



Houghton Valley School

Newsletter

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Thursday, 2nd February 2023

Week 1 of Term 1 2023

HVS Reminders

- Thursdays – Swimming DAY starting 9/2 every Week
- **Monday 6/2 – Waitangi Day Public Holiday**
- Wed 8/2 – Meet the Teacher – see below
- Fri 10/2 – HVS School Picnic starts at 5pm

Kia ora Whānau,

Events for Term 1 2023

Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 30-3 Feb		School starts	Creatives in School artist starts at school - Kate Te Ao		
Week 2 6-10 Feb	Waitangi Day		Meet the Teacher 5.00pm Kākano - Years 1-2 5.30pm Rākau - Years 3-6	Swimming starts	HVS School Community Picnic starts at 5.00pm on the field
Week 3 13-17 Feb				Swimming	
Week 4 20-24 Feb				Swimming	
Week 5 27-3 March			Paid Union Meetings for Teacher 2.00-3.00pm	Swimming	
Week 6 6-10 March	<i>Life Education van at school</i>			Swimming	
Week 7 13-17 March				Swimming	
Week 8 20-24 March				Swimming	
Week 9 27-31 March				Swimming	
Week 10 3-6 April			Last Day of Term 1 pickup 2:55pm	Teacher Only Day - School is closed	Easter & Term 1 Holidays

A BIG WELCOME IN HARAKEKE CLASS TO:

☺ Quinn Avery ☺ Henry Cresswell ☺ Katie Gunn ☺ Cerys Wood

☺ Eleanor McCarthy ☺ Mo Prebble ☺ Milan Tautau-Ashton

and in Ngaio ☺ Jake Kennedy-Stolze &

Kowhai ☺ Felix Gaskin & ☺ Elle Landrain &

in Karaka ☺ Bede Ray-Podmore & ☺ Ari Ray-Podmore *in Rimu*



Medical Information, Emergency Contacts and Emergency Food Kits

Medical Information and/or Emergency Contacts may have changed for whanau during the holiday season so we ask that you update these as soon as possible by contacting the school office - admin@houghton.school.nz or 939 3318.

At the beginning of every school year, we ask that every child bring an emergency kit of food for themselves to have in case of an emergency. As we do not store food here on site. We hand these back at the end of the year so that the food can be eaten and nothing gets wasted if they have not been used.

Meet the Teachers

We are holding our annual Meet the Teachers sessions next week, on Wednesday 8 February. These are to share our focus for the term, classroom programmes and for you to meet the staff. This is also an opportunity for you to ask questions and to find out more.

Kākano Team - Years 1-2 will be at 5.00pm in Ngaio

Rākau Team - Years 3-6 will be at 5.30pm in Rata



School T-Shirts

Our newly designed t-shirts have finally arrived and are available to purchase.

Due to the unique design, change of supplier and rising costs these t-shirts are more expensive than our previous one. We are selling these at cost.

They are available from the school office for \$43. If your child wants one please phone 939 3318 or email - admin@houghton.school.nz Denise and she will organise it with your child and send you an invoice.



Swimming

We start swimming on Thursday 9 February, week 2 for all children (unless you have contacted us).

- Years 1/2 leave at 9.00am
- Years 3/4 leave at 10.00am
- Years 5/6 at 11.00am.

We will travel by bus to the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre. It is important that they bring their own towels, goggles and togs. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or things for the teacher to know to support your child

Incredible Years - Year 1-4

We are starting our IYT programme for students and whānau this term.

Thank you to those who have already put their name down. Further information will come out soon.

If you are interested in can please contact Luana about this by Wednesday 8 February as it starts on 13 February.

Nga manaakitanga
Luana Carroll
Tumuaki
Houghton Valley School

**INCREDIBLE YEARS
PARENT PROGRAMME IS COMING TO
HOUGHTON VALLEY SCHOOL**

FEBRUARY, 2023

THE INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENT PROGRAMME AIMS TO REDUCE CHALLENGING BEHAVIOURS IN YOUNG CHILDREN, WHILE INCREASING THEIR SOCIAL AND SELF-CONTROL SKILLS.

These behavioural changes help children to engage in learning.

The programme works by helping whānau Learn effective child management strategies. More specifically, its goals are to:

- increase positive parenting, self-confidence, and parent-child bonding
- help whānau to coach and support their children's development,
- persistence, sustained attention, and social, emotional, and cognitive development
- build family support networks and educational involvement
- help parents and teachers to work collaboratively

Participation is free and it's open to all our whānau who have children in years 1-4. Please contact Luana for more information

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST WITH LUANA
PRINCIPAL@HOUGHTON.SCHOOL.NZ

The Incredible Years

HVS AND HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION PICNIC *COMMUNITY, CONNECTION, CONTRIBUTION*

Houghton Valley School Picnic

HOSTED BY THE STAFF AND HOME AND SCHOOL

Friday 10 February at 5pm, on the field

- ✓ Get to meet the staff, members of H&S and whānau of HVS
- ✓ Bring your dinner and games to play
- ✓ H&S - Sauage sizzle . Please contact Flic on 0273291020 to help on the BBQ

No dogs or alcohol

HVS SPORTS



HVS Junior Netball - Summer League Year 1-4 –Register by Thursday 9th Feb

The summer season is upon us and we are preparing for junior netball. Motu Kairangi Netball is now accepting registrations for the ANZ future FERNS Netball Programme for children (boys and girls) in Year 1 to Year 4, in term 1, 2023. The summer season begins on Saturday, 18th February 23 for both year groups and runs for 7 weeks at Evans Bay Intermediate School Kilbirnie (EBIS).

To find out more information go to <https://www.mknetball.co.nz/Junior-Netball-Y14/game-rules-and-information#> then Junior Netball (Year 1-4) tab “Junior Netball (Y1-Y4)”

Year 1 & 2 team/s Coaches/Star Helpers for, whānau are needed as Star Helpers to assist with the skills sessions and games. This group have 4 players on court at a time, so 4vs4 (minimum players 5 in a team).

Year 3 & 4 team/s need a coach who will also control the game on Saturdays (there is no umpire as such). This group have 5 players on court, so 5vs5 (minimum players 6 in a team).

If not enough for teams we can register you as an individual players.

Cost per player is \$40 for Term 1 2023. ***The registration deadline for “school teams” and “individual players” and is Thursday, 9th February 2023.***

Please register your child with **Denise** in the school office admin@houghton.school.nz Thanks Denise

Flippaball

Registrations have started for flippaball. Games on Friday afternoon. If we don't get enough students keen from just HVS, the Harbour City Hawks have said that we can join players from another school to make a team. Please let me know if you'd like more information.

Mini Polo for Years 3-6 (first game on Fri 10 Feb, entries close 8 Feb)

Water Polo for Years 5-8 (first game on Mon 13 Feb, entries close 9 Feb)

Floorball

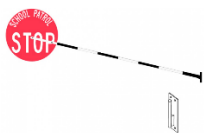
Floorball registrations have also started and we're looking to put some teams together. If you would like your child to play in their year group, please let me know. Registrations will close on 9 February. The focus for this league is to get the children in floorball and develop their skills as much as possible.

Ngā mihi nui, Charles

HVS SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2023

	Start	End	Exceptions
Term 1 (10 weeks)	Tuesday 31 January	Thursday 6 April 23	Waitangi Day Mon 6 Feb 23 Teacher Only Day Thursday 6 th April Easter in the School Holidays
Term 2 (10 weeks)	Monday 24 April	Friday 30 June 23	Teacher Only Day Monday 24 th April Anzac Day Tues 25 April 23 Queen's Birthday Mon 5 June 23 Matariki Day Fri 14 July 23
Term 3 (10 weeks)	Monday 17 July	Friday 22 September 23	
Term 4 (10 weeks)	Monday 9 October	Friday 15 December 23	Labour Day Mon 23 Oct 23
Note: 2023 Teacher Only Days			

ROAD PATROL



We are looking at starting our Road Patrol in Week 2. The current Year 6s were trained last year by Constable Aaron Dann and we will need some whānau support. Students will be out at 8:30am and 2:45pm, so we need support for 10 slots across the week. It is a great way to get to know the community and support children getting to school safely. If you are able to support, please let Charles know via email: charles@houghton.school.nz Many thanks!

KELLY SPORTS



Super Summer Sports at Houghton Valley School – Term 1 – Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm – Sessions start on Thursday 9 Feb 2023!

Our popular Kelly Sports multi-sport programmes is back in term 1! This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings, giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

At Kelly Sports, we encourage kids to have fun, build confidence and give sport a go.

The sports we will be focussing on in term 1 are: *Cricket, Dodgeball, Athletics and Ultimate Frisbee.*

Go to www.kellysports.co.nz and in the school box put "Houghton Valley"

EZLUNCH



Ezlunch starts again next week – checkout the website www.ezlunch.co.nz – we will still get Sushi on the Thursday, swimming day this term.

Thursdays Sushi and Fridays Pita Pit – place your order online before 8:30am.

<https://houghtonvalleyschool.files.wordpress.com/2023/02/ezlunch-menu-term-1-2023.pdf>

Houghton Valley School Information

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Healthline 0800 611 116 OR COVID-19 Info 0800 358 5453	
<u>Bee Healthy Dental Clinic</u> • 0800 825 583	<u>Ezlunch.co.nz</u> • Thursdays • Sushi • Fridays • Pita Pit - go online to www.ezlunch.co.nz please order before 8:30am
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