

Welcome to the first newsletter for 2021.

We have made a great start to the year and on Tuesday welcomed our two new teachers, Jessica Brannagan and Nikita Turner to the staff and two new students Ben and Phoenix to Room 1.

We hope that you all have enjoyed the holiday break and like us are now looking forward to a successful

Term Dates 2021

Term 1: 2 Feb- 16 April

Term 2: 3 May- 9 July

Term 3: 26 July – 1 Oct

Term 4: 18 Oct – 17 Dec

2021.

The building work carried out over the holiday period has resulted in a wonderful new deck between the two classrooms, new guttering and updated carpets in the administration block. We are enjoying the new look and the benefits of the extended outdoor learning and teaching space.

2021 has seen Ruawaro move to a four teacher school and this has meant changing our classrooms around and moving into the old playcentre room. Although we are sorry to see the playcentre leave we are welcoming this opportunity to expand. Our classes will now be known by Native Bird names, Year 7-8 Whare Karearea with Ms McInally, Year 5-6 Whare Kereru with Miss Brannagan, Years 3-4 Whare Tui with Miss Turner and Years 1-2 Whare Kea with Whaea Jo.

To keep you all updated and informed about our plans and focus for this year, we will be holding a short parent information session here at school next Friday (12th February) at 1:30 followed by afternoon tea. Our 2021 information Booklets will be available to take home on this day. All welcome and we look forward to catching up with you.

A reminder that all students are to wear sunhats during this term when outside and please bring full water bottles. Sunscreen is available at school but it is advisable to apply some at home before school.

Swimming Pool update: We are hoping to have the pool up and running sometime next week.

Thank you to parents who have returned stationery lists, annual permission forms and medical update forms to school already. If you have not done so as yet it, would be much appreciated if these could be returned tomorrow or Tuesday next week, as teachers would like students to start working with these as soon as possible.

Upcoming Dates:

8 Feb-Monday– Waitangi Day observed

12 Feb-Friday-Welcome Back Parent Info Afternoon-1.30pm

23 Feb-Tuesday -BOT Meeting @ 4pm

5 March-Friday-Senior Swimming Sports-Yr4-8– Glen Massey School

12 March-Friday-Cluster Junior Games –Ruawaro Combined

2 April –Good Friday

5-6 April-Easter Monday & Tuesday

16 April-Friday-Term 1 ends

Late or Absent Students

If your child is not at school or going to be arriving late please either phone the office 8266706 or send us a txt message on 0274266706 before 9.30am. Thank you.

Transport Arrangements:

If your child 's usual transport arrangements or usual pick up is changing can you please let the school know by phone, note or text so that we are aware of these changes. Many thanks.

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1 Speirs Road, Huntly

Horse Riding Lessons:

Adults and children

Everything provided.

For further information

Contact Ashley on
0220705698

MAINLY MUSIC

Sessions resume Term 3—commencing Monday 27th July

We meet for music, play and morning tea (provided) on the 2nd & 4th Monday of the month at the Naika Community Church at 9.30am.

All preschoolers and their caregivers are welcome.

For more information please call Julie Sattrup 07 8266922

FRIENDSHIP HOUSE—HUNTLY

Free to everyone- bread & buns on Wednesdays & Thursdays

Just pop in or phone 8287559 to check for availability

ALSO

HUNTLY WEST HUB

Free to everyone—bread & buns on Monday, Tuesday & Friday

Just pop in or phone 8280296 to check for availability