

HIKUIAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



19th August 2022

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Kia ora from the Principal



Kia ora te whanau!

We have hit the ground running with setting up our kapa haka set for the cultural festival on 14th September. The whole school has begun our rehearsals, learning new waiata and polishing up old favourites. Cross country training has started week 3. We intend to invite our best runners to participate in the WHOT cross country set to be held at the Yule's farm on the 25th August. Our Fun Run Fundraiser information was emailed and sent home hard copy with parents setting up fundraiser pages for their children already! Please share the link to your child's page to friends and family and let's make this event successful. There are great prizes too so check out the details below if you have not already done so. Good luck everyone! Ngā mihi, Rachell

Registrations open: Monday August 15th 2022

Friday Open Day



Join us for school tours, reconnecting with each other and a warm welcome!

11:00 - 2:00

- School tours: Our tour guides are ready to show you around.
- Have a look at our history trail including photos and stories from our archives.
- Join in the fun in our classrooms.

2:00

- Powhiri welcome assembly at 2:00 showcasing our learning and our Kapa Haka.
- Past Pupil afternoon tea in the M.P Room for a cuppa and a catch up.

Saturday Sports



Join us for family fun and games!

11:00-2:00

- Teams of 4 or 5
- Old school egg and spoon, sack and three legged races along with some team building challenges.
- Teams will be awarded points and prizes!
- Sausage sizzle, drinks and snacks on sale.
- Tea and coffee available!

Celebration Dinner



Saturday 12th November at 6:00pm.

The Lakes Resort Golf Club

Join us as we celebrate 125 years of learning.

- Wearable art showcasing student learning. Performed by our talented students!
- Tickets: \$80 including 3 course set menu.
- \$7 wine and beer
- Full bar available for purchases

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Celebrating
125
years

Friday 11 November 22

Open Day, 11am - 3pm
*including student tour guides,
a history trail and assembly
powhiri to welcome our guests
followed by a past pupils
afternoon tea*

Saturday 12 November 22

Hikuai Sports Day, 11am - 2pm
*with family fun and games,
prizes, sausage sizzle, drinks
and iceblocks for sale*
Celebratory Dinner,
Lakes Resort 6pm - late
*featuring students wearable
arts show*

For more information visit ▼

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School Fun Run!

We have spiced up our school cross country this year, partnering with School Fun Run to create a sponsorship event, including a colour run! Cross Country will be held on Tuesday 27th September and we are really hoping to raise at least \$6000.00 which will go towards resurfacing and painting our school pool and upgrading the courtyard and junior playground shade sails.



Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which will be sent home with your child. Once you have the form, you should sign up for a Student Profile Page at schoolfunrun.co.nz

You'll be able to access online fundraising from here.

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a prize, and the more money you raise the better the prize, and the more you help the school!

We're looking for all students to participate and we'd love everyone to come down to support the kids.

If you have any questions about the Fun Run please contact Sarah Waters (021 0265 5704) or Rachell at school.

Thanks for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event!

New Sport Shirts and Jackets

<https://www.knockout.co.nz/team-shop/>

Our team shop is LIVE at the above address. We have included the new school jacket \$86 along with the new sports top \$58. The jacket can be worn both inside and outside in place of the fleece. They are micro fleece lined, wind and rain resistant.

These tops run really small! Not sure of the right size? - We have a set of shirts to try on at the office. Please call in during office hours: (9:00-3:00- Closed on Wednesdays)



School Contributions 2022 - Term 3 Reminder

As a Decile 8 school, Hikuiai School does not qualify for the government's 'School Donation Scheme' of \$150 dollars per pupil. We ask families to make a 'School Contribution'. Because of the fact that we are unable to enforce the payment, we are often left with a large financial burden which we are forced to attempt to plug with funds from our Operations Grant. **Our school donation for 2022 is set at \$120 per student .**

If you want to pay through the internet the school bank details are:

Account Name: Hikuiai School Board of Trustees
Bank: Westpac
Account No: 03 0458 0171426 000

Please identify the payment as School Contribution with your child's name.

Our Van Service Term 3

Term 3 payments can now be made. Please call or email Michelle to work out a payment plan or you can pay through the internet - Ref: Van3



Room 3 - Our Junior School

Our outdoor play area is being tidied up and we would like to say thank you to the Men's Shed for putting a wooden retaining wall around the edge and to the Groube family for the mulch. We have all been very busy spreading the mulch around - it takes a while when you're doing it by the bucket load!



In class we have been busy learning about adjectives and how they make stories more interesting. We can identify them when listening to stories and here are some of our first attempts at including them in our stories.

The Black Kiwi - A long time ago I saw a big, black kiwi sleeping in the hot sun on a pile of brown ferns. Jack

The Brown Kiwi - Late at night I saw a brown kiwi and it was eating slimy worms in the dark forest. Kaea

The Bird - It was late at night I saw a beautiful bird sleeping in his comfy nest. He dreamt about his new friends. - Chloe

The Bird - A long time ago I saw a rainbow bird in the dark forest. It was eating slippery worms. Baylee

The Birds - It was late at night I saw a beautiful, rainbow bird in the creepy jungle. The bird was a hawk eating blue possums and purple worms. One day the hawk flew above the humongous trees and the hawk saw something... Jackson

Room 4 - Our Middle School

'Learning without even realising it'

That has been the overwhelming comment coming from the Room 4 students during our ongoing work around 'Measurement'. The concept of measuring length, width, area and speed presents as a fantastic opportunity to get 'hands on' and conceptualise our maths programme.

The students of Room 4 have been learning about these concepts whilst taking part in the 'The Great Room 4 Paper Aeroplane Competition'. Each student was given the opportunity to create, test and record the distance flown of 3 different paper planes. All sorts of weird and wonderful designs were toyed with until the students settled on their favourites. Once testing had been completed, each child selected their most successfully designed plane to fly in the competition.

Regan took out the competition with his small but super efficient plane, managing a distance of 13.73m.



Next week, the students will begin working out what trends they found (if any) between the surface area of their wings, wing span, and the distance they flew. They will also be challenged to figure how to establish the average speed of their planes as they fly through the air.



Room 5 - Our Senior School

We have been learning about measurement during our Maths lessons. The class brainstormed the times that we would use measurement in everyday life and discussed the ways of recording our findings.

Weight - Students had to estimate grocery items in grams and kilograms and record these in their books. Then they weighed each item using the scales to check and record their findings.

Capacity - Students had to estimate the volume of water in each container and measure in millilitres and litres.

Temperature - They know how to read a thermometer in celsius and recognise boiling point, freezing temperature, body temperature, snowy day, indoor room and bath water temperatures.

Length - Students measured objects in the room in millimetres, centimetres and metres and recorded their answers. They have learnt how to convert mms to cms and solve story problems.

Time - We have been reading analogue and digital clocks and calculating elapsed time in story problems.



UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Term 3

August 2022

22nd August	BOT meeting
25th August	WHOT Cross country- top runners to participate TBC

September 2022

1st September	Week 6 /10 TOTARA Assembly
2nd September	Firewise Programme for Room 3
6th September	T.V Cross Country for top WHOT runners
14th September	Coromandel Cultural Festival- whole school performing!
27th September	School Cross Country (FUN RUN)
29th September	Week 10/10 TOTARA Assembly
30th September	Conservation Dogs : Richard and his pups visit our classes to learn about what these guys do.

