

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2025 / TERM 4 WEEK 3

Give it a Go, Respect, Excellence, Attitude and Teamwork

TERM 4 DATES

OCTOBER

Thurs 23	Strike Day
Friday 24	Hawkes Bay Anniversary—school closed
Mon 27	Labour Day—no school
Wedn 29	RANGITOTO lamb & calf day

NOVEMBER

Wedn 5	Guy Fawkes Night School Athletics Day
Mon 10	PALS in Dannevirke
Mon 17	BOT meeting at 5.15
Wedn 19	Interschool Athletics

DECEMBER

Mon 1	Forbes & Tippet relay
Thurs 4	DHS Open Day
Tues 16	School Prizegiving
Wedn 17	School closes at noon

From the Board: -

Monday night was the first stand alone meeting for our new board with Colin MacDonald as our new Presiding Member.

Jared Ranginui has been co-opted on so we now have a full board with five parent representatives.

Watch this space over the next few weeks as our new members introduce themselves.

From the Principal..

*Thank you for your understanding yesterday as we had to **close the school**. With the strong winds causing some damage, the school was deemed unsafe to stay open.*

*The **Community Flower Show** on Friday and Saturday was a great success. Thank you to everyone who participated in this. Our students enjoyed making their creations and having them on display.*

*There has been a **vast improvement with our uniform** over the last week. Thank you for checking uniform before your tamariki come to school. **Hats are still proving elusive** for some of our students. Our school hats are a blue bucket hat. **Students are not allowed out in the sun without one on.***

*As of Term One next year, we will be changing our **School Uniform Policy** to match all other schools in our district. Our uniform will change back to **black shoes/sneakers only for winter**. The uniform policy already states black sandals only for summer. Shoes will be plain back with no labels (e.g. Nike or Adidas etc). Socks will be black or navy.*

*Today we had a visit from our **Member of Parliament, Mike Butterick**. He enjoyed a walk around and meeting our fantastic students.*

*Thank you to our parents and whanau that have donated food items for our Whare kai. **Every donation is very much appreciated** and we incorporate it into our lunch in schools programme.*

*On the **29th -30th October**, the **Norsewood water system** is being flushed out. **All students will need a water bottle for these days** as the water fountains will not be available.*

*We rely on our systems to keep your children safe. We do need a phone number that will be answered and the correct address for your tamariki. In an emergency we need to be able to contact someone. **Please make sure your contact details are up to date.***

*Our **school athletics** will be held on the **5th of November**. You are welcome to join your tamariki for the morning. If anyone is available to help run a station, please let the office know.*

*Please remember that tomorrow is **NZEI Strike Day**. School will be open for **supervision only with minimum staff on site**. **Friday is Hawkes Bay Anniversary and Monday is Labour Day so enjoy the long weekend.***

