

Hurunui College



Science Field Trip

The Year 9 and 10 classes had a very interesting and enjoyable trip to the Waipara Gorge last Friday. They worked in groups to carry out a range of studies related to science and geography. Thanks to Mr Kelly for organising this field trip, and to the staff who accompanied him.

NCEA Exams

The NCEA exams come to an end this week, and the seniors will be able to relax now that the pressure is off. All that remains for the Year 11-13 students is to attend the prize-giving on 9th December. They need to be here at school by 10.45am.

End of Year

The end of the school year is a busy time as teachers complete final assessments, compile reports and cumulative records, prepare for prize giving, and try to get things tidied up stored away ready for next year. Any Hurunui College property that has been issued to students, such as text books, journals, readers, sports or other equipment, needs to be returned before the end of the year, please. Thank you for your help with this.

Year 9 - 10 Exams

The Year 9 and 10 students have exams in English, maths, science and social studies this Thursday and Friday. These exams not only help them measure their learning progress, but are also good preparation for NCEA in the years to come. I hope the students make the most of this opportunity.

Reporting

The Year 0-6 reports are currently being compiled and will be issued next Friday, 2nd December. The Year 7-10 reports will be sent home on Wednesday 7th December.

Right 'The Cow jumped over the Amuri Moon'. Congratulations to Ella Huxford for getting 2nd and 3rd in the 12-14yrs section at the Amuri Art Council annual art competition. The theme was 'Surreally Amuri'. Mr Zeinert also entered and was placed first in his age group.

Basketball

Congratulations to the Year 10 mixed basketball team on their performance at Cheviot on Tuesday. They had a close match against a bigger boys team, and lost narrowly.

Ron Ballantyne,
Principal



Week ending 25th November 2011.

This week's newsletter is sponsored by:

Bill, Maureen and Ben Bamford

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

News from the Board of Trustees

The final Board meeting of the year was held on Monday 21st November. The meeting opened with a presentation from Esmee Rowden, a Student Achievement Function practitioner from the Ministry of Education. The SAF practitioners are working with schools with more than 100 pupils initially, to assist them accelerate student progress, particularly with Maori, Pacifica and Special Needs students. The Board was pleased to accept this offer, and will work with Mrs Rowden in the new year.

The Principal provided a comprehensive report, which also included the final report on progress towards school goals and the review of the Special Education department. There was pleasing progress reported in all goal areas, with Goals 2 and 3 being achieved (implementation of restorative practices and building a more culturally inclusive school). Goal 1 was very ambitious, with the target of moving all students from Year 0-10 who were working below the National Standards in reading, writing and maths to be working at the standard by the end of the year. This required the targeted students to progress two or more curriculum sub-levels in a year, and while some students did achieve this, most students did not make this accelerated level of progress. However, over all our students are performing in line with the national norms in these areas when measured by asTTle tests.

The Board adopted Theft and Fraud procedure and considered adjusting the Concerns and Complaints procedure to reflect our restorative practices approach. This will be revisited in the new year.

The Board also went through the budget for 2012 and adopted it as presented. The Board thanked Mrs Topp for all of her work in preparing the budget.

This was the final meeting for Mrs Diane Costello, who has served the school and the community in this role for the last three years. The Board chair, Mr Kemp, thanked her for her contribution and presented her with a bouquet.

The agenda and minutes of the meeting are available in the Hurunui College and Greta Valley libraries.

HURUNUI COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION

DECLARATION OF PARENT ELECTION RESULTS

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| Allan Linda | 76 |
| Calder Kate | 31 |
| Earl Sharon | 81 |
| Invalid | 4 |

I hereby declare the following elected

Linda Allan

Sharon Earl

Signed Pat Manning, *Returning Officer*

SCHOOL NOTICES

Prize Giving

Our annual prize-giving will take place on Friday 9th December, starting at 11am sharp. All parents and friends of the school are invited to join us for this celebration of the students' progress and achievements during the year.

Students need to ensure that they have full correct uniform for the prize-giving.

Coming Events

Week 6

- 29 Helpers lunch
- 30 NCEA ends
- 1/12 Year 10 Music production
- 2 Amuri Sports; Year 0-6 reports issued

Week 7

- 6 Year 9-10 activities; Year 6 leadership celebration
- 7 Year 9-10 activities; Year 7 10 folios/reports issued
- 8 Prize giving set-up;
- 9 Prize giving 11am; last day of school

2012 Week 1

- 30/1 Hurunui College assembly; Classes commence
- 3/2 Tabloid Sports

DCD Takeaways (Dads Cooking Dinner) Pizza night this Friday night, 25th November. The Year 11-13 PE students are fundraising for next year's trip, your support is appreciated. Thanks to everyone who has already ordered. We are selling Hawaiian, Meat Lovers, Chicken, Cranberry & Brie, BBQ Chicken pizzas and garlic bread. Please place your order by texting/phoning Jenny Keeble, 027 223-9584.

PTA Christmas Raffle

Please support your PTA by sending a food item for the Christmas raffle.

Please send items to the Office by Wednesday 7th December.

Raffle will be drawn at

Hurunui College Prize Giving

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES for Sunday 27th November 2011

Anglican 10.00 am Horsley Down

Catholic 10.30am Culverden

Presbyterian 10.00 am Horsley Down

New Life Church:10am Waipara Memorial Hall. Crèche provided, Sunday School and Bible Class.

A HUGE THANK YOU to the following Plunket volunteers, who assisted with catering and bar work at a local wedding last weekend. You helped raise \$900 for Plunket Home Help in our district. Jo Hassall, Tina Longman, Jac Wright, Sarah Cassidy, Dom Oberholzer, Rachael Zino, Simon Taylor and Sam and Keri Zino.

WRESTLING NATIONALS 2011 Hayden Smith's intense training has paid off on Saturday 19th November at the inaugural NZ Grappling and Wrestling Championships in Kaiapoi. Congratulations Hayden on three gold medals – top in every section entered in. Hayden showed great skill and physical ability. Hayden clearly was an outstanding athlete on the day. Hayden also received special awards for grappling – most scientific junior male, also for Greco Roman and Freestyle. The Rangiora club received awards for the best junior grappling team and junior wrestling team. Old brother Jacob achieved two gold and one silver medal and also awarded most scientific senior male, for grappling and Greco Roman. An achievement of outstanding quality. Congratulations Hayden, may you continue down the path of success. **Thank you to all in our community who have supported Hayden, our National Champion!**

HAWARDEN-WAIKARI RED CROSS The last meeting for the year will be held in the Presbyterian Lounge, Hawarden on Monday 28th November at 2 pm. New members always welcome. *Thank you*

HAWARDEN TAVERN – OPEN!

Further to our recent updates the Hawarden Licensing Trust is delighted to advise our community that the Hawarden Tavern is now open. New licensees Casper and Carolyn have made a few changes and have future plans to do more. Last Saturday the Trustees and guests were invited to the Tavern for a “tasting” of the proposed bar menu. This menu consisted of a various favourites, including:

- a giant burger with a homemade pattie, bacon, egg, onion rings fries and salad.
- Cajun chicken sandwich with bacon, avocado, salad and fries. Chef's curry of the day with rice.
- Lamb fillet salad, feta, olives, sun-dried tomatoes, salad & dressing
- Seafood chowder in a toasted bread case.
- The “Melt”, a rump steak, on toasted garlic bread topped with melted cheese, salad & fries.

Plus the usual favourites of beer battered blue cod, salad & fries, rib eye steak with fries or potato gratin, salad or vegetables & a choice of sauces. There is a great range of gourmet & standard pizza. In addition there are assorted popular snacks available all day. The writer has no claim to be a food critic but my comment would be “Yum”! If the bar menu is anything to go by then the restaurant menu which Casper is developing should be great. He also expects to have a blackboard for “Today’s Chefs’ specials”. There is also a take away menu and the bar menu choices are also available for take away. Tavern opening hours are 11am till closing. We know everyone will be pleased that we have our tavern back once again and know the community will support it. Cheers! and Bon appetit!

HAWARDEN SWIMMING CLUB

The pool is open for the 2011-12 season. The Swimming Club thanks all the people who helped empty, clean and repair the pool. Special thanks to the Hawarden Volunteer Fire Brigade for their assistance. Over the winter, the Club, with support from the Hurunui College PTA had two sunshades installed, to provide some more shelter. Invoices are being sent to those families and individuals who have pool keys. Buying a pool key gives access to the pool during public opening times. If you do not have a key, you can pay \$1 per swim when a keyholder is at the pool to let you in. Keys are available from the Hawarden Library, Paul Munnerley or Bronwyn Gunn.

LEARN TO SWIM WEEK. 16 - 21 January 2012. Please contact Bronwyn Gunn (314-4411) for information or to book your places. Group sizes are limited. Minimum age for learners is 3 years (at the time of swim week). We will contact you in mid January to let you know lesson times.

| Children | Keyholders | Non keyholders |
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| 1 | \$15 | \$20* |
| 2 (same family) | \$30 | \$40* |
| 3 or more (same family) | \$40 | \$50* |

*Non keyholders can get a key for the week for an extra \$5.

JUNIOR HAWARDEN TENNIS CLUB All juniors playing Wednesday tennis competition please pay \$20 to team manager or Kate Jensen.

LIBRARY NEWS Enrolments for this year's summer reading programme, Be a legend - Read!, will be open from 28th November and the first day for check-ins will be 13th December. Children from new entrants to Y6 are eligible to enrol. Any questions, please phone 314-4652 or call in to see Susan in the library on Wednesday or Friday afternoons, or all day Thursdays.

HURUNUI COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Supper Room Waikari Hall. Wednesday 30th November at 7.30pm.

UNITED RUGBY CLUB AGM

Tuesday 6th December 7.30pm at the Hawarden Tavern. All members most welcome. Apologies to Bridget Frame 314-4665

HURUNUI YOUTH PROGRAMME

For Years 7-13 school aged youth

The Hurunui Youth Programme presents top NZ/International speaker **Marcus Akuhata-Brown**. For one lunch time only **Wednesday 7th December 2011, Amuri Area School in the Culverden Community, 11.30-12.30pm. Gold coin entry at the door**. Marcus inspires people to see themselves and the world in new ways – to realise the potential of each person to do small things with great care and humanity

Open to all - Youth, Parents and Community

Hurunui Youth Council Applications for the 2012 HYC are now open. Are you: 15-21 years old, a resident of the Hurunui District, wanting to make a difference in your community. If you are interested in being a member then collect a form from your school office or library or contact Sammy 027 427-1087, hyp@hurunui.govt.nz



Sunday 4th December 2011, 10-4pm

A wide variety of local products on offer including

- PLANTS
- CHILDRENS APRONS,
- HOMEWARES - CUSHIONS
- CLOTHING –ADULTS AND CHILDRENS
- HOME PRESERVES
- POTTERY
- GARDEN ORNAMENTS
- JEWELLERY
- KNITTING
- HOME SPUN KNTTING
- CHRISTMAS CAKE DECORATIONS
- LIVE MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE DAY

COME AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL MARKET DAY.

Proceeds for development of Stocks Reserve
Raffle 1st - Iced Christmas Cake, 2nd - Grocery Hamper, 3rd - Voucher The Rocking Frog, 4th - Waikari Bakery.

Please support the further development of Stocks Reserve. Hurunui Gateways Promotions Association.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

A Cracker of an Event! Saturday 10th December
2- 8pm, Hawarden Hall. A special display of Christmas Trees
decorated by local groups and businesses
Christmas Grotto, Music, Christmas Shop
City mission Christmas tree
(please bring a gift to place under this tree)
Children's Scavenger Hunt
Santa arrives 2pm with Lolly Scramble, stays until 5pm
Drinks and nibbles for sale all day
Community Christmas Carols 5pm
Food for sale 5.30pm onwards
Proceeds go to the parish of Glenmark-Waikari
and a percentage to the City Mission.

HAWARDEN-WAIKARI PRE SCHOOLERS CHRISTMAS PARTY

To All Pre-schoolers in Hawarden-Waikari area
Date Tuesday 13th December 2011
Time 10.30am - 12.00pm
Place Hawarden-Waikari Playcentre
Please Bring a plate and a \$5 Christmas present for you own
child/children.

COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING

THE LUNCH LADY *Treats for Christmas* Order forms are
out now, in the post, at the Hawarden Four Square and in the
Waikari School newsletter. You can choose from:
★Scrummy Box, large and small ★Christmas Selection Boxes,
★Mini Box, ★Brandy Snap Cones, ★Bag of Truffles and
★Gingerbread House Kits.
Please order by Tuesday 29th November. Orders can be collected
from my stall at the Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 10th Dec.
I will have tastings of White Chocolate & Raspberry Cheesecake,
ready to take orders for Christmas.
Nicky Huxford 314-4429 027 344-8943.

Want something Different for your Xmas function?
Play DUTCH GOLF. You can even have lunch or a
barbecue with, before or after. Check www.thedutchstation.co.nz
or call 314-2200.

HANDY MAN Lawn Mowing. Weed Eating. Gardening.
Wood Chopping. \$12 per hour. Anything considered.
Phone Simon 021 254 3584.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE

Children's Equipment Safe N Sound boosters seat, Triang
Trailer for Triang Trike, John Deere Trailer for toy, John
Deere tractor (or similar). Table suitable for pre-schoolers.
Excellent for train sets etc – large size. Phone 314-2136.

Computer Desk with shelves. \$50. Phone 314-4508.
Beautiful Black Female Labrador Puppy Aged 8 weeks.
Please ring Hanna Mason 314-4510.
Free Range Eggs Fundraiser for 2012 Wellington trip.
Can deliver to Hawarden. Phone Grace 314-2533.
Heading Pups Plain eyed, well bred.
Phone B Dalzell 314-4415.

GARAGE SALE

13 Princes Street, Waikari 26th and 27th November. Tools,
fishing rods, boat oars, books, kitchen stuff. Single bed frame
(red). Printer, keyboard, mouse. Baby clothes, birth – 1 year.
Baby buggy (used twice).

WANTED

Wanted to buy: School Uniform For next year, Year 7 blue
and white check dress, size 12, PE shirt size 12. Would also
be interested in winter skirt and polar fleece. All in good
condition please. Phone 314-6016.

Urgently wanted by Kakariki Class: Shoeboxes, coloured lids
of 2L icecream containers, netting bags fruit comes in.
Please send to office or Room 2. *Thanks, M McKenzie.*

REAL ESTATE

Cottage For Rent 3 bedroom. Good condition. \$160 per week.
Scargill Valley. Phone Kathy Murray 314-3832.
For Sale: Waikari Character House On 1048m². View to
north on private sheltered section. \$200,000. Phone 314-
4543.

EMPLOYMENT

Work Wanted Any manual work—gardening, wood chopping
etc. \$12 per hour. Hawarden-Waikari area.
Please phone 314-2354.

CONTACT DETAILS

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| <i>School</i> | Phone | ph 314 4430 |
| | Fax | ph 314 4559 |
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TE ARA 2011, HURUNUI COLLEGE MAGAZINE

Orders are now being taken.

Magazines will be distributed at Prize Giving, Friday 9th Dec.

Please return order with payment \$10.

Name:.....

The magazine is a great collection of student's work, photographs and 2011 recollections.
Limited numbers, so order yours now!