



HUNTERVILLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Caregivers / Whanau

31 January 2018

Kia ora koutou katoa - Welcome to 2018 at Huntermville School!

It'll be an action packed year and we intend to work very hard to continue to make it a happy, successful experience for everyone involved with Huntermville School!

Firstly, I want to welcome two new members to our staff. Mrs Paulette Bremner, returning to us, and teaching in room eight for the first two terms, and a very warm welcome to Mrs Sue Leen, who will be working as a teacher aide, mostly in room eight, for the year.

Teacher and teacher aide organisation for the start of 2018:

- Room 1: Mrs Anne Hatfull with Mrs Rosie McIntyre teaching in the afternoons to release Anne to teach reading recovery
- Room 2: Miss Alecia Viles
- Room 3: Mrs Tracey Spencer
- Room 5: Ms Sonja Cavey
- Room 6: Miss Cheryl Gray
- Room 7: Mr Shane Smith DP (relieving DP for terms one and two), with Mrs Janet Parkes teaching Fridays to release Shane as DP
- Room 8: Mrs Paulette Bremner
- Principal: Mrs Colleen Dalley – Relieving principal for terms one and two.

Teacher Aides:

Mrs Sue Lewis, Miss Sam Buckley, Mrs Donna Smailes, Mrs Sue Leen

We offer a very warm welcome to Huntermville School to the following children and their families:

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| Finn Barron | Rm 1 |
| Kaleb Bakker | Rm 1 |
| Kerian Bakker | Rm 6 |
| Otto Boddy | Rm 2 |
| Ruby Bryenton | Rm 2 |
| Violet Boddy | Rm 5 |
| Hugo Kennedy | Rm 3 |
| Charlotte Dobbs | Rm 5 |
| Tristan Dobbs | Rm 7 |
| Ryan Bremner | Rm 5 |
| Jayne Bremner | Rm 7 |
| Liam Bremner | Rm 8 |

2017 is over and done, but

A giant thank you to all who supported the school float at the Christmas parade. Our float won ...again! A special thank you to the Home & School committee for coordinating and creating the float, Mr and Mrs Lewis, and everyone who put time and effort into the day.

Also, at our prizegiving, it made me very proud to look down and see your children presented so neatly in dress uniform, and singing and behaving so beautifully! Congratulations and a huge thank you to all parents and whanau for your support and participation in our prizegiving.

COMPOSITION OF CLASSES 2018 on 31 January 2018

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| Mrs Hatfull / Mrs McIntyre | R1: Yr 0/1 | 15 |
| Miss Viles | R2: Yr 1/2 | 18 |
| Mrs Spencer | R4: Yr 2/3 | 19 |
| Ms Cavey | R5: Yr 4 | 21 |
| Mrs Gray | R6: Yr 5/6 | 26 |
| Mr Smith/Mrs Parkes | R7: Yr 6/7 | 27 |
| Mrs Bremner | R8: Yr 7/8 | 29 |
| Total: | | 155 + ?17 during year = Dec roll of 172 |

Weekly Assemblies

These will be held on a Friday morning at 9am during the swimming season (beginning next week, 9 Feb) and then possibly change to Friday at 12 midday (trial timing!) when swimming is finished. We believe that is a better time for our younger children in particular, and being on Friday means fewer interruptions to lessons during the week.

School Band / Instrument Tuition with Richard Munt

Here at School (Yr 5-8)

- 8 weeks per term – ? starts Friday 16 Feb
- \$56.00 per term, payable to school or on account.
- 40 min sessions
- Group sizes are: Bass Guitar (2), Guitar (6/7), Keyboard (4/5) and drums (3).

Several students have applied at the end of last term and if any other parents wish to apply for their child, please contact the school office.

- Commitment is for the year with fees paid termly.

Swimming Club

- Starts Wednesday February 7th
- Lessons start Monday February 5th
- Contact person: Kelly Lane
0212070254
3229883

SCHOOL FAMILY BBQ / PICNIC

Wednesday 14 February at 5.15pm

All families and wider whanau are warmly invited to come along for a meet and greet, mix and mingle, and particularly to help welcome and get to know families new to our community – please, do make yourselves known to anyone you don't know!

5.15: Feel free to visit your child's room with your child. He/she will be able to show you their workplace and how the various classroom programmes operate. Teachers will be in their rooms at this time to greet and meet.

6.00: Classrooms emptied. Meet around behind staffroom. Students gather in front of staffroom steps for prize draw...

6.15: A draw will be made for an IPAD for a student with a parent present!

Then relax, and mix n mingle. Enjoy the sausage sizzle put on once again by our wonderful Home and School Association. You're welcome to bring extra food to supplement the sausages. Bring your own drinks – a little beer or wine is fine.

We'll make sure there's plenty of sports gear out for students to occupy themselves with – adults can join in too if they wish! The evening ends when people decide to leave – with their children!

The Lion King Junior

... is our 2018 show, and we are so fortunate to have convinced Mrs Wendy Revell to return on a weekly basis from Hawkes Bay as our Show Director. Wendy has been busy planning already so that she includes every student and staff member as fully as possible in the dramatic action!

Two matinees and two evening shows are booked for week two, term two, **Thursday 10 & Friday 11 May.**

Mrs Revell has asked for a parent/whanau meeting – at - **7pm on Monday 12 February,**

to start the process of the production, and you are ALL so welcome to come along and find out how your talents can be utilized to make this show come alive. If you have friends or other community members who would be keen to be part of the production team, please invite them along, or encourage them to put their names forward for us to contact... the more people we have on board, the lighter the load. There will be opportunities for: painting, building, creating scenery, making props, prompting, stage managing, producer's assistants, producer's secretary, sound technician, lighting technician, sewing, designing and making costume parts, makeup, hair styling, dressing young stars, art work, scenery construction, plain painting!, supervising in classrooms, helping dress young actors and actresses, props supervisors, stage set and scene changers! See, I told you there was something for everyone! Come along, and check out the after-meeting supper, too!



Key Dates This Term

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| Feb | 6: School closed - Waitangi Day 12: Production Meeting with Mrs Wendy Revell for parents/whanau/community 14: Parent BBQ 5.15pm 22: Junior swimming & senior swim sports |
| Mar | 5: Hearing and vision testing, new entrants/before school catchups and year 7's vision checks 8: EPro8 Challenge Y7&8 @ 5pm in Feilding 9: EPro8 Challenge Y5&6 @ 9.30am in Feilding 9: Harvest Festival from lunchtime onwards 15: Marton Cluster swimming (TBC) 16: Taihape Interschool swimming 28: Senior School Athletics 29: Junior School Athletics 30: Easter Friday Holiday, Mon April 2 & Tues 3 Easter Holidays also. |
| Apr | 6: Interschool Athletics (TBC) 13: Final day, term one. |

CRICKET CORNER:

Josh Keenan and Riley Somerville played for Wanganui in the year six North Island cricket tournament held in the Hawkes Bay in January. The team went unbeaten throughout the tournament and Riley got on the honours board twice. Outstanding effort by both boys!

Registration forms will be given out on Friday to anyone keen to play cricket the season at any level. Registered players from last season also need to re-register for this new season. Start days for practices and games are yet to be arranged.

Paul Keenan Cricket Coordinator Phone 06 3274465 Mobile 0274494160

SCHOOL INFORMATION BOOKLET 2018

This will be issued with weekly newsletter NEXT Wednesday – (a day late because of Waitangi Day!) This publication is updated every year with some useful info for families. However, the Bus Safety section has already been shared with all bus students, to try to ensure that they are as safe as possible on all trips.

Pictured below: Patrick Takurua, Hunterville School Old Boy, last year's Head Boy & Head of College House at PNBHS, alongside Mr Lewis and a wonderful group of friends from through the years!

At Saturday's Garden Party, Patrick spoke most confidently and eloquently in his tribute to acknowledge and farewell Stephen from Hunterville School.

It was wonderful to welcome some of Stephen's fellow Rangitikei Cluster principals, the local mayor, Mr Andy Watson, and many families who are now, or have been part of Hunterville School over the past thirty years!

The weather was very warm, as was the atmosphere all around the garden party. Further speakers, including current and past board chairs and staff, and in particular, Stephen, provided a most interesting, impressive and often humorous look at the events, progress and extremely highly regarded achievements Stephen, Hunterville School and the community have undergone under Stephen's twenty three years of leadership.



So 2018 is all go and I am looking forward to meeting up with everyone at the BBQ on the 14th in particular. Please do come and chat if there are any concerns or questions, and please feel free to come in for a cuppa when you are around school.

Kindest regards, Colleen Dalley, Relieving Principal.