



Newsletter 2 (Term 2) – 3 June 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers

By the time you receive our newsletter, Huanui College cross country will be over for another year. The annual running of the cross country has, in 5 short years, become an iconic event with the course being both challenging (toughest school cross country in Whangarei) and beautiful, traversing the farmland and bush surrounding the school. The views from the top of the hill are impressive as well - if you stop to catch your breath!

While we rightfully celebrate the respective winners of the various races during the day, just completing the course, improving on your time or placing from a previous year can be a personal victory and embodies our school motto. I am sure that some children dreaded the cross country and hoped their parents would provide a sick note. If that did not occur, and the cross country was duly completed, I am sure that your child has a sense of satisfaction and well-being in completing this challenging test. I wish all the qualifiers for the Northland Secondary School cross country all the best in the upcoming races. (Results of Huanui Cross Country on Page 5 of this newsletter).

With less than a week of teaching and learning before the first set of examinations for the year, students should be very much focused on the process and making full use of all the available resources on offer. After the examinations the marking and reporting process begins. Students should reflect on the marks they receive and develop some goals for the second half of the year.

Next term, 30 Year 10 students will be travelling to the Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre (OPC) in the Tongariro National Park. This is an amazing opportunity for young people to develop values such as ownership, perseverance, personal integrity, courage and compassion. OPC has been a life changing event for several generations of New Zealanders. This experience does not come without cost and it can be an expensive exercise for some families in our school community. If you are able to help with sponsorship (full or partial) of a student to go to OPC this year, or would like more information, please contact Phi Wilson at school.

The final Cambridge external examination timetable for IGCSE, AS and A2 level students will be attached to the next newsletter. Kindly note: Students will receive their own individual timetables after Mrs Young has made the entries late in August 2014. These dates cannot be changed and students will not be able to sit their examinations at any other time.

Students who require reader/writers for the examinations based on reports from SPELD or an educational psychologist will be required to pay an examination surcharge, which will be invoiced along with the examination fee later in the year.

Peter Ackers – PRINCIPAL

KINDLY NOTE

Huanui College has a new policy this year with regards to the selling of chocolates and other fundraising activities that are not school-related. The policy states that individual students are not to sell any items at school for their own fundraising efforts.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS: Congratulations to.....

... **Harriette BAXTER** played in the Tennis Northern Easter Tournament at Albany and came 3rd in the 12u girls singles and 4th in the 14u girls doubles.

... **Richard YOUNG, Tom and Ben ANDREWS** took part in the Auckland Concert Band competitions last weekend and achieved a Silver Medal.

ADMINISTRATION:

Phi Wilson

Uniform - Winter sees a change in shoe wear and the appearance of scarves, socks and stockings. We have a good amount of stock on hand of all these items. Please have your child fitted with correct uniform from our Reception.

Make-up: There has been a growing tendency for some students to push the boundaries and wear make-up to school, despite the school rules. Your help in ensuring that our standards are met, would be very appreciated. Students have been told that they will be required to wash any make up off before they can attend class and repeated disregard for any uniform rules will result in disciplinary measures. **Thank you in advance for your help.** We do have young juniors here who look up to our seniors and would imitate in a heart-beat if they could.

Traffic Safety: A reminder to parents and delegated student transporters – please do not park on the kerb outside the school office as this is where our students cross to the grove to meet their parents. The safest option is to park by the stone wall and have your child meet you, or pull in to the byway by the other classrooms. The most dangerous parking place is 20 metres either side of the big rock at the entranceway. Thank you for your consideration.

Staff Contacts: The last page of every newsletter has the staff members' contact details – email addresses. If at all possible, please use this mode of contact as the classrooms do not have telephones in them.

New Enrolments: At this time of the year, is when we start to make room in the filing cabinets for next year's new enrollees. If you know of anyone who is interested in attending Huanui College, please direct them either to our website: www.hc.school.nz or directly to Phi at admin@hc.school.nz

After School Tuition and Prep: Students are welcome to take advantage of the After School Tutorials and Prep that are listed below. The cost remains at \$10 per week for however many nights your child uses the services. It is vitally important that if your child is doing a Tutorial that you collect them by 4.30pm. Prep students are to be picked up by 5.00pm. Please don't be late, it intrudes on staff personal time.

After School Tuition:	Tuesday	Year 11 English	Mrs Smith
		Year 8 and 9U English	Mr Copeland
		AS Maths	Mr Waenink
Wednesday		Maths	Mr Waenink and Mr Dodd
		Art	Mrs Evans
		Business Studies	Mrs Young
Thursday		Art	Mrs Evans
		Graphics	Mrs Cole
		Year 10 English	Mrs Topper
		Spanish	Srta Peredo
		Years 12 & 13 English	Mrs Smith
After School Prep:	Tuesday	Mrs Boorer	Science Room
	Wednesday	Mr Thomas	Science Room
	Thursday	Miss Lyons	Science Room

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THERE
IS NO AFTER SCHOOL PREP OR
TUITION DURING EXAMS
5th June to 12th June**

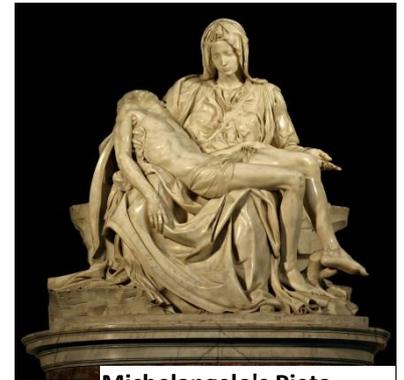
Gifted & Talented Excursion

THINK BIG! Sometimes it seems that all of the subjects that students learn are in isolation of each other – Maths is Maths, Science is Science, Business is Business. But what if everything we learn is actually linked, using Science in Business, Business in Maths, Maths in Science..... well that is exactly what 12 of our students experienced at the “More Big Ideas for Gifted Students” conference held at St Cuthbert’s recently. We listened to four lectures, namely: ‘Chaos & the Origins of the Universe’,



Vernice Young Assistant Principal

‘Justice, Truth, Beauty and Mathematics’, ‘Oxbridge question – Do you believe that statues can move, and how might you justify such a belief?’ and ‘Emotional Intelligence’.



Michelangelo's Pietà

These lectures really opened our eyes to the immenseness of the universe as well as the interesting topics that swirl around this universe. Three of the lectures were presented by Julie Arliss who is a Principal Examiner for Cambridge. The lecture on ‘Emotional Intelligence’ was presented by Jeffrey

Hodges who is a performance consultant. His ‘Champion Feelings’ remind us that we should choose to experience them every day: **joy, enthusiasm, purpose, determination, courage, focus, love, adventure, belonging, timing, power and gratefulness**. The conference finished with a ‘Big Debate’ about the precautionary principle. Students were encouraged to contribute and vote. Heemi Kapa-Kingi spoke eloquently in front of the entire group and the debaters in our group witnessed superb rebuttals from the floor. There were many excited debates on the way home, showing that the topics covered during the day were definitely interesting conversation starters. A ‘BIG’ thanks to Mrs Kapa-Kingi and Mr Gordon for driving the students down to Auckland. We are looking forward to another interesting ‘BIG THINKERS’ conference next year

Commerce Department

Vernice Young HOD

On Tuesday 20th May a number of Year 10 Business students participated in a ‘Business Scavenger Hunt’ through the CBD of Whangarei. It was a fun morning of discovery and learning. One of the requirements was to find out a piece of sage business advice from a local business. Some of these business gems were:

- Get qualifications, stay in school
- Be sure to always enjoy what you do.
- Have an effective business plan so that you don’t get side-tracked
- Listen to your staff, nurture them; invest in them. Up-skill and deal with problems as soon as they arrive.
- Customers are number 1. Your staff is number 1. Being in business is about looking after people.
- We live in a world full of people. Always treat people with respect, especially in business.

Congratulations to Shanae Kennedy and Ella Martin who found Tycoon Ted resting amongst the jewelry in Wild Poppy!



Scott Cameron a graduate of Agricultural Science and employee of Dairy NZ visited the Year 10 Business class on Wednesday 21st May. He delivered an information filled talk about the running of a dairy farm. The students were amazed at the many different aspects there are to running a successful business in the primary industry - finance, maintenance, animal health, soil science, pasture care, irrigation, milking to name but a few. The students will be taking part in the EPIC challenge offered by Enterprise New Zealand Trust. The challenge is simple – students research career options in one of the primary industries and then create a promotion campaign to market the career to young students such as themselves. There are a wide range of careers available in the primary industries eg. farmer, forester, grower, fisher, scientist, engineer, developer of precision farming equipment, IT expert, product designer, marketer, trade negotiator or policy implementer and many more. The students are also able to win prizes in this competition.



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MATHEX: This was held at Whangarei Boys' High School Assembly Hall, but hosted by Whangarei Girls' High School. Huanui College fronted Teams and the best results were:



Year 10 (3rd)
Connor Forbes,
Dougie Benton,
Ella Short
Toby Lengyel

Year 7 (3rd)
Jak Kelly
Seb Shi
Hajun Seo
Greg Hamlet

The team pictured left could have easily won a prize for table humour!

JUNIOR ENGLISH – Years 7, 8 and 9

Denise Irwin

Students should now be spending time revising for exams. Students will benefit by revising in short bursts: sessions of 15 – 20 minutes are most effective. Their teachers will have gone through the areas they need to focus on. It will help students if they have a plan! This will keep revision manageable and ensure all topics are covered.

Junior students are also working on speeches (three minutes) both at school and at home. They have received their topics, marking criteria and focus areas. Class speeches will be held in Week Eight. The speech finals will be held in Term Three – families are always encouraged to watch.

Reading also continues this term with students completing a short book response. This will be completed in class time. If you have any concerns please contact me at school. denise.irwin@hc.school.nz (Junior English)

WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE: Victoria University of Wellington: Information Evening Cafler Suite, Forum North, 6pm. All senior students welcome to attend. RSVP by calling 0800VICTORIA OR email course-advice@vuw.ac.nz

The article below was printed in The Northland Age – 27 May 2014. It contains 4 of our students – Eru, Heemi, Tipene and Torere Kapa-Kingi who are a strong force in the RAID movement.

Torere is on extreme left, Eru (our Head Boy) is 3rd from left, Heemi is 2nd from right with Tipene on extreme right.

RAID gives PRIDE a facelift

Northland Community PRIDE has had a facelift thanks to the inspirational design ideas of Ngati Hine Health Trust-supported programme the RAID Movement.

Earlier this month Raiders presented RAID PRIDE to Northland Intersectoral Forum (NIF) representative members Te Puni Kōkiri, the Northland DHB, the Manaia Health PHO and the Ministry of Social Development.

NIF supported and resourced The RAID Movement to continue to promote the Northland Community PRIDE messages - Protect, Respect, Involve, Develop, Educate.

Northland DHB communications manager Liz Inch, who was the Northland Community PRIDE champion for a number of years, said the RAID Movement was the perfect ambassador for PRIDE.

"They demonstrate all the attributes PRIDE stands for in their work with young people," she said.

"The new logo will appeal to a wide audience, and will be proudly worn by members of the RAID Movement as they go about their mahi in Te Tai Tokerau."

RAID is a youth movement that aims to address youth suicide in Northland, promoting the message 'Life Over Everything'.

Through support and comfort, Raiders help young people realise that life is the most important gift of all, spreading that philosophy by visiting schools and taking part in events in the community.

"NIF proudly supports initiatives that elevate the mana of our rangatahi, and the RAID programme clearly reflects the PRIDE practice and philosophy," NIF chairman Walter Wells said.

"RAID involves and is developed by our young leaders, to educate and protect their peers from harm.



PASSION FOR PRIDE: Northland Intersectoral Forum chairman Walter Wells (wearing the T-shirt with the original Northland Community PRIDE logo) and fellow RAIDers, experts in inspirational design. **PICTURE / SUPPLIED**

"The RAID programme deserves community-wide respect and support for the important mahi they do to eliminate youth suicide in Tai Tokerau."

Northland Community PRIDE week began in 2009, led by Northland police, to reduce crime and crashes in the region. However, it became clear that it had a broader message, about communities and individuals getting together to make Northland a great place to live and work.

NIF sponsored mass media marketing campaigns in 2010 and 2011 to lift brand awareness and gain greater resourcing. Northlanders were encouraged to join forces with the aim of building community ownership of community safety through people taking care of each other and taking pride in their communities.

Northland Community PRIDE

is now about looking after families, taking care the youngest and most vulnerable members of communities, getting to know neighbours, looking after visitors, looking after the environment, and recognising that young people are the future.

The Northland Intersectoral Forum comprises the Ministry of Social Development (Work and Income, Child, Youth and Family, Family and Community Services, the Ministry of Youth Development), the police, the Northland Regional Council, the Whangarei, Kaipara and Far North District councils, Te Puni Kōkiri, Housing New Zealand, Northland Inc, the Northland DHB, the Ministry of Education, the Department of Conservation, Sport Northland, ACC, the Department of Internal Affairs, the Northland PHOs, Corrections and NorthTec.

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS:

10 Year Girls – Amelia Hori-Elliott
11 Year Girls – Mia Gordon
12 Year Girls – Caitlin Ahlers
Under 15 Girls – Letty Hamlet
Under 16 Girls – Ella Harold
Under 19 Girls – Honor Hamlet

10 Year Boys – Brodan Stokes
11 Year Boys – Gregory Hamlet
12 Year Boys – Mana Harding
Under 15 Boys – Malcolm Young
Under 16 Boys – Louis Poot
Under 19 Boys – Matthew Young

ITINERANT MUSIC TEACHERS:

Piano: Carol Martin 4377 401 or 021 837 740
Guitar: Dave Meredith 4343 459 pr 0273 832 633
Violin: Sam Winterburn 4365 700
Bass Guitar: John Fraser 021 446 699

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) **Please contact these music teachers direct**
) **for times and costs.**



Finn Cook & Grace Pevats 1st to finish their re-usable food wraps. They will be on sale soon.

SPORTS RESULTS

Football - Girls: vs Pompallier 3-2 win
vs Dargaville 2-5 loss
Football – Boys: vs Rodney 5-1 win
vs Tikipunga 6-1 win

Hockey - First X1: vs Pompallier 4-0 win
vs Hora Hora 3-0 win
Hockey – Second XI: vs TAS 2-2 draw
vs KHS 0-2 loss

Netball:
Huanui Silver vs WGHS 32-11 win
Huanui Blue vs WGHS Snr 825-19 win
Huanui Navy vs WGHS 9 29-18 win
Huanui White vs KIS 19-18 win

Basketball:
Year 7 – 8 vs Soundcave 48-30 win
Senior Boys 62-06 win
Junior Boys vs Excellere Coll 17-20 Loss

NSSA Individual Squash:

Zoe Dykzeul – Runner up to the current NZ Under 19 Champ – Division 1.
Holly Cook – 5th in Division 2
Sam Dykzeul – 4th in Division 1

Northland Scholastic Surfing Championships:

Grace Pevats has competed in the first 2 of 3 rounds of the Scholastic Surfing Champs and has placed 1st in the Under 14 Girls in both events. Grace has qualified to compete at the National Scholastic Champs being held in New Plymouth from 29 September to 3 October. Twelve regional teams compete at this event in Under 14, Under 16 and Under 18 age groups.

WIDER COMMUNITY

RAINBOWS END.....



The team at Rainbow’s End are hosting Night Rides series on 5th, 12th and 19th July and it will be a great opportunity for those brave enough to try out the new ride Stratosfear!

By promoting their Night Rides in our newsletter, we could win up to 30 Adult double complimentary passes to the park for the school to use as prizes.

Whangarei Motorcycle Club Inc: (Intermediate/Secondary School MX Championship)

Held by the Whangarei Motorcycle Club at the Ruakaka Sand track, 458 Marsden Point Road, Ruakaka.

Practice – Saturday 19 June and Racing – Sunday 20 June.

Entry form on Whangarei Motorcycle club website.

Please email Shannon.shepherd@lionco.co with any queries.

IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES – TERM 2, 2014 (Please be aware that some dates may be amended or added to, as required.)

June

- 4 ICAS Science
- 5 - 11 Mid-Year Exams (All school)
- 12 NSSSA Cross Country
- 16 ICAS Writing
- 17 ICAS Spelling
- 19 Red Cross presentation – Year 8.
- 21 Senior School Ball
- 26 Mataariki Celebrations
- 27 Red Cross presentation – Year 8.
- 30 BP Business Challenge – All Y11 and Y10 Business; Life Education – Years 7 & 8

July

- 1 - 2 BP Business Challenge – All Y11 and Y10 Business; Life Education – Years 7 & 8
- 2 Last day of Term. Reports are issued.
- 3 Teacher Only Day

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