



# Houghton Valley School

## Newsletter

*Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together*

*Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou*

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Week 1 of Term 3

### HVS Reminders

- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July - BOT Meeting 7pm
- Tues/Wed 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July – 3-Way Conferences
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup> July – Hui/Assembly – Rm4 & Rm1

Kia Ora whānau,

### Mānawatia a Matariki

#### Matariki Evening

Matariki is the time to reflect and come together. The wonderful evening we had at the end of the term certainly delivered this. It was lovely to see our tamariki sing with such confidence and joy.

Visiting classrooms allowed us the opportunity to see and reflect all of the amazing art that had been explored and inspiring throughout term. This really brings our school vision to life - ***Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa, tahi ai tātou/Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together***

The evening was topped off by the delicious soup made by our Year 6's and the sausage sizzle organised by our wonderful Home and School team.





### He Korero Haewai - Our Story of Houghton Valley

I know this happened at the end of Term 1 but I didn't get a chance to acknowledge our tamariki, kaiako, whānau, community, Mana Whenua and Kate Te Ao (our fabulous artist) for making this happen. The Whakatuwhera was a wonderful opportunity to gather as a community and celebrate our local history.

There are some special acknowledgements that I would like to make and the first one is to Ollie Townsend for preparing all of the panels, sourcing all of the materials, and installing the new fence. Matua Peter Jackson, Morrie Love and Honiana Love for doing our Whakatuwhera. It is important that our tamariki learn about our Māori cultural tikanga for important kaupapa such as this. Peryers Construction - Milo and Pat who jumped in at the last minute and helped put the Pou in. We are very grateful that you made the time to help us to complete the whole entrance.

And lastly, to Creatives In Schools for funding this project. We were lucky enough to receive this grant to do this project. It has transformed our entrance and has allowed our tamariki to tell our story.



## Goal Setting - Tuesday 25 July and Wednesday 26 July

We have our term 3 goal setting next week. We will set learning goals and continue to make 2 Hauora goals. This connects with the mahi we started in term 1 and links to our learning programmes to support our tamariki to find strategies that work for them.

You can book an a time through the Spotlight app - **Interviews** or through <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>

Bookings:	<b>Open</b>
Event code:	<b>n6ky3</b>
Teachers:	9
Bookings:	109
Parents:	91
<b>Booking link and QR code</b>	

On a personal note, it is lovely to be back at school. I appreciate the warm welcome back! I had a fabulous time overseas. Having this sabbatical has given me time to reflect, rejuvenate and refocus. It made me realise just how busy the past 6 years have been and that my tank needed refilling.

I have been asked what my highlights were. I had so many wonderful experiences but the most special ones were having the opportunity to catch up with dear friends and whānau who live all over the world. Here are some of my favourite pics!



## Term 3 Events

Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 17 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup> July					
<p>Treemendous Working Bee This Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 10-12pm – all welcome!</p>					
Week 2 24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> July	BOT Meeting 7pm	3 Way Conferences 3.15-8.00pm	3 Way Conferences 3.15-6.00pm		Hui - Karaka, Pohutukawa
Week 3 31 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> August			SWIS Open Day for Year 6s (morning)	Home & School Meeting 7:30pm	
Week 4 7-11 <sup>th</sup> August					Hui - Rimu, Ngaio
Week 5 14 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> August					
Week 6 21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> August	BOT Meeting 7pm				Hui - Kowhai, Harakeke
Week 7 28 <sup>th</sup> - 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept					
Week 8 4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Sept					Hui - Rata, Ti Kouka
Week 9 11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> Sept			Artsplash Singing- 5pm	Southern Zone Swimming ----- DanceSplash 5pm	
Week 10 18 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept					Last Day of Term 3 2:55pm pickup

No reira, kia kaha ra,  
Ngā Mihi Nui,

Luana Carroll  
Te Tumuaki, Houghton Valley School

## A BIG WELCOME IN MAHOE CLASS TO:

😊 Nina East     😊 Natalie Frost-Evans     😊 Aria Weldon  
😊 Mabel Garrett     😊 Willoughby Lintott-Forman  
😊 Rose Marquis     😊 Everett McGowan

## WORKING BEE THIS SUNDAY – SUSTAINABILITY



### Matariki Treemendous Working Bee – this Sunday 23 July

10am-12pm

We will be giving the Treemendous area a good tidy up for Matariki. This will include weeding and collecting litter, then spreading bark mulch over the area, trimming back growth near the pathways and planting in the wetland swale to allow the reeds and carex to grow.

We have some gloves and tools to share but please help by naming any of your own. Please bring a wheelbarrow if you have one to help move the mulch. Bring a jacket in case of a light shower and any snacks and drinks you may need.

If there is rain we will postpone the working bee. If you are interested in helping us generally or have a particular task you'd like to help with, please let us know by email [jill@houghton.school.nz](mailto:jill@houghton.school.nz) or by letting your child's class teacher know. Jill Holmstead



## EZLUNCH TERM 3 MENU



Reminder – [Sushi Orders Thursday](#) and [Pita Pit Friday](#) – please order before 8:30am on the day – order and pay online at [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz)

[https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/pdf/school/houghton\\_valley\\_school/Menu.pdf](https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/pdf/school/houghton_valley_school/Menu.pdf)

## SWIS – OPEN DAY YEAR 6 STUDENTS

### SWIS Student Open Day - 2 August

On **Wednesday 2 August**, **SWIS** (South Wellington Intermediate School) have invited our year 6s to come to an open day. They have booked us a bus and we will leave HVS at 9:05am and come back approximately 12:30 pm. If you have other arrangements for your child's Year 7 schooling, they are more than welcome to come along or can stay at the school working in a different class.

This open day is only for the students and SWIS have invited parents (and students) to come and see the school at the open evening on **Wednesday 9th August from 6pm**.

If you have any questions please just let me know, nga mihi nui, Charles Daily



The Term 3, Week 1 H&S news:

## Mānawatia a Matariki

(meaning to honour,

- **MATARIKI** ✦

Matariki...e ara e!

It was a stunning night at the end of last term, celebrating Matariki, our Māori New Year. Ngā mihi to the school for being such welcoming hosts, and all our tūao mīharo / amazing volunteers who sizzled, spread, sliced, and fed hungry puku that night. We hope you had time to rest, reflect and recharge over the holiday break, ready for Term 3!

- **HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING**

As we're gearing up to a fun packed term and our Home and School meeting becomes a space to connect, find out more and maybe offer a helping hand. Our next hui is on **Thursday, 3rd August at 7.30pm**. Save the date, we'll let you know where at school we'll meet closer to the time. Everyone is welcome.

- **BAKE SALE IN TERM 3** - Dates and leading classes for our two bake sales this term will be confirmed soon.

## What is the Home & School Association?

Our Home & School Association is a collective of HVS parents and caregivers. Our purpose is to support the school by connecting the community and raising funds. Everyone who is part of the HVS community is part of the Home & School Association. Yes, you are already a member :)

### Save the date - Term 3

H&S Term 3 Meeting - Thu 3rd August 7:30pm  
HVS Quiz -TBC

### Save the date - Term 4

HVS Disco - Friday 13th October  
HVS Fair - Saturday 28th October, 10-2pm

## There's ALWAYS a chance to join in. Here's how you can help...

Just an hour of your time can make a real difference to our community. The events above all rely on volunteers. Volunteering is easy - *no experience necessary* - and you'll get to meet a bunch of other volunteers in the process. If you're interested to know more about how you can help at one of our events, please email us at [homeandschoolchair@houghton.school.nz](mailto:homeandschoolchair@houghton.school.nz).

## KELLY SPORTS AND KELLY CLUB

### **KELLY SPORTS WARM UP WINTER SPORTS – TERM 3!!**

The Kelly Sports sessions are a great way to improve your child's motor skills and coordination within a FUN environment. We aim to develop and enhance balls skills; catching, kicking and throwing, while improving strength, flexibility, hand/eye coordination and spatial awareness.

In Term 3 we will be focusing on the following sports: **Football, Hockey, Turbo touch and Mini Ball!**

We teach new skills and improve ability by using games, drills and exercises. It's a great way to try new sports, improve skills and maintain fitness – all while having FUN!

Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm for 8 weeks. Classes start in week 2 of term 3 .

To book for any programme go to [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) and put Houghton Valley in the school box.

## **KELLY CLUB – TERM 3!!**

Our Aftercare Programme is focused around various activities including sports, cooking, art and craft as well as structured 'free-time' after a busy day at school. These activities are incorporated into themes that give children the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive, and encouraging environment.

To enrol go to <https://kellyclub.co.nz/houghton-valley>

 <b>KELLY CLUB</b>		<b>TERM 3 2023</b> 17 July - 22 September		Weekly Theme Planner Kelly Club Houghton Valley	
Wk 1 17 July	<b>World Cup Mania</b>		Join the world in Sport Fever!		
Wk 2 24 July	<b>Red Nose Week</b>		Join us in supporting healthier children, with brighter futures, this Red Nose Day!		
Wk 3 31 July	<b>The World of Roblox!</b>		Are you ready to blox the house down? We're immersing ourselves into our favourite world this week!		
Wk 4 7 Aug	<b>Green Thumbs up</b>		Can you dig it?		
Wk 5 14 Aug	<b>Kids Choice</b>		The Kids' have taken over the planner! What will you do at Kelly Club this week.		
Wk 6 21 Aug	<b>Outer Space Adventure!</b>		We're throwing on our space suits and getting ready to see space!		
Wk 7 28 Aug	<b>Celebrating our Whanau</b>		At our home away from home, we will be celebrating our whanau. Get ready for some family fun!		
Wk 8 4 Sept	<b>Taskmaster the KC Edition!</b>		Are you up for a week of challenges and silly tasks, if so we need you!		
Wk 9 11 Sept	<b>Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori</b>		Join us this week as we celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori! Let's make the Māori language strong!		
Wk 10 18 Sept	<b>Reward Week!</b>		It's the week we've been waiting for, come and join us as we celebrate our amazing selves!		

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Healthline 0800 611 116 OR COVID-19 Info 0800 358 5453	
<b>Bee Healthy Dental Clinic</b> • 0800 825 583	<b>Ezlunch.co.nz</b> • Thursdays • Sushi • Fridays • Pita Pit - go online to <a href="http://www.ezlunch.co.nz">www.ezlunch.co.nz</a> please order before <b>8:30am</b>
<b>Kelly Club After School Care</b> - <a href="http://www.kellyclub.co.nz">www.kellyclub.co.nz</a> Cell 022 010 9981 Eden – Co-ordinator Email <a href="mailto:houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz">houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz</a>	
<b>HVS School Fair – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Put this date in your DIARY</b>	