



Huntly Primary School

Knowledge is Power – Matauranga Maramatanga

Newsletter

Date: 3 September 2025

Term 3: Week 8

School Roll: 186

Kia ora e te whaanau,

We are heading into an exciting end of the term with plenty of special learning opportunities for our tamariki. This Friday, Rooms 7, 8, 11 and 12 will attend Koroneihana, while the classes remaining at school will have their own Koroneihana-related experiences here at school. We are also looking forward to the rebooked Rangiriri trip on Friday 12 September for Rooms 7, 8, 11 and 12. Both of these experiences give our students the chance to learn more about our local environment, culture, and Aotearoa New Zealand history.

This week we also enjoyed a visit from the Duffy Theatre and held our Duffy Role Model Assembly. A huge thank you to our Duffy sponsors, Genesis Energy, for their ongoing support. Their team joined us at the assembly, and our students proudly modelled some of the pyjamas generously donated by Genesis. We were also fortunate to have guest role model, Diana Queenin, share her passion for fossils, bringing along some of her favourite pieces for us to explore.

It's going to be a busy finish to the term, and we are excited to see the wonderful learning and work our students produce as they deepen their knowledge of Kiingitanga and our local history.

Ngaa mihi nui,

Justine Brock - Principal

From the Office: [Pyjama Giveaway](#)

Yesterday we distributed pyjamas to the eldest child in the family.

If you haven't as yet returned your form and would like to take up this opportunity, please get this back to the office by Friday at the latest.

The most popular size was 13–14, and we are working on exchanging some of the smaller sizes so every child can receive a pair.



TERM 3 EVENTS

Week 8

5 Sept - Koroneihana Trip
(Yr 5-8)

Week 9

Maaori Language Week

12 Sept - Rescheduled
Rangiriri Trip

TERM DATES

Term 3 ends

19th September

Term 4 starts

6th October

Term 4 ends

15th December



Parents and Caregivers please join us each Monday for our PB4L Assembly in the Hall at 9.10am

Term 3 PB4L value **Wairua Pai** -
Having a good spirit

Ways to demonstrate Wairua Pai - Showing respect, Tikanga and Diversity

Acknowledge and participate in cultural practices (e.g., karakia, waiata, powhiri).

Respect different beliefs, backgrounds, and perspectives.



We had our annual visit from Duffy Theatre on Friday. It was a fun live show about Duffy and Scruffy's Aunt Ana/Uncle Ben who have some sad news, they need to move to Australia for their job! Duffy and Scruffy are devastated until Ana/Ben suggests they start a book club and write physical letters to each other as a way of staying in touch. The letters spring back and forward between Aotearoa and Aussie until one day when they mysteriously stop; Aunt Ana/Uncle Ben has gone missing!

Scruffy thinks they know why and is ready to solve another mystery. It was a great opportunity for our tamariki to see and be involved in a live performance. The characters were full of energy making this an engaging positive event for our tamariki. Our own Jordy Day enjoyed being part of it.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR

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The Public Health Nurses will be at school this term to provide dose 2 of the HPV immunisation for the Year 8 students who parents/caregivers consented earlier in the year. If your child is absent there will be a catch up planned within 3 weeks. If parents have any queries or changes contact the Public Health Nurse directly:

Carole Pedersen
Ph 021 273 1579

Carole.pedersen@waikatodhb.health.nz



Enrichment Class Creates Soothing Aloe Vera Hand Scrubs!

Last week, our enrichment class was buzzing with excitement as we delved into the world of natural skincare and created our own aloe vera hand scrubs. The students had a fantastic time learning about the incredible benefits of aloe vera, which is packed with rich vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants. The most engaging part was the hands-on experience of making the scrub themselves. They discovered how to safely prepare the plant for various remedies, ensuring they were well-prepared for any future projects. A crucial step they learned was to always do a test patch before applying the scrub to their hands to ensure there were no adverse reactions. It was wonderful to see the students so enthusiastic about a project that was both fun and educational. They not only left with a great new hand scrub, but also with valuable knowledge about natural remedies and safety practices.

- Taliaina Itamura



Our students did us proud!

We're thrilled to share how well our tamariki represented Huntly Primary at the interschool cross country day. They ran with determination, showed great sportsmanship, and supported each other from start to finish. It was wonderful to see their hard work and training pay off, both on the track and in the way they carried themselves.

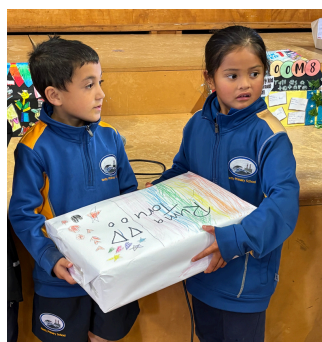
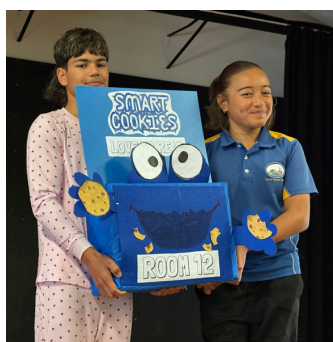
A huge well done to Khayla Guthrie for placing 3rd in the 10 - 11 year girls' cross country! She ran an amazing race, showing both determination and perseverance. We're so proud of her effort and the way she represented our school.

Ka mau te wehi – what an awesome effort from everyone!



GET FIREWISE

The junior school have been using the Firewise programme and teaching the message of 'Get down, Get low and Get out fast if in a fire. Two fire persons came and spoke to the classes to reinforce the message and what are the differences between tools for adults and toys for kids through a story and activities. It was great fun and the children were sent home with an activity book and sticker to put on the family safe meeting place. A follow up visit with the local Huntly Fire Brigade is being organised.



Our delightful decorated Boxes of Books 'The Gift of Reading'

This week every child received 2 books with thanks to our Duffy Books in Homes programme and our sponsors Genesis Energy.

Our special guest - Diana Queenin shared her love of the natural world. She showed us fossils, geodes and even a horseshoe crab shell.

Please spend time having a look at these books with your child and discuss and share the love of reading with them.



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