

NEWSLETTER NO 12
THURSDAY 18th AUGUST 2011

Dear Parents/Caregivers



I hope you've all survived the cold weather we have been experiencing lately. I understand that for some of you it has been difficult to get your child to school due to poor road conditions, so thank you for making the effort to get them to and from school safely. Yesterday many schools were closed in the Hutt Valley and although some of our students (and possibly a few teachers too!) were hoping we would also be closed, we had no reason to do so as all our heating was working. So well done to our hardy students for coming to school! Despite the terribly cold weather many students have turned up at school without coats and some without wearing sweat shirts! Please encourage (insist even!) your child to wear a coat to school during cold weather. Sitting in wet clothes all day is not conducive to good learning!

Water Polo

The after school water polo season concludes next week with one of our two teams being in the play offs for 5th and 6th position. Although this hasn't been the best

year for our teams as far as results go, the coaches Perry Nicol and Rachael Slade have been pleased with the students attitude, commitment and the improvement they have made through the season. So well done to you all and thank you to our coaches for their commitment over a long season.

Basketball

During the weekend of 5th/6th August the Regional Under 13 Girls Basketball Tournament took place at Walter Nash Stadium in Taita. Eight representative teams from as far north as Taranaki and Hawkes Bay participated in this event with the top four teams earning qualification for the Under 13 Girls National Championships which will be held in Napier at the end of Term 3. It was a very competitive tournament with six of the twelve members of the Hutt Valley team consisting of Naenae Intermediate students. The final game between Hutt Valley and Wellington was the decider for fourth place. Hutt Valley were the winners, coming out on top by a single point! Congratulations to our students and rep team members Denva Shaw, April Tualapiu, Grace Vaofusi, Honestly Morete-Watene, Kashaya Collier and Teagan Tautala-Hanita. Good luck for the Nationals!

Ticket Sales - Olivia Production

Tickets will be available for:
Cast only from 5th September.
Cast/Choir only from 6th September.
Parents/Family from 7th September.
\$5.00 each. Not suitable for pre-schoolers.

Aerobics Competition

In the last Newsletter I congratulated a team of girls who represented our school in the Inter school Aerobics Competition held at Hutt Intermediate. One of the girls mentioned was Khinah Kepa-Henry. In fact Khinah didn't represent the school. The Newsletter should have read Kiana Ringrose-Perez. Apologies to both girls and congratulations Kiana.

Reminder

Itinerant Music Programme Concert - Tuesday 23rd August 2011, School Hall, 7.00 pm - all welcome.

Persuasive Writing

For the last few weeks students have been learning how to write persuasively. This includes planning their ideas thoroughly, using persuasive language appropriate to the reader, making their opinion clear and convincing, organising their ideas into sentences and paragraphs and editing their work paying particular attention to grammar, punctuation and spelling. You can help with this at home by discussing current events and asking your child to select one side of the issue and then encouraging him/her to explain the reasons for their opinion.

Hangi Lunch - Friday 26th August 2011 written by Tayne, Maxine, Ethan M and Anthony from Syndicate 4



Syndicate 4 will be going to Koraunui Marae for a "Hangi Catering Experience", as part of our Inquiry Learning.

We have been planning this trip so we can experience firsthand what it is like to cater for a large number of people.

This Hangi lunch will include: Succulent Chicken, Juicy Pork, Tasty Pumpkin, Fresh Fried Bread, Stuffing, Buttery Potatoes, Colourful Carrots and Cabbage plus ... Hot Steamed Pudding

and Custard. This amazing lunch will happen on Friday 26th August 2011. It's not just for people at the Marae, but for anyone and everyone (or a takeaway option). You must not miss out because you'll never taste a Hangi like this again as this is a once in a lifetime opportunity. So, if you would like to order a Hangi then please fill in this order form below and return to the school office. **Orders have to be in by Tuesday 23rd August 2011.** Late orders cannot be accepted.

Hangi can be picked up from the School's foyer between the hours of 1-4pm on Friday 26th August 2011.

The Hangi will cost \$15.00; it's so worth the money!

SO DON'T MISS OUT!

NAME	ROOM	No. ORDERS	TOTAL ENCLOSED

