



Houghton Valley School

Newsletter

Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa tahi ai tātou

Thursday, 14th September 2023

Week 9 of Term 3

HVS Reminders

- Fri 15th Sept – Bake Sale 3pm Rm 1 & Rm6
- Mon 18th Sept – BoT Meeting 7pm
- Thurs 21st Sept – H&S Quiz Night 7:30pm
- Fri 22nd Sept – Last day of Term 3 23 2:55pm

Kia Ora Whānau,



Nau mai to te wiki o te reo Māori!

Here are some tumeke rauemi/resources to support your learning in te reo at your kainga. They focus on taiao and te moana. Have fun learning and practising these at home. Kia kaha te reo Māori!



Artsplash

Congratulations to our wonderful performers this week, who have participated in Artsplash! Our choir performed on Tuesday night and our dancers are performing tonight. This is an amazing opportunity to be able to sing and dance at the Michael Fowler Centre.

A huge mihi to Charles and Miriam for leading these 2 groups and providing this wonderful opportunity to our tamariki!





Property Update - Help with moving 20 September

We are preparing to move 3 of our classes (Rooms 4/Karaka, 7/Mahoe and 8/Ngaio) on Wednesday 20 September from 11.30am.

If you have a spare hour and would like to help move furniture we would appreciate your help.

School Drop Off - 8.30am

We just want to remind you that our tamariki can come to school from 8.30am. We have noticed a lot of children here before 8.30am but teachers are often not in classrooms as they are busy having meetings or preparing for the day.

Teacher Only Day - 17 November

The Ministry of Education has given all schools a day to support the implementation of the new curriculum. We will be taking this on Friday 17 November.

COVID

We are starting to see a few cases here at school again. We continue with our cleaning and handwashing procedures to keep us safe here at school. Please remember to keep your child home if they are unwell.

Noho ora mai

Luana Carroll

Te Tumuaki, Houghton Valley School

A BIG WELCOME TO:

😊 Ezekiel in Mahoe class and

😊 Harvey in Kowhai class and 😊 Alexis in Rimu

BOT RETURNING OFFICER

Want to be a returning officer for the Board of Trustee mid-term election?

The Board of Trustees will soon be holding midterm elections for two parent representatives and need a returning officer. This is a paid role. If you are interested, please contact Seb Bishop at botsebastin@houghton.school.nz or 027 3918026

HVS OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

Enrolment of Out of Zone Students Houghton Valley School



2024

Ka Manaaki, Ka Rapu, Ka Whakamanawa, tahi ai tātou
Caring, Exploring and Inspiring Together

Enrolment at Houghton Valley School is governed by an enrolment scheme. From time to time, the Board of Trustees may determine that there are a limited number of spaces available for out-of-zone students.

The out-of-zone ballot for the Houghton Valley School 2024 year is open and will close Wednesday 20 September, 2023 (3pm) for:

- Year 1 = 5 places
- Year 2 = 4 places
- Year 4 = 4 places
- Year 5 = 10 places

- 1st Priority will be given to applicants who are siblings of current students.
- 2nd Priority will be given to applicants who are siblings of former students.
- 3rd Priority will be given to applicants who are children of former students of the school.
- 4th Priority will be given to applicants who are children of Board employees and Board members.
- 5th Priority will be given to all other applicants.

If there are more applications in any of the priority groups than there are places available, selection within the priority group will be by a ballot conducted in accordance with instructions issued by the Ministry of Education.

Please note siblings of successful applicants will not be guaranteed a place at Houghton Valley School. They will be eligible to apply if there are any spaces available.

Enrolment procedure:

- Parents complete an enrolment form (available from office or online) and hand in, or email, to the school office by the application closing date - **Wednesday 20 September, 2023 (3pm)**
- If on the closing date we have received more applications than spaces we will organise a ballot for Wednesday 27 September, 2023. The ballot is drawn under the supervision of the Police. The names are pulled out of the ballot and a waiting list is created if there are more names in the ballot than spaces available.
- Successful whānau are advised by email and asked to confirm acceptance in writing of the place offered by **Wednesday 29 September, 2023**
- Unsuccessful whānau are advised by email and placed on a waiting list in the number they are drawn from the ballot.
- If successful whānau decline the space, the place is offered to the first/next family on the waiting list.



Ka puāwai ngā kōwhai he tohu tēnā kua aroaromahana.

When the kōwhai is in flower it's a sign that it's spring

Term 3, Week 9 H&S news:

- **HVS QUIZ - ONLY A FEW TABLES LEFT!**

Get your tickets and useless facts ready!

The Pines from 7:30 pm on Thursday 21 September.

Contact podmorekirsten@gmail.com or your class whānau rep.

- **SCHOOL DISC-OCTOBER!**

Put **Friday 13 October, 5.30-7pm, at South Wellington Intermediate** in your calendars for the school disco. Thanks to SWIS for letting us host it there while our hall is out of action!

- Are you a DJ? We need one!

- Can you volunteer on the night? We have a variety of roles to choose from, big and small.

Contact Jo on jomaryyoung@gmail.com - get in fast!

- **BAKE SALE THIS FRIDAY (15th SEPT)**

Come along, connect with the HVS school community, and taste **Pōhutukawa** and **Ti kōuka** classes baking from 2:55 this Friday.

- **MANY HELPING HANDS NEEDED FOR OUR FANTASTIC SCHOOL FAIR**

The **HVS School Fair** is fast approaching, Week 3, Term 4. So pop Saturday 28th October (10am and 2pm) in your diaries. It's our biggest annual event and biggest fundraiser!

HVS is recently rated with a very [low Equity Index](#), which means that HVS has not been identified as a school that requires any "topping up".

Therefore the fair funds are very welcomed! It directly affects: bike track, bike maintenance, flying fox maintenance, and chicken upkeep (and future hutch upgrade!) and more!

To make these great things happen at our school, we need **your help!** See the FAIR "HOW YOU CAN HELP" poster for updates.

DO JOIN IN: It typically takes about 120 volunteers to make the fair happen! We need parents and caregivers to help - especially for an hour or two on the day. There is a role for everyone. If you are a parent or caregiver, you are overqualified, so don't worry if you've never helped at a fair before. It's actually a lot of fun, and you'll see first-hand the joy the fair brings.

Contact hvsfair@gmail.com to join in the fun!

- **CALENDAR ART COMING IN TERM 4**

Early in term 4, our tamariki will be bringing home order forms for Calendar Art, a fundraiser home and school organises each year. You'll have the option to buy diaries, mouse pads, sketch pads and of course calendars for yourself or as gifts, featuring an artwork by your child. More details to come!

What is the Home & School Association?

HVS H&S is a collective of HVS parents and caregivers. Our purpose is to support the school by connecting the community and raising funds. Everyone in the HVS community is part of the Home & School. You are already a member!

Save the date - Term 3

Bake sale: Pōhutukawa & Tī kōuka - Fri 15 Sept.
HVS Quiz - Thu 21 September @ The Pines

Save the date - Term 4

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

HVS QUIZ NIGHT 2023 ~ HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR TICKET?

Brush up on your trivia and join us for Wellington's best quiz night!

Great prizes to be won - including from Interislander, Tryp Hotel, F45, BFT, Bluebridge, Real Surf, Highwater, Pete Lamb Fishing, Headstart Hair, Sweet Axe and more!

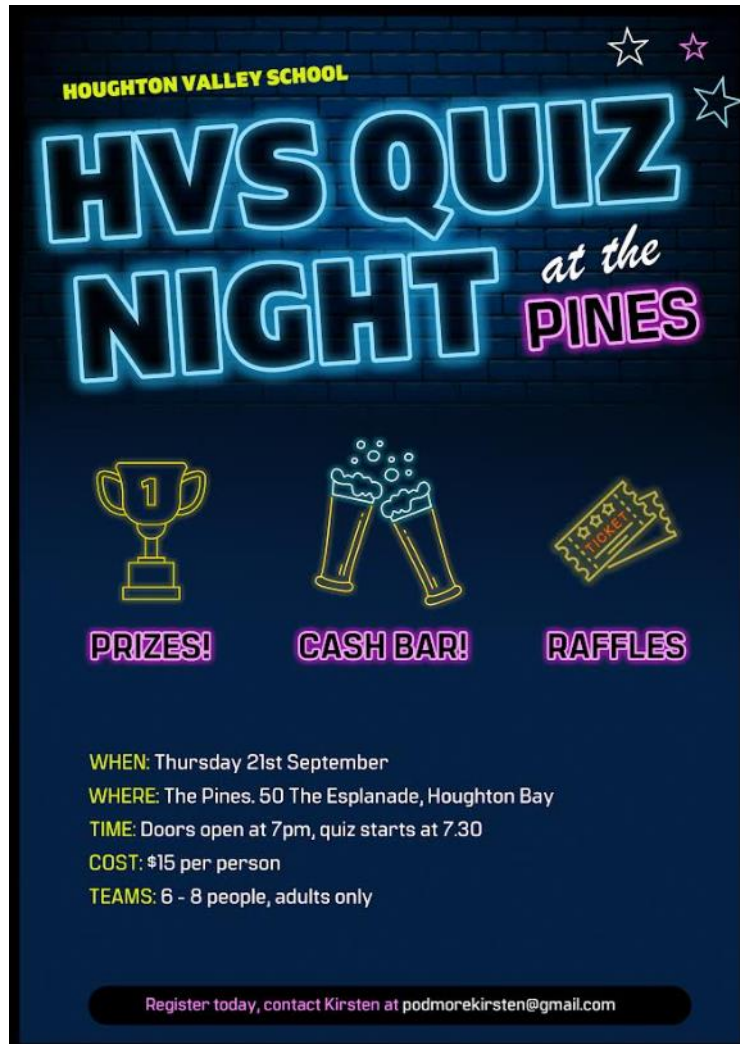
When: Thursday 21 September, 7pm for a 7.30pm start

Where: The Pines, Houghton Bay

Tickets: \$15 per person

Teams of 6-8 adults or be assigned a lucky dip table.

Let's have fun and celebrate the end of term. Contact podmorekirsten@gmail.com to book your ticket(s) today.



HOUGHTON VALLEY SCHOOL

HVS QUIZ NIGHT

at the PINES

PRIZES! **CASH BAR!** **RAFFLES**

WHEN: Thursday 21st September
WHERE: The Pines. 50 The Esplanade, Houghton Bay
TIME: Doors open at 7pm, quiz starts at 7.30
COST: \$15 per person
TEAMS: 6 - 8 people, adults only

Register today, contact Kirsten at podmorekirsten@gmail.com

Houghton Valley School Fair | Sat 28 Oct 10am - 2pm

How Can You Help?

The fair is our biggest fundraiser! The money we raise helps fund some things our tamariki love most about our school: bikes, chickens, library, playground and the flying fox.



CRAFT NIGHT

Head to Kirsty's for an evening of making crafts to sell on fair day. (No skills required.) And the sweetener? Wine and chocolate are provided! Wed 18th October, from 6pm. 199 Sutherland Road, Lyall Bay. Email: kirstypoo26@hotmail.com or text Kirsty: 022 657 3944



COOKS & CURRY

Do you like to cook? One position is still open for a keen cook to join the curry-cooking crew, Monday (Labour Day) at Elements cafe. Email: anahenderson1@gmail.com



TRUCKS & TRAILORS

Have a big ute? Car and large trailer? (Or know someone who does?) If you can help transport trestle tables on the morning of Friday 27 Oct, email: hvsfair@gmail.com



SHARE

Tell your friends! Like the posts, share the event and shout about our great little fair on the beautiful south coast. If you can hang a fair poster at your work or business, email: hvsfair@gmail.com



DONATE

- Plates for the plate smash
- Clothes
- Toys
- Plants

Keep your your preloved goods and smashable plates aside or the fair. Drop-off instructions coming soon... (Keeping the items in separate category bags/boxes would be helpful for sorting.)



SILENT AUCTION

In 2019, the silent auction raised a hefty \$4,970 for our tamariki. Could you (and a friend?) take the lead this year and talk to our friendly local businesses about donating their goods or services to be auctioned on fair day? For more info email: hvsfair@gmail.com



SQUEEZE & FREEZE

Lemons, lemons, lemons everywhere! So when life gives you lemons... get juicing and freezing for the lemonade stand! Email: flicmorris@gmail.com



Any questions? Chat to a fair coordinator:

| | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Books | Fenella Rich |
| Clothes | Nell Winton |
| Toys | Anna-Marie Miller |
| Crafts | Kirsty White |
| Entertainment | Lee Prebble |
| Finances | Luke C-G |
| Food | Flic Morris |
| Games | Ian V & Kath B |
| Logistics | Anna Barlow |
| Silent Auction | tbc - You? |
| Comms | Emma G |
| Volunteers | Nicola Du Toit |
| Waste | Sarah Graydon |



VOLUNTEER

An hour or two of your time makes a big difference for our tamariki! Bags your favourite spot... or try something new? The food stalls need people to join the:

- Salad Superstars
- Pizza Pioneers
- Burger Brigade

Email: flicmorris@gmail.com

Get in touch: hvsfair@gmail.com

SUSTAINABILITY EVENTS – SOUTH COAST CLEAN-UP

South Coast Cleanup - Saturday 16th Sept 10.30am-12pm

We are hosting the annual Southcoast Cleanup at Houghton Bay Beach again and hope many of you will join us. We're making a difference to the sealife in Taputeranga Marine Reserve with more dolphins, orca and whales visiting our coastline. Bring your own small bags or buckets and gardening gloves if you have them although we will have supplies of gloves, hand sanitiser and larger bags to fill, and a few giveaways. The waste will be taken to Lyall Bay at 12 noon as usual and we hope the entire collection continues to trend downwards. Jill Holmstead and Nicola O'Halloran email: jill@houghton.school.nz



HVS SPORTS - NETBALL

HVS Junior Netball - Summer League Year 1-4 - URGENT

The summer season is upon us and we are preparing for junior netball. Motu Kairangi Netball is now accepting registrations for the ANZ futureFERNs Netball Programme for children (boys and girls) in **Year 1 to Year 4**, in term 4, 2023. The summer season begins on Saturday, 14th October for both year groups and runs for 7 weeks at Evans Bay Intermediate School Kilbirnie (EBIS).



Year 1 & 2 team/s Coaches/Star Helpers for, parents/caregivers 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**.

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)"*

Please register your interest firstly via email to Denise in the school office admin@houghton.school.nz
Cost per player is \$40 for Term 4 2023. **Note: The registration deadline for "school teams" and "individual players" and is Wednesday, 20th September 2023.**

HVS Winter Netball – HVS Chicks

The last game of the winter MK netball league has gone! Amazingly the Year 5/6 netball team, HVS Chicks have played most weeks and learnt new skills and drills along the way. What a great team spirit too, they have. I would like to thank all of the enthusiastic players, coaches, umpires and helpers. We have had such a good success this year with the learning and combining as a team and winning a lot of their games. So once again THANKS so much to you all.
HVS Netball Co-ordinator Denise

thank you!

Term 3 Events

| Term 3 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--------------------|--|-----------|---|--|
| Week 9 11 th -15 th Sept | | Artsplash Singing- 5pm (Choir Concert 3) | | DanceSplash 5pm Tonight (Dance Concert 2) | Bake Sale 3pm Pöhutukawa Rm1 and Tī kōuka Rm6 |
| South Coast Clean-Up Saturday 16th September 10:30am-12pm | | | | | |
| Week 10 18 th -22 nd Sept | BOT Meeting 7pm | | | HVS Quiz Night at The Pines 7:30pm | Last Day of Term 3 2:55pm pickup |
| Term 4 starts on Monday 9th October 2023 | | | | | |

EZLUNCH – PITA PIT - TERM 4



We have been advised by Pita Pit Head Office that all stores are running low of lamb and this product from term 4 will be discontinued until further notice. The roast kumara has also been removed from the menu.

KELLY SPORTS AND HOLIDAY PROGRAM

KELLY SPORTS IS BACK AT HOUGHTON VALLEY FOR TERM 4– SPRING INTO SPORTS!!

Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm 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:

T-Ball, Athletics, Cricket and Football! 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!

To Enrol go to www.kellysports.co.nz



Join us at **Island Bay School for Holiday Programme** these upcoming holidays! There will be some awesome themed days like Book Day and Ginormous Galaxies, and trips to go swimming, roller skating and to do gymnasium! Book in Now over at Kelly Club Island Bay!!



General Information: We believe in giving children opportunities to do things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality education in our school, but we also help for all hours out of school. Our holiday programme is focused on sports, games, and activities to local educators. Our focus is on the positive about working with children - they are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, we use real activity planning/ability.

Who can attend: Children aged 5-10 yrs.

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, water or beverage, hat, drink, book or food.

Food: There is a supply of second hand food that will be ready to go for approximately 12.00pm each day from approximately 10.30am to 1.00pm each day.

Programme details: Programme activities are designed to be fun, educational, and enjoyable. They may be cancelled or altered due to weather conditions and programme changes.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be added on the invoice.

Waiver and Income Support: Parents / caregivers must read and accept our waiver and be able to access a WAI subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.kellyclub.co.nz.

Please note: Every child will be asked to ensure the safety of you and all other children in the programme. Organisation of Kelly Club activities for any child in any manner to you or child is not our responsibility. If you or your child is unable to attend the programme, please contact us as soon as possible to allow us to offer the space to another child. We will be closed 500pm - 5 minutes past the hour.

Website: kellyclub.co.nz/island-bay
 Contact: Genevieve Marsland
 Email: islandbay@kellyclub.co.nz
 Phone: 022 198 6316
 Facebook: @KellyClubIslandBay
 Address: 6 Thames Street, Island Bay

OCTOBER 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME ISLAND BAY SCHOOL

| | | Mon 25 September | Tue 26 September | Wed 27 September | Thurs 28 September | Fri 29 September |
|--------|--|--|---|--|---|------------------|
| WEEK 1 | BOOK DAY Step between the pages of your favourite book and become part of the story. What will you see on today's cover story chosen for you? Have a book character read to you all! | TRIP DAY - GYMNASTICS! We are heading to Hunt Valley Gymnastics Club. We will learn the basics in gymnastics. We'll learn: Flips, Bats, Crouches & Lows. Entry \$18 for the day. | NERF WARS Today we battle it out in all our best! Who will win? Challenges and replays all your energy after school. Who will come out on top? Entry \$12. | MAGICIAN Attract school Andrew Wilson the Magician is coming to Kelly Club! Come along and watch the magic show. A morning show before 12. | GINORMOUS GALAXIES It's World Space Week so everyone for space all day! Our systems are going to be checked on an outdoor school adventure at Kelly Club. | |
| WEEK 2 | KELLY CLUB FAVOURITES Today we are celebrating our favourite Kelly Club activities in celebrating all the best things about Kelly Club! | TRIP DAY - SWIMMING We are off swimming to the Rotorua Arena for a swim! We're bringing your own towel, bag, lunch, drink, bottle, and a hat. \$18 for the day. | MMM-MONSTERS The monsters are creating a shadow over our Kelly Club! Let's give them a big hug and show them all the fun that can be had! Entry \$18 for the day. | TRIP - ROLLER SKATING We are heading to the Upper mall for the Skating Club for a day of roller skating! Entry \$18 for the day. | YEAR OF WORLD CUPS This year we're Rugby, Netball, Football and Cricket players are all competing for World Cups. Today you can go to the competition as we celebrate our own Mega Cup! | |
| | | FULL DAY \$59 8am-6pm | SCHOOL DAY: \$47 8.45am-3.15pm | HALF DAY: \$39 8am-1pm or 1pm-6pm | EVENT DAY: Extra \$12-\$18 | |



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

COMMUNITY NEWS



Maranui Surf life Saving Club open day Sunday 15th October 1:00pm – 4:00pm

- Join us for a day filled with fun, waves, and cheerful faces at the Maranui Surf Life Saving Club's Open Day, meticulously crafted for children aged 6 to 13!
- Our club boasts an enthusiastic and dynamic junior surf membership called Nippers, a delightful beach and surf program held every Sunday morning at 10:00 am, spanning from November through March.
- It's an incredible opportunity to forge new friendships, stay active, and nurture a lifelong passion for the beach. So, save the date and come make a big splash with us during Maranui SLSC's Open Day!
- For additional details, feel free to reach out to us via email at admin@maranui.co.nz

Wellington Harrier Children's Athletic Club



Our season open day is Saturday 14th October, at Newtown Park.

We have a new start time of 9am this season and a new Hurdles, High Jump coach! At our club days' athletes practice all events, including long jump, hurdles, high jump, sprints, middle distance and throws. Our children's club day caters for all abilities. New members are welcome! You can register through <http://www.whac.org.nz> For more information please contact: Julie Richards juliemaerdy@yahoo.co.uk 0212959026



If your child loves doing cartwheels, handstands, trampolining, flips, dancing, or parkour, then they will thrive at Bigair Gym! Bigair Gym classes are excellent for fun, focus and fitness! Children learn new skills and develop personal confidence and self-achievement! Strong focus is given to safety and technique, ranging from fundamentals to advanced skills. The structured classes follow a Bigair Badge Programme, which creates focused learning, and allows children to achieve and feel personal progression! Bigair classes include GYMNASTICS, TRAMPOLINING, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING (thats parkour with flips) & CHEERLEADING! Inquire about Bigair BIRTHDAY PARTIES too! GET IN QUICK FOR TERM 4 GYM CLASSES & BIGAIRS POPULAR HOLIDAY PROGRAMME! Bookings are open NOW. Book online at www.bigairgym.co.nz or contact your local Bigair Gym office today. Bigair Gym Owhiro Bay ph. 383 8779 e. wqtn@bigairgym.co.nz

Houghton Valley School Information

| | |
|--|---|
| Houghton Valley School Ph: 939-3318 Website: www.houghton.school.nz PrincipalEmail: principal@houghton.school.nz | HVS Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/houghton.school.nz/ School Office Email: admin@houghton.school.nz |
| Healthline 0800 611 116 OR COVID-19 Info 0800 358 5453 | |
| Bee Healthy Dental Clinic • 0800 825 583 | Ezlunch.co.nz • Thursdays • Sushi • Fridays • Pita Pit - go online to www.ezlunch.co.nz please order before 8:30am |
| Kelly Club After School Care - www.kellyclub.co.nz Cell 022 010 9981 Eden – Co-ordinator Email houghtonvalley@kellyclub.co.nz | |
| HVS School Fair – Saturday 28th October 2023 – 10-2pm Put this date in your DIARY | |