

are already using Seesaw and we've had great feedback about it, so we are having a go at everyone using it. With this trial, we aren't planning to send learning portfolio folders home this term. Any families that would still like to look through actual books and projects are very welcome to pop into classes - you're always welcome!

Teacher Training 23rd August

Next Friday 23rd August, all our teachers will be involved in training seminars at some stage of the day. We are handling the covering of this within the staff team at school, so it is school as normal for the Hinni Kids, but I just wanted to flag early that there won't be an assembly on the day.

Ag Day Update

Just a reminder that our Ag Day date for this year is Tuesday 24th September. If you are entering a lamb or goat, you will need to have your entry form in by **23 August** so that we can organize rings, certificates and cups for the big day. We will be getting in touch with last years cup winners to have these returned to school but if you have one at home, feel free to pop it back the office at any time.

Attendance

These middle terms are filled with bugs and sick days but it's good to be reminded that going to school every day, if possible, really is the key to getting the best out of school because:

- ✓ It sets up good habits for going to school right from day one
- ✓ Learning to read, write and do maths takes a lot of practice. It is easier to master if

your child goes to school regularly

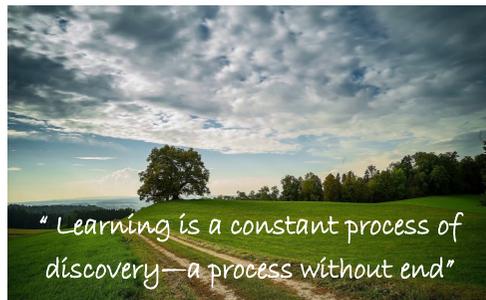
- ✓ Each day is a chance to learn something new
- ✓ School offers your children regular, dedicated help to master the many skills they need
- ✓ It teaches your child life skills like commitment, being reliable, having a good work ethic and sticking with things when they get hard.

And as well as all that, it's a cool place to play, have fun, learn lots and hang out with your friends.

Cross Country

Training has begun at school for the annual cross country running events. Like any sport, if you take it seriously and train hard, you will reap the benefits when it comes to competing. Someone has to win on the day but above all else, just feeling fit and happy to compete is a bonus in itself. So whether you are town or country based, encourage your little people to get running!!

Discovery Time



Discovery Time happens each Friday at school. Children have the option of selecting a variety of activities they would like to be involved in. They aren't always lucky enough to get their first choice but all activities are fun and educa-

tional so they can't lose really. This term they were able to choose from the following options: Free to Play, Country Study, Let's get Crafty, Let's Boogie, Picture This, Recycled Creations, Lego Masters, Science Time and Cool graphic Design. Ask your child which option they have chosen and what they have been doing during this time.

Lunch Box Recipe

Winter can be a bit of a challenge to find exciting and nutritious food for the school lunchbox. How about this easy to make recipe that you and the kids can make together.

Cheesy Pinwheel Scones



- plain flour 3 cups
- baking powder 6 teaspoons
- salt 1 teaspoon
- cold butter 100 grams
- tasty cheese 2 cups, grated
- spring onions 2, trimmed and finely sliced
- parsley 2 tablespoons, finely chopped
- milk 1 cup

Filling

- ham 1 large slice, torn (or ¾ cup sliced sun-dried tomato)
- cheese ½ cup, grated
- herbs 2 tablespoons, roughly chopped
- milk ¼ cup, to glaze

Method

Preheat the oven to 210°C. Grease a large baking tray.

1. Sift dry ingredients together. Make a well and grate butter into centre. Rub butter into flour. Add cheese, spring onion and parsley and mix.
2. Use butter knife to cut milk into mix. Work quickly, adding just enough milk for dough to bind.
3. Tip onto floured board and pat together; don't over-handle or dough will be tough. Flatten into a loose rectangle then roll out to about 1cm thick.
4. Sprinkle over filling. Roll up from long side to make two long rolls. Cut into 2cm-thick slices and place on tray. Brush with milk and bake for 12 minutes or until golden and just cooked through

You can individually wrap these and pop them into the freezer so that they are ready just to put into the lunchbox in the morning. Have fun!



SUSAGE ROSTER

Thanks to the following parents who have volunteered to do sausage sizzle over the next couple of weeks.

16 August—Teresa Harris /Vicki Tapper

STUDENT WRITING

Check out this sample of wonderful writing that has been done in Tanekaha R8, this week. We have lots of talented Hinni kids.

It was raining

The dark stormy thundering night pounded on the rusty old roof, scraping the orange paint off like a tiger clawing their prey to bits. The clouds were dark and crying with lightning

Patrick Gordon

It was raining

Rain was screaming, thunder pounding louder than a drum, lightening like a needle pulling string through the dark foggy sky, Hail no larger than a pea putting holes through the pedestrians. Umbrellas rushing to safety. This chaos happened.

Olive Tapper

It was raining

Chilly rain thundered down onto the cold cement,

growing more lethal by the second. Blinding lightening cracked the sky into a million pieces while thunder laughed it's way toward oblivion.

Jessica Alexander

It was raining

It's dark and gloomy, wet and cold. Thunder roars like a lion. Lightening striking everywhere. Children hiding under beds, whimpering. Darkness creeping its way towards you. Streets flooding, water depth rising, homes barricaded, sunken cars, garbage cans floating. Firemen on boats, policemen on jet skis. Drowning pets. Rain

Bella Watkins

It was raining

Glistening, transparent water soaking the ever-green forest, splashing the lake, drowning the fish, freezing trees. Lightening and thunder haunting the forest, black as night. The soggy mossy woods lifeless and gloomy, the only sound, rain tapping the leaves, drip drip, drip.

Daniel Germann

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HINUERA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

August

23 Friday No assembly
28 Wednesday BOT Meeting 7pm

September

6 Friday Hinuera School Cross Country
20 Friday Interschool Cross Country
24 Tuesday Ag Day

✕ *mark it on your calendar*

Our senior classes have built studies around a "Survival" theme this term, and that has been a good fit for some of the weather lately! Remember that whanau interest and involvement in learning is one of the big supports to raise achievement, so make sure you are discussing the 'Learning and Growing' that is going on for your tamariki this term.

Ngā mihi nui

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Newsletter Change

As we have finished with our newsletter advertising for now, and no longer have any of our printed covers left, we are trialing a new format with our newsletter to see how it goes. It still contains all the important bits that you need to know along with some wonderful student writing and some points of interest. We hope you enjoy sitting quietly with your afternoon coffee while you read through the various 'bits n pieces'.

Seesaw App Trial



A special Hinuera welcome to the following students who have recently joined our Hinni family.

Lennox Hill R2
Boston Hill R2
Shia Martin R8

In the coming weeks we will be giving families the opportunity to connect with class programmes by receiving updates of student learning through the Seesaw App. Seesaw is a great programme that allows teachers to easily capture and share student learning privately with whanau. Some of our classes



Bulletin Board

Free Ear Clinic

Friday, 6 Sept
Matamata Primary
9.30 – 2.00pm

