HILLPARK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER KAWERONGO

30 September 2022

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Kia ora whānau

Whakaoho
Motivation

Mauri tū
Mauri ora
An active soul is a healthy soul

Kia ora whānau
Regular newsletters will now resume as we move out of mandates and COVID related directives. It is great to be able to resume whole school assemblies and a host of other gatherings that we took for granted before. Sports events like the cross-country this term bring whānau into the school to support tamariki and celebrate success.

With that in mind, Hillpark continues its' stellar performance in the Manurewa Principals School Sports Association Cross-Country event finishing second overall. Thank you to Ms Clayton for preparing the athletes so well.
Congratulations to the following children who placed in the top 3 for their year level:
1st Yr 4 Girl: Mila-Jo Thornton
2nd Yr 6 Girl: Danika Vela
1st Yr 6 Boy: Nathan Johns
3rd Yr 6 Boy: Sukhnoor Bhatti

Next term we intend to resume our Māori Whanau and Pasifika Talanoa Group meetings at school. Those parents will receive a personalised phone call invitation to the first meeting early in term 4. These meetings are to support our obligations to let you view the plans, policies and programmes we use to raise achievement and to collaborate with you to make school a more culturally responsive place to learn.

I would like to thank our outgoing school board for their support of our school. They have served the school in a committed manner and this has had the effect of high staff morale. Whakawhetai koe to;
• Ratima Rolleston (Presiding Member)
• Nick Eacott (Deputy Presiding member)
• Rox Mason
• Jermaine Nikara
• Daena Colebrook

Nau mai haere mai to the new board consisting of;
• Tania Johnson (Presiding Member)
• Dion Keating (Deputy Presiding Member)
·Pita Matangi
·Sarah Crestanello
·Sam Malaesilia
·Tania Mills (Staff Trustee)
·Emma Ritzema-Bain (Associate Principal and Minute Taker)

The new board have met for their first meeting and their positive drive will ensure we keep the continuing improvement we seek as a school.

Our Tui Camp at Lakewood Lodge is approaching in Term 4. Thank you to parents who volunteered to assist. The cake fundraiser for this initiative raised over $1200 and we thank Mr Kelly, student helpers and parents who sold goodies after school for your work.

Recitations by Pīwakawaka / Pūkeko and Speech Competitions for the rest of the school have concluded. The results below are the winners of their year group.
Year 3: Evie Clyne
Year 4: Suha Chand
Year 5: Jessica East
Year 6: Saraia-Lee Mulivai

The Footsteps Finale held at Manurewa Intermediate last night was a fantastic end of term celebration with high energy. Whānau were treated to well rehearsed brackets by the various teams. Thank you to MI for the generous use of their auditorium.

Thank you also to whānau who attended our cyber safety evening this week. It certainly was a case of ‘what we didn’t know’. There will be a link sent out soon with a presentation very similar to what we listened to. I urge you to watch it.

We had a wonderful surprise today. FIFA Zurich were visiting another school for a skills session today, and couldn't proceed because of the rain. They asked if they could hold the event at Hillpark and we gratefully accepted. Thank you to Hussain Hanif for suggesting us as an alternative! Lucky kids!

Enjoy the holiday break with your family.

Ka kite anō
Gavin Beere

Crazy
HAIR DAY!
Wednesday 19 October
Gold coin donation for the Tūī Team
Camp fundraising!

Book Fair 2022 success

Dates to remember

17th October - Term 4 begins
17th October - Board meeting 6.00pm staffroom
18th October - MPSSA Touch Bruce Pulman Park
18th October - Camp Parent Help meeting, 6.00 pm staffroom
24th October - Labour Day - no school
26th October - Tūī Whero Experience
27th October - Photolife - teams/groups/Pīwakawaka classes
27th October - Diwali Assembly 2.15 school Hall
28th October - Tūī Whero Experience
31st October - Diversity Choir Dress Rehearsal
1st November - MPSSA Softball
1st November - Diversity Choir
12-14th November - Camp 1 Rooms 20/21
17th November - Board meeting staffroom 6.00 pm
19th-21st November - Camp 2 Rooms 14/15/25
23rd November - Learning Conferences
24th November - Learning Conferences
29th November - MPSSA Athletics
1st December - Board Meeting Staffroom 6.00pm
12th December - Prizegiving

Lost uniform is a constant, ongoing problem at Hillpark School, especially when the uniform is not named and not able to be returned to the correct owner.
Precious Labels - purchase these labels through our Kindo shop

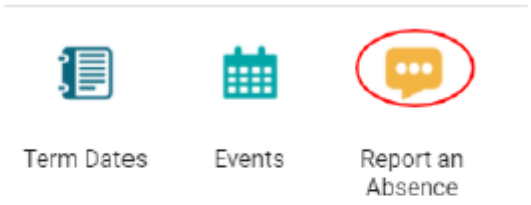
Reporting an absence on the Hero App

New Hero 'Report an Absence' function

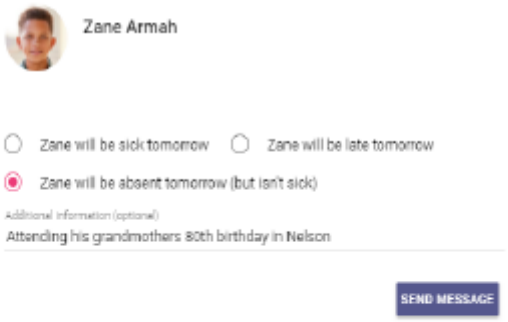
A new feature of our Hero app is the ability for parents to report their child's absence.

To report your child's absence via Hero you will notice a small yellow icon on the landing page within the app.

1. Click **REPORT AN ABSENCE**.



When you click on this yellow icon you can select the child, then reason, and provide details relating to the absence.



It is important to provide details such as, 'Joe Bloggs has a dentist appt' as this helps us mark the absence correctly according to Ministry guidelines.

Clicking **'Send message'** will send a confirmation to Reception and your child's class teacher.

You can amend this at any time during the day. Your child may be going to be late due to a medical appt but then be advised to stay home therefore you can amend it to 'medical' from 'going to be late'.

While we recommend that you use this new feature, you can still leave a message or email reception@hillpark.school.nz to report absences.

If you have any questions relating to this new feature please call the office on 267 6252 or email reception@hillpark.school.nz

Thank you.
Tania Mills

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