

Hinuera School News ...

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December ...		
12th	Wednesday	Red House Trip
14th	Friday	End of Term Assembly - Matamata Bible Church
January 2019		
29th	Tuesday	Start of Term 1

Merry
Christmas

It has been great to see so many examples of the Hinni values and spirit alive and well over the last few days. That includes amazing work by our students at the Interschool Athletics on Monday and a wonderful effort by parents from the PTA and many great entries in their X-Race event last night! Thanks everyone for the ways you engage in Learning and Growing at Hinuera School! This will be the last newsletter for 2018. Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer. Take care if around our beautiful beaches and waterways.

Regards
Dean



A special Hinuera welcome to the following student who recently joined our school.
Ellen Mann Room 1

Thanks

We all join together to extend a huge thankyou to our wonderful parents. So many of you have helped in so many ways with transport, coaching and donations of food, money and time. Collectively you help the school to operate as a strong supportive community.

Thank you

Swimming

Just a reminder of the regulations covering the use of the school pool ...

Health and Safety Regulations advise that no children are allowed into the pool while they have sores on their skin—even if they are covered. They also advise that any child who has been away from school with tummy bug

symptoms should not swim for 2 days after they return to school. We thank you for assisting us in adhering to these recommendations.

Interschool Athletics Day

It was a brave call to go ahead with this event on Monday, as the weather was not at all pleasant at the start of the day and the forecast was not great. Miraculously however, the sun did manage to shine and most events were completed before the rain really set in. We were all very proud of our Hinuera competitors who showed real skill in the various events and managed to achieve some great results.

Winning House

Congratulations to Red House this year who have gained the honour of being the winning house for 2018. This year Red House students will be travelling into the town pools for some fun in the water followed by a delicious pizza lunch. What a treat. It's a good reason to get involved with events throughout the year and stack up those valuable points for your house!

Library Books

The stock take was completed last week and sadly we still have around 100 books outstanding. In value terms, this will amount to well over \$1000.00. We will continue to hunt high and low in the classrooms and would ask that you do the same at home. Accounts will be sent out for outstanding books out under your child's name.

Te Reo

Here's a new phrase for you to practise using ... Nē rā! You don't say!

X-Race

It was great to see parents and children having some fabulous fun at the X-Race on Wednesday afternoon. We had some very competitive combos out there on the field

and some great costumes to add to the festive nature of the afternoon. Thanks to the PTA for organising this. Check out a few of the pictures ...



Raffle Tickets

Thanks again to all those people who have donated to the Christmas Hamper. It's certainly going to be a prize worth winning. We would ask that all raffle tickets are brought back to the office by **11 December ... sold or unsold ...** so that we can do a final tally on these ready for the lucky draw on the 14th December.

Lost Property

Please remember to check this before the end of term as it all "disappears" over the summer break.

Found Property

Please check at home for clothing items that may have come home in the wrong bag. This includes a brown Drovers top and

a Chiefs hoodie that have gone missing recently. If you ever have clothing items come home by accident, please send these back to the class teacher, as most times they will be from your child's class and picked up in the cloak bay end of day rush! Thanks for help with this.

End of Year Assembly

End of Year Assembly is being held on Friday 14th Dec at Matamata Bible Church, 11 Meura Street. All children need to be dropped at the venue by 8.40am (we are happy to receive children from 7.50am for those who need this help, but for most, the closer to 8.40am the better, or there is more waiting around!).

Buses will be running in the morning to school this year, and Mrs Maguire will meet all children who arrive at school before they travel together on one bus to the venue. All other students must be dropped directly to the venue please, as there is only limited capacity on the bus into town. If intending to use the bus in the morning, please register this intention at the school office.

Please send children with their bags, including morning tea and a drink bottle, as there are no drinking fountains at the venue. All parents and friends of the school are welcomed back to the venue from 10.15am, with the start time for the assembly being 10.30am.

School is finished after this assembly and there are no buses in the afternoon. Parents will need to either take their children home or arrange to have them go home with friends. Please notify the class teacher on or before the day, if your children will be going home with someone other than their parent or caregiver. Please also note that for safety reasons, children will only be allowed out of the assembly venue front door with an adult, and we ask that once you leave, children are not allowed to play outside. That way it is easier for those on door duty to be sure everyone has

headed home with the right people. Thanks in anticipation for your help with this.

Back to School 2019

The first day back for our students in 2019 is Tuesday 29th January. Stationery lists for your child's new room will be issued late next week and you will have the opportunity to purchase stationery over the holiday break. There are one or two items on each list that must be purchased from the school including learning portfolios. If you would like to get any, or all of your stationery items from the school office, it will be open on the 23rd and 24th of January from 10.00am—2pm

Student Writing

Room 4 students have written down some thoughts about their recent involvement in the Athletics Day fun.

Shotput

By Tom Wealleans
I waited in the line. It was as long as a humongous mutant snake. A few turns after it was my turn. The balls weighed as much as a whale mixed with an elephant. I pushed the ball. It went as far as a dragonfly. I almost got first but I got in between one and two. I got a high five of Mr C.

Sprints

By Beau Neal
Bang! Went the clap. I'm coming 3rd. "I need to speed up I want to come first." I said. "Go go go" Nan said. Was I in first, second, third? I don't know. I can't look I'll come last. I am speeding as fast as a cheetah in the sky. I am so so fast. How am I doing? I think I came into the final. I came 3rd. I was huffing and puffing. My heart was beating.

Classes 2019

Class placements for 2019 will be coming out next week. Please note a couple of key changes for next year. We will be having two

Y5/6 classes and two Y3/4 classes in 2019. This allows greater co-operation between classes and more flexibility in making placements for those who arrive during the year. All classes using this system are a straight split academically, so we want to stress that there is absolutely no sense that any student placed in what may have traditionally been a "younger" class is in a less able class. Classes working alongside each other will have the same high expectations for achievement. The other change is that we will be using room names in 2019, rather than numbers. The names will be some of our beautiful NZ native trees, most of which we have growing on the school grounds. Rooms will be as follows ...

Room 1 Totara	New Entrant To Be Confirmed
Room 2 Kowhai	New Entrant Erin Brown
Room 3 Rimu	Year 1 & 2 Emma Lockett
Room 4 Kauri	Year 2 Marie Whaley
Room 5 Matai	Year 3 & 4 Natalie deJong
Room 6 Pohutakawa	Year 3 & 4 Steve Cordery
Room 7 Rata	Year 5 & 6 Deb Sadler
Room 8 Tanekaha	Year 5 & 6 Judith Maguire

Friday Sausage Sizzle Helpers

Thanks to the following people doing sausage sizzle next week ...

7 December
Jennie & Craig Redshaw
A huge thank you to all those people who have volunteered to help with the sausage sizzles this year. We will be looking for more helpers next year so please put your hand up to give us an hour of your Friday when the call goes out.
Happy HolidaysVicki Tapper

Community Notices



HONEY FOR SALE: 

1KG POTS OF CREAMY BUSH HONEY
\$25.00 EACH

BEING SOLD BY EX HINNI KID

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A POT..

CALL THE SCHOOL

OFFICE—888 1772 OR JUST DROP IN AND PICK ONE UP

Craft & Creations Christmas Fun
Theme: A 'ROUND' Christmas
@ Matamata Baptist Church

10am – 12.30pm Friday 21st December
for kids ages 6-12 years
\$2 entry per child

Make bauble decorations,
stress balls and other gifts.
Hear the Christmas Story.

See you a 'round'!

Enquiries to Baxendines—021 209 6430