



Hikutaia School Newsletter Friday 29th July 2022

Tena koutou Katoa,
Welcome back to another fun filled term of learning and engagement. This term our focus is on Science and looking into the future. Teachers are well planned and ready to engage in amazing experiments and fun learning. I was extremely pleased with our mid term results and look forward to consolidating some solid learning this term. Kia kaha koutou katoa.

Student Teachers

Nau mai whakatao mai - We welcome Hannah and Jo, both third year student teachers who will be working in Room 2 and Room 5 respectively. We wish you all the best for your teaching practicum and hope you get the most out of your time at Hikutaia School.

COVID/SICKNESS/ABSENTEEISM

This week I sent out notices to some parents whose children have missed a considerable amount of time from school. This is just to let you know the impact this has on students' learning. In many cases the sickness and covid cannot be helped and we fully understand why students are absent, at the same time it is also very difficult for students to maintain a certain level of learning and achievement if they are not at school. If students are not sick they should be at school. Please take care out there.

Science and Technology

Our major focus for this term is science and technology. You will hear and see our students engaging in science experiments, taking in a science show, and thinking scientifically. We have [Science in a Van](#) visiting next week who will perform two shows for our students and also deliver professional development for our staff in the afternoon.



PTA
We welcome new members to the PTA. If you would like to make a

difference in your child's learning and are not afraid to roll the sleeves up and muck in to help with fundraising and other school events then go to **FACEBOOK** and join the **Friends of the PTA - Hikutaia School** group and stay tuned for upcoming meetings and events.



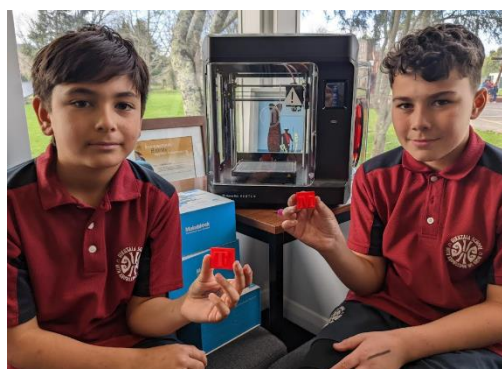
Class trip

Room 1 and 2 will embark on an incredible journey next Monday as they retrace the footsteps of the British soldiers and Maori warriors looking at the start

of the Waikato Land Wars. They will consolidate their class learning with a trip to Pokeno, Mercer and Rangiriri and see first hand the impact of the Waikato land wars, the trip will conclude in Hamilton where they will watch the screening of Whina, a documentary based on the life of Dame Whina Cooper.

3D Printer action

This week Malakai and Trey made good use of the



3D Printer, designing and printing letters. This tool will be used a lot more this term as we investigate tinkercad and

design. Look out for more developments in the 3D printing world as the seniors explore this great resource.



We would like to welcome the following students to Hikutaia School - Ariella Monigatti and her parents

Jade and Carlos and the return of Marshall Hagan and his parents James and Karen. We hope that you will enjoy your time and association here at Hikutaia School.

Teacher only day

Because teachers are learners too, we will be having a teacher-only day on Monday the 22nd of August. Please mark this in your calendars. Staff will undergo professional development on this day. Thank you for your understanding.

BOT ELECTIONS

David Corbett is our Returning officer for the upcoming Board of Trustees Election to be held on Wednesday 21st September 2022.

Below are the key dates for the BOT Election this year:

- 29.7.22 - Main Roll is Closed
- 29.7.22 - Call for nominations
- 8.8.22 - Supplementary Roll closes
- 17.8.22 - Nominations close 12.00 p.m.
- 24.8.22 - Issue voting forms if there are more than 5 candidates for the BOT.
- 21.9.22 - Election Day - Voting closes 4pm
- 27.9.22 - Votes counted and declaration of final results
- 1.10.22 - New Board takes office



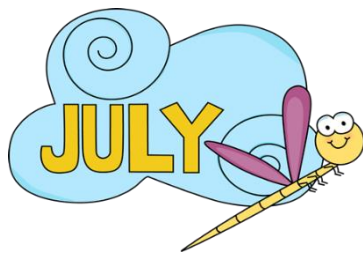
Hikutaia School - School Board Elections - Parent Election Notice.

Nominations are open for the election of five parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office. Nominations close at **noon** on **Wednesday 17th August 2022**. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination. The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view. Voting closes at **4pm** on **Wednesday 21st September 2022**

Signed: *David Corbett - Returning Officer*



Friday 29th July Nomination forms issued

August

Monday 1st	Room 1 & 2 School Trip
Tuesday 2nd	Science in the van
Thursday 4th	Year 8's Paeroa College
Friday 5th	Room 1 Assembly
Tuesday 9th	Self Defence Year 3-4
Thursday 11th	Self Defence Year 7-8 girls
Thursday 11th	Paeroa College Presentation to Year 8's and whanau
Friday 12th	Dental Mobile Clinic to arrive
Wednesday 17th	Nominations Close 12.00 p.m.
Friday 19th	School Cross Country
Monday 22nd	Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 23rd	Choir Rehearsal - Central School
Wednesday 24th	Boys Rippa
Wednesday 24th	Waikato Museum Visit Room 3,4 & 5
Wednesday 24th	Issue of Voting forms for BOT Election
Friday 26th	Ohinemuri Cross Country
Monday 29th - Friday 2nd September	
•	Totara Springs Sports Camp Year 7&8

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