



HUNTLY WEST SCHOOL

Panui Week 8: Friday 23rd March, 2024

Kuhu mai ki te ako; Haere ki te Awhina
Enter to learn; Go forth to serve

Kia ora whanau,

Next Monday, the school will be closed early for instruction to allow our teachers to attend a paid union meeting. School will finish at 12pm. We appreciate your understanding and support.

We invite all whanau to join us for our Dance Off House Challenge on Wednesday 3rd April at 12pm. Everyone has been practising every week to put on a performance of a lifetime. Come and cheer on our amazing tamariki as they showcase their moves and feel free to boogie along with us too!

We've noticed a few students coming to school wearing incorrect uniform. We understand that the weather is getting a little bit cooler now, however as part of our uniform policy, we kindly ask that students wear plain black bottoms with no logos, our school polo shirt, and school hoodie.

In Te Whare Ahurei we have been learning about some of the local history that has taken place in Huntly, and in particular the 'Ralph Mine Disaster' that happened in the 1900's. The students have a good understanding of why there is a replica of the model poppet head in town signifying the memorial of those who sadly lost their lives in the explosion.

Home-school partnerships has a huge impact on student achievement. Thank you for supporting your tamaiti (child) with homework tasks to help them retain or practise the new skills that has been taught in the classrooms.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Naku noa

Whaea Nina



PRIDE VALUES Term 1

Respect and Excellence
'We value each other' and 'We work hard'

NAME POEM

By Thomas Strickland (Year 7)



T is for talented and being the best version of myself.
H is for hardworking and getting the job done.
O is for outstanding and giving everything a go.
M is for mindful, being thoughtful of my surroundings.
A is for amazing, clearly the best.
S is for smart, achieving every goal I set.

TERM 1 EVENTS

Week 9 Mon 25 th Mar. <i>PUM's Meeting</i> <i>School closed at 12pm</i>	Week 9 Good Friday & Easter Monday Easter Tuesday <i>Public Holidays</i>
Week 10 Weds 3 rd Apr. <i>House Challenge 12pm</i>	Week 11 Fr 12 th Apr. <i>Last day of Term 1</i>



BOOM! CRASH! BANG! On Saturday, 12th September 1914 at 7:20 am the Ralph Mine on Raynor rd. in Huntly exploded. This was caused by a miner's lamp igniting a gas given off by coal called firedamp. There were 60 miners at work that day, and sadly 43 passed away. The survivors who were lucky enough to live through this tragedy, had suffered from terrible burns and injuries. This was a sad day for Huntly, losing their husbands, brothers, uncles, and fathers which took a huge toll on the community.

By Jahziiah Davis.

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to all our PRIDE award winners this week.
We are super proud of your achievements.

